

25 April, 4th Easter, Year B, Anzac Day

TEMORA MISSION AREA

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

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For our Deceased: Pat Quade, Sandra Werner, Colin Drysdale, Graham Bull, Marie Golden, James Griffin, Elaine Barry, Jim Daniher, *(anniversaries)*

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1—2 May	Aria Park	6.00 p.m.	Easter Vigil
Mass	Temora	6.00 p.m.	
Mass	Ardlethan	8.00 a.m.	Barellan 10.00 a.m.

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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.

Anzac Day

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

To the ANZACs

“Those heroes that shed their blood and lost their lives ...

You are no lying in the soul of a friendly country, therefore rest in peace.

There is no difference between the Johnnies and the Mehmets to us where they lie side by side here in this country of ours ...

You, the mothers, who sent their sons from far away countries, wipe away your tears: your sons are now lying in our bosom and are in peace. Having lost their lives on this land they have become our sons as well.”

1934 M K Atatürk, *First President of the Republic of Turkey*



ANZAC DAY
Let Us Not Forget

Plenary Council—Zoom Meeting

For those of you who are connected to the internet you may have received an email inviting you to join with people in our Deanery for a Zoom Meeting about the Plenary Council hosted by Archbishop Christopher Prowse. If you are available and interested would you please email your expression of interest to Sr Maureen so that our Dean, Fr George, may be informed please?

Professional Development for Your Marriage!

Parish couples of every age and stage are warmly invited to participate in a 7 week course designed to strengthen your most important relationship. The Marriage Course is a highly regarded course from the UK which will be run by the Archdiocese, via zoom from 7:15pm-9:30pm every Tuesday evening starting May 11th.

You and your spouse can participate over a glass of wine from the privacy and comfort of your own home. Many couples will join the zoom call but there is no group sharing. All discussion happens privately between you and your spouse. The cost is \$70 including two workbooks but no one will be excluded because of cost. For general info about the course visit <https://themarriagecourse.org/> To enquire about participating in May contact lara.kirk@cg.org.au or 0429 192 869.

Prayer for Sowing

Nourishing God, the Spirit of Life hovered over the waters and began the great work of creation. Bless the waters of this earth. Let them fall again from the sky at the proper times so that our gardens and fields may yield abundantly, and all growing things may thrive.

Bless the seeds, pregnant with life, that will be sown this season. They show us the Easter mystery of new life coming from death and burial. May they burst forth with verdant growth from earth, rain and sun.

You have called us to the honoured task of being workers in your garden. Through the rain and these seeds, bring us to a new awareness of your presence in and around us, as we joyfully live in the knowledge of eternal resurrection.

Plant seeds of love in our lives that will grow through the years, watered by the tears of pain and sacrifice that come our way. Your Son showed us the way. We now ask your guidance to follow it well. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Let us entrust our faming families to the care of our Creative God.

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. Fr Tony Percy reminds us, “we are committed to ensuring that our seminarians receive the best possible preparation and formation. They are our future priests, the men called by God to teach, sanctity and govern our future generations. Let us support them financially in their studies as the serve Christ.”

Get vaccinated for the common good: Vaccination against COVID-19 is a morally good thing, providing protection for the person vaccinated and the wider community. Some COVID-19 vaccines are associated with ethically questionable production and research practices, but Pope Francis and the Australian Bishops have advised that it is morally permissible to receive any vaccine made available. More information is available at <https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus>

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