

3rd August, 2025, 18th Sunday/ C

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St Therese Barellan

In our Prayers: Katie Doyle, Lee Jackson, Robyn Richards, Neville Caldw.

For our Deceased: Barry Carroll, Mervyn Smith, Terri O'Hare, Deceased Family, Friends, Victims of war, violence, accidents & natural disasters.

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August 9 - 10 Arian Park 6.00 p.m. Sat Mass

Mass Barmen 8am. Temora 10am & 5pm Sunday

Liturgy Ardlethan **9am** Barellan 10am Sunday

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Reflection - *Become rich in the sight of God.* Today we reflect on the call we all have to love God by sharing what we have with others. The rich man in today's gospel chose foolishly to hoard his possessions. If we are prepared to risk putting what we have at the service of others, we may find ourselves poor in material terms but rich in the eyes of God. A treasure awaits us in heaven, along with many blessings in this life.



REFLECTIONS, IDEAS, GRAPHICS
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National Vocations Awareness Week

National Vocations Awareness Week is celebrated this year from 3 - 10 August. It coincides with the liturgical celebrations of Australia's first saint, St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, and the Patron Saint of Priests, Saint John Vianney.

Tomorrow is the feast of St John Vianney, the patron of parish clergy. We are invited to pray for your priests today in thanksgiving for their ministry and presence in your community. Next Friday is the feast of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, our first Australian saint. As well, we may like to pray for the religious who do so much in pastoral care, education, health care and many other ministries. May we also pray that these saints may inspire many vocations to consecrated life and priesthood, especially from your community

Mary MacKillop's Feastday

Friday, 8th August, the feastday of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop. We reflect on the life of Mary, *"Very simply, Mary drew near to people. She lived in poor little cottages; she visited people in their poor little cottages. She befriended the outcasts of her time. She knew the prostitutes and alcoholics loitering in the back lanes of the city. In a climate of sectarianism, she loved and admired friends who were Protestant and Jewish. Once there was a poor lady who was ill, sitting in the gutter. Mary's companion thought she was drunk but Mary MacKillop sat down with the woman and realized that she needed help as she was ill. She helped the woman to the chemist shop where she could get assistance for her."*

Mary had a special place in her heart for children, for the sick and lonely and for those who were suffering. She became a voice of God's love as she responded to all those in need. *May we entrust our needs to the intercession of Mary MacKillop.*



Be Fierce for Fair on the Feast Day of Australia's most loved Saint

Celebrate Saint Mary MacKillop's Feast Day as a faithful community who believe in being fierce in the face of adversity and fair where there is injustice.

When Mary saw families living on the margins without access to education, she set up a school to teach children herself — regardless of their situation. She and the Sisters of St Joseph went wherever the need was greatest. And despite facing enormous challenges, they continued to walk with people every step of the way.

"Let us show love in our acts" - St Mary MacKillop

This August, let's walk in Mary's footsteps. Like Mary, let's be fierce in the face of adversity. Let's be fair and act when we see injustice. Let's give love to those we encounter each day.

Together, let's be Fierce for Fair! <https://www.marymackilloptoday.org.au/mary-mackillop-feast-day/>

Roster August 10th

Leader: Suzanne

Reader: Ian

Ex. Minister : John

Acknowledgement of Country - With respect, we acknowledge the country, the skies, the waterways and spiritual systems of the Wiradjuri people on whose land we gather. We acknowledge the elders for the passing on of knowledge, language and spiritual connections to country.

Parish Safeguarding Commitment — Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Ardlethan/Sacred Heart Arianah Park is committed to safeguarding and upholding the rights of all our children and vulnerable people. We seek to empower children, their families and carers and vulnerable people, to have a say, to be listened to and to be protected. Parishioners are encouraged to raise any concerns they may have by emailing Fr Alex Osborne at alex.osborne@cg.org.au. Parishioners are also welcome to contact Maria Hicks, manager for the Archdiocesan Institute for Professional Standards & Safeguarding (IPSS) at ipss@cg.org.au or phone 02-62399806.