



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.

Parish Priest: Fr Michael Willemsen

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St Mary's Parish Pastoral Centre:

135 Nicholson Street Bairnsdale Phone: 5152 2942

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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C—October 9, 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

August and September

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



Parishioners are invited to attend the **Priesthood Ordination of Deacon Mark Hughes** by Bishop Greg at the Sale Cathedral on

Saturday October 15 at 11:00am. All welcome.

Let Michael at the Parish Centre know if you are interested in attending and we can look at the possibility of 'car-pooling'.

DIOCESAN CATECHIST RETREAT

WHEN: October 21-23

The retreat will begin on Friday night and conclude on Sunday afternoon.



WHERE: CYC Adventure Camp, Phillip Island

Facilitator: Sr. Robyn Reynolds OLHC

Theme: The Power and Presence of Grace in our Lives.

Please RSVP to Barbara Durand barbarad@sale.catholic.org.au by **14th October**

Cost: \$101.64 for two nights. This is a self catering event, so donations of food for meals and morning and afternoon tea will be appreciated.

Sr. Robyn has spent many years working and living with indigenous Australians in remote communities of the Northern Territory. For ten years she was lecturer at Darwin's Nungalinya College and is now lecturing at Yarra Theological College Melbourne. She has also spent time in South Africa, and more recently in the Philippines and Papua New Guinea.

Weekday Masses @ St Mary's

Monday, Wednesday-Friday:

· 9.10am

NO MASS TUESDAY

Paynesville

Wednesday Rosary: 10.00am

Reconciliation is available each

Friday: after 9:10am Mass

Saturday: 9:30am to 10:00am and
5:30pm to 5:50pm

Roster for Masses – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - October 15-16, 2022

	Welcomer	Commentator	Reader	Special Minister	Offertory Procession
6:00pm Sat	M Schumann	C Shanahan	D Reefman	M Saunders	
9:30am Sun	P Brown-Graham	M Grimsted	A Vowell	S Tilley	D Atkins, S Dean, C Tilley

Cleaning: Fortnight ending: October 15th — B & A Cattapan **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 for OCTOBER
Missionary Disciples**



We pray that every baptised person may be engaged in evangelisation, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

THE CAGLIERO PROJECT, SALESIANS OF DON BOSCO



Long Term Volunteer Opportunities in the Australia-Pacific Region

We are seeking long term (6-12 month) volunteers for January, 2023 to work with disadvantaged young people in our Salesian communities in Samoa, Cambodia, Timor Leste, Solomon Islands and Australia. Applications close October 31, 2022. Send us an inquiry: www.cagliero.org.au or lhichaaba@salesians.org.au



ITS NOT TOO LATE TO JOIN IN PRAYING THE ROSARY IN THE MONTH OF OCTOBER

The East Gippsland Parish Community invites you to this Rosary prayer event, via Zoom, during the month of October, from 7.00pm – 7.30pm, starting Saturday October 1.

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: stm.michelleg@gmail.com or ring St Mary's Parish Centre on 5152 2942 to leave your contact details.

A link will be emailed to you for your participation.

We are so excited for you to be part of something amazing and marvellous and to encounter Jesus by praying the Rosary with others.

'Inverting the Ecclesial Pyramid 60 Years after Vatican II: Evolution of a Synodal Church in Australia under Pope Francis'

On Tuesday October 25 at 6.30pm,
via Zoom, you are invited to the
Walter Silvester Memorial Lecture 2022
UCA (Pallottine Family)
The Orator, **Bishop of Parramatta Diocese**
Vincent Nguyen Van Long OFM Conv.



Bishop Vincent, who came to Australia as a refugee, is Chair of the Bishops Commission for Social Justice, Mission and Service. He is much respected and renowned as an inspiring speaker. As the Church goes forward after the Australian Plenary Council, it will be worthwhile listening to his perspective.

Please contact Mary Saunders 0427 525 962 for Zoom login details

STEWARDSHIP PROGRAM

Planned Giving Envelopes are now ready to be collected.

You will find them in the Church foyer at Masses this weekend.

If you haven't completed your pledge card, please do so ASAP and return it to the Parish Centre.

If you are unable to find your envelopes please contact the Parish Centre.

The Stewardship Program gives us the opportunity to take stock of our progress since the last program in 2019 and set goals for the next three years. Your engagement is an expression of your belonging. *Fr Michael*

ART SHOW - 'IN THE EYE OF THE BEHOLDER'

Art by Madelaine Schumann

Where: Lakes Entrance Visitor Centre

Artspace@LakesVIC September 11– November 12

THE MASS SERIES – by Archbishop Mark Coleridge of the Archdiocese of Brisbane

Every 2 weeks we will, together with Archbishop Mark, share with you each part of the Mass. The series can be found on YouTube>Archdiocese of Brisbane/playlist>The Mass Series **Liturgy of the Eucharist: Rite of Peace**.

After the Lord's Prayer, we pray for peace; that which only God can give and that this feast signifies; sitting down at table with each other. To sit down with God, is to anticipate the peace that will come when all is

transfigured. So, we pray for peace as we come to share the feast, and then share that peace with each other, and with God. When we offer each other the sign of peace it is not just a handshake. It is so much more. It is saying that I believe that you and I are united in the body of Christ. Because of what God has done, all barriers between you and me are down and we share life in the Body of Christ. In sharing this feast, which is the Body of Christ, I am saying that I believe that you are the Body of Christ and you are saying the same to me. The Priest says: 'the Peace of the Lord be with you.' And we reply 'and with your spirit'. We recognise the truth of each other before we come to share the feast together which is the Body of Christ. The sign of peace recognises this truth, because of what God has done, and us acknowledging this in one another.

This is not just bread and wine.-This is the Body and Blood of Christ, because of what God has done.

29thSunday in OT October 15-16

1st Reading: Exodus 17:8-13

Responsorial Psalm: 120

2nd Reading: 2 Timothy

3:14-4:2

Gospel: Luke 18:1-8

Collections October 1-2, 2022:

Envelopes	\$ 1499.30
DD & Cards	\$ 2475.00
1 st Collection	\$ 797.95
2 nd Collection	\$ 799.50
Pay Wave	\$ 290.00
Church Tours	\$ 775.80

Community Connections East

Gippsland invites you to join the local **Seasonal Workers BBQ, sponsored by the Uniting Church Bairnsdale, 12noon on TODAY Sunday October 9**



at ADRA Bairnsdale, 455 Princes Hwy Lucknow.

RSVP: Wendy 0438 516 322 if you can attend the BBQ.



THIS YEAR, SOMETHING SPECIAL IS HAPPENING ON MISSION SUNDAY October 23, 2022

St Mary's Social Justice Group is organising a Special Food Collection for Neighbourhood House.
(Margarine/Butter or Long Life Milk)

Neighbourhood House is totally reliant on food donations. They do not receive any Government funding for the services they provide to the disadvantaged in our community. Some of these services include delicious Lunches Tuesday & Thursday, 12pm and Dinner Friday 5-6pm in the Community Café.

An Opportunity Shop, Toy Library, Community Garden Tuesday mornings 11am-1pm and the Food Room that distributes healthy food to those who are experiencing hardship.

Inspired by the Gospel let us bring joy to those in our community who are disadvantaged.

WE CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

At the weekend Masses on October 22-23 we are all invited to bring a tub of margarine or butter or Long Life milk along to Mass. As requested by Neighbourhood House these items will replenish their pantry.

Are you searching for a relationship with God?

Do you want to learn more about the Catholic way of life?

Are you interested in becoming a Catholic Christian?

If so, you're invited to **Come & See** in our Parish

For more information please contact:

Michelle Grimsted 5152 2942 or email
stm.michelleg@gmail.com



VICTORIA WELSH CHOIR

When: Sunday October 23 at 2.30pm

When: St Mary's Church.

Tickets: \$25.00-available at

Visitor Information Centres in Bairnsdale and Lakes Entrance



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ALL WHOSE ANNIVERSARIES OCCUR AT THIS TIME: Nicholas Dooley, Laurie Hodgkinson, Daphne Moore, Daphne McKersie,

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

Those on the "sick list" will remain on it for one month. Please contact the Parish Centre to extend this time.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Amanda Vowell (Chair), Wilma Collier, Marylin Elliott,

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.

By Anglican Archbishops Justin Welby and Stephen Cottrell

To donate, please visit: www.aidtochurch.org/ukraine

or phone: 1800 101 201.

Prayer Cards and Donation Slips are available
in the Church foyer.

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Entrance Antiphon

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

The Opening Prayer

May your grace, O Lord, we pray, at all times go before us and follow after and make us always determined to carry out good works. 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 book of Kings 5:14-17

Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child. Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. 'Now I know' he said 'that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.' But Elisha replied, 'As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.' Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, 'Since your answer is "No," allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.'

Responsorial Psalm

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. **R.**

The Lord has made known his salvation, has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel. **R.**

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy. **R.**

A reading from the second letter of Paul to Timothy 2:8-13

Remember the Good News that I carry, 'Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David'; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal - but they cannot chain up God's news. So, I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it. Here is a saying that you can rely on:

If we have died with him, then we shall live with him. If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him.

If we disown him, then he will disown us. We may be unfaithful, but he is always faithful, for he cannot disown his own self

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! For all things give thanks to God, because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus. **Alleluia!**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them, he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away, they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.

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Scripture reflection: The one leper who came to thank Jesus for his cure was a Samaritan; the only one who was brought closer to God through his illness. The nine that didn't, suggests that they learnt nothing from their pain and suffering. Sadly, we are better at demanding gratitude than giving it. "We write in the sand the benefits we receive, but the injuries we write in marble." (Thomas Moore). We need to thank God as a way of acknowledging that we owe everything to Him. A grateful heart is one that is joyful and leaves no room for bitterness or other things. "No one is as capable of gratitude as one who has emerged from the kingdom of the night. We know that every moment is a moment of grace, every hour is an offering; not to share them would mean to betray them. Our lives no longer belong to us alone; they belong to all those who need us desperately. That is why I swore never to be silent whenever human beings endure suffering and humiliation. We must always take sides. Neutrality helps the oppressor, never the victim. Silence encourages the tormentor, never the victim." (Elie Wiesel- Auschwitz survivor -part of his acceptance speech for his Nobel prize)

New Sunday & Holy Day Liturgies Flor McCarthy SDB