St Patrick's Parish Stawell and Landsborough St Mary's Parish Ararat and Lake Bolac

We acknowledge the Djap Wurrong people, the traditional custodians of our parish land.

We pay our respects to their elders past and present. We respect the presence of the spirits of their ancestors among us.

Sunday September 19, 2021 25th Sunday of Ordinary Time Year B

First Reading Wis 2:12, 17-20

A reading from the book of Wisdom
The godless say to themselves, 'Let us lie in wait for
the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our
way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law
and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing. Let
us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind
of end he himself will have. If the virtuous man is God's
son, God will take his part and rescue him from the
clutches of his enemies. Let us test him with cruelty
and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of
his and put his endurance to the proof. Let us
condemn him to a shameful death since he will be
looked after – we have his word for it.'

Responsorial Psalm Ps 53:3-6. 8. R. v.6

(R.) The Lord upholds my life.

1. O God, save me by your name;

by your power, uphold my cause.

O God, hear my prayers;

listen to the words of my mouth. (R.)

2. For proud men have risen against me, ruthless men seek my life.

They have no regard for God. (R.)

3. But I have God for my help.

The Lord upholds my life.

I will sacrifice to you with willing heart and praise your name for it is good. (R.)

Second Reading Jas 3:16 – 4:3

A reading from the letter of St James Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness.

Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

Gospel Acclamation See 2 Thes 2:14
Alleluia, alleluia! God has called us with the gospel
to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 9:30-37

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark. After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him. They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'



Mass Times

Ararat

Stawell

Sunday 8.30am

Lake Bolac

Sunday 10.30am 1st 3rd 5th Sundays 6.30pm Vigil Sat

Landsborough

2nd 4th Sundays 6pm Vigil Sat

Glenthompson

(Hamilton Parish) 2nd 4th Sundays 8.30am

Aged Care Schedule

1st Wednesdays 11.15am Eventide 2nd Wednesdays 11am Lowe St 3rd Wednesdays 10.30am **Garden View** ARV 4th Wednesday 10am

Readings for Next Sunday Sept 26 (26th Sunday Yr B) Nm 11:25-29 // Jas 5:1-6 // Mk 9:38-43. 45. 47-48

Masses this Week

Stawell: Tues to Fri 10am

Ararat: Wed 22nd 9.30am // Fri 24th 11am with morning tea

Mass at Landsborough – in addition to the rostered Saturdays, Landsborough will have Mass at 6pm on Tuesday October 5

Recent Deaths

Anniversaries Stawell

Thomas McPhee 1945, Eliza Colvin 1985, John Monaghan 2004, Angela Vazoura 1992, Francves Looby 1995, Allen Sargent 1992, James Monaghan 2000, Mary Cawthorne 1961, Michael Shanan 1984

Anniversaries Ararat

Alice Harrington, William Sea, Mona Hoane, George Brady, Fr Peter Claridge, Lynnette Carthew, Jim Sanders, Joseph Nunan, Enid Froggatt, James Hogan, David Sweeney, Nell Smith, Fr. Paul Mercovich, Nicholas Dempsey, Marc Watson, Mary Brick, Robert Milesi, Bill McKinnon, Alice Parker, Jack Parker, Joyce Henning

Please pray for Fr Eric Bryant, Dylan Vernon, Terry Weeks, Kate Wilson, Sally Rook, Julie Neale, Margaret Hassall, Jenny Sharman, Anne-Marie Joyce

Golden Gate Roster

19 Harry & Anna // 26 Jim & Jan

Lake Bolac Roster

Sat 18/9 Reader Jane Higgins // Prayers of Faithful Judy Aldous // Cleaning Rosemary Liston Sat 2/10 Reader Phillip Meek // Prayers of Faithful Damian Phillips // Cleaning Leanne Breen



Covid Rules - Twenty People - Booking for Mass Required

For both Ararat and Stawell, there is a sheet for parishioners to book in for Sunday Masses. The booking sheets are near the lectern in Stawell and on the office door in Ararat. Lake Bolac and Landsborough won't need to book in.



Ballarat Clergy Support Fund - Collection for Sick and Retired Priests

The Ballarat Clergy Support Fund provides for retired priests who have spent a lifetime selflessly caring for others, and who deserve a happy and peaceful retirement. The Fund is currently supporting and caring for seventeen retired priests. Over the next few years a number of priests currently in parish ministry will be moving into retirement, and will also need to be supported by the fund. This annual collection has allowed the Fund to continue to support our sick and retired clergy. Please give as generously as you can, and help us continue 'caring for those who cared for us'. Special envelopes are available for this collection, which will be taken up today. You may also return your envelope next week. A credit card facility is available for your convenience, and contributions over \$2.00 are taxdeductible. Envelopes available in the churches.

CARING FOR THOSE WHO CARED FOR US – THE CHURCH COMMUNITY'S RESPONSIBILITY

Stawell Parish Unit Vacancy

A one-bedroom flat will soon be available to rent at the Parish units in Crudace St, Stawell. Rent is \$215 per fortnight. Interested persons should contact Nino on 53582258 for further information.

Catholic Mission Month

Catholic Mission Australia has launched its annual World Mission Month Appeal, focusing on the work of the Good Shepherd Sisters in Thailand supporting children from vulnerable and disadvantaged backgrounds through the Kindergarten Centre. Info: https://www.catholicmission.org.au/catholic-mission-launches-world-mission-month-appeal

Are You Called to be a Spiritual Director? A Pastoral Supervisor? Or a compassionate listener to others? www.heartoflife.melbourne or secretary@heartoflife.melbourne or tel (03) 9890 1101.



Last Sunday, September 12, was Safeguarding Sunday.

With the short notice to reopening from covid restrictions we make this a focus of this Sunday.

This weekend, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Safeguarding Sunday, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. We recommit to practices that support survivors and make the Catholic Church and its ministries the safest possible place for children and people at risk. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday

Resources for Kids https://www.esafety.gov.au/kids

This government resource is recommended by our diocesan website. It includes a number of very useful activities, including helpful discussion starters for parents, particularly with regard to cyber safety.

Prayers of Intercession

For those whose lives have been traumatised through abuse: that they may find the courage to share their story and to find lasting peace and healing.

Let us pray to the Lord R: Lord hear our prayer

For children in our parishes: that we may all work collaboratively to ensure the happiness and confidence of every child, and foster an environment of safety and protection where children flourish.

Let us pray to the Lord R: Lord hear our prayer

Child Safety Officers in our Parishes Stawell: Helen Potter Ararat: Emma Coburn





Parish Directories

Office Hours

Parish Priest Fr. Andrew Hayes andrew.hayes@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Office Hours Office hours are changing. More information to come

Parish Bulletin www.ballarat.catholic.org.au

To submit bulletin notices for both parishes please email ararat@ballarat.catholic.org.au

Ararat Stawell

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St Bernard's Church St Francis of Assisi Church

76 Montgomery St Take Bolac Teams Te

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Harry Collins & Sioux Reid

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Parish 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