

OUR COMMUNITY NEWS

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

26th Jan 2020

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Fr Marcello Colasante
(Administrator of Beaufort Parish)

Information for special parish events (BAPTISMS, WEDDINGS, FUNERALS) Please contact Anne Beer on 5349 2168 or 0417 369 322

Recent Deaths: Peta Watson

Anniversaries:

Rene Miles, John Fraser, Jack Flemming, Peter Paul Cushing, Jim Armstrong, Ted Sullivan, George Mulcahy, Francis Gallagher, Michael Pearce, Jean Slater and Manuel Fernandes.

Pray for all these friends of ours who are ill

Pat Byrne, Margaret MacDonald, Roger Molomby, Graeme Dawson, Blake Dridan, Fr Adrian McInerney, Shelagh Mulcahy, Valda Murphy, Michael Wise and all those in need of prayer.

ROSTERS

Introduction & Readings

Today: Maurice Barwick

Feb 2nd: Anne Beer

Prayers of the Faithful

Today: Anne Beer

Feb 2nd: Sue Mahony

Assembly Leaders

Feb 2nd: Maurice Barwick, Angela Gerrard

Special Minister

Today: Anne Beer

Feb 2nd: Gail Hall

Music

Today: Sue Mahony

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Church Cleaning, Linen & Flowers

Feb 2nd – 9th: Briody Family

Church Ground

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Newsletter:

February: Angela Gerrard 0439 565 468

Mass Times next Sunday:

SUNDAY FEBRUARY 2nd

Beaufort LLA 10.00 am Sunday

Smythesdale Mass 6.30 pm Saturday

Linton Mass 9.00 am Sunday

Skipton Mass 10.30 am Sunday

CATHOLIC MISSION DIARIES:

We will soon have available, copies of the 2020 Catholic Mission Diaries. Watch this space!

Upcoming dates:

Sunday, Feb 2 – The Presentation of the Lord

Wednesday, Feb 26 – Ash Wednesday

We welcome **Fr Marcello Colasante** today as our Parish Administrator. Marcello will be our regular celebrant for our 8.30 Masses and we look forward to making him feel welcome in our community. He can be contacted at Ballarat North on 5331 1012 or by email: ballaratnorth@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Plenary Council Delegates from the Diocese of Ballarat.

Bishop Paul is inviting us to nominate delegates from our diocese for the sessions of the Australian Plenary Council to be held in 2020 and 2021. Copies of Bishop Paul's letter are available through parishes, through the diocesan website at www.ballarat.catholic.org.au Nominations need to reach Bishop Paul by Friday, February 7, 2020

PRAYER FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY BUSHFIRE AND DROUGHT:

(An adaption of the prayer for rain during the month of November)

Eternal God, In wisdom and love you created our earth to sustain us and give us life.

We turn to you now in faith, hope and love, asking you to look with favour on our fire ravaged and drought-stricken land, on our starving and displaced animals, on our failing crops and burning farms, towns and forests.

Strengthen, sustain and give new heart to our farmers and to all who are affected by drought; be with those who support them. Strengthen and comfort the victims of the fires, those who have lost family, friends, property and stock.

Protect our volunteer firefighters and all members of emergency services. In your loving providence, send abundant rain to quench the fires and to restore our parched earth.

Father of all compassion, hear our prayer through Jesus Christ your Son, in whom the promise of new life has dawned, and through the power of the Holy Spirit, the Lord the giver of life:

Renew your faithful people; Renew the face of the earth.

Our Lady of the Southern Cross, Mary, help of Christians – Pray for us. St Mary of the Cross MacKillop – Pray for us.

New Rosters:

Please collect your new roster and thank you to Anne Beer for completing this very important role. Please feel free to contact Anne if you are available to fill in for any of the ministries that we provide.

Lenten Reflection Materials: have been ordered and will be available for \$10. Please indicate to Anne Beer or Bernadette Franc if you would like to be involved in the reflection group sessions.