



Newsletter



St Peter's Daylesford: Sunday Mass 10.30am

St Augustine's Creswick: Sunday Mass 8.45am

St Joseph's Blampied: Midland Hwy (no longer a mass centre)

"We are a Child Safe Parish"

Parish Staff: Parish Priest of Daylesford & Creswick: Fr Gary A Jones

Parish Admin: Leonie Bird

Parish Office: Phone 53018161 -Daylesford (Wed, Thursday, Friday) 9.30– 4.00pm **Safeguarding Officer:** Leonie Bird

Parish Primary School: St Michael's Daylesford -Ethan Corfee & St Augustine's Creswick -Terry Brennan.

Parish Emails: creswick@ballarat.catholic.org.au ; daylesford@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Website: ballarat.catholic.org.au

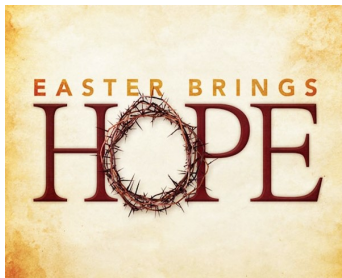


Recent Death: Ken Green (Creswick), Ross and Andy Powell

Anniversaries of Death: Ronald Kilmartin, Ceanne Green, Betty Massingham, Iris Tinetti, Patricia Upham, David Baxter, Anthony McNamara, Joseph Van der Linden, John Scholten, Joseph Vleugel, Margaret Maher

Prayers for the Sick: Luke Taylor

Weekday Masses: Creswick Tuesday's 10am & Daylesford Friday's 10am



ROSTERS– St Peter's: The new roster is printed. Would all volunteers please collect a copy from the back of the Church. If you don't get a copy please contact the office.

St Peter's Pastoral Leadership Team & Finance Group: Please note change of date for next meeting– Wednesday May 29th at 4pm at the Parish Centre Daylesford.

St Augustine's Pastoral Council & Finance Group: Next meeting Wednesday 15th May at 7pm at School Staff room.

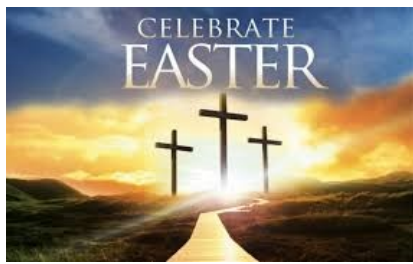
Mass Counts start on weekend 4-5 May: The Annual Diocesan Mass Count will take place over the 4 weekends of May commencing on the weekend of 4-5 May.

Volunteers for St Augustine's : Volunteers are needed to learn to become iPad operators. Full training will be provided. If you wish to learn a new skill please email Leonie at creswick@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Behrouz Boochani Video Night: Rural Australians for Refugees, Grandmothers against Detention of refugee Children, the House of Welcome and the Ballarat Refugee and Asylum Seeker Support Network invite you to a free, public, live video presentation featuring Manus Island detainee and author Behrouz Boochani on Wednesday, May 8, 2019 at the Eureka Centre, 102 Stawell Street South, Eureka at 6.00pm. Bookings at <https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/no-friend-but-the-mountains-with-behrouz-boochani-tickets-59807514887>

Biggest Morning Tea Event: Monday 13th May at 1030am, at Daylesford Bowling Club. Bring your family, friends and work colleagues and get together over treats and refreshments to help raise funds to support those impacted by cancer. Lot's of raffles and prizes to win. For more information contact Carol Collins on 5348 2366





REFLECTION by Greg Sunter

This passage can be seen as the gospel writer’s version of the Pentecost that was previously recorded by the writer of Luke-Acts. As the account of Pentecost in the book of Acts was already in existence, the gospel writer felt no concern about alluding to it in his version of the gospel story. The inclusion of this event in the gospel of John adds a ‘completeness’ to the gospel text – from the Word with God in chapter 1 through the ministry, death and resurrection of Jesus to this moment of charging his disciples with the task of carrying on his work and breathing on them the Holy Spirit.

It seems that the gospel writer wanted to bring the story to its conclusion. The idea of Jesus ‘breathing’ the Holy Spirit onto the disciples is an interesting one. The Greek word *pneuma* carried two meanings: breath and spirit. So to deliberately breathe on someone was to share one’s spirit with them. Jesus gives this act a greater meaning by declaring the spirit to be the Holy Spirit that will empower the disciples for the mission he is entrusting to them. The disciple Thomas has received a pretty raw deal from history.

The phrase, *doubting Thomas*, has found its way into our everyday language and condemns Thomas as the one who wouldn’t take the word of his fellow disciples but wanted to see the Risen Lord himself. However, rather than remembering Thomas for his doubt, we should remember Thomas as the one who makes the extraordinary declaration of faith, ‘My Lord and my God!’ It is Thomas, alone amongst all those who recognise the greatness of Jesus across the four gospels, who acknowledges Jesus as not just the Messiah, but God.



Last Week’s Collections: Two collections are presented after the Prayers of the Faithful. The 1st Collection is cash toward the Presbytery for the sustenance of our Priest – with a contribution of 13% to provide support for our retired priests and the Diocese. The 2nd Collection is the Planned Giving (envelopes) or cash for the administration of the Parish & general running costs.

Creswick Parish Collections: 1st Collection: \$884.90 2nd Collection: \$131.00 Good Friday \$177.90 **Daylesford Parish Collections:** 1st Collection: \$939.00 2nd Collection: \$238.20 Good Friday \$559.40 Easter Offering \$85.00 Project compassion \$254.60

Next Weekend Roster

Welcomer

Commentator

Reader

Offertory/Gifts

Ministers of the Eucharist

Projection Operator/ iPad Music

Sacristan

Counters/ Teams

Creswick Parish:

Kath, Don, Darren

Alastair H

Lois K

Kath, Don, Darren

Judy S, Josie R, Angeline T

Neil D/ Phoebe

Bernadette & Pat T

Daylesford Parish:

Brian D & Denise Mc

Gabrielle K

Leonard Family

Carmel B, Marie R, Trish T

Sandra W

Carol C

Jack B & Brian D