



St Patrick's, Stawell

# St Patrick's Parish Newsletter Stawell and Landsborough

23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time Year C

September 8th, 2019



St Francis of Assisi,  
Landsborough

**THIS WEEK:**

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**RECENT DEATHS:** Reglyn Dacillo (Philippines)

**ANNIVERSARIES:** Maggie Neville; Rita Seebuis; John O'Callaghan

**WEEKDAY MASSES THIS WEEK:**

Tues; Thurs: Fri 10.00am.  
Wed Eventide 10.30am

**CENTERING PRAYER:** Wednesday, in Hall, 2.00pm

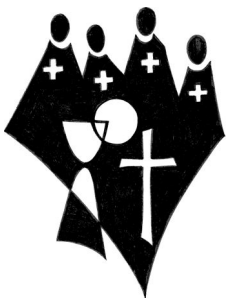
**CONFESSIONS** —Before or after 10.00am weekday Masses by request (i.e. – just ask Fr Eric.) ; 10.00am Saturdays; Landsborough—before Sunday Mass. Any other time contact Fr Eric 0419 597 063

**CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY—SEPTEMBER 8, 2019**

This weekend, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Child Protection Sunday, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. We recommit to practices that support survivors and make the Catholic Church and its ministries the safest possible place for children and vulnerable adults.

The Parish of **St Patrick's, Stawell** and the Diocese of Ballarat are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and vulnerable people in our community. May our message be that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult.

**A SHEET WITH A PRAYER FOR STRONGER COMMUNITIES, SAFER CHILDREN IS AVAILABLE AT THE DOORS OF THE CHURCH TODAY.**



**BALLARAT CLERGY SUPPORT FUND  
Collection for Sick and Retired Priests**

Last year our parish contributed \$ to this collection, which raised nearly \$47,000 throughout the Diocese. The collection in our parish this year has raised \$ 250.50.

The Ballarat Clergy Support Fund relies on your generosity to enable it to continue supporting our sick and retired priests. You are still able to contribute, by using the special envelope provided, or in an envelope marked "Ballarat Clergy Support Fund".

A credit card facility is available for your convenience, and contributions over \$2.00 are tax-deductible.

**CARING FOR THOSE WHO CARED FOR US – THE CHURCH COMMUNITY'S RESPONSIBILITY**

Envelopes for the BCSF collection should be with your Planned Giving Envelope Package. Loose envelopes are still available in the church for those not in Planned Giving.

**FINANCES LAST WEEKEND:**

Presbytery Collection \$ 422.40  
Parish Collection: \$ 808.00  
Loose Collection: \$ 51.50  
Clergy Assistance Fund Collection to date: \$250.50

Collection is for the clergy stipend, presbytery costs and support of the bishop and sick and retired priests. The 2nd collection is for the upkeep of the parish.

**GRAPHIC ARTISTS:** Looking for someone to design a parish logo for St Pats Parish. If anyone knows a creative artist/computer graphics person, please let Fr Eric know. This could be a task for a secondary student. Appropriate remuneration available.

**WORKING WITH CHILDREN CARDS AND POLICE CHECKS:** All parishioners who do any work for the church, voluntary or paid must have either a Police Check or a Working With Children's Card or both. Letters will be available to all Ministers, Committee Members, volunteers and employees who will need to arrange for one or other check. This is a parish expense. And people will be asked to contact Fr Eric who has the relevant documents on the parish computers. This is a great inconvenience, but is required by law. Parents of Altar Servers are also reminded that they must accompany their child while vesting in the sacristy, and that the Servers MUST sign in and out in the register provided in the sacristy. **Fr Eric vests in the church, and does not normally enter the sacristy while any child may be in there.**

**SICK LIST**

Noah Amarant; Kathryn Young; Glenis Leddin; Lourdes de la Cerna; Kath Hayes (Ballarat); John Delaney; Lynn Wright; John Jess; Simon Monas; Angela Moore; Kate Sargent; Yvonne Evans; Margaret Boag; Nigel James (Canberra); Ian Kindred; Sharron Pickering; Andrew Van Diesen; Benjamin Wolfson; Bernie O'Callaghan; Patty Fenwick; Robbie Loxton; Nicole Lee (Horsham); Brian O'Loughlin; Beryl Walsh; Shirley Gerritsen; Jordan Young; Steven Oates; Maree Parkin; Rosemary Chisholm (Bendigo); Harry Comitti, Doreen Duffy, John Dalziel; Mollie Barton

**NB: A Family member of the sick person must contact the Parish Office to have names added. They must also have the permission of the sick person if they are able to give it.**

**HUMOUR:**

A Bar Opened Opposite a Church.....  
The Church Prayed Daily against the bar business.

Days later the bar was struck by lightning & caught fire which destroyed it.

Bar Owner Sued the Church Authorities for the cause of its destruction, as it was an action because of their Prayer.

The Church Denied all Responsibility!!!

So, the judge commented,

"It's Difficult to Decide the Case because here we have a Bar Owner Who Believes in the Power of Prayer & an Entire Church that Doesn't Believe in it"

**NEWS:**

**CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE APPOINTS NEW MASTER**

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(FR KEVIN IS A NATIVE OF PORT FAIRY, AND WAS ASSISTANT PRIEST AT ARARAT SOME YEARS AGO. WE WISH HIM WELL IN HIS APPOINTMENT)

Catholic Theological College in Melbourne has a new master, with Rev Dr Kevin Lenehan appointed to the role vacated by Sandhurst Bishop-elect Shane Mackinlay. Source: Melbourne Archdiocese.

CTC College president and Melbourne Archbishop Peter A. Comensoli yesterday announced Fr Lenehan had been appointed Master of Catholic Theological College for a three-year term from September 16 to December 31 2022.

Archbishop Comensoli expressed the CTC Senate's gratitude for Fr Lenehan's readiness to undertake the responsibility and thanked the Diocese of Ballarat for making Fr Lenehan available for the position.

"I have great confidence in the expertise and experience that Fr Lenehan will bring to this role, and I look forward to his contribution to Catholic Theological College over the years ahead," Archbishop Comensoli said.

"I also offer my deep thanks and that of the Senate, for the dedicated work and ministry of Fr Shane Mackinlay during his term as Master.

"Together, may we keep Fr Lenehan and Bishop-elect Shane Mackinlay in our prayers as they both move towards new paths in bringing our people to God."

Fr Lenehan was ordained a priest of the Diocese of Ballarat in 1993. He holds degrees from Monash University, Melbourne College of Divinity, and the Catholic University of Leuven, Belgium.

He is Senior Lecturer in Systematic Theology at Catholic Theological College, University of Divinity, and has been its associate dean (postgraduate and research) for several years.

His academic work is in the areas of fundamental theology, theological anthropology, religious education and Bonhoeffer studies.

**PROTECTING CHILDREN IS EVERYBODY'S BUSINESS**



**NEXT WEEKENDS READINGS:**

*(A chance to prepare ahead for next week's readings, especially for our Lectors)*

**Sunday 15 Sep 2019****Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time C****First Reading Ex 32:7-11. 13-14**

A reading from the book of Exodus

*The Lord relented and did not send the evil he had threatened.*

The Lord spoke to Moses, 'Go down now, because your people whom you brought out of Egypt have apostatised. They have been quick to leave the way I marked out for them; they have made themselves a calf of molten metal and have worshipped it and offered it sacrifice. "Here is your God, Israel," they have cried, "who brought you up from the land of Egypt!" I can see how headstrong these people are! Leave me, now, my wrath shall blaze out against them and devour them; of you, however, I will make a great nation.'

But Moses pleaded with the Lord his God. 'Lord,' he said, 'why should your wrath blaze out against this people of yours whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with arm outstretched and mighty hand? Remember Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, your servants to whom by your own self you swore and made this promise: I will make your offspring as many as the stars of heaven, and all this land which I promised I will give to your descendants, and it shall be their heritage for ever.' So the Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

**Responsorial Psalm Ps 50:3-4. 12-13. 17. 19. R. Lk 15:18****(R.)** I will rise and go to my father.

1. Have mercy on me, God, in your kindness.

In your compassion blot out my offence.

O wash me more and more from my guilt

and cleanse me from my sin. **(R.)**

2. A pure heart create for me, O God,

put a steadfast spirit within me.

Do not cast me away from your presence,

nor deprive me of your holy spirit. **(R.)**

3. O Lord, open my lips

and my mouth shall declare your praise.

My sacrifice is a contrite spirit;

a humbled, contrite heart you will not spurn. **(R.)****Second Reading 1 Tm 1:12-17**

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

*Christ came to save sinners.*

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, and who judged me faithful enough to call me into his service even though I used to be a blasphemer and did all I could to injure and discredit the faith. Mercy, however, was shown me, because until I became a believer I had been acting in ignorance; and the grace of our Lord filled me with faith and with the love that is in Christ Jesus. Here is a saying that you can rely on and nobody should doubt: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. I myself am the greatest of them; and if mercy has been shown to me, it is because Jesus Christ meant to make me the greatest evidence of his inexhaustible patience for all the other people who would later have to trust in him to come to eternal life. To the eternal King, the undying, invisible and only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

**Gospel Acclamation 2 Cor 5:19**

Alleluia, alleluia!

God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;

and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. Alleluia!

**Gospel****Lk 15:1-32**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

*There will be joy in heaven over one sinner who does penance.*

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them.' So he spoke this parable to them:

'What man among you with a hundred sheep, losing one, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the missing one till he found it? And when he found it, would he not joyfully take it on his shoulders and then, when he got home, call together his friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," he would say "I have found my sheep that was lost." In the same way, I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine virtuous men who have no need of repentance.

'Or again, what woman with ten drachmas would not, if she lost one, light a lamp and sweep out the house and search thoroughly till she found it? And then, when she had found it, call together her friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," she would say "I have found the drachma I lost." In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing among the angels of God over one repentant sinner.'

He also said, 'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery.

'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father. 'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate.

'Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant, "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But, for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property – he and his women – you kill the calf we had been fattening."

'The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it was only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found."

## ROSTERS:

### LANDSBOROUGH (8.30AM):

**This Week** (September 8)

Readers: B G Browne/M Browne

Processions of Gifts: B G & W Browne

Ext. Minister: Betty Amarant

**Next Week** September 15)

Readers: J Murphy/C Browne

Procession of Gifts: Betty Amarant/J Murphy

Ext Minister: C Browne

**Next Week Church Care:** September 7 K Vance

**Church Grounds—** September VOLUNTEERS PLEASE

### STAWELL:

**This Week** (September 7) 6.00PM

**Welcomer:**

**Readers:** D Jones/J Raeburn

**Ext. Ministers:** A De Leon/N Rathgeber

**Procession of Gifts:** J Croton

(September 8) 10.30AM

**Welcomer:** E Driscoll

**Readers:** D O'Donnell/M R Thomas

**Ext. Ministers:** K Dalton/F Harney/S Enriquez

**Procession of Gifts:** Cain/Rutter Family

**Next Week** (September 14) 6.00PM

**Welcomer:** N Rathgeber

**Readers:** M Howard/N Rathgeber

**Ext. Ministers:** M Howard/S Howard

**Procession of Gifts:** M Smith Family

(September 15) 10.30AM

**Welcomer:** P Gooden

**Readers:** I Sturt/K Dallinger

**Ext. Ministers:** J Van Diesen/H Potter/V Enriquez

**Procession of Gifts:** P Gooden

**Counters: Today:** T & A Ellis

**Next Week:** J Raeburn

**ALTAR SOCIETY :** Next week: Margaret & Di

### MARY'S STATUE:

September 7—14 G & G Pickering; 15-21 H Proud; 22-28 N & E Musumeci; 29—October 5 N Rathgeber.

### NOTES FOR MINISTERS AT MASS:

*Extraordinary Ministers, part of your duty is to clean the Sacred Vessels in the sacristy after Mass and prepare them for the next Mass—fill wine and water cruets, etc. Sacred Vessels are to be left prepared on the bench after Saturday Evening Mass, ready for the Sunday morning Mass. Put filled cruets in the fridge.*

*Scripture Reader and Extraordinary Ministers are meant to process with the priest at the start and end of Mass. Reader carries the Lectionary to the Sanctuary at the start of Mass, but does not carry it out at the end.*

**ALL MINISTERS SHOULD TRY TO BE AT THE CHURCH AT LEAST TEN MINUTES BEFORE MASS AND ADVISE THE PRIEST THAT YOU ARE THERE. THIS GIVES HIM TIME TO ARRANGE A SUBSTITUTE IF THAT HAS NOT ALREADY BEEN DONE. ALL MINISTERS ARE TO PROCESS IN AND OUT WITH THE PRIEST AND SERVERS.**



All who do not renounce their possessions cannot be my disciples



### WEEKEND MASSES YEAR C

**Stawell:** Saturday 6.00pm

Sunday at 10.30am.

**Landsborough:** Sunday Mass at 8.30am.

### WEEKDAY MASSES (YEAR 1):

Tues; Wed; Thurs; Fri 10.00am. 2nd & 4th

Wednesday of Month-Eventide-10.30am. (Check front of Bulletin for any changes to this routine.

**Funeral Masses take the place of weekday Mass)**

### RECONCILIATION:

Stawell: Saturday 10.00 am, before or after each weekday Mass (by request) or by appointment at any time. At Landsborough: Before 8.20 am Sundays

### MEETINGS & GATHERINGS:

Prayer Group: Every Monday, 1.30pm.

Cuppa tea Stawell—2nd Sunday after Mass;

Landsborough—3rd Sunday after Mass.

St Vincent de Paul: 3rd Monday 2.00pm in Parish Hall.

CWL: 3rd Wednesday commencing with 10.00am Mass.

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[www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au)

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