#### 19 March, 4th Lent, Year A

# **TEMORA MISSION AREA**

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

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In our Prayers: Frances Vince, Alicia Bonny Jim Bonny, Barry Carroll, Neville Caldow, Kashaya Kuemmel,

For our Deceased: Bernard Gaynor, Ray Fairman, Veronica Jardine, Vonnie Lyons, Lawrence Stout, Pat Bonny, Darcy Lucas, Lola Litchfield, (ann.ries)

March 25-26

Temora 10.00 a.m. Mass

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

Ariah Park 6.00 p.m. Mass

#### Reflection.

*Now I can see!* In today's Gospel it is the man born blind who gradually comes to see that Jesus is Lord. Meanwhile the Pharisees, the custodians of the traditional faith, fall steadily into blindness. Self-confident in their own knowledge, the Pharisees refuse to see the workings of God in Jesus. Let us humbly ask Christ to open our eyes that we may see his presence in our Eucharistic community and in our world.

## **Project Compassion**



Thu lives in Vietnam. When Thu was 12 years old, he stepped on an unexploded land mine and lost his leg. Living with a disability in rural Vietnam presented many challenges for Thu, who worked mainly as a rice farmer. Thu also took on the role of caring for his wife, Linh, after she suffered a stroke.

Determined to turn their lives around, Thu and Linh joined the Empowerment of People with Disabilities program, run by Caritas Australia's local partner in Vietnam, the Centre for Sustainable Rural Development (SRD).

For Thu, the greatest impact the program has had is enabling the change in Linh's physical and mental wellbeing. With the support of a physiotherapist, Linh can now walk short distances with the aid of a walking stick.

## **Feastdays this Week**

## St Joseph

A few years ago, during his trip to the Philippines, Pope Francis popularized a more life-like saint statue: that of St. Joseph, lying on his side, fast asleep.

"I like St. Joseph very much. He's a strong man of silence. On my desk, I have an image of St. Joseph sleeping. Even when he is asleep, he looks after the Church. Yes! We know that he can do that," Pope Francis said during an address in the Philippines on Jan. 16, 2015. "So when I have a problem, a difficulty, I write a little note, and I put it underneath St. Joseph, so that he can dream about it! In other words, I tell him: Pray for this problem!" he added. May we entrust our cares and needs to the quiet and humble man of faith, Joseph.

**The Annunciation** *The annunciation reveals Mary's humble nature.* 

She was young and afraid, yet brave enough to say yes to God. There's a selflessness to Mary—surely she had other plans for her life? It is hard to imagine a young person today on the cusp of adulthood prepared to put aside his or her own dreams for such an uncertain future.

The announcement of the angel Gabriel must have put Mary's ideas about her life, however simple or predetermined, into a tailspin. What would the future hold now?

We reflect on the feelings that Mary may have experienced—fear, confusion, wonder. Mary was ultimately obedient, ready to trust God. May her faith, courage and unselfishness be our inspiration. Madonna Reflection

#### Congratulations

We rejoice with Josh and Sophie as they proclaim their love for each other during their wedding ceremony on Saturday. May God enrich their marriage with blessings that will nourish and sustain them as they journey more deeply into the Mystery of Living and Loving.

# **Easter Triduum**

**Good Friday** 

Ardlethan 10.00 a.m. Ariah Park 3.00 p.m.

**Easter Vigil** Ariah Park 4.30 p.m.

**Easter Sunday** Ardlethan 8.00 a.m. 10.15 a.m. Barellan

Stations of the Cross Celebration of the Passion

Full Easter Vigil Liturgy

Liturgy Mass



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**Roster March 26** 

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