

Other News

Finances Details for Stawell Parish

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Other News

Catholic Care Victoria

Victoria's bishops have announced the merging of CatholicCare Melbourne and Gippsland, Centacare Ballarat and CatholicCare Sandhurst, to form a new entity, CatholicCare Victoria from January 1, 2021. Statements and further information is available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/catholic-care-victoria/>

Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)

Information on the provisions for ceremonies and gatherings in places of worship for regional Victoria as at October 28, 2020 is available from the diocesan website "news" section www.ballarat.catholic.org.au.

On-line Lay Pastoral Ministry Program – Registrations now open

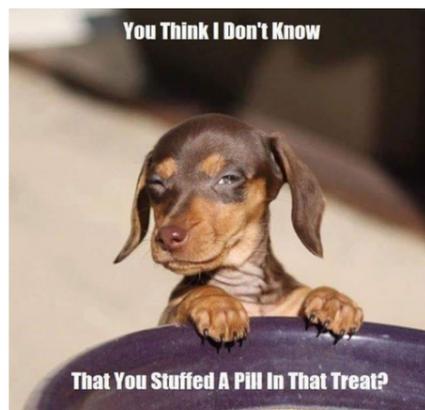
The Ballarat Diocese in partnership with Dayton University offer low-cost online study and formation. Subjects include Sacraments, Scripture, Youth Ministry, Liturgy, Leadership and more. There are a small number of subjects on offer in Cycle 8 which begins November 29. The first study cycle for 2021 begins January 3. Registration for both cycles is now open. More information at www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or email djurdja.klaric@ballarat.catholic.org.au or ph. 5337 7121.

Novel coronavirus (COVID-19)

Bishop Paul Bird CSsR has issued information regarding gatherings in places of worship now that restrictions have eased in regional Victoria. All updates are on the diocesan website "news" section www.ballarat.catholic.org.au.

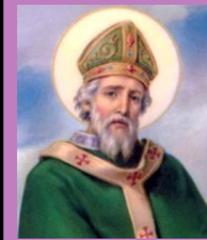
Prayers and Images in the Time of Virus

Following the success of Michael McGirr's *Trees in Solitude, Prayers and Images for Pentecost*, Garratt Publishing are pleased to present a complimentary second 'Trees' series from Michael – *Trees Without Masks*. Over the coming weeks these beautiful prayers and images will be shared. Download the prayers from the news section of the diocesan website www.ballarat.catholic.org.au.



Some days I amaze myself.

Other days, I look for my phone while I'm holding it.



St Patrick's, Stawell

St Patrick's Parish Newsletter Stawell and Landsborough

8th Nov '20

32nd Sunday in Ordinary
Time—Year A



St Francis of Assisi, Landsborough

Fr. Andrew Hayes

God was in the Gentle Breeze / Let Us In

This weekend we might hear the premier ease restrictions, and then they'll all be swarming out of Melbourne. Some will love it, especially people missing family and people running businesses who need the visitors and their money. Others will be fearful that they'll bring Covid with them. Two edged sword. Here in the parish office we're gearing up for more things to happen. We've started Masses again and meetings and the busyness is creeping in. People are getting ready and systems are slowly coming back on line. We're wondering whether we, in ourselves, are ready. Are you ready? Still a bit cautious? My encouragement is for people to take our time moving into the 'Covid normal.' Rushing madly as we did before is not how it has to be. It's still ok to go quietly. Actually, it's been nice. God was in the gentle breeze rather than the cyclone.

We're also thinking here this morning that it's important that we be nice and that we welcome our visitors from

Melbourne. Imagine coming out of the lockdown they've had and then coming out to the regions and not feeling welcome. A bit like the bridesmaids in the Gospel, "go and buy your own oil!" or again like the bridesmaids, just not being allowed in. So let's be ready, ready to be our welcoming selves, lamps full of oil waiting for the arrival of our special guests. I'll still be masking and sanitising and distancing. Covid normal.

Recent Death: Barry Shevlin

Twenty for Mass

Our twenty limit may change this weekend when the premier announces a further easing of restrictions, but for now: In Ararat parishioners can book in for Masses by placing your name on the booking sheets on the office door. In Stawell Gloria will organise the bookings.

CWL

The CWL meeting is on in the Parish Centre at 1.30pm on Tuesday Nov 10th. Covid restrictions apply. Please stay at home if you are unwell.

St. Anne's Grandmothers Club

Next meeting is on Wednesday Nov 11th at 2pm in the Parish Centre. Covid restrictions and numbers apply.

Mass this Week

Stawell: Tues to Fri 10am (no booking required)

Ararat: Thurs 12th 11am followed by lunch (book via the office door)

Mass Online

www.ballarat.catholic.org.au has a number of helpful resources Some of the links are listed here:

St Patrick's Cathedral Parish, Ballarat: Mass livestreamed daily from the Cathedral at 10.00am can be viewed there or on Facebook

St Mary Mackillop Parish, Western Border: Mass celebrated on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays, Fridays and Sundays can be viewed there. Follow their Facebook page

St Joseph's Parish, Warrnambool: Sunday Masses at 8.30am can be viewed there or follow the link on Facebook.

St Patrick's Parish, Camperdown: Sunday Mass at 10.30am livestreamed there.

Phone Lines

Victorian Coronavirus Hotline — 1800 675 398

If you suspect you may have the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) call the dedicated hotline – open 24 hours, seven days.

Older persons COVID-19 Support line — 1800 171 866

Translations for Victorian Government coronavirus website - www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/translations

1800RESPECT

Confidential information, counselling and support service for people affected by or experiencing sexual assault, domestic or family violence and abuse.

Relationships Australia — 1300 364 277

Support services for individuals, families and communities.

Australian Red Cross — 1800 RED CROSS

Vinnies Ararat Phone: (03) 5352 5560

Salvation Army Australia — 13 SALVOS

Covid Safe Plan & Buildings Inspection

Joyce and Emma are currently undertaking a Buildings Inspection Audit for all 4 Churches. Joyce is also in the middle of a Covid Safe Plan for the 4 Churches.

It will be advisable to call ahead to book a time in the office, as recommended in a Covid Safe Plan. So just to alert you of some more formal arrangements that will need to be made.

