

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

**Weekend: 10th July**

**Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm**

Prayers: Jenni Lindscaux

Reader: D. Baudinette

Ministers: F. Mizzi

**Sunday: 10.30am**

Prayers: M. Schultz

Reader: P. Couttie

Ministers: M. McGenniskien

**Next Weekend: 17th July**

**Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm**

Prayers: D. Kierce

Reader: P. O'Brien

Ministers: A. O'Brien

**Sunday: 10.30am**

Prayers: M. McKenzie

Reader: M. Picard

Ministers: I. Eichler

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.

#### Church Cleaning:

**11/07 C. Legg**

**18/07 K. McNamarra, M. McGenniskien**

*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)*

#### 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



**11th July  
2021**

**15th Sunday  
Ordinary Time  
Year B**



#### Weekly Services 13/07 to 16/07

**Tuesday: 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. Recording attendees over the age of 12mths 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. Face coverings must be worn indoors. As we are unable to have a Covid check-in marshal All Saints church will only be open during mass times.

#### Recent Deaths:

Peg Swiggs, Kyle Hudson, John McGrath, Bernard Dowling

#### Anniversaries:

Stephen McNamara, Merl Bridges, Ken Bridges, Audrey Downey, Dennis Lonsdale, Win Fidler, Bill Ough, Rocela Stanton, John Matuschka, Bert Van Heugten, Aileen McCarrie, Laurence Vella, Iris Clarke, Maria Lamplough, Pat Marriner, Doris Mizzi, Helen Sobey, Brian Guthridge

#### 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"

### All Saints' Parish

**Portland - Heywood - Dartmoor**

**All Saints' Parish Office**

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**Rev. Gregory A. D. Tait, P.P.**

email: [greg.tait@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:greg.tait@ballarat.catholic.org.au)

**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 84

Lord, show us your mercy and love,  
and grant us your salvation.

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.

Mercy and faithfulness have met;  
justice and peace have embraced.  
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth  
and justice look down from heaven.

The Lord will make us prosper  
and our earth shall yield its fruit.  
Justice shall march before him  
and peace shall follow his steps.

Lord, show us your mercy and love,  
and grant us your salvation.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, 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, alleluia, alleluia!

The English translation of the Psalm Responses, the Alleluia and the Gospel verses, are from the Lectionary for Mass © 1997, 1981, 1968, International Committee on English in the Liturgy, Inc. All rights reserved.

### Our Finances

#### Planned Giving for Parish Account

Given last week, inc. EFT: \$ 2,476

**Target \$62,400**

**Total YTD 2021/22 \$ 2,476**

**Total YTD 2020/21 \$ 1,130**

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

#### Presbytery Account

Priest support: inc. EFT \$ 533.00

Direct deposit payments for the presbytery account can be made electronically. Details are as follows:

**Account Name:** All Saints Presbytery Portland

**BSB:** 083 526

**Account No.** 24476 6002

# The joy of living simply



Most of us can only admire those who reach the top of their profession. We realise what commitment is required to be an Olympic athlete, or to be a virtuoso musician: the hours of practice and training which culminate in winning trophies or playing in the great concert halls of the world.

Today, we are reminded that God's chosen ones are called to make that kind of unconditional commitment to the cause. The prophet Amos is an interesting character. We hear enough of his story to know that it had not been an easy ride. One minute he was minding his own business and faithfully carrying out his duties as a shepherd and the next minute he realised that he was being called to challenge his people over their unfaithfulness to God.

Clearly, he was a man filled with passion for justice and he proclaimed his message without fear or favour. Consequently, he incurred the wrath of Amaziah, the priest, who told him to go away, but Amos had the strength of character to do his job in the face of all the attempts to discredit him.

Like the prophets of old, Jesus prepared his disciples for the possibility of rejection before sending them out on their first mission. His instructions were precise and demanding. They were not to carry any unnecessary baggage. They were to rely on the hospitality of the people and if that was not forthcoming, they were to demonstrate their displeasure and move on. In fact, we are told that the mission was a success, with many people being cured and devils cast out.

So, how are we to interpret this message in our own time and place? St Paul is at pains to let us know that we are adopted children of the Father, stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit, chosen to live in freedom. It is a freedom which should enable us to take up our missionary role in the Church, but it is a freedom which can so easily be threatened in our sophisticated and technological world.

In every generation the Lord's disciples are challenged to ensure that their lives are not cluttered with unnecessary baggage. But how do we live simply when we are constantly bombarded with the advertising that suggests that our lives will not be worth living without all the latest gadgets and inventions?

I would suggest that Pope Francis has shown us a wonderful way of living simply amidst all the splendour of the Vatican and he is not afraid to use modern means of communication. He has focused our attention on the joy of the gospel message and perhaps therein lies the secret. So, if we find ourselves weighed down, it may be time to free ourselves up again.

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## Developing a Spirit of Adventure

Lord, teach us how to live each day  
with a spirit of adventure, curiosity and wonder.

Let us constantly seek out  
new things to learn,  
new people to meet,  
and new and interesting things to do

Help us to accept, Lord,  
that if our lives become dull and boring,  
it's because we allow them  
to become dull and boring

Inspire us to take responsibility  
for living our lives to the full.

**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.**

## Sea Sunday - July 11 2021

Today is Sea Sunday, when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. Without them, we would not have most of the items we rely on for daily living. Even during a pandemic, seafarers continue to bring into our ports products that sustain our population and economy. The Appeal today is for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. It supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. To assist this ministry, please send your donations to: [bit.ly/secsunday2021](https://bit.ly/secsunday2021)



## Australian Catholic Men's Gathering 2021

As an initiative of the Australian Catholic Bishops, the National Catholic Men's Gathering aims to inspire and encourage all men with a vision for personal discipleship, service and mission in the family, parish/diocese and the world. The online program hopes to reinforce that it is important to gather as men in the faith environment of the Church and be challenged to ensure the Gospel is alive in our homes, parishes/dioceses and our communities. In this Year of St Joseph, the National Catholic Men's Gathering is again being offered as a free event for registered participants. The 2021 program will focus on St Joseph and will include a pre-recorded introductory session, three pre-recorded sessions and a final commissioning, all available from Saturday, July 31, 2021. To read about this year's speakers go to <https://www.nce.catholic.org.au/catholicmen>

## Plenary Council Prayer Campaign

Fan the Flame: Towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021. 'So they set off to preach repentance' Mark 6:7-13

Australian Catholics are deeply aware of their own limitations and failings in witnessing to the kingdom of Christ in the world... In many ways, the Church itself is deeply wounded and in need of the healing love of its Lord. (*Instrumentum Laboris* #64)

[www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheffame/](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/fantheffame/)

## CTC - Ethical Issues and Human Ageing studies

Catholic Theological College is offering a course on "Ethical Issues and Human Ageing" over six Saturdays 31 July; 7 and 28 August; 11 September; 9 and 23 October from 10.00am – 12.00pm and then 2.00pm to 4.00pm. The course can be taken for personal enrichments or credit towards a post-graduate award. For more information go to

<https://units.divinity.edu.au/scheduled-unit/DT9633C-3770> or email registrar@ctc.edu.au

## Wimmera-Mallee Parish

Bishop Paul has decreed the establishment of the new Saint Paul VI Parish, Wimmera-Mallee. The new parish includes the area of the former parishes of Hopetoun, Horsham, Nhill and Warracknabeal. Monsignor Glynn Murphy and Fr Jim McKay currently serve in these parishes and will continue their service in the new parish.