



Parishes of St Columba's and Our Lady Help of Christians

Communities of Ballarat North, Lexton, Miners Rest, Waubra, Wendouree

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The Parishes acknowledge that the Aboriginal people of Australia are our first nation people and the traditional owners and custodians of the land.

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Fr Marcello Colasante

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St Columba's

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Lia Andanar Yu

Our Safeguarding Officer:

Peter Marquand

Our Lady Help of Christians

Parish Co-ordinator and

Safeguarding Officer:

Maree Roache

MASS TIMES (This week)

St Columba's

Sunday 10:00 am

Wednesday 10:00 am

Our Lady Help of Christians

Waubra 1st & 3rd Sunday 8.30 am

Beaufort 2nd & 4th Sunday 8.30 am

Lexton 5th Sunday 8.30 am

Wendouree

Saturday 6:00 pm

Thursday 11:00 am (Kelaston)

Friday 10:00 am

Readings for Next Weekend:

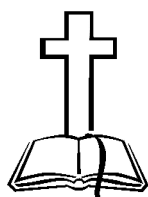
22nd Jan. 2023

Is 8: 23—9:3

Ps 26: 1.4. 13-14
R.v.1

1.Cor 1: 10-13, 17

Mt4: 12-23



2nd Sunday of Ordinary Time ~ 15th January 2023

Focus on the Scriptures

What does it mean to be 'holy'? It does not mean 100% morally correct, or separate from the great mass of people: 'Holier than thou'! It means being so close to God that God's holiness rubs off.

We are adopted members of the Holy Family, and something rubs off.

Each one of us has heard at our baptism 'You are my beloved son/daughter'. We have been adopted into God's family and that brings us into close proximity to God.

So, if St Paul were writing to us today, as he did to the Corinthians, this is how it would run: ' ... to the church of God that is in [your town], made up of those who have been sanctified in Christ Jesus, called holy.'

But, we are not alone. In a multitude of places there are people who have also been baptised and therefore share a certain family resemblance. How is the 'togetherness' held together? By being in communion with the Bishop of Rome, currently Pope Francis.

We might pause for a moment to thank God that we are amongst the baptised who can receive St Paul's greeting: 'Grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.'

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Responsorial Psalm: (R.) Here I am Lord; I come to do your will.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The word of God became flesh and dwelt among us. He enabled those who accepted him to become the children of God. Alleluia

Recently Deceased: We commend to God: Mary Phillips, Cardinal George Pell, Hilda Crowe

Anniversaries: We remember: Kathleen Moss, Leonilda Delore, Nancy Ross, Michael Fitzpatrick, Mary Thompson, Helen Charleson

We pray: Those in need of our prayers;

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- *If you are feeling unwell or have any symptoms of COVID-19 (fever, cough or sore throat) please do not attend Mass.*
- *Ensure that you maintain appropriate physical distancing at all times*
- *Whilst not compulsory a face mask is recommended whilst visiting the Church*
- *Please use the hand sanitiser available upon entering the Church.*
- *Please do not touch any surfaces unnecessarily.*

LENTEN PROGRAM - "From Ashes to Hope"

A small book of reflections for each day of the journey beginning with Ash Wednesday, Lent, Holy Week concluding with the Second Sunday of Easter. For anyone wishing to purchase a copy kindly record your contact details on the Order Form in the foyer. Cost \$5.00 per copy and orders close 29th January 2023.

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St Columba's 22nd Jan	(next week) Sunday 10am
COMMENTATOR	Min Myers
MINISTER OF THE WORD	Peter Marquand
COMMUNION MINISTER	Judy Brown
DIGITAL PROJECTOR	Bruce Chapman
SACRISTAN	Volunteer please

Child Safe Church The Parishes of St Columba's & Our Lady Help of Christians (including Lexton, Miners Rest and Waubra) follow the Child Safe Standards outlined by the Victorian Government and we also implement procedures and standards as directed by the Ballarat Diocesan Office. You can download our Code of Conduct and Child Safety Policy from the Parish website or on the foyer notice board. If you have any concerns whatsoever—please contact the Parish Office, Fr. Marcello or one of the Safe Guarding Officers at wendouree@ballarat.catholic.org.au or ballaratnorth@ballarat.catholic.org.au