

Central West
Catholic Cluster of Parishes

Sunday Bulletin

Incorporating the communities of Alpha, Aramac, Barcaldine, Bedourie, Blackall, Ilfracombe, Isisford, Jericho, Jundah, Longreach, Morella, Muttaborra, Stonehenge, Tambo and Yarka



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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 4/5 February 2023

We pray for the sick, especially Elaine Britton, Connie Lacey, Melit Furneaux, Colin & Cecily Quinn, Di Harris, Vera Stephens, Luke Miller, Keith Lacey, Leila Harvey, Deirdre Blyth, Kelly Struthers, Gloria McKean, Rob Paterson, Peter Kerrigan, Pat Lynch, Hazel Larcombe, Jenny Lawson, Bev Johnstone, Noel Mansfield, Noelle Melrose, Noel Rose and Mary Coleman.

We pray for the recently deceased, especially John Suthers, **and those whose anniversaries occur around this time**, especially Noela Head and Danny Doherty.

Diocesan News

Rockhampton Base Hospital

If you or someone you know will be, or is currently, admitted to the Rockhampton Base Hospital and would appreciate a pastoral or sacramental visit, please contact our Pastoral Care team on – pastoralcare.rockhampton@rok.catholic.net.au or contact hospital Reception on 07 4920 6211 and request a visit from the Catholic Pastoral Care Team.

Safeguarding

The Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton abides by the principles of the **National Catholic Safeguarding Standards** (2013), and is committed to safeguarding, with a specific focus on protecting children and vulnerable adults.

For further information or support please contact the Diocesan **Professional Standards & Safeguarding Office: Response Line: 1800 830 113 (free call)** or email: pssoadmin@rok.catholic.net.au

Diocesan Website for more information:

www.rok.catholic.net.au/our-diocese/safeguarding/

To view the **Diocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults commitment statement and Policy**: www.rok.catholic.net.au/safeguarding/policy
Queensland Professional Standards Office: www.psoqld.catholic.net.au/

Pope's February Prayer Intention

For Parishes



Cluster Service Times

Date	Place	Time	Service
Sat 11 Feb	Jundah	10:00 am	Mass
Sun 12 Feb	Longreach	9:00 am	Mass
Sun 12 Feb	Barcaldine	9:00 am	Communion
Sun 12 Feb	Tambo	9:00 am	Communion
Sun 12 Feb	Alpha	9:30 am	Communion
Sun 12 Feb	Blackall	5:00 pm	Communion
Sat 18 Feb	Longreach	6:00 pm	Mass
Sun 19 Feb	Barcaldine	9:00 am	Mass
Sun 19 Feb	Tambo	9:00 am	Communion
Sun 19 Feb	Blackall	5:00 pm	Mass

Memorials, Feasts & Solemnities:

Monday 6th – Sts Paul Miki & Companions (Memorial)

Friday 10th – St Scholastica (Memorial)

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Communities in Africa, Asia or the Pacific are seeking Australians from a variety of professions and trades to share their skills.

- **You will re-ignite your professional passion** as you share skills with colleagues abroad;
- **You will strengthen individuals and organisational** processes and procedures so that generations of people will have opportunities for growth long after you return home.
- **You will Learn.** It is a [life changing opportunity](#) to work with and live amongst some of the most appreciative and resilient people.
- **You will be Supported.** Since 1961, [Palms Australia](#) has supported qualified and experienced Catholics motivated to undertake this Mission.

Explore 35 positions by scanning the QR code below. On our website you can also see news including stories from those currently supported in Timor-Leste, Samoa, American Samoa and Thailand.

Please enquire further about potential assignments for you or someone you know:

RING: 02 9560 533 or
0422 472 567

WEB: www.palms.org.au



World Youth Day Pilgrimage

Sponsorship Now Available!

Registrations are running out but there are still some available for our diocesan WYD pilgrimage to Spain and Portugal. The pilgrimage is open to anyone aged 18 to about 35 and will leave Australia on the 28th of July and return on the 11th of August. This is an amazing experience that every young Catholic should try to get to at least once in their life. We are pleased to now be able to offer partial sponsorship for 4 pilgrims! For more information scan the QR code or contact Mick at youth@rok.catholic.net.au or on 0433 897 973.



Cluster News

Lenten Program

If you are interested in joining an online Lenten group with other people from around our region, please contact Loretta. The group will meet online each week to reflect on the gospel and explore our faith using a recognised Lenten Program published by an Australian Diocese.

The group will only be formed if sufficient interest is received. The members of the group will be able to select the most appropriate time to gather and method of technology (Zoom or Teams), along with a choice of program. **Please register this week if you are interested.**

Building & Finance Meetings

Thank you to the many people who gave generously of their time to attend the recent meetings with Bishop Michael. If you would like further information please speak to an attendee or contact Loretta.

A brief update of what happened:

1. A quick snapshot of the current (30 June 2022) and recent years financial position of each parish was provided, as well as an overview of Catholic Church financial structures and requirements.
2. Explanation of the format of the Building Condition Assessment Reports completed in 2021 for each Parish owned building. Some copies of the reports were supplied.
3. A short discussion around the way forward. Watch this space for further detail.

Around the Parishes

Barcaldine

Ash Wednesday Mass

Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of the season of Lent; a time of prayer, fasting and giving. Please join us for mass on Wednesday 22nd February at Noon. We welcome the students and staff of St Joseph's who will join us as we begin our Lenten journey towards Easter.

CANCELLED

It is with regret, that due to the unavailability of leaders, our Celebration of the Word and Communion for 12th February is cancelled. Our church will be open throughout the day on that Sunday allowing you to visit anytime for personal prayer and reflection. **The Sunday bulletin for that weekend will be available at the church for your collection.** Thank you for your understanding.

Blackall

Weekday Masses

Monday 6th February:

- 8 am – Eucharistic Adoration and Sacrament of Reconciliation
- 9 am – Anointing Mass

Welcome To God's Family

This weekend we welcome in baptism

Sylvia Florence Hauff

Congratulations to her parents
Carl and Lisa Hauff.



Volunteers Needed

It takes many hands to keep our Church and grounds beautiful. If you are able to assist or take responsibility for any of the below roles, please contact Moira.

1. To draw up and monitor 6 monthly or yearly roster for church cleaning
2. To keep Presbytery Garden beds tidy; check popup sprinkler system is working.
3. To cut down/trim tree next to gate at Presbytery entrance

Longreach

Weekday Masses

- Wednesday 8th February – 11 am (Pioneers)
- Friday 10th February – 9 am (St Brigid's)

Bishop's Inservice Day

This year Our Lady's School will be attending Bishop's Inservice Day online. Parishioners are most welcome to join staff at the school on Friday 17th February, to connect to the sessions virtually with people right across our Diocese. For further information, please speak to Ange.

Liturgy and Prayer Roster

	12 Feb	18 Feb
Wel & Poff	Peter	Mon
Reader 1 & 2	Kath McP	David
\$ Collector	Ian	???
Offertory	Belinda & Imogen	David
Children's Lit	OLS staff	

February: Cleaner – Raelene; Garden – Ian & Lesley

Additional volunteers are most welcome (and needed!). If you would like further information or to volunteer for any rostered role, please contact Raelene or the Pastoral Coordinator.