

## TEMORA MISSION AREA

### Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Ardlethan/Sacred Heart Aria Park

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**In our Prayers:** Sr Andre Guthrie, Eileen Gaynor, Tracey Passlow, Ray Fairman, Kashaya Kuemmel, Maxine Keshan,

**For our Deceased:** Frank Kummel, victims of all forms of violence, especially terrorism, racist and domestic.

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**March 7-8** Aria Park 6.00 p.m. Sat Mass  
**Mass** Barmedman 8.00 a.m. Temora 10.00 a.m. Sunday  
**Liturgy** Ardlethan **9.00 a.m.** Barellan 10.00 a.m.

**Reflection** ← . . . . . →

*A time of preparation.* The forty days spent by Jesus in the wilderness can be likened to the season of Lent. Jesus' time in the wilderness was a time of preparation for his ministry, a time in which he confronted the temptation to choose self and not the Father. For us Lent is a time of preparation for the feast of Easter. It is a time in which we are invited to examine whether the will of God is central to our lives.

### **World Day of Prayer**

You are invited to join with our local community at the Uniting Church Hall at **10.00 a.m. on Friday 6 March** for the World Day of Prayer.

### **Project Compassion**

Shirley, 36, is an indigenous Manide woman living in a remote province in the Philippines. Shirley was struggling to support her family and keep their children in school. She faced regular discrimination and disadvantage, limiting her family's access to food, education, employment and healthcare. With Caritas Australia's support, Shirley trained to become an indigenous health worker. She has learnt to supplement her income and is able to feed her family. The program has also empowered Shirley to send her children to school.



### **Plenary Council Deanery Gathering**

You are invited to share your hopes and dreams for our church through the Plenary Council at the Deanery Meeting on Saturday **14 March in Young**, starting at **10.00 a.m.** Meeting will finish at 12 noon followed by a light luncheon that will be shared.

### **50 cent Sunday Donation**

A letter was received acknowledging your generous donation that Fr Sijo sent to a school which is conducted by members of his Congregation—**La Salette**.

*Greetings of Peace and Joy from La salette Vidyanilayam English Medium school. With immense Joy and Gratitude, we the la salette Vidyanilayam school Management and Students whole heartily thank you for your great act of kindness for the benefit of our children. We have received your gift of 1000 Aus Dollars and will be using the amount for our Smart Classroom. With your kind gift, we will be buying a Projector for the Smart classroom. Once again we the management and students thank you so much for your kind gift and praying specially for you and your family that the good Lord bless and keep you safe always. Staff and students, La Salette Vidyanilayam, Thorredu (PO), Rajahmundry, Andhra Pradesh, India*

### **Retreat Opportunities**

**23-27 March** Mini guided retreat. **The Heart's Memory: Gratefulness.** Led by *Sr Maureen McDermott rsj* at St Joseph's House, 12 David Ave, Batemans Bay. During these days we will have the opportunity to reflect on the memories of our heart and how they can lead us to a sense of being grateful. Cost for the full 3 days which includes board and meals \$400. Please contact Sr Marie 0429 383 333 before 16th March if you wish to attend. Email: [Batehavenretreats@sosj.org.au](mailto:Batehavenretreats@sosj.org.au).

### **Prayer for Rain**

Eternal God, in wisdom and love you created our earth to sustain us and give us life. We turn to you now in gratitude for the rain and with faith, hope and love, asking you to continue to look with favour on our drought-stricken land, on our starving animals, on our failing crops. Strengthen, sustain and give new heart to our farmers and to all who are affected by drought; be with those who support them.

### **Congratulations**

**Paul and Tracey** as you celebrate your **Silver Wedding**.

It is with joy that we acknowledge you on this memorable occasion. May blessings surround you and your family.



**Suzanne and Ian** as you welcome your first grandchild, Evelyn Rose into your loving family We rejoice with you, Emily, Mitch and the family. May each of you be immersed ever more deeply in the care and love of God.

<b>Roster 8 March</b>	Leader: Linda	Reader: Andrina
	Minister: Paul	Welcomer: Robyn