

22 April, 4th Easter, Year B

TEMORA MISSION AREA

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For our Deceased: Marjorie Coombes, Marie Golden, James Griffin, (*Anniversaries*)



April 28—29 Liturgy Arian Park 6.00 p.m. Sat;

Mass Temora 6.00 p.m. Sat Barmedman 8.00 a.m. Sun

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



Reflection

'I am the Good Shepherd.' Though few shepherds remain in our modern world, the image of Jesus, the Good Shepherd, continues to bring comfort to us. It reminds us that we are not alone. Jesus, the Good Shepherd, watches over us always. He lays down his life for us. He leads us to pasture, to water, to safety. He searches for us when we stray and bandages our wounds. Today, let us listen for the voice of the Good Shepherd.

"If we pray and act in the name of Jesus the Good Shepherd, then we are already coming to a deeper understanding of all our brothers and sisters, and to more compassion and generosity towards them, and especially towards those who are like lost sheep, those with whom nobody falls in love, and who first need great love, encouragement and respect before we can expect from them a satisfying response."

Bernard Haring, Prayer: Integration of Faith and Life p 36

Fifth Sunday

There will be no combined service next weekend due to the country Western Festival. We will have the Liturgy at **9.00 a.m.**

Anzac Day

As we commemorate Anzac Day this week may we give thanks for all who have served our country and with the help of God strive to create world where peace may reign.



Pope Francis latest Exhortation, *Gaudete et Exsultate*

Gaudete et Exsultate, released with relatively little fanfare after only a few weeks of expectation, is the fifth major document authored by Pope Francis over his five-year papacy, following the encyclicals **Lumen Fidei** and **Laudato Si'**, and the exhortations **Evangelii Gaudium** and **Amoris Laetitia**.

The letter, which unfolds over 177 numbered points and five chapters, is marked by a very personal tone. The pontiff frequently addresses the reader individually throughout the text as "you," and asks direct questions meant to help each person examine his/her own quest for holiness. Repeatedly, the Pope stresses the need for Christians to both pray and serve others. The Pope considers how each person has their own path to holiness. He gives particular consideration to what he calls "the 'genius of woman,'" or, "feminine styles of holiness, which are an essential means of reflecting God's holiness in this world." ... Pope Francis explains how we grow in holiness step-by-step, using the example of a woman who goes shopping, meets a friend and is tempted to gossip but does not. She then goes home and wants to rest, but her child wants to speak to her. She listens to them instead of resting.

First Communion

With joyful and grateful hearts we congratulate Angus, James, Maya and Sophie and their families who celebrated the Sacrament of Eucharist for the first time on Saturday evening at Arian Park.

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

This weekend we are called to support the future priests of our Church through our prayers and the Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal.

Please give a generous donation today or begin a monthly donation to support the education of our seminarians. Special envelopes are provided in the church or donations can be made on-line through the website www.cgatholic.org.au.

Earth Day, 22 April 2018

"See the world through the eyes of the Creator," Pope Francis said at the end of his general audience in St. Peter's Square on Wednesday, marking Earth Day. "I exhort everyone to see the world through the eyes of God the Creator: the earth is an environment to be safeguarded, a garden to be cultivated," he said. "The relationship of mankind with nature must not be conducted with greed, manipulation and exploitation, but it must conserve the divine harmony that exists between creatures and Creation within the logic of respect and care, so it can be put to the service of our brothers, also of future generations," the Pope said.

*Celebrating Easter is more than belief; it involves action on our part.
If we really believe that Christ is risen and among us, it will be reflected tangibly in how we live. It may be expressed differently in each of us, but it will be evident.
But if we truly believe, those who encounter us will know it.*

Roster: 29 April

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Extra Mins: John Mills

Welcomer: Andrina