

8 May, 4th Easter, Year C

TEMORA MISSION AREA

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

Contact: Sr Maureen McDermott: Ph: 0448 257 077

Website: www.cg.org.au/ardlethan Email: maureen.mcdermott@sosj.org.au

Sacred Heart Temora Ph: 69772104 Email: Temora@cg.org.au

Parish Priest Fr Sijo Jose Email: Sijo.Jose@cg.org.au

St Therese Barellan

In our Prayers: Barry Carroll, Neville Caldwell, Ray Fairman, Kashaya Kuemmel, Gillett Family

For our Deceased: Tania Gillett, Our mothers who are deceased; Iney Lynch, Ian Bonny, Libby Gaynor, Geoff Bennett, Elaine Barry, *(anniversaries)*

← - - - - - ◆
14—15 May

Aria Park 6.00 p.m. *(Liturgy)*

Mass

Temora 6.00 p.m.

Mass

Ardlethan 8.00 a.m. Barellan 10.00 a.m.
◆ - - - - - →

Reflection

I Know My Sheep. The Apostles faced much opposition as they proclaimed the Good News of Christ. Since then, many Christians have suffered martyrdom in great persecutions. Today's Scripture readings makes reference to such difficulties but they also affirm a firm message of hope and consolation. The faithful followers of Jesus, those who listen to his voice, will have eternal life. They will never be lost forever or destroyed by evil forces. May these words console us as we strive to follow Jesus, the Good Shepherd, through the joys and struggles of life.

Good Shepherd Sunday Appeal

Collection for formation and education of our seminarians:

We have three seminarians studying for the priesthood. There are other young men too, considering the priestly calling. Let us invest in the future of our Church by financially supporting them.

Please join us in generous giving. You can make a gift today:

By envelopes; or by giving at: www.cgatholic.org.au/goodshp

By calling: (02) 6239 9801 *May Jesus, our High Priest, raise up a whole generation of new priests in our Archdiocese!*

Reflection

"In today's Gospel Jesus tells us that we follow him, not because we are too dumb to know otherwise, or because we are anxious or fearful of our alternatives, but because we know his voice, we know him, he knows our name. We follow Jesus' lead for no other reason than throughout our life we have come to trust him and to rely on the intimacy of our relationship with him. In return he protects us and makes sure no one can steal us from his flock."
Richard Leonard sj

Mother's Day

As we celebrate all mother's this weekend, let us pray:

God our Creator, we pray:

for new mothers, coming to terms with new responsibility ;

for expectant mothers, wondering and waiting;

for those who are tired, stressed or depressed;

for those who struggle to balance the tasks of work and family;

for those who are unable to feed their children due to poverty;

for those whose children have physical, mental or emotional disabilities;

for those who have children they do not want;

for those who raise children on their own;

for those who have lost a child;

for those who care for the children of others;

for those whose children have left home;

and for those whose desire to be a mother has not been fulfilled.

Bless all mothers, that their love may be deep and tender,

and that they may lead their children to know and do what is good,

living not for themselves alone, but for God and for others. Amen.



A Prayer for Mothering Sunday



Loving God, thank you for mums and children and for all the joy of family life.

Be with those who are grieving because they have no mother; be close to those who are struggling because they have no children; be near to those who are sad because they are far apart from those they love.

Let your love be present in every home, and help your church to have eyes to see and ears to hear the needs of all who come.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen

"A society without mothers would be an inhuman society, as mothers always know how to show tenderness, devotion and moral strength, even in the moments of greatest difficulty. Mothers often also transmit the deepest sense of religious practice. ... It is a message that mothers who believe know how to transmit without much explanation; this arrives later, but the seed of faith is planted in those first precious moments. Without mothers ... faith would lose a good part of its simple, profound warmth".

Pope Francis

Roster 15 May

Reader: Linda