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### Finances

If you would like to donate to a parish, or use for your planned giving please see the details below.

Many thanks

#### Details for Ararat Parish:

Parish Account "Main Church Account"  
Westpac Bank **BSB** 033 201 // Acc 810035

Presbytery Account "Presbytery Account"  
Westpac Bank **BSB** 033 201 //Acc 810043

#### Details for Stawell Parish

Parish Account **BSB** 013 815 **Acc:** 286326347  
Presbytery Account **BSB** 013 815 **Acc:** 286326355

### Stawell R Code



Location Code **RE5 ZWJ**

You will need to have downloaded the APP onto your phone. It will not work if you just take a "photo" of the image above. There will be someone to help. But we would urge you to come 10 minutes earlier to Mass if you are unsure of what to do.



### Sea Sunday

Sea Sunday is the day set by many Christian Churches to remember, celebrate, pray for seafarers and their families and give thanks for their lives and work. Seafarers work tirelessly, even through a pandemic, in the high seas throughout the year bringing us more than ninety percent of the goods we need that sustain our population and economy.

In the Catholic Church, Sea Sunday is supported by Stella Maris around the world.

Parishioners have the opportunity to support this Catholic ministry through the Sea Sunday appeal. Its Stella Maris centres support seafarers' welfare, and provide pastoral care and hospitality.

Please visit the website: stellamarisaustralia.org and donate

### Joke

The interviewer asked old man Murphy on his 99th birthday the secrets to his longevity. Murphy replied, "For better digestion I drink beer. In case of appetite loss I drink white wine. In case of low blood pressure I drink red wine. In the event of high blood pressure I drink whiskey. When I have a cold I drink scotch." The interviewer was amazed and inquired, "When do you drink water?" "I don't." responded Murphy, "I've never been that sick."



# St Patrick's Parish Newsletter

## Stawell and Landsborough

### Sunday July 11th 2021

### 15th Sunday of Ordinary Time Yr B

### 'Sea Sunday'



As we celebrate, we acknowledge the Indigenous owners of the land on which our Churches are built, the Djabwurrung people, and we respect the presence of the spirits of their ancestors among us.

#### First Reading Am 7:12-15

Go, prophesy to my people.

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets.' Amos replied to Amaziah, 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."'

#### Responsorial Psalm Ps 84:9-14. R. v.8

(R.) Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

1. I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace, peace for his people.  
His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. (R.)
2. Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced.  
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. (R.)
3. The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit.  
Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. (R.)

#### Second Reading Eph 1:3-10

Before the world was made, God chose us.

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determined that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight. He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth.

#### Gospel Acclamation See Eph 1:17-18

Alleluia, alleluia!

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our hearts that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.  
Alleluia!

#### Gospel Mk 6:7-13

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark He called the Twelve, and began to send them out.

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals, but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

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#### REFLECTION by Fr Michael Tate

##### The Big Picture sets you free

As St Paul would have put it in terms of modern science, before the cosmos was big-banged into existence, before human creatures evolved over the aeons, before you were loved into existence through your parents, *God conceived of you*, 'God chose you in Christ'.

The universe was erupted into existence by Divine Ecstasy so that creatures might be drawn to evolve into human beings so that you, personally, might enjoy a wonderful destiny.

That destiny is to be an ensouled body totally transfigured by Divine Light, made radiant by Divine Energy, living through love in God's presence. That is the Big Picture, the 'Very Big Picture'. Grasp that, or rather be grasped by that, and it will enable you to do things you would otherwise not risk doing. One way could be that portrayed in today's Gospel. Jesus could say to his missionary followers: "take no purse, no haversack" because they had an interior freedom from anxiety about the future, a freedom generated from knowing that they had been divinely loved even before time began.

You might take a moment to pray for the courage to make a generous response to the truth spoken directly to you by St Paul. 'Before the world was made, He chose you, chose you in Christ.'

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**MASS TIMES**

	<u>Ararat</u> (Immaculate Conception)	<u>Stawell</u> (St. Patrick's)	<u>Lake Bolac</u> (St. Bernard's)	<u>Landsborough</u> (St. Francis)	<u>Glenthompson</u>
<b>Saturday</b>			<b>6.30pm—Sat Vigil</b>	<b>6pm—Sat Vigil</b>	
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>8.30am</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	of the 1st, 3rd, 5th Sun	of the 2nd & 4th Sun	<b>8.30am</b> (2nd & 4th Sun)

**Masses this Week**

Stawell: Tues to Fri 10am  
 Wed 14th: Lowe St 11am  
 Thurs 15<sup>th</sup> Hopkins  
 Ararat: 11am prayer with morning cuppa

**AGED CARE SCHEDULE**

<b>Eventide</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesdays 10am
<b>Lowe St</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesdays 11am
<b>Garden View</b>	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesdays 10.30am
<b>ARV</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday 10am

**Readings July 18th**

First Reading  
[Jer 23:1-6](#)  
 2nd Reading  
[Eph 2:13-18](#)  
 Gospel  
[Jn 10:27](#)

**Recent Deaths:**

**Anniversaries: July 12th – July 17th**

Liston Garrett 1948, Andrew Gambetta 1960, Alice Nicholson 1975, Peter Moran 1976, Bernice Austin 1980, Gueseppina Musumeci 1998, Eileen Cooper 2009, Ellen Devery 2002, Arthur Oates 1943, Charles Hooper 1956, Joan Ryan 2001, Patricia Gilliland 2005, Peter Smeaton 1989

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK:**

Kate Wilson, Sally Rook, Eloise Foo and Benjamin Wolfson, Julie Neale and Margaret Hassall

**A VOCATION VIEW**

In today's First Reading, Amos says he did not choose to be a prophet. God selected him. Maybe God is asking you to reconsider what you are doing and do His work instead.

**Pope Francis @Pontifex.com 2021**

Let us allow ourselves to be filled with St Joseph's silence! In a world that is often too noisy, that encourages neither recollection nor listening to God's voice, we are in such deep need of it. — Benedict XVI

**Stawell Notices**

**The CWL will be providing a cuppa after Mass today, Sunday 11<sup>th</sup>, for the parish. Everyone is welcome.**

**Ararat Parish Office**

The Ararat office will be open on Friday Mornings. From 10-12

If you have any notices for the bulletin please email: [ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

**Covid Rules**

**From Thursday night – here's the deal – not much is new**

Code in / wear a mask / 2 square metre each  
 We are required to QR code in Stawell and Ararat and have "marshals" at the doors, which we do – so that we can have 100 people at 2sqm  
Landsborough and Lake Bolac can hand write and still have 35 people at 4sqm  
Funerals: 2sqm = 100 people in Stawell and Ararat with 75 people in the smaller churches  
Catering: 2sqm = 75 in Ararat Parish Centre and too few to cater for a funeral cuppa in Stawell

For funeral cuppa's everyone must be seated at tables, with food and drinks served to the table, no gathering at the kitchen window. The CWL's in each parish can sort what you want to do there. Whether to cater or not and how to be compliant with the rules.

**Position Vacant**

Finance Officer / Parish Administrative Assistant

The Catholic Parishes of Ararat and Stawell are looking to appoint one or two new members to our parish team. One person may apply for both roles.

Finance and Compliance Officer (15 hours)

Administrative Assistant (6 hours).

The Finance and Administrative Officer will require a good working knowledge of Reckon or similar accounting software and be responsible for BAS, ATO and other regulatory compliance.

The Administrative Assistant will attend to receptionist and secretarial tasks and communication with parishioners such as weekly newsletters.

Please email your application to: [ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

**Discernment Seminar**

via Zoom & in-person, 14 x Tuesdays, 9.15am-11am (AEST), 20 Jul - 16 Nov 2021. This seminar focuses on the movements of God's Spirit and spirits not-of-God in our lives and in our ministries. Discernment of spirits and discernment of God's will are explored. The series is led by Paul Beirne (MA, MDiv, DMin, PhD, Cert Spir Dir, Supervisor: Australasian Assoc of Supervision), Director of Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation. Cost \$450. Book and pay via <https://www.trybooking.com/BSUVX>, email [secretary@heartoflife.melbourne](mailto:secretary@heartoflife.melbourne), or tel (03) 9890 1101.

**Year of St Joseph**

**Year of St Joseph Monthly Reflections**

Each month during the year of St Joseph, the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference will publish a reflection on the various aspects of St Joseph's life and character <https://catholic.org.au/yearofstjoseph>

**A new hymn in honour of St Joseph**

Australian Marist Br Michael Herry has written a new hymn, *One Quiet Man*, inspired by Pope Francis' proclamation of the Year of St Joseph. To listen to the song, please visit the Marist Music website <http://www.maristmusic.org.au/one-quiet-man-a-new-hymn-to-st-joseph>.

**A prophet is not welcome in their hometown**

Try to find these words

Carpenter    disciples    faith    hands    miracles  
 prophets    Sabbath    sick    son    taught  
 unhappy    wisdom

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