5 July 14th Sunday, Year A

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In our Prayers: Brianna Papworth, Neville Caldow, Pauline O'Brien, Ray Fairman, Kashaya Kuemmel, All those affected by the Coronavirus, For our Deceased: John Stout, David Kerin, Norah Green, Joyce Baker, Marie Golden, Frances Popple, Billie Mowitch, Anne Trevaskis (anniversaries)

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July 11—12 Ariah Park 6.00 p.m. Sat Mass

Mass Barmedman 8.00 a.m. Temora 10.00 a.m. Sunday

Liturgy Ardlethan 9.00 a.m. Barellan 10.00 a.m.

Reflection

My Yoke is Easy. During the Vietnam war a soldier once saw a boy carrying a child on his back. 'He's not heavy', the boy replied, 'he's my brother.' Hopefully, we experience the yoke of Jesus as light and easy. Serving others and living the Gospel can be burdensome at times but it also brings freedom and joy to our hearts and rest for our souls.

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday, 5 July 2020

This Sunday the Catholic Church celebrates Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday. The theme, 'Together in the Spirit', is an invitation to Australians to come together in spirit and pray for healing, reconciliation and understanding.

We reflect, "We recall the words of the Uluru Statement: 'Proportionally, we are the most incarcerated people on the planet. We are not an innately criminal people. Our children are aliened from their families at unprecedented rates. This cannot be because we have no love for them. And our youth languish in detention in obscene numbers. They should be our hope for the future.'

We remember Pope John Paul II's address at Alice Springs in 1986 when he told us:

'You are part of Australia and Australia is part of you. And the Church herself in Australia will not be fully the Church that Jesus wants her to be until you have made your contribution to her life and until that contribution has been joyfully received by others.'

The discernment group has said, 'The Uluru Statement from the Heart continues to echo these sentiments and a deep cry for healing. Humble listening will bring healing



for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. The principle of subsidiarity is key – the days of others deciding for them must be over. A new and real engagement, standing together in solidarity, is a merciful and humble way to a new pathway of healing.'

At this Eucharist, we come seeking the consolation of the Lord's presence as we hear Jesus declare to us: 'Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and my burden light.'" *Frank Brennan sj*, **Australian Catholics**

Roses

Thank you Bruce for keeping an eye on our roses and pruning them recently.

Giving & Receiving

The Archdiocese is transitioning to cashless collection of money. Recent events have quickened the pace of change. As per Archdiocesan Protocols, there will be no more collection plates at Mass. There will be a collection point set up in the Church to place cash or planned giving envelopes before Mass or after Mass. Please note: there will be no offertory procession during Mass.

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for July

Pope Francis asks Christians to pray for families, so that they "may be accompanied with love, respect and guidance, and especially, that they may be protected by the State." He calls attention to the challenges facing families today. Among them are fast-paced environments and busy schedules that leave little room for quality time between parents and their children."

Adapted from **Rome Řeports**

For Reflection

"There is a welcome thread of joy and encouragement woven throughout the readings for this Sunday. ...

The Spirit of Christ living within us gives us hope, that even in the midst of the trials of our times, Jesus is with us, sharing in our suffering, carrying us in ways that we may not yet even recognise. Let us pray that we, as the body of Christ in the world today, will have the courage and strength to carry compassionately all those who feel weighed down by



the effects of the recent pandemic." Australian Catholics

Let nothing dim the light that shines from within. Maya Angelou

Roster 12 July	Leader: Tracey	Reader:	Mae
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