7th July, 2024, 14th Sunday in Ordinary time, Year B

TEMORA MISSION AREA

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

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St Therese Barellan

In our Prayers: Bernard Jardine, Barry Carroll, Robyn Richards,

Neville Caldow.

For our Deceased: Judith Litchfield, Ernie Davies, Kaylene Brown, Bill McDermott, Jack Wood, Archbishop Francis Patrick Carroll, Sharon Kober, Deceased Family, Friends, Victims of war, violence,

accidents and natural disasters

July 13-14 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 - They would not accept him.

The word of God is often proclaimed by those whom the world considers insignificant. The prophet Ezekiel enjoyed no particular status among the exiles in Babylon. St Paul battled with human weakness throughout his life. Jesus came from lowly Nazareth. But through each of them the word of God was proclaimed with power. May prejudice never close our ears from hearing the truth.



Fr Richard Rohr shares with us some signs of a prophet:

First; a prophet is someone who listens attentively to the word of God, a contemplative, a mystic who hears God and takes God at God's word, and then goes into the world to tell the world God's message. So a prophet speaks God's message fearlessly, publicly, without compromise, despite the times, whether fair or foul.

Second; morning, noon, and night, the prophet is centred on God. The prophet does not do his or her own will or speak his or her own message. The prophet does God's will and speaks God's message. . . . In the process, the prophet tells us who God is and what God wants, and thus who we are and how we can become fully human.

Third; a prophet interprets the signs of the times. The prophet is concerned with the world, here and now, in the daily events of the whole human race, not just our little backyard or some ineffable hereafter. The prophet sees the big picture—war, starvation, poverty, corporate greed, nationalism, systemic violence, nuclear weapons, and environmental destruction. The prophet interprets these current realities through God's eyes, not through the eyes of analysts or pundits or Pentagon press spokespeople. The prophet tells us God's take on what's happening.

This year's NAIDOC Week theme (July 7—14) is **Keep the Fire Burning! Black, Loud and Proud**. The theme honours the enduring strength and vitality of First Nations culture – with fire a symbol of connection to Country, to each



other, and to the rich tapestry of traditions that define Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. National NAIDOC Week celebrations are held across Australia to celebrate and recognise the history, culture and achievements of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples. An opportunity for all Australians to learn about First Nations

cultures and histories and participate in celebrations of the oldest, continuous living cultures on earth.

Reflection - Miriam-Rose Ungunmerr-Baumann, a respected Ngangiwumirr Elder, artist and 2021 Senior Australian of the year explains the importance of listening and understanding the silence: "My people today, recognise and experience in this quietness, the great Life-Giving Spirit, the Father of us all. It is easy for me to experience God's presence. When I am out hunting, when I am in the bush, among the trees, on a hill or by a billabong; these are the times when I can simply be in God's presence. My people have been so aware of Nature. It is natural that we will feel close to the Creator." http://natsicc.org.au/assets/natsicc-a4-booklet_final_reduced_spreads.pdf

Cuppa after Mass today



After Mass today please stay for morning tea if you can. Welcome back Fr Sijo, we are so thankful of your return to our parish, we have missed you.

Roster July 14th Leader: Tracey Passlow Reader: Andrina Norden

Ex. Minister: John Mills