



# 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 November 21, 2021**

**Feast of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Year B**

### First Reading

[Dn 7:13-14](#)

A reading from the prophet Daniel

I gazed into the visions of the night. And I saw, coming on the clouds of heaven, one like a son of man. He came to the one of great age and was led into his presence. On him was conferred sovereignty, glory and kingship, and men of all peoples, nations and languages became his servants. His sovereignty is an eternal sovereignty which shall never pass away, nor will his empire be destroyed.

### Responsorial Psalm

[Ps 92:1-2. 5. R.v.1](#)

(R.) The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

1. The Lord is king, with majesty enrobed; the Lord has robed himself with might, he has girded himself with power. (R.)
2. The world you made firm, not to be moved; your throne has stood firm from of old. From all eternity, O Lord, you are. (R.)
3. Truly your decrees are to be trusted. Holiness is fitting to your house, O Lord, until the end of time. (R.)

### Second Reading

[Rv 1:5-8](#)

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness, the First-born from the dead, the Ruler of the kings of the earth. He loves us and has washed away our sins with his blood, and made us a line of kings, priests to serve his God and Father; to him, then, be glory and power for ever and ever. Amen. It is he who is coming on the clouds; everyone will see him, even those who pierced him, and all the races of the earth will mourn over him. This is the truth. Amen. 'I am the Alpha and the Omega' says the Lord God, who is, who was, and who is to come, the Almighty.

### Gospel Acclamation

[Mk 11:9, 10](#)

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David our Father; blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Alleluia!

### Gospel

[Jn 18:33-37](#)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John 'Are you the king of the Jews?' Pilate asked. Jesus replied, 'Do you ask this of your own accord, or have others spoken to you about me?' Pilate answered, 'Am I a Jew? It is your own people and the chief priests who have handed you over to me: what have you done?' Jesus replied, 'Mine is not a kingdom of this world; if

my kingdom were of this world, my men would have fought to prevent my being surrendered to the Jews. But my kingdom is not of this kind.' 'So you are a king then?' said Pilate. 'It is you who say it' answered Jesus. 'Yes, I am a king. I was born for this, I came into the world for this: to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.'



### Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

Each one of the readings depicts the enthronement of Christ who is revealed as the messiah-king. Until his trial, Jesus himself refused to be identified as king. The royal messianic expectations that prevailed during his lifetime were predominantly political. If he assumed them, his followers might have instigated a rebellion against the Roman occupiers. When finally he did acknowledge his royal identity, he insisted that his rule was not like that of other kings. Enthroned in heaven, Christ is revealed as the faithful witness to all that God has done and will continue to do. As first-born from the dead, his resurrection is the promise of our own resurrection. The dominion that he received from God is universal and exclusive and it will last forever. When he comes again on the last day, he will be revealed in all his glory. Christ's kingdom is a kingdom of truth and life, of holiness and grace, of justice and love and peace. We need not stand at a distance from him, afraid to approach because of our human vulnerability. He is the one who loved us so much that he handed himself over to suffering and death so that we might live. He has already brought us to birth in this kingdom through Baptism and he has taught us how to live in it. Today we look to that time when his glory will be revealed, when we will all be gathered into the embrace of God, there to sing praise to that glory forever.

# Parish Information – Parishes of Stawell and Ararat

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## Mass Times

<b>Ararat</b>	Sunday 8.30am
<b>Stawell</b>	Sunday 10.30am
<b>Lake Bolac</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> 3 <sup>rd</sup> 5 <sup>th</sup> Sundays 6.30pm Vigil Sat
<b>Landsborough</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup> 4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays 6pm Vigil Sat
<b>Glenthompson</b>	(Hamilton Parish) 2 <sup>nd</sup> 4 <sup>th</sup> Sundays 8.30am

## Aged Care Schedule

<b>Eventide</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesdays 11.15am
<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

## Masses this Week

Stawell: Tues to Fri 10am

Ararat: Wed 24<sup>th</sup> 10am ARV, Thurs 25<sup>th</sup> 5pm Marian Graduation, Fri 26<sup>th</sup> 11am prayer with morning tea

## Readings for Next Sunday Nov 28 (Advent 1, Yr C)

[Jer 33:14-16](#)// [1 Thes 3:12 – 4:2](#) // [Lk 21:25-28. 34-36](#)

## Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve: Stawell 6pm, Ararat 7.30pm, Lake Bolac 9.15pm

Christmas Morning: Landsborough 9am

**Recent Deaths:** Bernard Shea, Michael Parsons

## Anniversaries Stawell

James Rathgeber 1950, Dan Molan 1960, Alfred Murphy 1974, Christopher Ellis 1999, Denis Moylan 2004, Bernard O'Callaghan 2019, Gerard Mornane 1972, Mary Seeary 1972, Stanley (Max) Hull 2009, Michael Mullane 1987, Edward Huddle 1973, Dorothy Seeary 1988, Marie Osler 1947, Margaret Peters 1955, Angus McLean 1981, Mary Tozer 1999

## Anniversaries Ararat

Mary Gee, Joseph Zammit, Margaret Harrison, Arthur Sinnott, Margaret Stone, James Cochrane, Olive Carter, Helen Vernon, Perc Dadswell, Edwin Overington, Pasquale Lembo, Lesley Hunt, Margaret Mercovich, Bradley Preston, Thoma Creenaune, Bridget Kelly, Isaac McPherson, Thomas Kennedy, Stanislaus Cronin, William Carter, Klara Pashula

## Golden Gate Roster

November 21 Libby // 28 Harry Anna

December 5 Jim Jan // 12 Libby // Teresa // Harry Anna

## Lake Bolac Roster

Sat Nov 20 Reader Helen Smith // Prayers of Faithful Rosemary Liston // Cleaning Jane Higgins

Sat Dec 4 Reader Michael Phillips // Prayers of Faithful Tricia Higgins // Cleaning Judy Upton

## Advent Discussion in Stawell

To prepare ourselves for Christmas we're offering a weekly Advent Discussion after our Tuesday Masses during Advent, (10.30am approx.) beginning on Tuesday November 30. This will include a hearing and reflection on the coming Sunday's readings. Everyone is welcome.

## Stawell CWL AGM

The Stawell CWL will be holding their annual general meeting this Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> Nov in the St Pat's Church hall at 1.30pm. The guest speaker will be Anna Krohn, the president of the governing body of the Catholic Women's League. Everyone is welcome to hear her speak on the League's vision for the future.

## Christmas Lunch – Both Parishes

Stawell and Ararat parishioners are invited to a parish Christmas lunch at the Great Western Hotel on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec at Noon. We will be ordering off the menu and gluten free and vegetarian meals are available. Numbers are needed by Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Nov. To register in Stawell put your name on the clipboard in the church. To register in Ararat call Margaret Rowe -53582421.

**Christmas Cards Stawell** for 50c or \$1 and Columban Calendars for \$9 - available in St Pat's Church hall after Sunday Mass.

# Vaccination Certificates

If you have your proof of vaccination certificate (12 years+) – you can come to any Mass  
We have no limits on numbers. We can fill the churches

If you do NOT have a proof of vaccination certificate  
you will be welcome to attend smaller Masses eg. Lake Bolac and Landsborough and on weekdays

## Christmas

Lake Bolac and Landsborough will exceed their non-vaxxed number (35) at Christmas  
You will need your vaccination certificate to attend Christmas Mass

## Two Steps for Entry to Mass

Scan your QR Code  
(or have someone help you)



**2** Show your Vaccination Certificate  
to the Covid Marshal



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## Combined Parish Councils

There will be a combined Ararat parish council and Stawell's interim parish council on Wednesday 24 Nov in the Ararat parish centre at 6pm.

## Stawell Inter Church Council Welfare Cottage

“You may know someone who is doing it tough. Stawell Inter Church Council Welfare Cottage, 20 Sloane St is open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays from 10.30am to 12.30pm. For after hours emergencies ring -0408 038 949. Could you please pass onto them that to request a Christmas grocery shopping voucher from the Cottage they ring -0408 877 021 on Tuesdays and Thursdays in November between 10.30am and 12.30pm. Owing to covid 19 there will be no children's toys or books available this year.”

## Double Vaccinations for Ministers of the Eucharist

In line with other activities requiring double vaccinations, parishioners who visit the elderly or infirm to distribute holy communion are required to be double vaxxed.

## Synod of Bishops

Catholics across Australia are invited to participate in a period of local consultation for the next international Synod of Bishops, which has the theme, “For a Synodal Church: Communion, Participation and Mission”. The People of God are invited to use a guided, prayerful reflection method to consider a series of questions and make submissions via an online portal. Those submissions will help the Bishops develop a national report to support the global process leading to an international gathering in 2023. Find out more at <http://www.catholic.org.au/synodalchurch>

## ACU EthicsFinder

*EthicsFinder* is a user friendly, expertly curated ethics search engine database intended to be a one-stop-shop for ethics inquiry, with a particular focus on ethical thought within the Catholic intellectual tradition. *EthicsFinder* links to thousands of influential and reputable articles, books, and videos which have been curated by an international network of close to 100 academics. From bioethics to environmental ethics, *EthicsFinder* spans a range of popular topics in life, love, politics, ethics, philosophy and culture, seeking to bring Catholic positions into dialogue with reason-based critique of those positions. *EthicsFinder* also arranges and collates Church teaching by topic and magisterial authority, offering users a unique and accessible way to navigate the vast breadth of Church teaching. It is our great hope that *EthicsFinder* will be immensely useful for students, scholars and anyone seeking to nourish their mind and their faith in these highly topical areas. You can view the *EthicsFinder* video launch at [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dy6\\_YVlk2X0](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Dy6_YVlk2X0) . Go to the *EthicsFinder* homepage at <https://ethics.acu.edu.au>

## A Day of Prayer for Myanmar

Pax Christi and friends invite you to remember Myanmar in a Day of Prayer on Sunday, November 28, 2021. Suffering and trauma have accompanied the people of Myanmar for decades. On February 1 military government was reimposed. This day is an opportunity to pray with Myanmar in its yearning to be free. An online prayer service is being organised for Advent Sunday, November 29 at 7.30pm Melbourne time. To register for this service and receive the link, and other information, please email Harry Kerr, [ahmkerr@hotmail.com](mailto:ahmkerr@hotmail.com). Info Caesar D'Mello, Pax Christi Victoria, [caesarmdm@gmail.com](mailto:caesarmdm@gmail.com), ph. 0451911941

# New Parish

## What's Happening with the parish houses?

- Fr Eric's house (convent) has now had the carpet removed. Painting has begun. Furniture that has not been sold has been moved into the pink shed. It will likely be sold in the new year.
- Audrey and Aileen Brennan have very generously bequeathed their home to the Ararat parish. This week the Ararat finance committee met to discuss our options, whether to sell the home or to keep it for rental. More information to come.

## Name for the New Parish

Thanks to everyone who has already submitted an idea for a name for our new parish. You are very welcome to make more than one suggestion. Thus far the suggestions have been mostly about the geographical area. Consider also the religious or patronal name. Ideas can be placed with the Sunday collection or emailed to [andrew.hayes@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:andrew.hayes@ballarat.catholic.org.au). To clarify: the names of the churches won't change. What we need is a name for the new parish.

These are the suggestions so far:

- Grampians Parish / Grampians Gariwerd / Grampians Pyrenees / South East Grampians / Our Lady of the Grampians
- Lakes District Parish / Hopkins Parish
- Scullin Parish (Born in Trawalla, James Scullin was Australia's ninth prime minister and first Catholic prime minister)
- St Joseph the Worker Parish / All Saints Parish / Holy Communion Parish
- Exodus Parish, Gariwerd "Moses brought the people out to the camp to meet with God, and they stood at the foot of the mountain." [Exodus 19:17]
- The Parish of the Prophet Isaiah, Gariwerd  
"How beautiful on the mountains are the feet of those who bring good news [Isaiah 52:7]
- The Parish of Isaiah 61, Gariwerd  
"The Lord has anointed me to proclaim good news to the poor. He has sent me to bind up the broken-hearted, to proclaim freedom for the captives and release from darkness for the prisoners, to proclaim the year of the Lord's favour."
- Lumen Christi (Light of Christ), Djap Wurrong Country  
Our Vision; "We Aspire to be the Light of Christ in our World" The reason for including the Indigenous name is that, before Stawell, Ararat, Lake Bolac or Landsborough, came to be, this was Djap Wurrong Country. On 29 November, 1986, Pope St. John Paul 2, invited us, Aboriginal & non-aboriginal, to join together, when he said "You are part of Australia & Australia is part of you. And the Church herself in Australia will not be fully the Church that Jesus wants Her to be until you have made your contribution to Her life, and until that contribution has been joyfully received by others". By including Djap Wurrong Country in our name, we are taking the first steps in the long overdue process of reconciliation, something that should be more than just a word.



## Name for the New Merged Parish

The parish will comprise St Patrick's Stawell, St Francis of Assisi Landsborough, St Mary's Ararat and St Bernard's Lake Bolac  
It is likely that St John the Baptist Beaufort will be included by 2025

The Combined Parish Councils will meet on November 24 to discuss your ideas. More consultation will follow

My suggested religious or patronal name for the new parish is: \_\_\_\_\_

My suggested name for our geographical area is \_\_\_\_\_

Explanation for my suggestions: