

TEMORA MISSION AREA

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

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For our Deceased: Leo Griffin, Sr Janet Quade rsm, Frank Kummel, (*anniversary*)

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6-7 March

Ariah Park 6.00 p.m. Liturgy

Mass

Temora 6.00 p.m.

Mass

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

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Reflection

Listen to Him. Jesus revealed his oneness with sinful humanity by his baptism in the river Jordan. On the mount of transfiguration he revealed his oneness with God who proclaims, 'This is my Son, the Beloved. Listen to him.' It takes faith to listen to Jesus who teaches that the path of life leads along the way of the cross. But, as Abraham learned, if we put our faith in God our reward will be great.

Project Compassion

This week through Project Compassion we learn about 39-year-old Margret, a teacher at a vocational school for deaf students in the Solomon Islands. She was born deaf, so she knows the challenges it poses to education and employment. Apart from the difficulties the students all have, the school also faced water shortages, with not enough to supply staff and students with safe water for drinking, cooking, washing and growing vegetables.

Then Tropical Cyclone Harold damaged the school and its vegetable garden, amidst the threat of COVID-19. Staff and students rely on the vegetable garden to provide food for their meals.

With Caritas Australia's support, the school installed water tanks, provided cyclone-proof building materials and helped to implement COVID-19



prevention measures. Margret's school now has enough water for its students and the capacity to cater for more, with plans to boost food security, through increased agricultural production. Around 60% of people in rural areas in the Solomon Islands don't have access to piped water, while about 80% don't have access to latrines or toilets. (UNICEF, 2019)



World Wildlife Day

On March 3 2021, World Wildlife Day will celebrate forest-based livelihoods and seek to promote forest and forest wildlife management models and practices that accommodate both human well-being and the long-term conservation of forests, forest-dwelling species of wild fauna and flora and the ecosystems they sustain, and promote the value of traditional practices and knowledge that contribute to establishing a more sustainable relationship with these crucial natural systems. <https://www.wildlifeday.org/>

World Day of Prayer

The World Day of Prayer 2021 host country is **Vanuatu** and the theme is "**Build on a Strong Foundation**". Barellan is the host church for our area this year.

For your Information—An Evening, Raising Fathers

Robert Falzon, co-founder of menALIVE will be speaking in Canberra on 2 March in Haydon Hall. "*In an age where there is a training manual to do almost everything, there is still no manual, map or compass to do one of the most important and impacting task on earth – Fathering!*"

Lenten Reflections

"Lent is not just about the little sacrifices we make, but about discerning where our hearts are directed, toward God or toward myself?" It is a time to reconsider the path we are taking, to find the route that leads us home and to rediscover our profound relationship with God, on whom everything depends. And now, he invites us to return to him, to rediscover the joy of being loved."

Pope Francis

As we journey towards Easter, it's a good time to reflect on what it means to be loved by God. How does that love transform us, and through us, transform the world? How can we better experience that love in our lives, and better embody that love in the world? *Australian Catholics*

Lent is about taking stock of time, even religious time. Lent is about exercising the control that enables us to say no to ourselves so that when life turns hard of its own accord, we have the spiritual stamina to say yes to its twists and turns with faith and with hope. *Joan Chittister osb*

Roster 7 March

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Welcomer: Sr Maureen