25 October, 30th Sunday, Year A

TEMORA MISSION AREA

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

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In our Prayers: Bill Dunn, Neville Caldow, Ray Fairman,

Kashaya Kuemmel,

For our Deceased: Stephanie Franklin, (Sr Mary's grand niece, killed in car accident in Darwin) Iney Lynch, Eileen Gaynor, Mary Lucas, Isabel Dunn, Barry Hogan,

Meg Thomas, (Anniversaries)

31 Oct —1 Nov Ariah Park 6.00 p.m. Liturgy

Mass Temora 6.00 p.m.

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

Reflection

Observe the Sort of Life we Live. In every society people observe the actions of others. When many people ignore a particular law others conclude that it is alright for them to do the same. Children often imitate the behaviours of their parents. When we practise the law of love in our lives we benefit not only those who need our help but also those who observe our actions.

Easing of Restrictions, Update

You may have read that churches can now accommodate up to 300 worshippers. This is for those churches that have that capacity. Following is the latest from the Archdiocesan Office in Canberra:

"Mass Numbers

- Apply one person per 4sqm² rule.
- Maximum number of people at Mass, inside or outside, is 300.

Comments

- Most parish churches will not be able to have 300, since Churches are not big enough.
- \bullet Measure the Church to determine the maximum number of people permitted utilising the 4sqm^2 rule."

Marian Procession Online

Due to COVID restrictions, the 2020 Marian Procession has been online during the week. This Sunday the prayers of the week will conclude with a Multicultural Mass. More information can be found at https://hozana.org/en/community/9352-marian-procession.

HSC Prayer

We continue to pray for all students who are doing their HSC,

God we ask that they especially feel your closeness during the HSC exams.

Give them calm hearts and quiet confidence in the knowledge that you hold them in the palm of your hand. Bless them with keen understanding and retentive memory. Give them the ability to grasp things correctly, be exact in their explanations and an ability to express themselves clearly. Point out the beginning, direct their progress and help them in the completion of each of their responses. Holy Spirit send them your gifts of wisdom and knowledge. We ask this through Christ our Lord, Amen

Mission Sunday

Last weekend was **World Mission Sunday** - a special day, called by Pope Francis, when we are called to pray and offer material support to the work of mission around the world. This year we are invited to partner with the Church in Cambodia, which is reaching out to those who have been affected by disability and giving them hope through the Gospel of Jesus Christ, and practical support to live a fulfilling life. Chen was just 16 years old when he lost both his legs in a landmine accident. Knowing that his life would never be the same, he felt hopeless, until he and his family were approached by the Arrupe Centre. Led by Bishop Enrique Figaredo Alvargonzalez, the Arrupe Centre provides children like Chen with support and opportunities they may not access otherwise. A donation has been made from the parish to support the work of Catholic Mission.

Christmas Cards

Are available in the foyer—\$5.00 a packet.

A Further Reflection

Love of neighbour has been an essential part of our Covid-19 response. As we wear our masks, obey government rules and defer individual wants to the needs of the all, we show our care and commitment to our neighbour.

In his encyclical, **Fratelli Tutti**, Pope Francis says that God willing, after the pandemic 'we will think no longer in terms of "them" and "those", but only "us". . . . If only this immense sorrow may not prove useless, but enable us to take a step forward towards a new style of life. If only we might rediscover once for all that we need one another.'

In the end, as Jesus says, the greatest commandment is: 'you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind . . . [and] the second resembles it: you must love your neighbour as yourself.'

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