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In our Prayers: Linda Grinter, Robyn Richards, Neville Caldow,

Ray Fairman, Kashaya Kuemmel,

For our Deceased: Doug Allen, Sandra Werner, those dying from

Coronavirus, especially in India; Elaine Barry, Brian Patten, (anniversaries)

May 8—9

Ariah 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

Remain in Me. The branches of a vine will bear fruit only if they are attached to the vine; it is from the vine that they draw the life-giving nourishment they need. Likewise, we must remain attached to Jesus if we are to receive the life of God and produce the fruits of Holy Spirit in our world: love, joy, peace, patience, kindness, generosity, faithfulness, gentleness and self control' (*Gal* 5:22).

Year of the Family

Parish couples of every age and stage are warmly invited to participate in a 7 week course designed to strengthen your most important relationship. The **Marriage Course** is a highly



regarded course from the UK which will be run by the Archdiocese, via zoom from 7:15pm-9:30pm every Tuesday evening starting May 11th.

You and your spouse can participate over a glass of wine from the privacy and comfort of your own home. Many couples will join the zoom call but there is no group sharing. All discussion happens privately between you and your spouse. The cost is \$70 including two workbooks but no one will be excluded because of cost. For general info about the course visit https://themarriagecourse.org/To enquire about participating in May contact lara.kirk@cg.org.au or 0429 192 869.

A separate sheet is included with programs that are available from the Archdiocese for the Year of the Family.

Plenary Council—Zoom Meeting

You're welcome at 24 Ardlethan Street to join the Plenary Council Zoom Meeting hosted by Archbishop Christopher Prowse on 25th May at 12 noon. If you are available and interested would you please let Sr Maureen know?

Year of St Joseph

When introducing the year Pope Francis described St Joseph as a father who worked to support his family and found himself in doing so. The importance of work in our lives is picked up in the **Feast of St Joseph the Worker**, celebrated on **1 May**. The feast is relatively new. Its date was chosen to compete with May Day which represented work as a battleground between greedy employers and oppressed workers. The Feast commended a cooperative world in which work is a central part of human life and workers are honoured for themselves and not simply for their use to their employers.

Pope Francis also speaks eloquently of the importance that work plays in any human life: 'Saint Joseph was a carpenter who earned an honest living to provide for his family. From him, Jesus learned the value, the dignity and the joy of what it means to eat bread that is the fruit of one's own labour.'

Fr Andrew Hamilton sj

Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal, Collection for Formation of our Seminarians:

We have two seminarians studying for the priesthood in our Archdiocese. There are other young men too, considering the priestly calling. The 2021 Good Shepherd Appeal is an opportunity for spiritual and financial generosity. Thank you for your response.

Prayer for Sowing

This week, Creative God, we will continue to plant the seeds that You have given us. Bless them, watch over them, and bring them to the full growth and rich harvest with which You wish to bless us.

Blessed are You, Lord God, creator of the universe. You are the giver and sustainer of life, bringing forth the fruits of the earth to feed and nourish Your people. We cultivate the land and sow the seed, but you alone, Loving God, can give the growth. Let Your blessing lie upon this land, bringing gentle rains and ripening sun for a joyful harvest. Give us the grace to use Your gifts well, that the poor may be fed and the hungry filled with good things. Then and always shall we give You glory, God of all. Amen.

Pope Francis calls for global rosary 'marathon' for end of COVID-19

The Vatican has announced a rosary initiative dedicating the month of May to prayer for an end to the coronavirus pandemic. The Pope said that he had prayed for the millions of people who have died from COVID-19 or who are suffering from the illness, as well as their families. *May we unite in prayer*.

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