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Ministry District of Creswick, Daylesford and Wendouree

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Presbytery Address—13 Duke St Daylesford

Our Parishes, are committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.

We acknowledge the Dja Dja Wurrung & Wadaurung People as the Traditional Custodians of the lands on which our Parish communities meet. We pay our respect to Elders, past, present and emerging.

March 23rd
3rd Sunday in Lent
Year C



Pilgrimage with St Paul - Missionary of Hope

In this Jubilee year, dedicated to becoming Pilgrims of Hope, pilgrims are invited to experience the world of the early Christian communities. The Acts of the Apostles will come alive as we go out with St Paul and his companions to rediscover the faith and struggles of the early Christian communities. The proposed itinerary departs Melbourne on Sunday, September 21, 2025 with the pilgrims arriving in Istanbul and proceeding to Adana, Tarsus, Antioch, Ephesus, Troas, Kavala, Philippi, Thessalonica and Athens with the possibility of an extension to Rome.

For further information please contact Lifestyle Travel, 11 Armstrong Street North (PO Box 740), Ballarat, 3350, ph. 03 5331 8077, email info@lifestyletravel.com.au or Fr Justin Driscoll justin.driscoll@ballarat.catholic.org.au

COLLECTIONS DURING MASS

The custom in Parishes is for two collections to be taken up during Mass. **1st Collection** is for the support of the Bishop and the Priests of the Diocese. **2nd collection** is for the running costs of the Parish including maintenance, insurance, wages, utilities, grounds etc.

LET US PRAY

Recent Death

Anne Moloney
Jan Hendrik Mester.
Jim Watson, Herman Ruyg

Anniversaries for this week Creswick

Margaret Kierce,
Msg. James McInerney
Daylesford
Allan Cusack, Mollie Dixon,
Nita Edwards, Carla Gilligan,
Karen Gilligan, Robert Nixon,
Kathleen Parsons, George Ring,
Harold Tognazzini.

For those unwell

Roger Hodgkin (Cheryl Bullen's Father)
Carol & Ken Marshall (Daylesford)

Praying with Pope Francis Prayer for March - for families in crisis:

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences. Lord, hear us.

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

PARISH TEAM

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St Michael's Daylesford
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MASS TIMES

Saturday Vigil

Wendouree 6.00pm

Sunday

Waubra 1st Sunday 8.30 am

Creswick 9.00am
(First Sunday of each month
Lay Led Assembly)

Daylesford 10.30am

Weekday Mass Times 24th—28th March

Wednesday 26th 10.30am
Daylesford

Friday 28th 10.30am
Creswick

Creswick Ecumenical Lent Study

At St Andrews Uniting Church
in Creswick Wednesday at 2pm.
This will continue each
Wednesday during Lent.

HOLY WEEK TIMES

Holy Thursday April 17th

Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper
5.30pm at Creswick
7.00pm at Daylesford

Good Friday April 18th

Celebration of the Lord's Passion
3.00pm at Creswick (Lay Led)
3.00pm at Daylesford

Holy Saturday April 19th

Easter Vigil Mass
7.00pm at Wendouree

Easter Sunday April 20th

9.00am at Creswick
10.30am at Daylesford

Choir for Mass of the Oils 2025

Singers and musicians in the diocese are invited to join the music group which is being formed for the Mass of the Oils on Monday, April 14, 2025. Practice times are Sundays, March 30, April 6 and April 13 at 6.15pm (following 5.00pm Mass). Please contact Julie Boyd in the Pastoral Ministry Office to register your interest julie.boyd@ballarat.catholic.org.au or ph. 5337 7159.

Mass of the Oils

Thanks to the following parishioners who will collect the oils on behalf of our Parishes

Creswick Parish- Margie & Kath
Daylesford Parish- Colleen & David

24 Hours for the Lord: March 28, 2025

The "24 Hours for the Lord" was introduced by Pope Francis in 2014 and has been held every year since. It is a Lenten initiative of prayer and reconciliation. It is celebrated on the eve of the Fourth Sunday of Lent each year. Its intention is to put the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation at the centre of the pastoral life of the Church. Parishes and communities can implement this initiative taking care to adapt it according to local needs and customs.

Prayer for 24 hours for the Lord

Gracious God, we come before you with open hearts to be healed by your love and mercy. Look with compassion on us as we acknowledge our failures; heal our wounds and stretch out your hand of love to save us and raise us up. Keep us free from harm as members of Christ's body, as sheep of your flock, as children of your family. Hear the prayer we offer you O God. Lead us back to the way of holiness, and protect us now and always. May we ever keep safe in all its fullness the gift your love once gave us and your mercy now restores. We pray in Jesus' name, he who lives with you and the Holy Spirit, God, forever and ever. Amen.

Mary MacKillop Centre Creswick

For the next 6 months or thereabouts, while construction work is being carried out at St Augustine's Primary School, the Project Manager will use the Mary MacKillop centre. This will be during business hours Monday—Friday. The school have advised the Project Manager that on occasion Parishioners may use the centre after Friday weekday Mass.



Volunteers are essential for our Parishes to survive. The Daylesford Parish is currently looking for more volunteers to contribute their time and talent.

Even if you are not confident, please don't hesitate as we have many wonderful people who can assist with training you. Please contact Leonie in the office if you are able to assist with reading, offertory, or operating the powerpoint. Whether it is once a month or even once every two months, we would really love to hear from you.



Third Sunday of Lent 22nd and 23rd of March 2025

Lam is 27 years old from a small village in rural Vietnam who faced significant challenges due to his short stature. Through the I-SHINE program Lam completed a six-month course developing his graphic design skills. He now runs a successful freelance graphic design business from home, serving clients worldwide and earning a steady income.



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Or online at: caritas.org.au/project-compassion

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Diocesan Archives Annual Exhibition: Relics & Reliquaries

This year's annual exhibition "Relics and Reliquaries" at the Diocesan Archives and Gallery (5 Lyons Street, Ballarat), will showcase the collection and trace the history of the religious devotional objects. The exhibition will run until February 1, 2026 and will be open Tuesdays – Fridays from 8.00am – 4.30pm. For more information contact the Diocesan Archives

archives@ballarat.catholic.org.au

