18 October, 29th Sunday, Year A

TEMORA MISSION AREA

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

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In our Prayers: Bill Dunn, Neville Caldow, Pauline O'Brien, Ray Fairman, Kashava Kuemmel.

For our Deceased: Inev Lvnch, Eileen Gavnor,

Nikki O'Brien, Mary Lucas, Joan Thompson, 'Masso' Adams, (Anniversaries)

Ariah Park 6.00 p.m. Sat Mass October 24—25 Mass Barmedman 8.00 a.m. Temora 10.00 a.m. Sunday

Ardlethan 9.00 a.m. Barellan 10.00 a.m. Liturgy

Reflection

Serving God Through Civil Society. The kingdom of God is already present in our world. It is here that we practise the kingdom values of justice, honesty, love and compassion. It is here that we show our faith in action, work for love and persevere in hope. When we contribute to the well-being of civil society we are promoting the kingdom of God.

HSC Students

We continue to hold in prayer the children who are involved in the HSC exams. God we ask that they especially feel your closeness during the HSC exams.

Give them calm hearts and quiet confidence

in the knowledge that you hold them in the palm of your hand.

Bless them with keen understanding and retentive memory.

Give them the ability to grasp things correctly,

be exact in their explanations

and an ability to express themselves clearly.

Point out the beginning, direct their progress

and help them in the completion of each

of their responses.

Holy Spirit send them your gifts

of wisdom and knowledge.

We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen



10th Anniversary

Yesterday, 17 October was the tenth anniversary of that historic day when Mary MacKillop was proclaimed a canonised saint in Rome. Last week you received the commemorative booklet, Encountering St Mary MacKillop in Prayer, which was created to inspire all to "take fresh courage" as Mary did so often throughout her life. The prayers focus on ten significant moments in Saint Mary's life, sharing details of her personal journey, highlighting her values and spirit, and Take fresh Courage offering prayers and blessings for our modern world.



Celebration of Life

Thank you for the preparation for our get together to celebrate one another last weekend. The movement of chairs, tables, etc, all required time and energy and of course the tasty food that was brought to share. Indeed we have much for which to be grateful.

More on the Pope's Encyclical, Fratelli Tutti: Seeking the Common Good

"Its timing was fortuitous, bridging the inarticulate hostility of the presidential debate and Joe Biden's decision to forego negative campaigning in the aftermath of Donald Trump's COVID-19 diagnosis. The burden of the encyclical is to commend fraternity and social friendship and deplore selfishness and hostility in the response to the crisis.

The first words of the encyclical are part of a quotation from St Francis of Assisi, in which he commends a fraternity that crosses all boundaries of distance and culture as central to his followers. Social friendship — which refers to the privileging of respect for persons and so for the common good over individual interests in social, economic and institutional relationships — flows from an attitude of fraternity. In this cantankerous time the emphasis on fraternity in public conversation and advocacy will surely be welcomed. The encyclical strongly endorses the human rights of people made vulnerable by society — of women and children, of racial minorities, of refugees, of the aged and others. It views the public conversation about rights as one of engagement and persuasion in seeking the common good, not as a closed and adversarial struggle between allies and enemies. That at least would be an improvement upon the public discourse to which we have become accustomed." Fr Andrew Hamilton sj

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