

# Parish Newsletter



**Parish Office:** Leonie Bird Phone 53018161  
Daylesford (Wednesday- Friday) 9am- 2pm



**"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.

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

**Mass times:** **St Augustine's** Creswick: - Friday 12 noon      Sunday 830am  
**St Peter's**      Daylesford:-Thursday 10am      Sunday 10am

**Recent Death:** Bernard Righetti (brother of Lawrence Righetti)



**Anniversaries of Death:**

**Creswick-** Isabel McMahon; Helena Subers; Terrence Rieniets; Anne-Marie Block; Valda Moneghetti; Anne Griffin; Eileen Tacey; Margaret James.

**Daylesford-** Francis Frith; Pauline Caines; Richard Suckling; Francis Kelly; Joyce Mead; Felicia Vassallo; Eileen Dwyer; Katherine Wolf.



Bev Ryan; John Egan; Brad Fernando;  
Mabel McAdle

**OFFICE HOURS**

**NEXT WEEK**



*The office will be open Tuesday 15th, Thursday 17th and Friday 18th December.*

*The office will be closed Wednesday 16th.*

Bishop Bird has sent a letter re the new COVID restrictions announced last Sunday 6th December. We have attached a shortened version of it on the next page.

What this means for St Augustine's and St Peter's is that **we will stay** at the **current cap of 57** people per church, because we record your details manually.

Also a reminder when you write your name on the registration sheet, if you are a couple, please write each name next to a number, for example:

NO.23: Leonie

NO.24: Mark

**not** NO.23: Leonie and Mark

We need to count every person, thanks for your understanding.



### **Message from Bishop Bird re the new numbers for Church Attendance**

*Hello Everyone,*

*As you may have seen, the Victorian government has announced a further easing of COVID restrictions. From midnight tonight, Sunday December 6, Victoria will move to “COVIDSafe Summer Restrictions”.*

*There will be no overall limit on the number of people who can attend religious gatherings and ceremonies (including weddings and funerals). The **number of people** will depend on the **size of the church**.*

*If we keep the record **manually** (using pen and paper), the density quotient will remain at **1 person per 4 square metres**. If we keep the record **electronically**, using a QR (Quick Response) code, the density quotient can be **1 person per 2 square metres**.*

*Using a QR code requires people to scan the code using their smart phone camera. The QR code takes the person to a website where they enter their details. You can find information about the Victorian Government QR Code Service at [www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/qrcode](http://www.coronavirus.vic.gov.au/qrcode)*

***Wearing a mask** will no longer be mandatory in places of worship. However, wearing a mask is **recommended** when you cannot keep 1.5 metres distance from other people.*

*God bless you all.  
Bishop Paul*

### **VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES**

Please contact Leonie in the office if you would like to volunteer for the following.

#### **St Augustine’s Christmas Morning Mass**

- Data Projector
- Offertory
- Reader
- Special Minister(1 only)

#### **St Peter’s Christmas Eve Mass**

- Data Projector
- Offertory
- Reader
- Special Minister (1 only)