

22 March, 4th Lent, Year A

TEMORA MISSION AREA

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

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For our Deceased: Vonnie Lyons, Lawrence Stout, Jean Reardon (*Mother of Greg, Goulburn*)

28—29 March

Ariah Park 6 .00 p.m. Liturgy

Mass Temora 6.00 p.m.

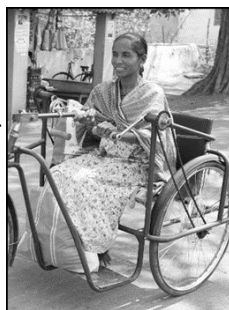
Mass Ardlethan **Liturgy 9.00 a.m.** Barellan 10.00 a.m.

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

Thirty-two-year-old Sakun lives in a village in central east India. She developed polio as a child and has difficulty walking. Until now Sakun, an indigenous Gond woman, has been isolated in her community, unable to earn a livelihood and without knowledge of government schemes that could help her. After joining a Caritas Australia-funded program, Sakun has learned new skills and gained important mobility. Through their strategic guidance and support, Sakun now earns her own income and makes a small profit which goes towards her family's basic needs. She is more resilient, more confident and more independent.



Prayer for Rain

Eternal God, in wisdom and love you created our earth to sustain us and give us life. We turn to you now in gratitude for the recent rain and with faith, hope and love, asking you to continue to look with favour on our drought-stricken land, on our starving animals, on our failing crops. Strengthen, sustain and give new heart to our farmers and to all who are affected by drought; be with those who support them.

5th Sunday

This year ACAT will offer one combined service in the hall which will be in August. For the other fifth Sundays the venue will be hosted by the various churches, starting with the Catholic Church on 29 March. Liturgy will be at the normal time of 9.00 a.m. After the liturgy next Sunday, as a gesture of hospitality we will have **morning tea**. There will be **NO morning tea** after Mass/Liturgy on the First Sunday.

Thank you

to each of you for all you did in preparing the church and the grounds for the funeral during the week; cleaning, disinfecting, sweeping footpaths etc. As well as asking God to bless you, I also give thanks to God for your generosity.

Protocols

There is an insert with the bulletin that outlines the recent Archdiocesan Protocols. A summary:

Given the highly infectious nature of the Coronavirus the following decisions have been made at Archdiocesan level. Persons over 75 years of age and persons with respiratory, heart or other health problems are not obliged to attend any of the Easter ceremonies. Persons not attending the ceremonies for any valid reason may wish to:

- ◆ View the ceremonies on television;
- ◆ Pray privately at home or in the church at a time other than when ceremonies are being conducted.

These are the updated protocols issued by Archbishop Christopher Prowse of the Archdiocese of Canberra & Goulburn on 18th March 2020.

Given the changing nature of the Coronavirus, it is expected that further directives and guidelines will be issued.

Holy Week Ceremonies, at this stage.

Good Friday will be at **Ardlethan** at a time to be decided.

The **Easter Vigil** will be celebrated here in **Ariah Park** on Saturday 11 April at 6.00 p.m.

Easter Sunday Mass will be at **Ardlethan** at 8.00 a.m.

For Pondering:

You do not need to know precisely what is happening, or exactly where it is all going. What you need is to recognize the possibilities and challenges offered by the present moment, and to embrace them with courage, faith, and hope.. Thomas Merton

Roster: 29 March

Leader: Linda

Reader: Andrina

Minister: Paul

Welcomer: Robyn