

**Liturgy Rosters:**  
 Many thanks for your ministry to the Parish!  
**\*\*Communion ministers please have a mask\*\***

**This Weekend: 25th & 26th June**

**Saturday: 6.00pm**  
 Reader: D. Bennett  
 Prayers: D. Kierce  
 Minister  
 Computer: Required

**Sunday: 10.30am**  
 Reader: K. Arnott  
 Prayers: M. Picard  
 Ministers: D. Arnott  
 Computer: A. Francis

**Next Weekend: 2nd & 3rd July**

**Saturday: 6.00pm**  
 Reader: K. Howman  
 Prayers: P. Howman  
 Minister  
 Computer: D. Kierce

**Sunday: 10.30am**  
 Reader: K. Loftus  
 Prayers: J. Sandeman  
 Ministers: Vol. please  
 Computer: A. Francis

**Following Weekend: 9th & 10th July**

**Saturday: 6.00pm**  
 Reader: D. Bennett  
 Prayers: K. Howman  
 Minister  
 Computer: D. Kierce

**Sunday: 10.30am**  
 Reader: P. Coultie  
 Prayers: K. Loftus  
 Ministers: J. Sandeman  
 Computer: A. Francis

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

The Parish Outreach Op-Shop is in urgent need of good quality 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 Thursday 10 am - 3pm  
 Friday 10am - 4pm  
 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.

New boxes of envelopes will be put out in the coming weeks.

If you have any questions in regard to your planned giving please contact Antonella on the parish email portland@ballarat.catholic.org.au or phone 5523 1046 (Wed or Thu 9am - 3pm).



**26th June 2022**

**13th Sunday Ordinary Time Year C**



**Weekly Services 28/06 to 03/07**

**Tuesday: No Mass**  
**Wednesday: No Mass**  
**Thursday: No Mass**  
**Friday: 9.30am Adoration & Prayers**  
**10.00am Mass**  
**Saturday: 6.00pm Mass**  
**Sunday: 10.30am Mass**

**Recent Deaths:**

Thomas Bennett

**Anniversaries:**

Patricia Harris, Marilyn O'Neil, Bernard Keane, William Burrell, Jane Atchison, Jock Campbell, Nance Campbell, Charles Mifsud, Tom Kearney, Bernard Dowling, Augustina (Margaret) Clark, Philip Walsh, Bob Harders

**Prayer Requests:**

Margaret Coultie, Noela Clifford, Les Hildebrand, 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*

**Baptisms and Marriages**

by appointment with Fr. Gregory Tait.

**Sacrament of Penance**

by Appointment with Fr Gregory

**“The Spire“**

**All Saints' Parish**

**Portland - Heywood - Dartmoor**

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

**PLENARY COUNCIL:**

The Second Assembly of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia takes place from July 3-9. Masses and sessions will be live-streamed each day and people are invited to send messages of prayer, hope and support to the Members gathering in Sydney. Find the livestreaming schedule and the portal for sending messages at: [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)

**Our Finances**

**Planned Giving for Parish Account**

Given last week, inc. EFT: \$ 1,623.00

**Target \$62,400**

**Total YTD 2021/22 \$ 60,484**  
**Total YTD 2020/21 \$ 58,825**

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 \$ 649.25

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

**Prayer for Peace & Justice in Ukraine**

God of peace and justice, who change the hardened heart and break the power of violence, we entrust the people of Ukraine to you.

Protect them in this time of peril; let them know not death but life, not slavery but freedom.

You are Father of all; we are brothers and sisters.

Give us the strength to live that truth in love, choosing peace not war.

Through Christ our Lord. Amen

## Liturgy of the Word

### First Reading

A reading from the first book of the Kings.

Also you shall anoint Jehu son of Nimshi as king over Israel, and you shall anoint Elisha son of Shaphat of Abel-meholah as prophet in your place. So he set out from there and found Elisha son of Shaphat, who was ploughing. There were twelve yoke of oxen ahead of him, and he was with the twelfth. Elijah passed by him and threw his mantle over him. He left the oxen, ran after Elijah, and said, "Let me kiss my father and my mother, and then I will follow you." Then Elijah said to him, "Go back again, for what have I done to you?" He returned from following him, took the yoke of oxen, and slaughtered them; using the equipment from the oxen, he boiled their flesh and gave it to the people, and they ate. Then he set out and followed Elijah and became his servant.

The word of the Lord

### Responsorial Psalm 15

**(R.) You are my inheritance, O Lord.**

Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.  
I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.'  
O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;  
it is you yourself who are my prize. (R.)

I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel,  
who even at night directs my heart.  
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:  
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. (R.)

And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;  
even my body shall rest in safety.  
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,  
nor let your beloved know decay. (R.)

You will show me the path of life,  
the fullness of joy in your presence,  
at your right hand happiness for ever. (R.)

### Second Reading

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Galatians.

For freedom, Christ has set us free. Stand firm, therefore, and do not submit again to a yoke of slavery. For you were called to freedom, brothers and sisters, only do not use your freedom as an opportunity for self-indulgence, but through love become enslaved to one another. For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment, "You shall love your neighbour as yourself." If, however, you bite and devour one another, take care that you are not consumed by one another.

### Second Reading continued

Live by the Spirit, I say, and do not gratify the desires of the flesh. For what the flesh desires is opposed to the Spirit, and what the Spirit desires is opposed to the flesh, for these are opposed to each other, to prevent you from doing what you want. But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not subject to the law.

The word of the Lord.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life.  
Alleluia!

### Gospel

From the holy Gospel according to Luke.

When the days drew near for him to be taken up, he set his face to go to Jerusalem. And he sent messengers ahead of him. On their way they entered a village of the Samaritans to prepare for his arrival, but they did not receive him because his face was set toward Jerusalem. When his disciples James and John saw this, they said, "Lord, do you want us to command fire to come down from heaven and consume them?" But he turned and rebuked them. Then they went on to another village.

As they were going along the road, someone said to him, "I will follow you wherever you go." And Jesus said to him, "Foxes have holes, and birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head." To another he said, "Follow me." But he said, "Lord, first let me go and bury my father." And Jesus said to him, "Let the dead bury their own dead, but as for you, go and proclaim the kingdom of God." Another said, "I will follow you, Lord, but let me first say farewell to those at my home." And Jesus said to him, "No one who puts a hand to the plough and looks back is fit for the kingdom of God."

The Gospel of the Lord.

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## Dates to Remember

### 175th Parish Anniversary 2022

Sat Aug 27 - Parish Dinner 6.30pm, Royal Hotel. \$30/head, 2 course dinner, roast meats & vegetables + dessert.

Sun Aug 28 - 10.30am Anniversary Mass - celebrated by Bishop Paul Bird

Sun Aug 28 - Anniversary Luncheon 12 noon, Bayview College

### Get connected and explore faith with others

Alpha is a series of sessions that freely explore the big questions of life. It's an opportunity to get connected, discover more about the Christian faith, and share your thoughts in a friendly environment.



#### 13 July - 14 Sept

Wed nights with dinner  
6:30 - 8:30pm

Discovery Hospitality Centre  
(Cnr Fawthrop & Must St)  
Citiport Church  
Ph: 0493 254 456

- ◆ Gather together and get connected
- ◆ Watch an episode on a topic of faith
- ◆ Ask questions and share your thoughts

## The road to Jerusalem



One of the more enduring genres of film in recent decades has been the road movie. The plot typically involves two or more companions who embark on a long and arduous road trip, either on foot or by planes, trains and automobiles.

The companions are on a shared quest to find home, seek a new home or, simply, to find themselves in their wanderings. Film historians have noted that the road movie is a post-war phenomenon, capturing the zeitgeist of a world trying to redefine itself in the wake of dislocation, death, and the dismemberment of old national identities. The 'Road to...' films starring Bing Crosby and Bob Hope, which began during the Second World War, featured nomadic characters, ex-sailors or ex-soldiers, trying to make a fast buck in far flung corners of the world, including Australia.

More recent films of this genre focus on a new breed of ex-soldiers, battle-worn veterans of the wars in Afghanistan and Iraq, who wander the countryside righting wrongs and challenging corruption in high places through force of arms and violence.

The gospels read like scripts for a road movie. Their central protagonist, Jesus, leaves home on a great journey through the occupied territories of Roman Palestine. He gathers a group of companions to join him in battling injustice, sinfulness, and sickness. But, unlike the more recent road movie hero, Jesus does not triumph by force of arms or violence. Rather, he conquers prejudice and fear by standing up peacefully for justice and charity.

Today's gospel reading (Luke 9:51-62) captures something of this in its vision of Jesus being "resolutely determined to journey to Jerusalem" (Lk 9:51), where he will meet his death at the hands of the powerbrokers of this world. This episode marks an important turning point in Luke's story. From this event onwards until Jesus enters Jerusalem (Lk 19:28), Jesus travels with his disciples, teaching them and preparing them to understand his death and resurrection. Like Jesus, his companions are called to leave their homes and families, take to the road, and pursue a heroic and seemingly ill-fated cause (Lk 9:57-62).

On one level, this story can be understood in literal terms. There are those who are called to a religious or priestly vocation of celibacy and obedience, to a life without a home, spouse or children. On another deeper level, however, this story speaks to the essential Christian challenge to "repent", submit to a radical change of mind and heart (metanoia), and seek a new path in life no matter what obstacles one might encounter. This is the ironic message that lies at the heart of all great road movies, especially that of Jesus.

One must be willing to push beyond the comfortable and familiar in search of one's true home. If we want fulfilling lives and just societies, then we must spend our life's-journey in making heroic, self-sacrificing efforts "to serve one another through love" (Gal 5:13).

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