15 April, 3rd Easter, Year B

TEMORA MISSION AREA

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

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For our Deceased: Marie Golden, James (Kelly) Griffin, (Anniversaries)

April 21-22

Mass: Ariah Park 6.00 p.m. Sat;

Mass

Barmedman 8.00 a.m. Sun Temora 10.00 a.m. Sun

Liturgy

Ardlethan **9.00 a.m.** Barellan 10. 00 a.m. Sun

Reflection

Understanding the Scriptures. The disciples of Jesus had great respect for the Jewish Scriptures: the Law of Moses, the prophets and the psalms. They came to full belief in the resurrection of Jesus only after he had opened their minds to see that his shameful death and glorious resurrection were prefigured in the sacred texts. The ancient Hebrew Scriptures and the New Testament provide valuable witness for us also, strengthening our faith.

Christ Rises in your heart when:

You wake in the morning with new hope;

You go to bed with a forgiving heart;

You truly grieve at another's loss;

Your heart rejoices at another's joy;

You keep your temper with a trying friend;

You refuse to nurse a niggling hurt;

You try again to transform your fears;

You face the routine of another day;

You try again to say 'I'm sorry';

Your broken heart begins to mend;

You notice beauty you missed before;

You weep at the greed that causes war;

You delight when love comes round again;

You put together the broken pieces,

And make, with God, a work of art; You dare to love despite the grief;



You discover, within your winter, A summer-time that never ends:

You hold the earth and all people

As you hold the hearts of those you love;

You trust in dawn at the darkest hour:

You accept your weakness and it makes you strong;

When you try to live in the present moment.

When you know your freedom is truly won,

And you dance on your grave like the Easter Son.

Daniel O'Leary, St. Benedict's bulletin 1999

Pope Francis latest Exhortation, Gaudete et Exsultate

Christians cannot quest for holiness with prayer alone but must strive to serve those most in need, particularly migrants "who risk their lives to offer a future to their children," **Pope Francis** says in a new major teaching document. In an often-poetic 98-page apostolic exhortation focused on how Christians can be holy in today's world, the pontiff says the most basic teaching handed on by Jesus is to help others, "without any 'ifs or buts." At the heart of the new papal letter, titled **Gaudete et Exsultate** ("Rejoice and Be Glad") and released April 9, is a reflection on the great criterion Jesus said will be used at the final judgment: "I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me."

To download a copy for your own reflection go to:

http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_exhortations/documents/papa-

francesco esortazione-ap 20180319 gaudete-et-exsultate.html

A new Feastday of Mary

Following the inscription of the Obligatory Memorial of the **Blessed Virgin** Mary, Mother of the Church into the Roman Calendar, which will be celebrated by everyone this year on the Monday after Pentecost

Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal – Collection for Formation of our Seminarians

Our Archdiocese has five young men who have answered God's call to serve as priests and are currently studying at the Good Shepherd Seminary in Sydney. As a practical sign of hope and encouragement for the future of our Church we can financially support them through the many years of academic training and seminary formation they will serve in preparation for priesthood. The appeal will be held at all Masses next weekend. Donations are not tax deductible. Please give generously.

Enveloped in Your Light, may I be a beacon to those in search of Light.

Sheltered in Your Peace, may I offer shelter to those in need of peace.

Embraced by Your Presence, so may I be present to others.

Rabbi Rami Shapiro

Roster: 22 April Leader: Ann Reader: Lucas Family

Minister: Frances Welcomer: Andrina