

24th February 2019
7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

OUR COMMUNITY NEWS

Parish Child Safety Officer
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Information for special parish events (BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, FUNERALS) Please contact Anne Beer on 5349 2168 or 0417 369 322

Recent Deaths:

We pray for the recently deceased.

Anniversaries:

Andrew Pretty, Frank Duke, Laurel Stewart,
Warren Giri, Paddy Duke, Maureen Kirsanovs,
Sylvia Stewart, Alan (Tige) Baulch, Allan Torney
Jan Wereszczuk, Doreen Cameron, Bill George

Pray for all these friends of ours who are ill

Pat Byrne, Margaret MacDonald, Grace Molloy,
Roger Molomby, Kerry Mulcahy, Fr Adrian
McInerney, Shelagh Mulcahy, Blake Dridan,
Shirleen Trengove and all those in need of prayer.

ROSTERS

Introduction & Readings:

Today: Gerrard Family
3rd March: Bernadette Franc

Prayers of the Faithful:

Today: Gerrard Family
3rd March: Charlie Franc

Assembly Leaders:

3rd March: Anne Beer & Maurice Barwick

Special Minister:

Today: Gail Hall
3rd March: Peter McPhan

Music:

Today: John Forster
3rd March: Sue Mahony

Church Cleaning, Linen & Flowers

3rd & 10th March: Chandler Family

Church Grounds:

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March: Carmel Milenkovic 5349 2197

Mass Times next week:

SUNDAY 3rd March –

Beaufort	10.00am LLA
Smythesdale	6.30pm Saturday
Linton	9.00am Sunday
Skipton	10.30 am Sunday

Pope's monthly prayer intention:

"For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence".

New Collection Notice

Teachers for Timor / East Timor Collections.
Parish Council has recently decided we will now take up 4 collections per year for the Teachers for Timor Project. This will be on the 2nd Sunday in March, June, September and December.

Upcoming Diocese Dates:

1st March: Women's World Day of Prayer

Plenary Council 2020

Submissions for the Plenary Council are open until 6th March, 2019. Bishop Paul has filmed a short video which can be viewed on the diocesan website

www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

Catholic School Parents Victoria are holding *Listening and Dialogue* Sessions on Wednesday, February 27, 2019 at St Patrick's Cathedral Ballarat Mary Glowrey Room. There are two sessions; 1pm – 2.30pm & 5pm – 6.30pm. All are welcome to attend.

Ethical purchasing of Easter Chocolate

In 2015 Pope Francis said that "every person ought to have the awareness that purchasing is always a moral – and not simply an economic – act." Cocoa is a key ingredient of chocolate. Much of the chocolate sold in Australia is made using cocoa beans picked by children, many of whom have been enslaved or forced to work in exploitative conditions. Most of these children have never even tasted chocolate. To buy slavery-free Easter chocolate look for any three certification symbols on the wrapper. If you have any questions access ACRATH at <https://acrath.org.au/slaveryfree>.

A Prayer for the Plenary Council

Blessed are you, God of all creation. You have given us life and light and all the wonders of the world. You have sent your Son Jesus to be our Saviour and your Holy Spirit to be our guide. As we prepare for the plenary council, we ask you to come into our hearts with your Son and Holy Spirit. Come to us and make your home in us. We pray for our local community, for the people of our diocese and for the Church throughout Australia. May your wisdom show us the way, for your word is a lamp for our feet and a light for our path. Come and fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in us the fire of your love, that we may live by your gospel and share your good news with all we meet. Holy Mary, Mother of our Saviour, pray for us. St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.