

TEMORA MISSION AREA

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

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In our Prayers: Elaine Barry, Ray Fairman,

For our Deceased: Marie Golden, Family members, friends, parishioners,



January 5—6 Aria Park 6.00 p.m. Sat Liturgy

Mass Temora 6.00 p.m. Saturday

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



Reflection

God, bless our home. A house is made of materials that are replaceable. But a home is founded on relationships, love, memories, joys and pains, births and deaths. No material compensation can ever be made or the loss of these. On this feast of the Holy Family we pray, ‘God, bless our home’, whatever its shape may be.

May we be in this world a ray of that light which shone forth from Bethlehem, bringing joy and peace to the hearts of all men and women.”

Pope Francis

Prayer for Families

Lord, you chose to enter the world as a member of a family. Take care of all families. May they be sources of love and security for all family members, where each person is valued and given the chance to reach their full potential.

Stephen Cummins

House Blessing as we Celebrate Families

Bless this house! May it be every day changed by Your love, Jesus. Keep our homes safe. Protect our dwellings from fire, flood, wind, invasion, and theft. Let our houses be safe places to restore what has been lost and welcome mats for those who need Your love. We ask for a legacy of love that drifts down into the furthest generations of our family and the family of all that walk through our door. We pray in the name of Jesus who matured in his family with Mary and Joseph, Amen.

God Bless Our Home
and all who enter 

Thank you

How blessed we are in our community where members share their gifts with love and generosity. Thank you for the preparation of the church and grounds for Christmas and to each of you for your participation in the liturgy. May our good God bless you.

Meeting and Holidays

Fr Sijo will be away mid January to mid February for Congregational meetings in India and holiday with his family. His last Sunday with us will be on 6 January. Fr Tony Percy will be with us on 20 January and Fr Bernard Hennessy in February.

Ministries

As usual, in January we welcome volunteers to minister at our Eucharist and Liturgy celebrations.

As we welcome 2019, we reflect on:

The King’s Speech: The Gate of the Year 1939

King George VI; it was December 25, 1939, the day of the broadcast.

Taking a few deep breaths, he began to speak, slowly yet solidly. Measuring his words carefully, he spoke from the heart:

“A new year is at hand. We cannot tell what it will bring. If it brings peace, how thankful we shall all be. If it brings us continued struggle we shall remain undaunted.”

Toward the end of his nine-minute broadcast, he said:

“I feel that we may all find a message of encouragement in the lines which, in my closing words, I would like to say to you:”

He then read from a poem given to him by his 13-year-old daughter, Princess Elizabeth,

“I said to the man who stood at the Gate of the Year, ‘Give me a light that I may tread safely into the unknown.’

And he replied, ‘Go out into the darkness, and put your hand into the Hand of God.

That shall be better than light, and safer than a known way.”

He finished by saying,

“May that Almighty Hand guide and uphold us all.”



Roster: 6 January

Acolyte:

Reader:

Minister:

Gifts:

Welcomer: