

**Liturgy Rosters:**  
Many thanks for the wonderful works you do!

**Weekend: 19th June**

**Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm**

Prayers: H. Webb  
Reader: P. Rowe  
Ministers: K-A. O'Keefe

**Sunday: 10.30am**

Prayers: I. Eichler  
Reader: M. Kearney  
Ministers: J. Sandeman

Please note: If you are rostered for a ministry you have been counted in the numbers attending mass. If you are unable to be at church for your scheduled ministry please contact Fr Greg.

**Next Weekend: 26th June**

**Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm**

Prayers: P. Rowe  
Reader: D. Kierce  
Ministers: M. Lambert

**Sunday: 10.30am**

Prayers: K. Loftus  
Reader: J. Sandeman  
Ministers: D. Arnott

**Church Cleaning:**

20/06 C. Legg

27/06 K. McNamarra, M. McGennissen

Note: All that is required for cleaning is dusting and a general tidy up. If there is anyone else willing to be put on the roster please email Parish Office: [Portland@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:Portland@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

## Our Finances

### Planned Giving for Parish Account

Given last week, inc. EFT: \$ 2,077

Target \$62,400

Total YTD 2020/21 \$ 57,557  
Total YTD 2019/20 \$ 55,783

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

## PRAYER

O God,  
you reveal the signs of your presence  
among us in the church, in the liturgy  
and in our brothers and sisters.

Let no word of yours  
ever fall by the wayside  
or be rendered ineffective  
through our indifference or neglect.  
Rather, make us quick to recognise  
your saving plan  
whenever we encounter it,  
and keep as ready always  
to serve as prophets  
and apostles of your kingdom  
Amen.

## 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.

If you would like to receive a weekly copy of "The Spire" by email, please send us an email and we can add you to a list of subscribers



20th June  
2021  
12th Sunday  
Ordinary Time  
Year B



### Weekly Services 22/06 to 25/06

Tuesday: 5.00pm \*\*No Mass\*\*  
Wednesday: 10.00am Mass  
Thursday: 10.00am Mass  
Friday: 10.00am Mass

All persons wishing to attend Fri/Sat/Sun services to contact Fr Greg as there is currently a 60 person limit on churches with 1 person per 4sq mtr. Recording attendees at all masses is mandatory. If your mobile phone has the right app please use the QR Code sign in to register your every attendance.

### Recent Deaths:

Timothy O'Meara, Sr Rosemary Kelly RSM,  
Fr Kevin Condon OP

### Anniversaries:

Maria Godrik, Br Dan Geary MSC, Jean Stuchbery, Vince Ryan, Sheila Brady, Marie Hills, Roy Hymes, Kirain Dalton, Genevieve Whitbourne, Margaret Saltmarsh, Ursula Turpie, Teresa Lynch, Patricia Harris, Marilyn O'Neil, Lindsay Tait, Isobel Perry

### Prayer Requests:

Margaret Couttie, Noela Clifford, Les Hildebrand, Nicky Schultz, Claire Jesser, Lea-anne Bourke, Michelle Mutch, Deanne Atkinson

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

### Weekend Mass & Sacrament of Penance times.

#### PORTLAND

Mass: Saturday 6.00 pm,  
Sunday 10:30 am

Baptisms by appointment with Fr. Gregory

1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday 10.30am or any Saturday 6.30pm vigil

Marriages by appointment with Fr Gregory Tait.

Sacrament of Penance By Appointment with Fr Gregory.

## "The Spire"

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Parish Secretary: Antonella Webbstock

Wednesday & Thursday 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

## Psalm 106

Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

Some sailed to the sea in ships  
to trade on the mighty waters.

These men have seen the Lord's deeds,  
the wonders he does in the deep.

For he spoke; he summoned the gale,  
tossing the waves of the sea  
up to heaven and back into the deep;  
their soul melted away in their distress.

Then they cried to the Lord in their need  
and he rescued them from their distress.  
He stilled the storm to a whisper:  
all the waves of the sea were hushed.

They rejoiced because of the calm  
and he led them to the haven they desired.  
Let them thank the Lord for his love,  
the wonders he does for men.

Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

## Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us;  
God has visited his people.

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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# Prayers in the 'storm of life'

A retired naval captain used to skipper a boat taking tourists to the islands, and one day his boat had a party crowd of young people. They smirked at the old captain when they saw him saying a prayer before sailing because the day was fine and the weather calm. However, they were not long at sea before they experienced a sudden storm, and the boat began to pitch violently.



The terrified passengers came to the captain and asked him to join them in prayer.

He replied, "I say my prayers when it's calm and when it's rough I tend to my boat."

We are all likely to pray for help when storms come our way. However, it is also important to seek God in the quieter moments of life and to build a relationship that takes us through all the seasons of life. We are familiar with prayers of petition in times of need and these are personal where we ask God for certain things in life. There are prayers of intercession when we make requests on behalf of other people. Equally familiar to us are prayers of thanksgiving where we rejoice in what God has done for us.

Prayer is about relationship and God invites us to grow the relationship by spending time with God. Two other forms of prayer are prayers of blessing and adoration where we acknowledge our dependence of God and prayers of praise where we express our love for God.

During our busy lives we can sometimes lose sight of the need to stop, reflect and open our lives to God, so it is helpful to heed the advice of the retired naval captain, and to develop a daily pattern of prayer rather than only turning to prayer in the 'storms of life'. This pattern will help us grow a deeper relationship with God who is ever present but not always engaged.

We have routines for exercise and recreation. We have routines for work and for play. Routines are helpful in that they help us engage in what is essential, but they also help to free us for spontaneity because they create space by taking care of the ordinary things in life. When prayer becomes part of the pattern of the day, we are giving time to nurturing our relationship with God.

As we grow in our relationship, we become more like the disciples who were in awe when Jesus calmed the storm, and they began to recognise more fully the identity of Jesus. May we become more conscious of God's presence by developing daily patterns of prayer.

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## Adult Faith Education:

Because of the continuing COVID restrictions, and considering the upcoming school holidays, further sessions of the Adult Faith Education group will be postponed until at least Term 3. For further information please contact [jphowman@gmail.com](mailto:jphowman@gmail.com)

**All Saints Outreach Op-Shop: (In Target Car park) Phone: 5521 1587**

**The Parish Outreach Op-Shop is in urgent need of good quality clothing; bric a brac or furniture.**

Please ring Outreach for pick up if necessary. Thank you all for your ongoing support of Outreach. Outreach is open Monday to Friday 10 am - 4pm and Saturdays 10am - 12 mid-day. Outreach is a significant fundraiser within the Parish and we regularly need Volunteers to give 3 hours in the mornings or afternoons.

**Please contact Marg Herbertson at Op-Shop for further information.**

## Planned Giving

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 on family finances so we do appreciate your support of our Parish financial responsibilities.

Most statements (1/7/20 - 06/06/2021) will be emailed, others (for those who do not have email) will be available in the Church foyer.

New boxes of envelopes will be put out in the coming weeks. Please note your planned giving number may change, due to consolidating the number of boxes that need to be printed.

If you have any questions please contact Antonella on the parish email [portland@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:portland@ballarat.catholic.org.au).

## 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:

### Pope Francis

"Is it true, what some people say—that young people don't want to get married, especially during these difficult times?"

Getting married and sharing one's life is something beautiful.

It's a demanding journey, at times difficult, and at times complicated, but it's worth making the effort.

And on this life-long journey, the husband and wife aren't alone; Jesus accompanies them.

Marriage isn't just a "social" act; it's a vocation that's born from the heart; it's a conscious decision for the rest of one's life that requires specific preparation.

Please, never forget this. God has a dream for us —love— and He asks us to make it his own.

Let us make our own the love which is God's dream for us.

And 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. Because a great deal of patience is necessary in order to love. But it's worth it, eh?"

## 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 keynotes, 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)