

**TEMORA MISSION AREA**

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

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**St Therese Barellan**

**In our Prayers:** Barry Carroll, Neville Caldwell, Ray Fairman, Kashaya Kuemmel,

**For our Deceased:** Joyce Teagle, Adele Murphy, Jack Symth, Billie Mowitch, Marie Golden, Anne Trevaskis, Dellah McGrane, Des Popple, (anniversaries) Iney Lynch,

**July 2-3**

Aria Park 6.00 p.m. (Liturgy)

Mass Temora 6.00 p.m.

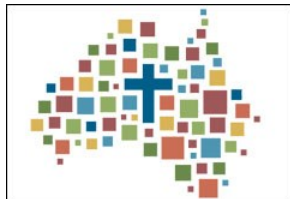
Mass Ardlethan 8.00 a.m. Barellan 10.00 a.m.

**Reflection**

**Free to Follow.** In today’s Gospel Jesus resolutely takes the road to Jerusalem. He knows that his passion and death await him. We also need determination to follow Jesus along the way of the cross. At times we will be tempted to look for excuses to turn back. May the Lord free us from such temptations that we may journey with him through suffering and death to the glory of the resurrection.

**Plenary Council Prayer**

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.  
Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.  
O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.  
Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.  
Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.  
Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.  
Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel.  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen.  
*Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.*  
*St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.*



**World Meeting of Families—Local Celebration**

Every three years since 1994, the Church has celebrated the World Meeting of Families in a different city of the world. The Holy Father has also asked that the World Meeting of Families be celebrated concurrently in every diocese of the world in 2022. In our area the celebration will be in the afternoon of **Sunday 10 July** at Cootamundra.

**Free Circus & Celebration of Family Life, Cootamundra (Western Deanery)**

Parishioners are warmly invited to bring your children & grandchildren to a **Free Circus and Celebration of Family Life** for the World Meeting of Families 2022. 2.00 p.m.-4. 00p.m. Sacred Heart Central School, Cootamundra. Places limited.

Register online at [https://bit.ly/WMF\\_FREECIRCUS](https://bit.ly/WMF_FREECIRCUS)

**Reflections**

We can understand the responses of those who respond to Jesus’ call to follow him with “Can you give me a minute first . . . ?” Our lives are a constant struggle to complete hours of responsibilities in about half that time. Consciously or unconsciously, we let so many agendas, interests and expectations monopolize our time and attention and energy to the point we lose sight of what is authentically important and affirming and meaningful in our lives. Jesus asks us to “follow” him, not by trying to live a life that is not ours or in experiences that are alien to us, but in the lives we actually live, in the circumstances we find ourselves, in the responsibilities we have to our families and employers and community.

**C o n n e c t i o n s**

“When Jesus arrives at journey’s end and the cross looms large we see that he prays for the resolve to continue. He too is tempted to give up and return to the quiet security of Galilee. But he literally hangs in there. The journey to Jerusalem which he begins in today’s Gospel is seen as a route which all his followers have to take. No matter where we live. It is not a journey that is plotted through a map; it is an inward journey that is plotted through our experience. For each of us it is our journey to God in the footsteps of Christ.”

**Fr Denis McBride cssr**

“Some Christians are given the gift of living very simply and to the degree that this gift brings life to them, and those around them, it is a wonderful sign of God’s kingdom. All the rest of us, who struggle to embrace this gift, or a desire to ever want it, must face up to the challenge of Jesus’ teaching here. But it’s not just about money. We are also called to detach ourselves from memories, which can be cluttered with anger and revenge; from the demands of work which keep us from being with those we love; and to be generous with our time, talent, hospitality and compassion.”

**Roster 3 July**

Reader: Bernard