

## TEMORA MISSION AREA

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

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### St Therese Barellan

**In our Prayers:** Barry Carroll, Neville Caldwell, Ray Fairman, Kashaya Kuemmel,

**For our Deceased:** Kai Flagg Stevens, Sr Therese Dougherty pbvm, Robert Stewart, Margaret Kerin, Edna Griffin, Pat Bonny, Vonnie Lyons, Lawrence Stout, Veronica Jardine, Darcy Lucas, Fr Kevin Barry Cotter, Lola Litchfield, *(anniversaries)*

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**March 26—27** Aria 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**

**Unless you Repent.** When misfortune strikes people considered to be sinners, others might say: ‘They had it coming! God is punishing them!’ In today’s Gospel Jesus criticises such attitudes on two grounds. Firstly, it is wrong to see the wrath of God in every tragic event. Secondly, we need to recognise that we are all guilty of sin and in need of conversion. Instead of judging others, let us ask God to forgive our sins and help us as we undertake the difficult task of reform.

### **Project Compassion**



Janice 44, is a proud Wagilak woman, a traditional dancer, living in a remote community in the Northern Territory. As elders grow older and pass away, she knows she must share her knowledge with the younger generation. However, the community faces multiple challenges, including a lack of jobs, limited educational opportunities, and socio-economic which can lead to young people becoming disconnected from culture.

With your help, Caritas Australia supports Djilpin Arts Aboriginal Corporation, which operates a centre for traditional and contemporary Aboriginal arts and culture, providing employment and generating income for local communities. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations.**

### **World Day of Prayer**

We, members of the Catholic Church Community, will be hosting the World Day of Prayer on Friday 1 April at 9.30 a.m.

### **Cursillo Weekend**

Cursillo is a three day experience that presents a way of living as a Christian in the world. It identifies the fundamentals of Christian living, emphasizes personal faith development. It helps us identify our personal responsibility of spreading the Christian life in our immediate and everyday environment. It consists of prayer, meditation, short talks by lay people and the Spiritual Director, discussion, music and other activities. For many, after Cursillo, Christina Living takes on a new dimension with a fresh awareness of God’s amazing love and purpose for each of us.

Cursillo is also a deeply personal journey and experience. Everybody finds something unique in their own Cursillo journey. Why not consider Christ’s invitation to spend some time with time and to deepen your relationship with him? Western Deanery Women’s Cursillo will take place from **12th-15th May** at St Clement’s Retreat Centre. For more information contact Di Franks at dmfranks@bigpond.com or mob 0418619740 or Fran Cahill at francahill@internode.on.net or mob 0417238599.

### **The Annunciation of the Lord**

On Thursday we will celebrate the Feast of the Annunciation when Mary responded with her ‘yes’ that resulted in the birth of Jesus. We also know this event as the **Incarnation**. *“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? Given the personal and social risk of having a child out of wedlock, the future must have looked frightening. Perhaps Mary found comfort in learning that Elizabeth was the beneficiary of a miracle too—a child in later age, joy beyond belief. 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)*

### **Reflection**

Lent is the most important time of the year to nurture our inner life. It is the time during which we not only prepare ourselves to celebrate the mystery of the death and resurrection of Jesus, but also the death and resurrection that constantly takes place within us. Life is a continuing process of the death of the old and the familiar, and being reborn again into a new hope, a new trust, and a new love. The death and resurrection of Jesus therefore is not just an historical event that took place a long time ago, but an inner event that takes place in our heart when we are willing to be attentive to it.

*Henri Nouwen*

<b>Roster:</b> 27 March	Leader: Suzanne	Reader: Ian
	Minister: John	