

St Augustine's Creswick & St Peter's Daylesford

Napier St Creswick

Duke St Daylesford



*We are child safe Parishes, committed to safeguarding children & vulnerable adults.
We acknowledge the Dja Dja Wurrung People as the Traditional Custodians of the land
on which we live. We pay our respect to Elders, past, present and emerging.*

Sunday December 17th 3rd Sunday of Advent 2023 (Year B)

Parish Priest

Fr Justin Driscoll

Admin & Safeguarding Officer

Leonie Keynes

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Office Hours

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Parish School Principals

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Happy 90th
Birthday
next week to
Pat Rixon
(Daylesford
Parish).

Mass Times

This Sunday (December 17th)

Daylesford 6.00pm Vigil Sat

Creswick 9.00am

Weekday Masses

Monday 18th Funeral Mass

for Jock McInerney,

Creswick 2.00pm,

Wednesday 20th

11.00am Hepburn House,

Friday 22nd Creswick

10.30am

Next Sunday (December 24th)

Creswick 9.00 am

Daylesford 10.30am

Christmas Masses

Christmas Eve

Sunday December 24th

Daylesford 8.30pm

Christmas Day

Monday December 25th

Creswick 9.00am

Recent death

Pam Dunn (Daylesford),

Judy O'Connor (Essendon)

Anniversaries of death

Creswick

Ralph Bell, Merle Beves,

Paul Cassar,

Margaret James,

Catharina Schellens,

Franz Vleugel.

Daylesford

Ted Anderson,

William Bird, Brian Clohesy,

Nancy Conroy, Eileen Dwyer,

,Silverina Gervasoni,

May Hetherington,

David Lafranchi,

Eileen Pedretti,

Merlyn de vander Schueren,

Fr. Francis Whitely,

Katherine Wolf

St Augustine's Creswick

Port and Christmas Cake

shared after 9.00am Mass

today. All welcome.

Christmas Appeal 2023

Our Christmas Appeal is one way by which the diocese can respond to the many communities from near and far who turn to us for assistance. Often these requests come through people who have personal links with the diocese of Ballarat.

I thank the people of the diocese for their support of last year's appeal. The money was distributed as follows:

Catholic Mission Humanitarian Aid for Ukraine	10,000
Caritas Humanitarian Aid for Gaza	10,000
St Columban's Mission, "Shared Table" Peru	5,000
Nazareth House Ballarat	5,000
St Vincent de Paul	5,000
CatholicCare Victoria	5,000
Aid to the Church in Need	2,000
Australian Catholic Religious Against Trafficking in Humans (ACRATH)	2,000
Total donations made in 2023	\$44,000

In anticipation I thank you for your co-operation in recommending the 2023 Christmas Appeal to the generosity of your parishioners and giving them the opportunity to make their contribution when convenient. I note that donations can now also be made directly via the "Parish Giving" link at the bottom of the Diocesan website home page . Click on "Parish Giving", select your Parish, then from the drop down box "My Giving is For", select "Bishop's Christmas Appeal".

Parishioners will have the opportunity to contribute to the annual Christmas Appeal at the Christmas Masses in both Creswick and Daylesford. Thank you for your contributions.

Wendouree Parish Christmas Day Lunch OLHC Parish volunteers are hosting lunch on Christmas Day in the Parish Hall, 482 Gillies Street, Wendouree from 12.00noon – 2.00pm. Bookings are essential as seating is limited, ph. 0419 975914. If you are able to volunteer on this day, please phone the number listed to register.

Synod on Synodality update

Reflecting on the Synthesis Report: The General Secretariat of the Synod at the Holy See is encouraging the Church throughout the world to read and reflect on the synthesis report from the First Assembly of the Synod. They have recently released a short Facebook video which poses several questions to consider in your reflections. The video and questions for reflection are available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/for-a-synodal-church-communion-participation-and-mission/>

Letter to the People of God: Watch the audio visual version of the Letter to the People of God <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/for-a-synodal-church-communion-participation-and-mission/>