

9 August, 19th Sunday, Year A

## TEMORA MISSION AREA

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

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**In our Prayers:** Alison Peacock, (*young niece of Sally Cassidy*)

Brianna Papworth, Neville Caldwell, Pauline O'Brien, Ray Fairman,

**For our Deceased:** Beirut Victims, Coronavirus patients, John Stout,

David Kerin, Alan Litchfield, Jim Tuckett (*anniversaries*)

**15-16 August** ←-----▶ 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

**Jesus Went up into the Hills to Pray.** The prophet Elijah and Jesus both went up a mountain to pray. Many people have experienced the presence of God in the wonder and solitude of a mountain top. But God is also to be found at sea level, in the ups and downs of our daily lives. When we are swamped by troubles and cry out, 'Lord, save me,' we allow God to reach out and hold us.

### Protocols Reminder:

4sqm per person rule - - Seating - Standing - As we enter the Church, engage with parishioners, place money/envelopes at the collection points, during the Communion Procession etc. Reminders:

*leave space from end of pew to cater for the 4sq meter rule*

*form one row to approach Holy Communion.*

**If you are unwell, please do not attend Mass or visit the Church**

### Feast of the Assumption, 15th August, A Reflection

"The Catholic Tradition has always honoured Mary as being obedient, the pre-eminent disciple of her Son and the sign of what could await all Christians who are invited to share in the mission of Jesus on earth. Religious obedience is not passive. We listen to the voice of God and choose to say yes to Christ's love and liberation. Discipleship does not mean our personality counts for nothing. Rather, it's the valuing of every individual's ability to contribute to Christ's kingdom in a unique way. Prefiguring what can happen for all of us does not diminish the particular gifts God lavished on Mary, but reassures us that God recognises his own in this world and the next. May this Assumption Day see us then stop ransoming the image of Mary to the distortions of the past and find in her creative and free self-giving a pattern for our Christian lives, and a beacon of hope to which we can hold firm." *Fr Richard Leonard sj*

### National Vocations Awareness Week

This week we celebrated the Feast of St Mary of the Cross McKillop. Our first Australian born canonised saint. St Mary took bold new directions in education and care of children. We know her saying '*Never see a need without doing something about it*'. We pray this week that many young people in our communities may embrace this spirit in response to the call of the Lord to serve as priests or consecrated religious.

### My Voice

seeks to realise the Archdiocesan three year vision for youth: belong, believe and become. It involves children in articulating their rights and responsibilities within the Church. The project is designed for students in Years 4 to 7. If you would like to participate in the survey, go to: [cgyouth.org.au/myvoice](http://cgyouth.org.au/myvoice) or email [youth@cg.org.au](mailto:youth@cg.org.au) for more information.

### Further Reflection



Jesus came to them ... "How does Jesus come to me? In the joys of family? In the unwelcome criticisms of an angry neighbour who tells me the truth about myself? In the worries of a job or the agonies of a failed relationship? In the staggering beauty of creation? In physical pain? All these can

bring God's presence and without that presence we cannot expect to cope. Jesus does not force himself upon us. He may disappear into the sea mist again for a time and we may sink into the water like mistrustful Peter. But it all ends with a welcome and a recognition that Jesus can cope even with a life-threatening situation."

*Dom Henry Wansbrough OSB, Companion to the Sunday Gospels, Year A*

### Parish Sign

Thank you Paul and Linda for all that went into the preparation of the draft parish sign. Thank you to each of you for your input last weekend. We now wait for the next draft.

### Pope Prays for Lebanon

"Let us pray for the victims and their family members, and let us pray for Lebanon so that with the effort of everyone in society — political and religious — it may face this tragic and painful moment and, with the help of the international community, overcome the serious crisis it is experiencing," the Pope said Aug. 5 at the end of his general audience.

**Roster 16 August**

Reader: Tracey

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