

23 July, 16th Sunday, Year A

TEMORA MISSION AREA

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

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St Therese Barellan

In our Prayers: Jack Wood, Alicia Bonny, Frances Vince, Jim Bonny, Barry Carroll, Neville Caldwell, Kashaya Kuemmel,

For our Deceased: Amy Rayment, Leo Langtry, John Stout, Billie Mowitch, Valma Cowell, Graeme Stout, Peter Haywood, (*anniversaries*)

← - - - - - August 5—6 Arian Park 6 .00 p.m. Sat *Liturgy* - - - - - →

Mass Temora 6.00 p.m.

Mass Ardlethan **8.00 a.m.** Barellan 10.00 a.m.

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Wheat Among the Weeds. The world in which we live is a mixture of wheat and weeds. Wonderful acts of heroism and self-sacrifice occur alongside shocking acts of violence and abuse of power. In the midst of a world tainted by sin we are called to live the values of the kingdom of God. This can be difficult, but the Spirit will help us in our weakness and God, the just and merciful judge, will reward us.

World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly **“His mercy is from age to age”**

'The theme was chosen to be in tune with that of World Youth Day in Lisbon: *Mary arose and went with haste*, taken from Luke's Gospel. Even the short passage "*His mercy from age to age*" is taken from Luke's Gospel and is the end of the first part of the Magnificat, when Mary immediately goes to meet her elderly cousin Elizabeth after the Angel's annunciation. Thus, it is a theme that highlights the importance of dialogue between generations, which is fundamental for perceiving and contemplating God's merciful action on behalf of human beings. Indeed, dialogue between the elderly and the young helps to obtain a more complete vision of the way in which a more humane and fraternal society can be built.'

5th Sunday

On Sunday 30 July the Combine Service for Ardlethan will be in the **Uniting Church** at **11.00 a.m.**

There will be no liturgy in Our Lady Help of Christians next weekend.

Prayer for the Third World Day for Grandparent and the Elderly 2023

Virgin Mary,
Mother of faith and hope,
an example for this humanity bent by indifference,
make me as willing as You
to accept the will of God,
to magnify and praise God's Mercy.

Mary, Mother of fortitude,
you who knows my heart,
do not allow me to become discouraged.
I confidently surrender my life into your hands.
Heal my wounds.
May your tenderness accompany me on the way.

Your presence, Mother of love,
brings us to experience the joy
of seeing our families united.
Help me to transmit the tenderness and Love of God
to the grandchildren and youth
so that, in addition to praying for them,
we can pray with them.

Mary, may the gift of the Holy Spirit intercede for me:
sustain my weakness;
breathe into my heart the consolation
that I may leave traces of faith among the young,
bearing witness to the beauty of life,
knowing that life has a limit
and that beyond it lies before us our Father's embrace .

May God the Gardener bless you.
May you be planted in God's deep rich earth,
nourished with God's grace
and wisdom
and refreshed by the dew of God's love.
May you know the experience of breaking through
and of flowering with compassion, justice, and mercy.
May God the Gardener be with you.
Maxine Shonk, OP



Roster: 5 August

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