

Planned Giving Envelopes

This year we have not ordered a set of new Planned Giving envelopes as we were not sure when "things" would get back to normal.

We have a number leftover from other years that we could use and it would save the Parish \$500.

To this end, to ensure there are enough envelopes for the parishioners who still would like to use them,

- If you have started to give by EFT that you continue to do this. Please email me at the parish email and I will re-issue a new Planned Giving number to you (for EFT payments)
- If you feel you still would like to give via envelopes please also let me know, and I will endeavor to get envelopes to you. These envelopes might not have the correct date, however just cross out the date and place the correct date on them. Also you might consider using 1 x envelope for 2 or 4 weeks worth of giving and just indicating on envelope how many weeks you are giving on the envelope. For example; if you give \$5 per week, instead of using 4 x envelopes, maybe save the \$5 each week and place into one envelope and indicate on the envelope 4 x \$5.

Thank you for your assistance in this process and if you have any questions please contact myself by email portland@ballarat.catholic.org.au or my mobile 0417269190. Regards Antonella

Planned Giving - End of Financial Year

The end of financial year is quickly approaching, so can you please ensure that your planned giving is up to date over the next month. We realise there can many pressures and hardships during this time on family finances so we do appreciate your support of our Parish financial responsibilities. I will not be able to print out statements until July, if you require any information on you individual planned giving please contact me by email.

For all who would normally give weekly with cash in your envelopes, we ask if possible, to do the following:

- Organise EFT contributions through your personal online banking
- Go directly to National Australia Bank (NAB) 64 Percy Street Portland and request that they deposit into the Parish and/or Presbytery accounts.

Details are below. **Please make sure that your name and envelope number are recorded.**

Planned Giving for Parish Account

Given last week, inc. EFT: \$ 1, 534.00

Pledged Amount \$62,400

Total YTD 2019/20: \$ 59,994

Total YTD 2018/19: \$ 63,345

Direct deposit payments for planned giving and donations can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

Account Name: Portland Catholic Church
BSB: 083 532
Account No. 5159 81661

Presbytery Account

Priest support: inc. EFT \$ 206.00

Direct deposit payments for the presbytery account can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

Account Name: All Saints Presbytery Portland
BSB: 083 526
Account No. 24476 6002

LEAVING A GIFT IN YOUR WILL

All Saints Parish has been present at most of the important milestones in your life: your Baptism, your First Communion, at times of great celebration and at times of great sadness.

By leaving a gift to your Parish in your Will, you will leave a legacy of faith – a legacy to help ensure that the mission and pastoral outreach that has been important to you will continue both for today's needs and for those of our children, our grandchildren and beyond.



28th June 2020

13th Sunday
Ordinary Time
Year A



Weekly Mass Times 01/07 to 05/07

Portland - All Saints

Wednesday: 5.00pm Mass

Friday: 10.00am Mass

Saturday: 6.00pm Mass

Sunday: 10.30am Mass

Please note: Each Parishioner will need to book which mass they would like to attend for that week. Booking will take place by calling Fr Greg on 0475 512 530.

Recent Deaths:

Maria Godrik

Anniversaries:

Jane Atchison, Jock Campbell, Tom Kearney, Augustina Clark, Philip Walsh, Bob Harders, John Baulch, Betty Henman, Olive Jennings, Robin Zelec, Catherine Porter, Betty Day, Neil Tait, Rowan McIndoe, Rev Patrick Bohan

Prayer Requests:

Bruno Cancian, Margaret Couttie, Noela Clifford, Les Hildebrand, Nicky Schultz, Claire Jesser, Lea-anne Bourke, Rudy Legray, Michelle Mutch,

If you have any prayer requests please contact Antonella at the Parish Office; for privacy reasons only Next of Kin may ask for names to be added: Thank you

Baptisms by appointment with Fr. Gregory

1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday 10.30am or any Saturday 6.00pm vigil

Marriages by appointment with Fr Gregory Tait.

Sacrament of Penance By Appointment with Fr Gregory.

"The Spire"

All Saints' Parish

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Parish Secretary: Antonella Webstock

Wednesday & Friday 9.00am till 3.00pm

All Saints Parish is committed to Child Safety - our Child Safety Policy and Code of Conduct are on display on the Parish website and noticeboard in the Tower Entrance of the Church.

All Saints Parish Portland acknowledges the Traditional Owners and Custodians of the land on which our Parish Community meets, the Gunditjmarra people. We pay our respects to their Elders past and present and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation and constitutional acknowledgement of first peoples



Anyone wishing to receive Holy Communion at home, please contact Fr Greg on 0475 512 530

Jesus says, 'If anyone gives so much as a cup of cold water' to a disciple spreading the gospel, then their ultimate reward is assured. To give 'a cup of cold water' or 'a cold drink' to another person was the most basic act of hospitality or service. It is a metaphor for doing the absolute least service to another. Jesus is saying that even the most trivial act of service that recognises the work of the disciple will be welcomed and acknowledged. It suggests that 'practical loving kindness' is both the test and the result of discipleship.



You will be still able to watch online services at the following links:

St Patrick's Cathedral Parish, Ballarat:

Mass live streamed on [Patrick's Cathedral](https://www.facebook.com/PatrickCathedral) facebook page.

Mass Western Border Parish: Website www.westernborder.church or FaceBook page: [Western Border Catholic Parish](https://www.facebook.com/WesternBorderCatholicParish)

Mass for You at Home: This program has been allowing the faithful to participate in Mass from their homes for many years. Mass for You at Home is broadcast on Eleven and Network Ten on Sundays and Aurora Channel on Foxtel every day.

ACU brings the world to you: presenting Rev Prof Mark R. Francis in a free online public lecture, broadcast live from Chicago

The Australian Catholic University (ACU) Centre for Liturgy will host the President of the Catholic Theological Union, Rev Prof Mark R. Francis CSV in a free online public lecture broadcast live from Chicago, USA on Monday July 20 via Zoom: "The Challenge of Intercultural Liturgy in the Era of Pope Francis."

The ACU Centre for Liturgy has mobilised during this time of global pandemic to offer this free public lecture via a live virtual platform to connect those interested in liturgy to the worldwide scholarly conversation because face to face gatherings are impossible. The online platform opens up the lecture to a national audience.

Professor Francis is world-renowned for his scholarship on the relationship between liturgy and culture. Interest in this important reciprocal interaction has been revived under the pontificate of Pope Francis and in his lecture, Professor Francis will bring a unique and valuable perspective to the latest developments in this area of Church life. He is the author of *Local Worship Global Church: Popular Religion and the Liturgy* and *Shape a Circle Ever Wider: Inculturating the Liturgy in the United States*.

In July, Professor Francis will also teach a free online, one-time-only special studies unit in Liturgical Inculturation through the Faculty of Theology and Philosophy in collaboration with the ACU Centre for Liturgy on 6, 7, 9, 10 July.

The unit is offered at postgraduate level for students enrolled in Masters or Graduate Certificate programs in theology and religious education. Professor Francis's live lectures will also be available as a Professional Learning Seminar for liturgists, clergy, pastoral associates, Catholic school teachers, and all who have an interest in the fascinating and pastorally relevant topic of liturgical inculturation. Professional learners will participate in lectures and discussions but will not undertake assessment tasks.

Teachers who participate can apply for professional development hours at the Proficient level in most states and territories, making this Professional Learning Seminar one of the most widely-accredited ACU offerings ever.

Please email the ACU Centre for Liturgy at CentreforLiturgy@acu.edu.au with any questions or for further information.

Event: ACU Centre for Liturgy Presents: Rev Prof Mark R. Francis CSV "The Challenge of Intercultural Liturgy in the Era of Pope Francis" (free online public lecture)

Date: Monday July 20 from 10-11.30am (AEST) via Zoom

Registration is essential by 15 July 2020. Register: www.acu.edu.au/about-acu/institutes-academies-and-centres/acu-centre-for-liturgy/pastoral-training/event-registration-july-2020

Ballarat Diocese Lay Pastoral Ministry Program – Registrations now open

Low-cost online study and formation for lay workers in parish and other ministries; employed or volunteers. Sacraments, Scripture, Youth Ministry, Liturgy, Leadership and more. The next cycle begins July 12. Study is 5 weeks. Registrations open now until July 8. More information at www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or email kim.butler@ballarat.catholic.org.au or ph. 0407 523 424.

Media Release: 23 June 2020

Report identifies social services and infrastructure needs in Warrnambool region



Socially inclusive communities are the cornerstone of a vibrant, thriving society. Good access to public transport, open space, utilities, schools, churches, community amenities, social services and recreation facilities are important elements that build thriving communities.

There are, however, some rural and regional communities in Victorian that experience more disadvantage than others; where there are high levels of unemployment, lack of affordable and safe housing, low educational attainment, and poor-quality infrastructure and services.

Building on long standing engagement and consultation work conducted in Warrnambool in 2019, Catholic Social Services Victoria (CSSV) has released a report, *Social Service Infrastructure Needs in the Great South Coast and Surrounds*, which outlines the social service and infrastructure needs of rural and regional communities living in Warrnambool and surrounding areas. The report reflects the experience of people working in their local communities with individuals and groups who face isolation and disadvantage; circumstances that have been further exacerbated by the devastating impact of COVID-19.

According to Tony Fitzgerald, CEO of Centacare, Catholic Diocese of Ballarat, which provides services across the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat in the southwest and west of Victoria including the Wimmera and Mallee regions, "the report outlines that lack of housing is the biggest single issue facing the region. The low level of pensions and benefits, increasing debt, unaffordable rent levels and relationship breakdown has resulted in increasing numbers of people in housing stress and seeking housing and homelessness assistance."

"Furthermore, the cost of living pressure has increased the number of requests for assistance and emergency relief. Community meals and breakfast clubs are provided every day of the week by a range of service and community clubs, churches and schools across Warrnambool."

The report highlights that mental health is a significant factor for many people seeking assistance. There are few psychosocial mental health programs and people have to leave the region to receive ongoing mental health and specialist treatment. Long distances required for travel, plus the ongoing high costs of having a car, or using public transport further limits the ability of people to access health and specialist treatment.

"More than ever, communities in the Warrnambool area need particular assistance. For those facing significant disadvantage in the region, improving infrastructure would help to improve access to important housing, transport, health, welfare, education and employment services and opportunities," said Mr Fitzgerald. "Centacare Ballarat in conjunction with the Catholic community are working hard to address needs in the region, but there is more that could be done, if given the resources."

The report outlines a number of practical recommendations, which have been submitted to Infrastructure Victoria to assist in the development of their 2020 update to the state's 30-Year Infrastructure Strategy. These recommendations include the need to improve public transport, resourcing for social services and mental health services, and reducing homelessness and housing stress. Digital access and literacy must be improved to increase community connections, particularly for older people and those who are socially isolated.

Joshua Lourensz, Executive Director of Catholic Social Services Victoria says, "communities experiencing persistent disadvantage, need long-term and place-based solutions that address the underlying causes of disadvantage".

"This includes using a strengths-based approach that recognises and harnesses the strengths of the local community and engages the community in the planning and development of solutions to address disadvantage. Collaboration and the ability to be flexible are key to providing responsive and appropriate outreach services to rural and remote families. Importantly, infrastructure plays a vital role in facilitating access, engagement, connections and connectively in our communities.

"Given the ongoing economic impact of COVID-19, a substantial amount of ongoing unemployment, disadvantage and general economic recession is possible. Therefore, this is a timely opportunity for the Government to invest in necessary infrastructure improvement in the region. Catholic social services and the broader Catholic community will continue to work together with Government to address the issues of the region and will also continue to advocate for positive systemic change in a way that respects each person's dignity and preciousness, which are central to our tradition".

See the report at: www.css.org.au