

Parish Newsletter



Parish Priest of Daylesford & Creswick

Fr Gary A Jones

Supervising Priest for Parish of Gordon

Parish Admin: Leonie Bird

"We are a Child Safe Parish"



Sunday Mass 10.30am

Sunday Mass 8.45am

Parish Office: Phone 53018161 -Daylesford (Wednesday- Friday) 9.30– 3.00pm **Safeguarding Officer:** Leonie Bird

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

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Recent Death: Kathleen Verbyla (Mother of Susan Verbyla); Keith King

Anniversaries of Death: Annice Genissieux, Marjorie Quin, Gladys Cheney, Matthew Saleeba, Yvonne Haintz, Jessie Stone, Thomas Dixon, Vincent Downes

Prayers for the Sick: Luke Taylor

Weekday Masses: NO TUESDAY MASS 21st MAY FOR CRESWICK - Daylesford Friday's 10am



St Augustine's Crying Room: will not be available for Parishioners Sunday 26th May & 2nd June as the children of St Augustine's prepare for their sacrament of confirmation.

St Peter's Pastoral Leadership Team & Finance Group: Next meeting– Wednesday May 29th at 4pm at the Parish Centre Daylesford.

CAPSA National Week of Prayer and Action, 16-23 June 2019: A National Week of Prayer and Action for the Catholic Alliance for People Seeking Asylum (CAPSA) will be held from June 16 – 23, 2019. During this week, the CAPSA network (schools, parishes and organisations) will join together across the country to pray, advocate and raise awareness for people seeking asylum in our communities. Activities are focussed on the recent cuts to basic material and case management support for people seeking asylum. For more information go to <https://capsa.org.au/>

Mums 4 Refugees (M4R) is a network of women working with and for people seeking asylum. We wish to work towards an Australia that is fair, just and inclusive and which treats asylum seekers and refugees with dignity and compassion. email mums4refugees@gmail.com



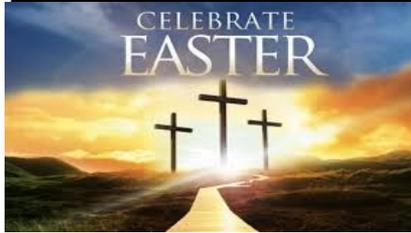
Sandra Whiffin from the St Peter's Parish would like to pass on her thanks for all the good wishes that were sent to her during her recent operation.



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: \$287.60 2nd Collection: \$287.00

Daylesford Parish Collections: 1st Collection: \$374.70 2nd Collection: \$120.00



Reflection by Greg Sunter. The passage from the Gospel of John actually comes from the Last Supper account, as is indicated by the opening line: 'When Judas had gone'. However, the passage is being used during the post-resurrection Easter season. The passage about being glorified can be read in this context as referring to the crucifixion that was, rather than the crucifixion that is

still to come in the original setting. The reference that Jesus will not be with the disciples much longer can also be read as an indicator towards the Ascension. It is a clever liturgical use of a gospel passage out of its intended context.

The second half of the gospel passage is perhaps the more familiar section. It is a common text for marriage ceremonies. However, sometimes its selection is purely based on the use of the term 'love'. Earlier in his ministry, Jesus was asked which commandment was the most important. He replied that you must love the Lord your God with all your heart and that you must love your neighbour as yourself. (Mt 22) The 'new' commandment that he issues at the Last Supper is not so much a new commandment as a variation on a theme. The newness highlights the changes that are occurring in the small group of friends. His language conveys an imperative: you must love one another, 'just as I have loved you'. He tells the disciples – and us – that the way they behave towards one another must be with the same love that Jesus treated them. And the love that Jesus gave was the love of God for all the world. So the love that Jesus commands the disciples (us) to show one another is nothing less than the powerful love of God. Have you thought? Love

I love my dog! I love your hair! I love that new song! I absolutely love chocolate! We throw around the word 'love' so casually today that it has almost lost its meaning. The decision whether or not to say 'I love you' in a relationship has become a major dilemma – or alternatively, just the formula that has to be said to get what you want! Jesus did not use the word so casually or so inappropriately. He spoke of love very deliberately and very specifically. Jesus calls us to share in the selfless love that he modelled and to follow his example.

<u>Roster-weekend: 26th May</u>	<u>Daylesford</u>	<u>Creswick</u>
Welcomer	Brian D & Denise Mc	Kath, Don, Darren
Commentator		Loretta K
Reader	Max O'S	Brian RW
Offertory/Gifts	Hilary & Martin C	Kath, Don, Darren
Special Ministers/Eucharist	Cheryl B, Ian T, Sandra W	Judy S, Angeline T, Roland K
Projector Operator/Ipad Music	Jonquil Q	Lois K, Neil D
Sacristan	Kath C	
Counting Team	Mick, Denise L, Vin & Lorraine H	Mick G & Peter G