## 7 March, 3rd Lent, Year B

# TEMORA MISSION AREA

#### <u>Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Ardlethan/Sacred Heart Ariah Park</u>

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**In our Prayers**: Linda Grinter, Robyn Richards, Neville Caldow, Ray Fairman, Kashaya Kuemmel,

**For our Deceased:** Fr Kevin Barry Cotter, Veronica Jardine, Leo Griffin, Darcy Lucas, Allan Hargraves, Lola Litchfield, John Pursehouse *(anniversaries)* 

March 13—14Ariah Park 6.00 p.m. Sat MassMassBarmedman 8.00 a.m. Temora 10.00 a.m. Sunday

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

# Reflection

*I am the Lord, Your God.* The Ten Commandments are as valid today as when they were first given by God to Moses on Mt Sinai. They teach us how to live in right relationship with God and with one another. If we seek to live by the Commandments we will avoid the trap of materialism, of being more concerned with buying, selling, and making money, than with loving God and our neighbour.

## **Project Compassion**

We are now in the third week of Lent with the Project Compassion story of Oliva, a 22-year-old woman from Tanzania. She did not have the opportunity to go to school and was embarrassed that she was unable to read, write or count. As an adult, her business was losing money because she couldn't add up her money and give the right change to customers. Then Oliva enrolled in Caritas

Australia's literacy and numeracy



classes. She also set up a home classroom to teach her neighbours, for free, because they were too shy to attend larger classes.

Oliva has now graduated, attendance at her classes are growing, her kiosk is thriving and she is helping her children with their homework. She aims to become a pastor and run for leadership in the next local election - to help her community to 'Be More.' Approximately 260 million children don't have the chance to go to school (un.org)

#### Vale Fr Barry Cotter

Some of you may know Fr Barry Cotter who was parish priest of West Wyalong from 1995 – 2005. Fr Tony Percy wrote in the Catholic Voice:

"Father Kevin Barry-Cotter has entered eternal life, having died on the weekend, most likely during his sleep. We join with each other in praying for Father Kevin, entrusting him to the Lord, and thanking God profoundly for his life and ministry among us in our Archdiocese.

... I am sure more than a few bishops were grateful for his wise counsel over the years. With his very deep faith and vibrant spiritual life, his gracious disposition and humour, his abiding sense of welcome and hospitality, his pastoral sensitivity and wisdom, Father Kevin was a shining light among us.

Father Kevin will be deeply missed, but it was time for him to make the final journey, through the gateway of death into eternal, resurrected life. May he now rest from his labours and find peace in the heart of Jesus. We pray for Father Kevin and entrust him to the mercy of God.

And, Father Kevin, through the Communion of Saints, may you pray and intercede for us all now." Catholic Voice, 1 March 2021

# **Baptism of Mia Marion**

On Sunday 21 March at 11.30 a.m. Mia Marion Fisher will be baptised here in Our Lady Help of Christians Church. As Andrea and Ned prepare for the Baptism of Mia may we support them with our prayers.

### Thank You

How grateful I am to each of you for all you did while I was away assisting one of our Sisters in her time of need. My prayer for you; "May God bless you and keep you. May God let his face shine upon you and be gracious to you. May God uncover his face to you and bring you peace." (Numbers 6: 24-26)



"There is no greater love in the world than the love God has for humanity," Pope Francis

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