

22nd March, 2026, 5th Sunday in Lent /A

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In our Prayers: Lee Jackson, Robyn Richards, Neville Caldow.

For our Deceased: Mick Cassidy, Russell Fisher, Deceased Family, Friends,
Victims of war, violence, accidents & natural disasters.

March 29

Palm Sunday - Liturgy

Ardlethan 9am

Parish Assembly meeting 2.30pm & Mass 5pm Temora

Reflection *The Resurrection and the Life.*

The raising of Lazarus from the dead was a wonderful event. His sisters were overjoyed and many people came to believe in Jesus. But something more wonderful happened in Jesus' own death and resurrection. While Lazarus was restored to his former life, the death of Jesus produces a life that will last forever, a life that we receive in baptism. Let us pray for all who are to be baptised this Easter.



He cried out in a loud voice, "Lazarus, come out!"

John 11: 43

Lenten Inspiration—Week 5

One of the disciplines of Lent is letting go of those things that hold us back in order that we might be freed to respond more fully to God. Could one of the things that I am being asked to let go of be my blindness with regard to recognising Christ present in the poor, the outcast, the stranger, the refugee...?

taken from Rediscovering God, Catholic Diocese of Wollongong)

The 5th Sunday of Lent Year A points to the Paschal Mystery, which is at the heart of our faith. In the Gospel, Jesus raises Lazarus from the dead, showing his power over death and giving a sign of his own Resurrection. This miracle prepares us to understand Jesus' Passion, Death, Resurrection, and Ascension, which bring us salvation and new life.

The Paschal Mystery shows us that suffering and death are not the end. Through Jesus' sacrifice and victory over death, we are offered hope and eternal life. The 5th Sunday of Lent Year A invites us to trust in Jesus as the resurrection and the life, reminding us that his love and saving power are always with us. *youngcatholics.com*

*“We are reminded that Lent is a time for sowing seeds
that will blossom in our lives.
A harvest of love and grace awaits.”*

Sue and Leo Kane

REMINDER OF PARISH MEETING - Parish assembly is on at 2:30pm on Sunday 29th March – at Temora, everyone is welcome. I believe Barellan are organising a bus so there might be a chance to pick you up on the way. We'll have the meeting I think it'll run about 2 hours so it'll be easy to just join the Sunday 5pm Mass. God bless, Fr Alex

Palm Sunday - Sunday 29th March. We will allocate jobs after our service today. **Drapes** - In preparation for Palm Sunday next week, it would be appreciated if the drapes are changed to **red** after Liturgy today. *Many thanks.*



We have decided to hold an **Easter Vigil** service this year, Liturgy with Communion **Easter Saturday, 6pm, April 4, 2026.** All in the community are welcome. Please pass the word around.

HOLY WEEK

Roster 29th March

Leader: Linda Griffin

Reader:

Ex. Minister :

Acknowledgement of Country - With respect, we acknowledge the country, the skies, the waterways and spiritual systems of the Wiradjuri people on whose land we gather. We acknowledge the elders for the passing on of knowledge, language and spiritual connections to country.

Parish Safeguarding Commitment — Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Ardlethan/Sacred Heart Arian Park is committed to safeguarding and upholding the rights of all our children and vulnerable people. We seek to empower children, their families and carers and vulnerable people, to have a say, to be listened to and to be protected. Parishioners are encouraged to raise any concerns they may have by emailing Fr Alex Osborne at alex.osborne@cg.org.au. Parishioners are also welcome to contact Maria Hicks, manager for the Archdiocesan Institute for Professional Standards & Safeguarding (IPSS) at ipss@cg.org.au or phone 02-62399806.