

Our Lady Help of Christians

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COVID Safe Plan

- ◆ 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 (1.5 metres).
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Office hours -
Wednesday & Friday 11.30am - 4pm
Thursday 9am - 2pm

Our parishes are committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults. We acknowledge the Traditional Owners and custodians of the land on which our Parish communities meet: the Wadawurrung and Dja Dja Wurrung people. We pay respect to their Elders past, present and emerging, and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation of first peoples.

Staffing

Parish Priest: Fr Marcello Colasante

Finance Officer:
Bernadette Prestwood

OLHC Parish Co-ord & Safeguarding Officer:
Maree Roache

MASS TIMES (This week) Wendouree

Saturday: **5:30 pm** Vigil Wendouree

Sunday 9.00 am Creswick
10.30am Daylesford

Waubra

1st Sun of the month 8:30 am

Weekday Mass

Mon Daylesford 11.30 am Funeral

Wed Daylesford 10.30 am

Thurs Wendouree 10:00 am

Friday Creswick 10:30 am

Readings for Next Weekend:

23rd Sunday of Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Isaiah 35: 4-7

Psalm: 145: 7-10 R.v 1

2nd Reading: James 2: 1-5

Gospel: Mark 7: 31-37



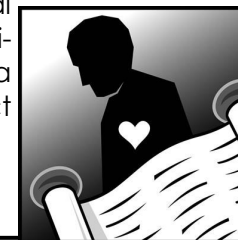
22nd Sunday of Ordinary Time (B) - 1st September 2024

Focus on the Scripture

No matter how good the intention, sometimes misguided principles can lead to false action. This is what Jesus chastised the Pharisees about. The traditions that had been established through the Pharisees and the Lawyers were certainly based on the Law as stated in the Torah. However, the practices that had been established to try to help people honour the Torah had effectively replaced the Law. In order to maintain spiritual cleanliness, a tradition of physical cleanliness had emerged – particularly around interaction with Gentiles and around eating. However, the purpose of the tradition had become lost. The need for physical cleanliness had replaced the maintenance of spiritual cleanliness.

The Pharisees observe some of the disciples eating without properly washing their hands and challenge Jesus about it. They are upholding the tradition that has effectively become the Law. Jesus reminds them – somewhat forcefully – that these external practices are not the Law; rather the Law is observed internally. Jesus goes so far as to call the Pharisees hypocrites. It is a criticism of them that the gospel writers attribute to Jesus quite frequently. For Jesus, hypocrisy was one of the greatest failings. Because Jesus placed such a high price on integrity of word and action he could not abide those who proclaimed to be just, pious or forgiving and yet acted in ways that were contrary to these claims. His chastisement of the Pharisees – calling them hypocrites – was a challenge to their observation of external practices and rituals instead of seeking to understand the Torah as a call to a change of heart. Jesus points out that no amount of ritual cleansing will make a person clean within. Similarly, evil and uncleanness come from within a person – one doesn't 'catch it' from contact with strangers.

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Responsorial Psalm: The just will live in the presence of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation. Alleluia!

Recently Deceased: Anne Frith

Anniversaries: We remember: Charlie Mallia, Owen Rose, Paul Mahar, Kathleen Egresits, Rita Keogh,

We pray: for all in areas of conflict, war and natural disasters, for the sick and all in need of our prayers.



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**Praying with Pope Francis:
intention for September-
For The Cry of the Earth**

“Let us pray that each of us hears with the heart the cry of the Earth and victims of natural disasters and climate change, personally committing to care of the world we inhabit”.



Happy Father's Day to all the dads in our community, and all those who fulfil the role of a dad in our family.

Delegates Diocesan Assembly 15th/16th November

Following the formation evening that was held on 13th August, each parish is now required to select two delegates to attend the Assembly in November. If you attended the formation evening and would like to be a delegate for Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Wendouree kindly express your interest by forwarding an email to me via wendouree@ballarat.catholic.org.au.

In expressing your interest the following points are suggested for you to bear in mind:

- A person's living of the Gospel in prayer and action
- Commitment to service in the Church i.e: involvement in the life of the parish community, in education, in social services
- Recent participation in the formation sessions around the Diocese
- Delegates will be required to commit to further formation prior to the assembly and to attend the assembly for the entire program at Federation University in Ballarat

Following the assembly delegates will be required to report to their local community and keep the conversation going in the formation and/or support of local parish councils/leadership teams.

Ultimately, the overriding characteristic is a person's ability to discern with an open heart, listening to what the Spirit is saying in relation to leadership and governance in a Synodal Church in the Diocese.

Each parish is required to forward the names of the two delegates to the Pastoral Ministry Office by **Friday 6th September**



Water security - access to safe drinkable water is a basic and universal human right, since it is essential to human survival and, as such, is a condition for the exercise of other human rights. The quality of available safe water is constantly diminishing. In some places there is a growing tendency, despite its scarcity, to privatise this resource, turning it into a commodity subject to the laws of the market. (Laudato Si 30). Consider your water usage even though here in Australia we are lucky to have access to this precious resource!

**BALLARAT CLERGY SUPPORT FUND
Collection for Retired Priests**



The Ballarat Clergy Support Fund provides for retired priests who have spent a lifetime selflessly caring for others, and who deserve a happy and peaceful retirement. The Fund is currently supporting and caring for seventeen retired priests. Over the next few years a number of priests currently in parish ministry will be moving into retirement, and will also need to be supported by the fund.

This annual collection has allowed the Fund to continue to support our retired priests. Please give as generously as you can, and help us continue 'caring for those who cared for us'. Special envelopes are available for this collection, which will be taken up today. You may also return your envelope next week.

A credit card facility is available for your convenience, and contributions over \$2.00 are tax-deductible.

gospel focus

The things within

We live in a culture that is very quick to lay blame on external factors; some people are very reluctant to accept responsibility for their own actions and look for opportunities to distance themselves from feelings of guilt or even regret. Jesus makes it very clear that evil intentions – the things that make a person 'unclean' – actually come from within. He presents a confronting list of the things that come from within and we may be able to add others relevant to our own time. In our culture of no personal responsibility, Jesus challenges us to rethink just where the buck does stop.



Centralised Baptism Preparation Session
Parents planning to have their child baptised are required to attend a Baptism Preparation Session. Next session is at MacKillop and Glowrey Rooms of St. Patrick's Cathedral Hall, 3 Lyons St South, Ballarat. Next session: Thursday September 5th 2024 at either 10:00 am or 5:30 pm.

OLHC Liturgy Committee Meeting will be on Tuesday 3rd September at 4 pm. All welcome.

Ballarat Diocesan Social Justice Commission invite all to a Reflection Day, in celebration of the launch of the Australian Catholic Bishops' Social Justice Statement 2024-2025, "Truth and Peace: A Gospel Word in a Violent World" on Saturday, September 7, 2024 from 10.00 am - 2.30 pm at Ss Michael and John's Horsham Parish Centre. Facilitator for the day is writer and educator, Michael McGirr. Registration will be required to attend. Please see the poster in the church foyer for registration details.

Pastoral Care at Mercy Place Ballarat Aged Care

A permanent part-time position is available at Ballarat Mercy Place Aged Care. Applications are available on the seek link <https://www.seek.com.au/job/77920166?type=standout&ref=search-standalone&origin=jobCard#sol=bf828cb7ac33e2ee3f0a0309916d6ede9fc496a3>. For any further information or interest in formation regarding pastoral care, please contact Bernadette Wurlod, email: BWurlod@mercy.com.au

Catholic Women's League—Cathedral branch will meet for a Social event on Monday 2nd September. at 1.30pm.

We will meet at 15 Lyons Street, Ballarat at the "Pregnancy Help Centre" for an introduction to their community work, and enjoy afternoon tea with them.

6th Sept 2024	(next week)	Saturday 6:00 pm
LEADER OF SONG		Corrie Harbour
PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL		Margaret White
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COMMUNION MINISTERS		Pauline Newman & Helen Feely
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