

10th March 2019
1st Sunday in Lent

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

Fred Glare

Anniversaries:

Jobez Sterry, Veronica McMahon, James Hines, Phyllis Setori, Yolanda Pereira, sunny Packman, Bill Clarke, Joan Carland, Jack Bowd & Monica Bell.

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: Bernadette

17th March: John Jess

Prayers of the Faithful:

Today: Sue Mahony

10th March: Maurice Barwick

Assembly Leaders:

17th March: Sue Mahony & Jim Mahony

Special Minister:

Today: Anne Beer

17th March: Peter McPhan

Music:

Today: John Foster

Church Cleaning, Linen & Flowers

17th & 24th March: Therese Jess & Bernadette Franc

Church Grounds:

17th & 24th March: John Jess & Bill Franc

Newsletter

March: Carmel Milenkovic 5349 2197

Mass Times next week:

SUNDAY 17th March –

Beaufort LLA 10.00 am

Smythesdale 6.30pm Saturday

Skipton 9.00 am Sunday

Weekday Mass Times:

9.30am Mass

Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday & Sat

Upcoming Diocese Dates:

Mass of the Oils: Monday April 15th.

At the front and back of the church is a letter from Bishop Paul regarding Cardinal Pell. Feel free to take one.

LENTON REFLECTION group will continue to gather each Wednesday in Lent at the Parish Centre at 2pm unless further advised. All welcome

Giving Lent 100%

Project Compassion is Caritas Australia's annual Lenten fundraising and awareness-raising appeal. Millions of Australians come together in solidarity with the world's poor to help end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity.

100% Determination: Week 1

Twelve year old Thandolwayo would walk seven kilometres each day, threatened by crocodiles, to collect contaminated water for her family. It looked like she would never realise her hope of finishing her education and becoming a nurse, until a Caritas Australia supported Project created access to clean water helping Thandolwayo to stay at school and achieve a future full of hope

Project compassion material is available at the back of the church. Lives change when we all give 100%

Let us welcome Lent. In so doing, we will receive the much needed grace it offers and be made ready to celebrate the Resurrection. Let us enter into the desert with and in Jesus, and overcome the devil.

SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

In the Scriptures, the desert or the wilderness is a place of great deprivation and hardship. We sometimes hear of people undergoing a 'dark night of the soul' or a 'desert experience'. It can be a time of testing. Often these experiences, however, lead to a new understanding of God or a renewed faith, in much the same way that God led God's people through the wilderness to the Promised Land.

DID YOU KNOW?

*Numbers are often significant in the Bible. The number forty denotes an extended period. Thus in the story of Noah, rain falls for forty days; the Israelites wandered for forty years in the desert; and both Elijah and Moses fast for forty days before an encounter with God.

*Lent, a time of fasting, prayer and giving for all Christians, also runs for forty days and is a special time of final preparation for people who will be receiving the sacraments at Easter.

Use the response to today's psalm as your prayer this week:
Be with me, Lord, when I am in trouble.