

TEMORA MISSION AREA

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

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St Therese Barellan

In our Prayers: Jeanette Passlow, Barry Carroll, Jack Symthe, Linda Grinter, Neville Caldwell, Ray Fairman, Kashaya Kuemmel,

For our Deceased: Tony Whiting, (*Anne Maree O'Brien's husband*) Coronavirus Victims, Eileen Gaynor, Gwen Fairman, Helen Gaynor, Jim Prentice, Peter Quade (*anniversaries*)



<u>18 Sept—19 Sept</u>	Ariah Park	6.00 p.m.		
Mass	Temora	6.00 p.m.		
Mass	Ardlethan	8.00 a.m.	Barellan	10.00 a.m.



Reflection

Who Do People Say I Am? In modern parlance, we could say that Jesus was seeking some feedback from his disciples about himself, especially how he was perceived, when he asked this question. If we were to ask Jesus, ‘how would you describe today’s Christians?’, what feedback do you think he might give? How do you think a non-believer might describe the Christian community?

Plenary Council ~ Fan the Flame

Towards Plenary Assembly One October 2021

‘If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and take up his cross and follow me.’

Mark 8:27-35



Plenary Council
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

There can be no shortcuts, no bypassing the cross or the tomb, to encounter the resurrection. For new life and new hope to emerge, we need to acknowledge that we are a broken, hurt and traumatised Church... by standing in solidarity and compassion with each other, particularly the wounded, the poor and the traumatised. ((Humble, Healing and Merciful – Discernment Paper pp. 12 and 18)

Season of Creation—Humanity Sunday (Second Sunday)

A home for all? Renewing the Oikos of God is the theme of this year’s *Season of Creation*, which will be an opportunity to renew our relationship with our Creator and all creation through celebration, conversion, and commitment together. During the Season of Creation, Catholics join the ecumenical family in prayer and action for our common home to renew the Oikos of God. But... what is Oikos?

Well, in an etymological sense, the root of the word Oikos comes from ancient Greek and can be attributed to two meanings: **“house” or “family.”**

In this way, both concepts are integrated in a very meaningful way since the word house refers to the physical inhabited place, our common home, the planet Earth, and the family are those who inhabit the home, all the species that inhabit our common home. Our family is made up of the whole of humanity and each of the species that inhabit this planet form our home, our common home, a home for all.

Our home is in danger. The climate crisis is causing the loss of habitats and ecosystems that are home to millions of species. This also includes us, humans: our home is endangered by climate disasters and conflicts, so it must be renewed.

Our baptismal call urges us to renew the whole Earth, so that life can flourish. Thus the Season of Creation renews in our hearts the call to ecological conversion so that we may also renew the Oikos of God, knowing that the Earth and all that is in it belongs to the Lord. (*Psalms 24:1*) Renewing the Oikos of God is returning to the initial desire of the Creator, a home for all.

<https://laudatosimovement.org/2021/08/24/oikos-our-home-our-family/>

“Every Spring nature writes a fresh new chapter in the book of Genesis.” (Anon)

“Each time one season flows into another is a chance to shift focus and to move with the Earth. So as Spring bursts forth, and tender green buds appear, something stirs in our souls too. The beauty of our Australian landscape can cheer us up when our hungry hearts long to be awakened. To see loveliness all around can calm the mind, and keep us in touch with the One who created all of us. **What are the gifts that are blossoming in your life at this time?**

Sue and Leo Kane, **A Daily Cuppa with Mary and Julian**, 2 September

Safeguarding Sunday

This weekend, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Safeguarding Sunday, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. We recommit to practices that support survivors and make the Catholic Church and its ministries the safest possible place for children and people at risk. You can find out more about the Church’s work in this area at:

www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday

Father’s Day Appeal for our retired priests will be conducted next Sunday.

Welcome Back;

Face to Face

Roster 19 September

Reader: Bernard

Welcomer: Sr Maureen