

St Patrick's Cathedral Parish Ballarat

Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time Year B – 14th July



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The phone will be transferred to the on-call priest so that Hospitals, Aged Care facilities, Funeral Directors or others seeking the services of a priest may be responded to.

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St Patrick's Cathedral Parish acknowledges the Traditional Custodians of the land on which we gather, the Wadawurrung People of the Kulin nation.

We are a child safe Parish following the Child Safe Standards outlined by the Victorian Government, implementing procedures and standards as directed by the Professional Standards Office of the Catholic Diocese of Ballarat.

Bishop of Ballarat:

Most Rev Paul Bird CSsR

Parish Administrator:

Fr Ed Moloney

Assistant Priests:

Fr James McKay

Fr Francis Kureeckal MST

Fr Abraham Thomas

Priest in Charge of Syro

Malabar Community:

Fr Alex Valliyamthadathil

Parish Secretary

Sacramental Coordinator

Tony Beggs

Finance Officer:

Bernadette Prestwood

Safeguarding Officers:

Tony Beggs/Maria Noonan

Readings this week: Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B (14th July)

First: Amos 7:12-15

Second: Ephesians 1:3-14

Gospel: Mark 6:7-13

Readings next week: Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B (21st July)

First: Jeremiah 23:1-6

Second: Ephesians 2:13-18

Gospel: Mark 6:30-34

IN LOVING
Memory

RECENT DEATHS:

Michael Cullinan, Rizalde Lizada (brother of Fr Eladio), Leo de Vaan, Michael Walsh

ANNIVERSARIES:

Mark Baulch, Giovanni Cincotta, Joan Costelloe, Ivy Cummings, James Doherty CSsR, Norma Duffy, Kathleen Fenwick, Luigi Gigliotti, Adeline Halliday, Sr Frances Hardbottle RSM, Stanislaw Iwanowski, Edward Jones, Catherine Laffey, Dorothy Lamond, Elsie Lewis, Eric Martin, Sile McCann, Amy McKew, Moira McRae, Cecil McVey, Florence Muller, Maurie Murphy, Doris Ngip, Thomas Nolan, Roma O'Donohoe, Seamus O'Sullivan, Nazario Pomella, Kevin Rawlings, Leo Roberts, Duncan Smerdon, Leo Torpy, Juan Torres Jr MD, Maria Van Govan, Johannes van den Bogert, Gerard Ward, Elizabeth Wynen

Responsorial Psalm: Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

Reflection on the Gospel- Fifteenth Sunday of Ordinary Time Year B
(Mark 6:7-13) - © Brendan Byrne SJ

The Gospel, Mark 6:7-13, places the Twelve in the line of this authentic prophetic tradition in that they are ordinary people sent out with the authority of Jesus to carry on the preaching, liberating and healing role that has been his alone up till now. What is very striking is the 'lightness' with which they are to travel. They are to submit themselves to the risk of hospitality. No bread – that should be provided for them; no haversack (the modern equivalent would be a sleeping-bag) – lodging should also be provided; and, for the same reason, no money. Sandals, yes, and a staff (as a walking stick, but also to ward off dangerous animals) because they will be constantly on the move. If they do meet with inhospitality and rejection in any place, then they are to respond with a prophetic gesture indicating judgment (shaking the dust from under their feet; cf. Acts 13:51) and move on. The lightness of equipment is so as not to compromise their absolute trust in the divine authority that has been given them and to avoid any suspicion of self-seeking in the enterprise. They must have confidence that the 'treasure' they bring to people in the shape of the Good News of the Kingdom vastly outweighs any burden of hospitality that they will impose and that this will be recognised by those destined to be gathered into the community of the Kingdom.

The Twelve, of course, are the 'pillars' upon which the later Church will be built. Their mission here foreshadows that of the Church, establishing something essential for its life: that it is always a community on mission, entrusted with the supreme treasure of the Gospel and the healing ministry carried out in the Sacraments. How it is to imitate these first missionaries in the 'lightness' of its travel is far more of a problem, granted the massive institutional plant and wealth that the Church has acquired in the course of the centuries. There are no facile solutions to this – save perhaps the otherwise traumatic experience of persecution. But the Gospel reminds the Church that the effectiveness of its prophetic role – its critique of prevailing cultural assumptions and practice – will largely be in proportion to the 'lightness' with which it travels, the trust in the goodness (hospitality) of ordinary people and the lack of self-seeking it presents to the world.



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Sport can lead the way to Christ

Like many other countries, Australia is passionate about sport. But how are the Church, faith and sport connected and why should they be? Whether competing, supporting or encouraging play for health, sport is part of our family and social life. In sport we experience community and teamwork, sacrifice and dedication, the benefits of rules and fair play, the highs of success and the learnings that come with defeat. We learn from coaches, parents and friends as we put in the extra effort to train or to attend games. Sport forms us not only in the skills of play or competition, but in life experiences that form our personal human development. The Church and sport can learn from each other in many ways. The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has published a new document that explains how sport is a gift that can draw people closer to Christ. More information available from the diocesan website <https://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au/sport-can-lead-the-way-to-christ/>



Sea Sunday: July 21 & 28, 2024

Sea Sunday is a day when the church prays for all those who live and work at sea. There will be an Appeal for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church. Funds collected will be used to provide practical and spiritual support to seafarers visiting our ports. As it is dependent on voluntary donations, please give generously. To donate or for more information go to www.stellamarisaustralia.org



Prayer for Sea Seafarers from Pope John Paul II

Mary, Star of the Sea, light of every ocean,
guide seafarers across all dark and stormy seas
that they may reach the haven of peace and light
prepared in Him who calmed the sea.

As we set forth upon the oceans of the world
and cross the deserts of our time, show us, O Mary,
the fruit of your womb, for without your Son we are lost.

Pray that we will never fail on life's journey,
that in heart and mind, work and deed,
in days of turmoil and in days of calm,
we will always look to Christ and say,
"Who is this that even wind and sea obey him?"

Our Lady of Peace, pray for us!

Bright Star of the Sea, guide us!

Our Lady, Star of the Sea, pray for seafarers, pray for us.

Knights of the Southern Cross Victoria's Archbishop Dinner 2024

Save the date: The Annual KSC Archbishop's Dinner to support the education of clergy will be held on Friday, August 30, 2024 at the Moonee Valley Racecourse at 7.00pm. More information available at <https://www.facebook.com/events/361551410249967?ref=newsfeed>



Laudato Si'



Fresh drinking water is an issue of primary importance, since it is indispensable for human life and for supporting terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems. Sources of fresh water are necessary for health care, agriculture and industry.

(Laudato Si' 28)

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Sacrament of Confirmation

The parish Parent Information Meeting for children undertaking Confirmation will be held on **Thursday 18th July** in the MacKillop Hall at 5:30pm. Held for parents of children that are not attending Catholic schools but is open to all parents.

St Vincent de Paul Society Winter Appeal

The theme of the appeal this year is the "Working Homeless", focussing on the emerging trend of people who are experiencing housing hardship and disadvantage despite being in employment. For the period between May 2023 – May 2024, St Vincent de Paul provided material household assistance to the value of \$730,000 across greater Ballarat. Envelopes are available in churches for donations and can be placed on the collection plate. Please write your name and address if you require a receipt. All donations over \$2.00 are tax deductible. To donate online, go to www.vinnies.org.au or call 131812.

Nazareth House Piety Stall.

Selling gifts for Sacraments, this stall is located in Nazareth House 218 Mill Street. Lake Wendouree. Opening hours. Mon Wed Friday 1pm- 3pm. Cash Only.

Nazareth House Auxiliary

If you feel you would like to contribute in some way to support Nazareth House please come and join us on the first Wednesday of each month at 1.30 pm or contact Margaret (Sec) 0419003415.

Timor Leste Encounter Tour

Join our small group Encounter tour to Timor-Leste from August 30 to September 11, 2024. You will engage directly with the people and projects that are making a positive difference within their communities as well as a unique opportunity to experience the profound impact of the Pope's visit and message first-hand.

To find out more information and register go to

<https://palms.org.au/encounters/>

150 Year Anniversary Formation Meetings

Ballarat - August 4 – 10.30am – 4.00pm – Ss Peter and Paul Church, Buninyong

Ballarat – August 13 – 5.00pm – 8.30pm – Our Lady Help of Christians Church, Wendouree

PARISH CONTRIBUTIONS

First Collection - \$ 2290.65

(Blue bag Presbytery – Priest support)

Second Collection - \$ 3409.85

(Red bag Parish – buildings, office, admin, grounds and maintenance)

Tap & Go - \$ 681.47

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday – 12.05pm

Tuesday – 7.00am, 12.05pm

Wednesday – 7.00am, 12.05pm
2.00pm Requiem Mass Michael Cullinan

Thursday – 7.00am, 12.05pm

Friday 12.05pm
(Reconciliation at 10.30am until midday)

Saturday - 10.00am
(Reconciliation at 10.30am)

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday 5.30pm Vigil

Sunday 8.00am, 10.30am, 5.00pm

DEVOTIONS

Monday-Saturday Morning Prayer 7.30am

Monday-Friday Evening Prayer 5.00pm

Monday/Tuesday

11.15am Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet

Wednesday

11.15am Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet,
Litany to St Joseph

6.00pm-7.00pm Holy Hour & Benediction

Thursday

11.15am Divine Mercy Devotion

Friday 11.00am to 12.00pm -

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Silent Prayer

Saturday after 10.00 am Mass

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

*changes may occur due to Funerals/Liturgical events

PARISH CALENDAR THIS WEEK

Tuesday

5.15pm Liturgy Team Meeting
7.00pm Life in the Spirit

Wednesday

1.00pm Legion of Mary
6.30pm Combined Parishes Meeting

Thursday

5.30pm Confirmation Parent Meeting
6.00pm ALPHA Meeting

Sunday

6.00pm Youth Group