

28<sup>th</sup> July 2019

OUR COMMUNITY NEWS

Parish Child Safety Officer

17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time.

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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:**

#### **Anniversaries:**

Joseph Ross Ford, Mary Collins, Mick McCarthy, Marjorie Oddie, Terry Dickson, Ian Smith, Joseph De Souza.

#### **Pray for all these friends of ours who are ill**

Pat Byrne, Margaret MacDonald, Grace Molloy, Roger Molomby, Kerry Mulcahy, Graeme Dawson, Fr Adrian McInerney, Shelagh Mulcahy, Blake Dridan, Colleen Hains, Valda Murphy and all those in need of prayer.

### **ROSTERS**

#### **Introduction & Readings:**

Today: Bernadette Franc  
Aug 4<sup>th</sup>: John Jess

#### **Prayers of the Faithful:**

Today: John Jess  
Aug 4<sup>th</sup>: Maurice Barwick

#### **Assembly Leaders:**

Aug 4<sup>th</sup>: Anne Beer & Sue Mahony

#### **Special Minister:**

Today: Therese Jess  
Aug 4<sup>th</sup>: Gail Hall

#### **Music:**

Today:  
Aug 4<sup>th</sup>: Sue Mahony

#### **Church Cleaning, Linen & Flowers:**

July 28<sup>th</sup>: Briody Family  
Aug 4<sup>th</sup>: Judy Franc & Carmel Milenkovic

#### **Church Grounds:**

July 28<sup>th</sup>: Briody Family  
Aug 4<sup>th</sup>: Charlie Franc & Peter Milenkovic

#### **Newsletter:**

July: Bernadette Franc. 0427678830  
August: Angela Gerrard 0439 565 468

#### **Mass Times next week:**

##### **SUNDAY August 4<sup>th</sup>**

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

##### **Weekday Mass Times**

9.30am Mass  
Tuesday, Wednesday, Friday, Saturday

**Springdallah Church** have for sale, 12ft length, hand carved church pews, anyone interested ph. 0407056795.

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#### **Bishop Paul Bird's 70th birthday**

A congratulatory card has been sent to Bishop Paul for his 70<sup>th</sup> Birthday from Parish Council, on behalf of St John the Baptist Catholic Community.

#### **Our Diocesan Community**

The second edition of ODC for 2019 is available for collection.

#### **Plenary Council – National Theme for Discernment #5**

How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is A Joyful, Hope-Filled and Servant Community? This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who expressed a yearning for the Church to be a sign of God's kingdom for all people in Australia – to be able to see the Catholic Church in action and to recognise Jesus.

Find out more at [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)

#### **Exploring the Word:**

The God of this gospel text is not a vague and distant God but one who is in an intimate relationship of love—that of a father. If ordinary parents know what is good for their children and want to give them all that is good, how much more will our Father in heaven give us what we need. Asking our Father for the things that we need (rather than the things we want) is an expression of our dependence on God. To ask is to place ourselves in a state of cooperation with God. We also have to commit ourselves to working towards that which we pray for or else prayer becomes a way of evading responsibility and we make God into some kind of Santa Claus.

#### **SYMBOLS AND IMAGES:**

In the Old Testament, God is often referred to as the Father of his covenant people, Israel, and as the one who will act to deliver his people. When Jesus addresses God as Father, however, he gives expression to his unique, personal, filial relationship to God. Through Jesus, the disciples are able to know God as a gracious and loving Father.

#### **Pray the Lord's Prayer.**

Pray it often and carefully this week.

Be attentive to each petition as you pray.

#### **UPCOMING FEAST DAYS:**

St Martha 29<sup>th</sup>, St Peter Chrysologus 30<sup>th</sup>, St Ignatius of Loyola 31<sup>st</sup>, St Alphonsus Mary Liguori 1<sup>st</sup>, St Peter Faber 2<sup>nd</sup>, St Dominic 3<sup>rd</sup>.