

Parish Newsletter



Parish Office: Leonie Bird Phone 53018161
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"We are a Child Safe Parish"

Safeguarding Officer: Leonie Bird

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Parish Priest: Fr Gary A Jones- Also visiting Priest for: Wendouree & Ballarat North

Parish School Principal: St Michael's Ethan Corfee; St Augustine's Terry Brennan.

Sunday Mass times: Creswick 8.45am & Daylesford 10.30am

Country Church: St Joseph's Blampied ; St Francis Xavier Chapel Eganstown Cemetery

Recent Death: Annie O'Brien 97yrs
(Daylesford)



Anniversaries of Death:

Creswick- Maria Jager; Yvonne Haintz; Jessie Stone; Benjamin Lockyer; Thomas Dixon.

Daylesford- Annice Genissieux; Marjorie Quin; Gladys Cheney; Matthew Saleeba.



Paul McMahon

**PUBLIC LITURGICAL CELEBRATIONS
ARE CANCELLED UNTIL FURTHER
NOTICE.**

MASS ON LINE

You can participate in a Mass online

<http://bit.ly/MassOnDemand>

<https://melbournecatholic.org.au/Mass>

www.wordonfire.org/daily-mass



CORONAVIRUS UPDATE

NOTICE FOR PUBLIC ENTERING ST PETER'S CHURCH

St Peter's Church has moved to ensure preventative measures are put in place to slow the spread of Coronavirus (COVID-19) for public entering into the Church.

Funerals- a maximum of 20 people indoors may be present at a single time.

Weddings- a maximum of 10 people indoors may be present at a single time.

Private prayer-a maximum of 10 people indoors may be present at a single time.

**PLEASE ENSURE A DISTANCE OF AT LEAST 1.5 m BETWEEN
ATTENDEES**

(St Peter's will clean with disinfectant before and after services.)



REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

We live in hope because we have been blessed with the opportunity of participating in the exaltation of Jesus. This hope is based on promises: the promise that we will not be left orphaned when Jesus returns to his Father; the promise that we will be comforted by the Spirit whom Jesus will send. It is trust in God that enables us to live in this world as if the promises have already been fulfilled, for in fact, it is precisely such living that fulfils them.



We have not celebrated the Ascension, and yet all three readings speak of the Spirit. The same Spirit, who quickened the resurrected life of Jesus, enlivens us. This Spirit strengthens, comforts, guides and inspires us. Life in the Spirit requires that we conform our lives to the commandments of God, not in a legalistic or constraining way but out of love. The love that comes to us through the Spirit will then overflow into the lives of others, and we will be agents of God's love in the world.

The Spirit given by Christ is mediated through the laying on of hands. This still happens in our day in the gentle touch of friends, in the loving touch of parents, in the healing touch of those who cure both the body and the spirit. The liturgical year is preparing us for the Ascension of Jesus into heaven, and Jesus is preparing us for life in the Spirit here on earth. This is the reason for our hope.

CURRENT OFFICE HOURS:

The office hours have changed and are as follows:
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 9am to 2pm.



DIOCESE NEWS

Week of Prayer and Christian Unity 2020

The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity in Australia will be observed from May 24-31, 2020 in the week between Ascension and Pentecost. This year's theme, "They showed us unusual kindness" (*Acts 28:2*), calls us to move from shared prayer to shared action and remembers the historic shipwreck of Paul on the island of Malta. It calls us to a greater generosity to those in need. Resources are now available at the website [The Week of Prayer for Christian Unity](https://www.ncca.org.au/faith-and-unity-resources/wopcu). <https://www.ncca.org.au/faith-and-unity-resources/wopcu>

Message from Pope Francis to Pray the Rosary in May

Pope Francis has asked Catholics to make a special effort to pray the Rosary during May and has composed two new prayers asking for Our Lady's intercession to help end the COVID-19 pandemic. Gto the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

COVID 19 Fee Relief for School Families: The Catholic Education Office Ballarat have provided information for families experiencing difficulty paying school fees during the COVID-19 crisis. See the video on their website <https://ceob.edu.au/>

Heart to Heart e-Seminars : Archbishop Chris Prowse, Canberra-Goulburn Diocese, is presenting these 30 minute e-seminars over four weeks, leading you into a deeper relationship with Christ during this time of isolation <https://www.catholicvoice.org.au/hearttoheart/>