

## TEMORA MISSION AREA

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

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**In our Prayers:** Ray Fairman, Kashaya Kuemmel, All those affected by the Coronavirus, the unemployed, families with financial struggles etc.

**For our Deceased:** Brian Patten, Pam Woods, Frank (*Johnno*) O'Dwyer, Deceased relatives, friends, parishioners, Coronavirus Victims, Marie Golden, James (*Kelly*) Griffin, Elaine Barry, Jim Daniher, (*anniversaries*)

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**No Mass or Liturgies**  
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### Reflection

**They Know His Voice.** At times it can be hard to recognise the voice of Jesus as there are many who claim to speak in his name. A useful guide is to look at people's actions. We can listen to those who lives reveal the qualities of Jesus: love, compassion, justice, self-sacrifice. They are the good shepherds in our midst.

### Fr Sijo's Return

Fr Sijo flew into Adelaide Monday of last week and will remain there, in isolation, for two weeks. He will be back in Temora sometime during the first week of May.

### ESeminar

Archbishop Christopher Prowse has started an online ESeminar—**Heart to Heart**. There have been two sessions this week. Each session runs for around thirty minutes—a luxury for many of us, to find that time. If you are interested you might like to take a look and view for intervals of ten minutes or so. A couple of the questions which Archbishop Prowse gave us were:

1 *Review your journey with the Lord so far in your life.*

*What are the highs and the lows?*

2 *What does the expression 'Heart to Heart' mean to you in regard to your spiritual life?*

[https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xBspuzOL5\\_I](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=xBspuzOL5_I)

### Today is the World Day of Vocations.

Pope Francis tells us: "Every vocation is born of that gaze of love with which the Lord came to meet us, perhaps even at a time when our boat was being

battered by the storm. We will succeed in discovering and embracing our vocation once we open our hearts in gratitude and perceive the passage of God in our lives." Let us pray for the young people in our community, and in our families and circle of friends. May our prayers and presence reflect the gaze of love from the Lord to help them discover their vocation. For more information take a look at <https://www.diocesanpriest.com.au/s/> or contact Fr Paul Nulley: [paul.nulley@cg.org.au](mailto:paul.nulley@cg.org.au) or phone number: 0422 038 565.

### Project Compassion

Thank you to those who have made their donations for 2020. For those who are still waiting to do so, the following insert is taken from a letter received during the week from Carita Australia:

*Caritas Australia would like to thank you for supporting Project Compassion 2020. We acknowledge that parishes are not gathering, and it is difficult to collect donations. Caritas have a number of options for your parish and your parishioners to return Project Compassion box and envelope sets, or make a contribution:*

1. **For Individuals:** Make an electronic funds transfer contribution to Caritas Australia BSB: 062786, Account number: 000012830 Reference: PC20 Your Name Your Parish Suburb
2. **Donate online** visit [lent.caritas.org.au/donate/](http://lent.caritas.org.au/donate/)
3. **Return** your box, envelopes, credit card or cheque donation to Caritas Australia, GPO Box 368, CANBERRA ACT 2601

### Dear Friends,

*The Gospel this week begins the chapter in which Jesus assures us that he will be a Good Shepherd for us. Living in this area many of us are grateful for those who shepherd their flock so carefully and for providing for us a powerful image of God's care for each of us. The story finishes with Jesus reminding us that he came that we might have life to the full. At this time in our history when so many lives have been cut short by the coronavirus we are challenged to ask ourselves what is it for me that I have the gift of life.*

- ◆ *How do I live my life fully?*
- ◆ *How in touch am I with God who lives within me?*
- ◆ *In what ways do I breathe life into others?*
- ◆ *How am I called to live so that it is God's life within me that enlivens others?*

*May this week gift you with many signs of God's love stirring within you and others.*

*Sr Maureen McDermott rsj*

