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**COVID Safe Plan**

- If you are feeling unwell or have any symptoms of COVID-19 (fever, cough or sore throat) please do not attend Mass.
- You no longer need to preregister for Masses. Please ensure you arrive 10 minutes before Mass to register your attendance.
- Contact tracing is required for all Masses. Please use the QR code on the door or sign the register in the foyer (please add your phone number if you are a visitor).
- Ensure that you maintain appropriate physical distancing at all times (1.5 metres).
- A face mask is optional whilst visiting the Church (you should carry it with you as per State Government guidelines)
- Please use the hand sanitiser available upon entering the Church.
- Please do not touch any surfaces unnecessarily.
- Once Mass has concluded, please leave the Church immediately afterwards to allow for cleaning of all surfaces.

We appreciate your assistance. In helping stop the spread of the virus.



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Judith O'Sullivan

Wed-Friday 9:00am –1:00pm

Our Safeguarding Officer:  
Peter Marquand

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Maree Roache

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**MASS TIMES (This week)**

**St Columba's**

Saturday 5.00 pm  
Wednesday 10:00 am

**Our Lady Help of Christians**

**Waubra** 1st & 3rd Sunday 8.30 am  
**Beaufort** 2nd & 4th Sunday 8.30 am  
**Lexton** 5th Sunday 8.30 am

**Wendouree**

Sunday 10:00 am  
Thursday 10:00 am  
Friday 10:00 am

**Readings for Next Weekend:**

Ez 2:2-5  
Ps 122. R. v.2  
2 Cor 12:7-10  
Mk 6:1-6



**27th June 2021 ~ 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time (B)**

**Focus on the Scriptures**

Jesus is on his way to fulfil the request of a named male synagogue official who has given voice on behalf of his ill daughter. Jesus is stopped in his tracks by an unnamed voiceless female who has been ostracised from the social and religious life of the town.

Part of her healing is to get her voice back. She tells Jesus everything and he addresses her with the beautiful title, 'Daughter'. Imagine the joy of this woman hearing such a term of affectionate relationship. Jesus went on: '... your faith has made you whole: go in peace and be healed of your disease.'

Jesus did not regard this as an interruption to his journey to heal the daughter of Jairus. Stopping was an absolute priority subverting the expectations and power structures of society. The healing presence of Jesus was, and is, radically egalitarian.

Perhaps we could take a moment to pray that we have the courage to touch the hem of Our Lord's cloak in Confession. There we can tell him everything which has left us ill-at-ease in our relationship with God, our fellow human beings and in ourselves. With confidence in his Divine power, we can ask him to heal the dis-ease in some part of our personality. Hear him respond: "Daughter (or son), your faith has made you whole: go in peace and be healed of your disease". Then, share in the joy of the woman of our Gospel story.



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**Responsorial Psalm:** (R.) I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death and brought us life through his gospel. Alleluia!

**Recently Deceased: We commend to God:** Sr M. Luke Kenna rsm, Peter Curran, John Moran

**Anniversaries: We remember:** Brian Kenna, Kevin Linane, Bill Dowler, Alice O'Donnell, Theo Harry, Bob Pywell, Jim Gercovich, Gary O'Connor

**We pray:** Those in need of our prayers; all the sick in our Parishes especially Fr Alex Lim, Pauline Howard, Dan Coutts, Jan Mullaly, and Pat Hogan. Children preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation and our RCIA candidates

**Vinnies launches 2021 Winter Appeal to support homelessness** As Vinnies responds to a growing demand for services following the end of Job Keeper and cuts to Job Seeker, the National Council of St Vincent de Paul Society in Australia is calling for donations to help support the rising number of people experiencing or at risk of homelessness, including children, which have all been exacerbated by the economic impact of the COVID-19 pandemic. The Society provides vital services and support for individuals and families facing financial hardship. With generous support from the public, Vinnies aims to maintain the dignity of those on the edge and restore hope to people who have fallen on hard times. To donate go to <https://donate.vinnies.org.au/winter-appeal>



**Alive in the Spirit Virtual Pastoral Ministry Conference** We are encouraged to engage in a special opportunity inviting us to experience new vision, new energy, new life as we become the community Christ calls us to be. "Alive in the Spirit", an innovative online pastoral ministry conference from July 8-10, 2021, will enliven and inspire our Catholic Church through a variety of keynote, workshops and enriching prayer and worship experiences. To register or find out more details, go to [www.aliveinthespirit.com.au](http://www.aliveinthespirit.com.au)

**The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust** offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. More information and Applications Forms are available on our website <https://pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholar-ship-for-lay-ministry.html> Closing Date 30 July 2021

**Celebrating 60 years of Catholic Education in Wendouree - Save the Date** Our Lady Help of Christians School, Wendouree will celebrate 60 years of Catholic Education in Wendouree on Friday, October 15, 2021. Register for event updates on the OLHC Wendouree school website [www.olhcwendouree.catholic.edu.au](http://www.olhcwendouree.catholic.edu.au) or by contact the school office, ph. 5339 4726

**Plenary Council Prayer Campaign** Fan the Flame: Towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021 "Do not be afraid; only have faith." Mark 5:21-24,35-43. While being conscious of the work to be done, we also have much to be thankful for. There are many signs of hope in that members of the faithful persevere with the practice of the faith... and are living their commitment to love of neighbour in myriad ways. (Instrumentum Laboris #193) [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthefflame/](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fanthefflame/)



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St Columba's 3rd July	(next week)	Sat 5pm
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SACRISTAN		Judith
COMMENTATOR		Peter Marquand
MINISTER OF THE WORD		Jennifer Adams
COMMUNION MINISTER		Maureen Eddy
OVERHEADS		Volunteer

**Position Vacant - Spiritual and Pastoral Carer** St Patrick's Cathedral Parish Ballarat invites applicants for the part-time position (15 hours per week) of Spiritual and Pastoral Carer. This ministry will be exercised primarily at Ballarat Health Services, including the Base Hospital and the facilities at the Queen Elizabeth Centre. Ballarat Health Services is the main public referral health service to the Grampians region of Victoria, with a catchment population of over 250,000 people. We are a Child Safe Parish following the Child Safe Standards outlined by the Victorian State Government, and implementing the policies, procedures and standards of the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat. Please contact the Cathedral Office for a position description and further information, 5331 2933 or [ballarat@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:ballarat@ballarat.catholic.org.au). Applications close Friday, July 2, 2021 and are to be directed to Fr Justin Driscoll, 3 Lyons St Sth, Ballarat 3350

**Praying with Pope Francis** The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network (Apostleship of Prayer) is an international movement that is more than 170 years old. Each month, the Pope puts forward a prayer intention and asks Catholics around the world to join him in prayer. These intentions cover all sorts of areas of life, encouraging faith, renewing hope and calling us to loving service. Praying each month 'The Pope Video' forms part of the Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network – view at [www.thepopevideo.org](http://www.thepopevideo.org). Pope's intention for June: June universal intention for evangelisation – the beauty of marriage: Let us pray for young people who are preparing for marriage with the support of a Christian community: May they grow in love, with generosity, faithfulness and patience.

**ACRATH Conversation Series** ACRATH is launching its Conversation Series on Wednesday, June 30, 2021 at 11.15am with "Companions in Conversation". You are invited to attend this online event and find out more about the work of ACRATH - work that is possible because of your support. Hear Kathy Fagan (WA) and Liz Payne (Victoria) talk about their work as Companions to trafficked women as part of ACRATH's Companionship Program. The Companionship Program began more than 13 years ago when ACRATH was approached by organisations, including Australian Federal Police, Red Cross, Anti-Slavery Australia and Project Respect. These organisations work with people who have experienced deep trauma and who need a Companion with whom they can talk about their day-to-day struggles. ACRATH has 13 trained and supervised Companions who offer support and friendship to 34 trafficked women and their 45 children. Two Companions also support groups of seasonal workers in Victoria and Queensland. For more information email [Office@acrath.org.au](mailto:Office@acrath.org.au)

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**Year of the Family** Pope Francis launched the "Amoris Laetitia Family Year" on March 19, the 5th anniversary of the publication of his Apostolic Exhortation *Amoris laetitia*, a document on the beauty and joy of love in the family. The year will conclude on June 26, 2022 on the occasion of the 10th World Meeting of Families in Rome with the Holy Father. The launch was a virtual event entitled, "Our Daily Love", organised by the Vatican Dicastery for the Laity, the Family and Life, the Diocese of Rome and the Pontifical John Paul II Theological Institute, all based in Rome. The event is available to view online at [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkI4OUXU7\\_LBguDrPZQKsng](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCkI4OUXU7_LBguDrPZQKsng)

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**Congratulations** to Darcy Emma Jenkins, daughter of Mitch and Krystal who will be Baptized at St Columba's during the Saturday evening vigil. We pray she will grow in faith with the loving support of her family, godparents and our Parish Community.



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