



St Canice's Lindenow

THE PARISH OF BAIRNSDALE AND OMEO

East Region – Diocese of Sale

BAIRNSDALE, PAYNESVILLE, LINDENOW, OMEO, SWIFTS CREEK & BENAMBRA

OUR VISION

We are a welcoming community where the word of God, through the message of Jesus Christ, is made known and lived.

OUR MISSION

Live the message of Jesus Christ taking inspiration from Mary, the Mother of God.
Empower our community to activate their gifts to build a better world.
To strengthen and grow our faith.

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Facebook: [St Mary's Church Bairnsdale](https://www.facebook.com/StMarysChurchBairnsdale)

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C July 17, 2022

We acknowledge the Gunaikurnai people, the Traditional Custodians who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples to this country. We pay respect to elders past, present and emerging, and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

Weekend Mass Times

St Mary's Bairnsdale

Saturday: 6:00pm

Sunday: 9:30am

St Patrick's, Paynesville

Sunday: 8:00am

St Canice's, Lindenow

2nd & 4th Sunday monthly: 11am

Swifts Creek, Omeo & Benambra

June and August

Sacred Heart, Swifts Creek

4th Saturday: 6:30pm

Immaculate Conception, Omeo

4th Sunday: 11:00am

at the Omeo Hospital

St Francis, Benambra

4th Sunday: 9.00am

Weekday Masses @ St Mary's

Monday-Friday 9.10am

NO MASS WEDNESDAY JULY 20

DUE TO MARY HENDERSON'S

FUNERAL IN OMEO AT 1.00pm

PAYNESVILLE

Wednesday Rosary 10am

RECONCILIATION is available each

Friday after 9:10am Mass

Saturday 9:30am - 10:00am and

5:30pm to 5:50pm

Peter's Pence Collection



Today is the Peter's Pence Collection, a worldwide collection that supports the work of the Universal Church, including the work of the Holy See and the charitable works of Pope Francis.

Please take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a sign of mercy to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today.

An example of the difference Peter's Pence can make.

The construction of a well in Moroto, Uganda: the nearest available source of water was five kilometres from the settlement of 35,000, and every day women and children had to walk to get water. Now, thanks to support from the charitable outreach of Peter's Pence, they no longer have to make that arduous journey.

For us to have fresh water we only need to walk a few metres and turn on a tap. Another example: the provision of a children's ambulance in Ukraine. Desperately needed at this time to comfort children suffering in their war torn homeland.

Worth taking a moment to reflect on how truly blessed we are to live where we do.

For more information visit: www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html.



Roster for Masses – 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time - July 23-24, 2022

	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Special Minister
6:00pm Sat	G Dooley	P Reefman	J Peachey	K Flannery
9:30am Sun	H Van Den Einden	H Sampson	M Elliot	S Tilley

Cleaning: Fortnight ending: 6th August — Pattie Pruscino **Please find a replacement if unable to fill your spot.**

Our Parish of The Immaculate Conception (also known as St Mary's) is committed to providing a safe and supportive environment for all people with special concern for children, young people and adults at risk.

Our Safeguarding Officer is Kath Cassidy who can be contacted via the Parish Centre 5152 2942; or Police 5150 2600; or Towards Healing 1800 816 030.

Pope Francis' Prayer Intentions —JULY

We pray for the elderly, who represent the roots and memory of a people; may their experience and wisdom help young people to look towards the future with hope and responsibility.



DO YOU (or someone you know) have difficulty reading?

We have a voice recording and reflection of the Sunday Gospel available, which can be emailed directly to you.

Would you be Interested in this?

Please contact Michael at the Parish Centre:

5152 2942 or email: stm.pattipruscino@gmail.com



Remember and Reflect

The Uluru Statement From The Heart

Refreshed and Renewed Online Retreat

Date: July 28-30, 2022,

Registration: \$20

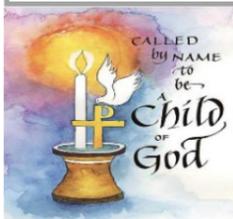
Do you sometimes feel like you're just trying to survive? Catholics across Australasia want to answer the Church's call to mission. Yet with the demands of parish work and a global pandemic, it's easy to feel discouraged and burnt out.

That's why it's so important that we take the time to be re-energised and revived in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Together with Parousia, we invite you to the Refreshed & Renewed online retreat on July 28-30 featuring Dr. Edward Sri, Fr. James Mallon, Deacon Harold Burke-Sivers, Steve Ray, and many more — where you will encounter Jesus through prayer, be re-energised by amazing talks, and experience the Holy Spirit renew your heart.

Register today at:

www.divinerenovation.org/refreshed-renewed



We welcome into our Parish family through Baptism

Isla Hanna, daughter of

Olivia and Bradley.

Bobby Campbell, Son of Simone and Peter.

EMERGENCY APPEAL FOR UKRAINE

To donate, please visit: www.aidtochurch.org/ukraine or phone: 1800 101 201.

Prayer Cards and Donation Slips are available at St Mary's Church.

STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

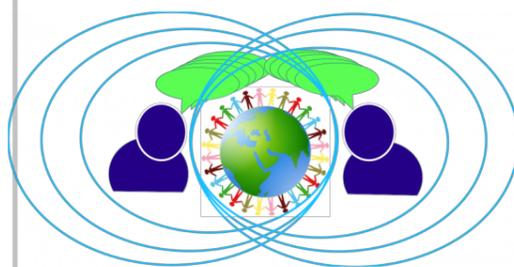
A reminder of our banking details.

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Thank you for your continued financial support of St Marys.



Communication & Relationships

**Saturday July 23, 2022,
12.30pm-5.00pm AEST**

Attend via Zoom or

in-person. A fundamental aspect of any relationship, with God or people, is communication. This event looks at the different aspects of communication and their strengths and weaknesses in daily life.

It offers a practical approach to communication and relationships. This session will be led by James Areechira SVD. Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation, rear 41 Stanhope Street, Malvern VIC, email office@heartoflife.melbourne or tel (03) 9890 1101

Book and pay by July 18, 2022.

www.heartoflife.melbourne Cost \$60 (BYO lunch)

ST VINCENT PALLOTTI SCHOLARSHIP TRUST

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. More information and Applications Forms are available on our website

<https://pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html>

Closing Date: July 29, 2022

ST MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH, BAIRNSDALE SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2022

Enrolments are now being taken for candidates to participate in the Sacrament of First Holy Communion, to be celebrated on September 10-11, 2022. Children who have already celebrated their First Reconciliation and are in Year 4 or over may be enrolled.

For further information please contact Michelle via email stm.michelleg@gmail.com

or call the Parish Centre on 5152 2942.

Readings: July 23-24, 2022 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1st Reading: Genesis 18:20-32

Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 137:
1-3, 6-8

2nd Reading: Colossians 2:12-14

Gospel: Luke 11:1-13

Collections: July 10, 2022

Envelopes \$ 1009.00

DD & Cards \$ 600.00

1st Collection \$ 472.25

2nd Collection \$ 700.90

THE MASS SERIES

Archbishop Mark Coleridge of the
Archdiocese of Brisbane

The series can be found on
YouTube>Archdiocese of Brisbane
/playlist>The Mass Series
Liturgy of the Eucharist-Offertory

Once we have prayed our intercessions, we begin the second great section of the Mass. We've had the Liturgy of the Word and now we move to the Liturgy of the Eucharist. Eucharist is a Greek word which simply means thanksgiving. Often these days instead of saying Mass we say the Eucharist. It is the great sacrifice of thanksgiving. First there is the procession of the gifts. The bread and the wine, and sometimes other gifts, are brought forward. As they are brought forward, so too are our whole lives. The bread and wine are symbolic of many things. All that we are, all that we have, all that we've made. The whole material world is gathered up in these gifts of bread and wine, and they are brought forward, not as something that we ourselves have created, but from all the gifts of God. In bringing those gifts forward the one thing we are saying is that everything is a gift from God. Absolutely everything. We can claim nothing of our own.



IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MACKILLOP

**St Mary MacKillop Pilgrimage.
October 18-29, 2022.**

**If you are interested in taking
part in the Pilgrimage, look up the details on
St Mary's Facebook page or the Website:
www.stmarysbairnsdale.net**



You are invited to join our Online Rosary Group (via Zoom)

To be held every Wednesday from 7.00-7.30pm, starting July 27. The Rosary takes us on a spiritual journey, along with Mary, in contemplation with her son Jesus. This powerful prayer is the storehouse of countless blessings. If you would like to participate, email Michelle at stm.michelleg@gmail.com or ring St Mary's Parish Centre on 5152 2942 and leave your contact details. You will be emailed a link which allows you to enter the meeting. We are excited for you to be part of something amazing and marvellous.

A wonderful opportunity to encounter Jesus by praying the Rosary with others.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Amanda Vowell (Chair), Wilma Collier, Marilyn Elliot
Madelaine Schumann, Narelle Gibbons,
Peter McMahon, Jacinta Da Costa

Ex-officio members: Fr Michael, Principals and Michael F.
Parish Directory: available at the Pastoral Centre.

St Mary's Primary School: 5152 3706

Nagle College: 5152 6122

Sacraments: To request information and registration forms email stmarybairnsdale@gmail.com

Baptisms: Call the Sacramental Coordinator to set a date. Baptisms are celebrated during or after Mass on the 1st and 3rd Sundays of each month.

Weddings: 6 months notice required, schedule dates with priest.

Anointing of the Sick: Please call the Parish Centre.

Funerals: Please contact your preferred Funeral Director for arrangements.

Communion to the Housebound /Aged Care:

Call Pattie Pruscino: 0427 232 682

Special Wedding Anniversaries: 6 months notice is needed to organise a Papal Blessing for parishioners.

St Vincent de Paul Conference/Assistance Centre:
5152 6687

St Mary's Op Shop: 5152 2088

PRAYER FOR UKRAINE

God of peace and justice,
we pray for the people of Ukraine today. 
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow,
that your Spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace,
for wisdom, discernment and compassion
to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children,
at risk and in fear, that you would hold and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen.

CATECHIST FORMATION DAY

'Women in the New Testament'

Rev Francis Otobo

'The Art of Christmas' - Icons and Images

Dr Sr Rose Duffy

Venue: St Jarlath's Hall
Yarragon

Date: Tuesday September 6, 2022

Time: 9.00am-3.30pm

Cost: \$10.00 per person

RSVP to BarbaraD@sale.catholic.org.au

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR RECENTLY DECEASED: Pat Webb (Denise Fallon's mother), Mary Henderson, John Scionti, Leo Russell, victims of natural disasters, mental health, COVID-19, terrorist attacks, war, conflict, asylum seekers, family violence and poverty.

ALL WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME: Bob Banks, Bob McKenzie, Irene Flannery, John Archibald, Maria Anna Vanzin, Maureen Coffey, Frank Traynor, Demetrio (Dennis) Bagnato, Marie Petterson, Teresa Mitchell, Antonio D'Amore, Peg Townsend, Christopher Coverdale, Jean Hannaford, Nunzio Lanteri, Margaret Postma, Carmel Hall, Kerrie Knott, and priests who have worked in the Diocese.

"Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace."

PLEASE REMEMBER THE SICK: Denise Roberts, Marie Ayres (S-I-L of Pat Coloe), Kath Gillies, Michael Counsel, John Spirason, Tricia & Alan Cooke, Paul Fitzgerald, Fr Pax Scarf OFM, Bin Li (husband of Liah), Bob Marshall, Shirley Gilmore (Mary Rowe's sister), Victoria Shaw, Vin Ayres (brother of Pat Coloe), Mark & Elizabeth Rashleigh, Maree Elbourne, Ella Ford (NZ), Craig Counsel, Margaret O'Reilly, Ambrosio (Tony) Da Cunha - Asqueli, Marsha Worseldine, Arthur Elbourne, Jim Quigley, Arthur Roberts, Damian Greaves, Carmen Golonski (Grimsted), Linton Smith, Marcie Hayles, Brian Rowe, Vic Smythe.

Please remember all parishioners who are unwell or recovering from illness or surgery.

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time -Year C July 17, 2022

Entrance Antiphon

See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.

The Opening Prayer

Show favour, O Lord, to your servants and mercifully increase the gifts of your grace, that, made fervent in hope, faith and charity, they may be ever watchful in keeping your commands. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Amen.

A reading from the the book of Genesis 18:1-10

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My Lord,' he said 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.' Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry,' he said 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree. 'Where is your wife Sarah?' he asked him. 'She is in the tent' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail, and your wife will then have a son.'

Responsorial Psalm

R. The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain? He who walks without fault; he who acts with justice and speaks the truth from his heart; he who does not slander with his tongue. **R.**

He who does no wrong to his brother, who casts no slur on his neighbour, who holds the godless in disdain, but honours those who fear the Lord. **R.**

He who keeps his pledge come what may; who takes no interest on a loan and accepts no bribes against the innocent. Such a man will stand firm for ever. **R.**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians 1:24-28

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my own body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Blessed are they who have kept the word with a generous heart and yield a harvest through perseverance. **Alleluia!**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 10:38-42

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said, 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her. *Jerusalem Bible* © Copyright Liturgy Brisbane

Scripture Notes

It might seem that Jesus is unfair to Martha, that he is even putting her down. So many times, Jesus says that those who serve are the greatest in the kingdom, and yet here he is praising the one who sits and listens over the 'doer.' He was showing concern for her, that she had her priorities wrong. Similarly, it is easy for us to become subsumed by daily chores and duties and we have trouble differentiating the important from the trivial. A period of non-doing, a time of quiet reflection, is an essential nourishment for the soul. It is not either-or...we need work and prayer integrated in our lives as Christians.

To be in the presence of God, without saying or doing anything is hard, but it is the most important way that we show our love of God. Prayer is not about words but about communion with God. Prayer is a resting in the presence of God.