

26th July, 2026, 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time /A

TEMORA MISSION AREA

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

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St Therese Barellan

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

For our Deceased: FR Troy Bobbin, Denise O'Reilly, Deceased Family,
Friends, Victims of war, violence, accidents & natural disasters.

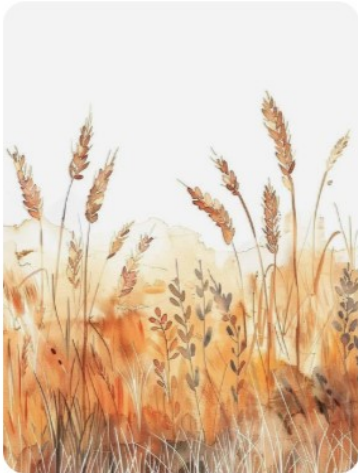
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<u>August 1-2</u>	Arian Park	6.00 p.m.	<i>Liturgy Sat</i>
Mass	Temora	6pm.	Saturday 5pm. Sunday
Mass	Ardlethan	8am	Barellan 10am Sunday

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REFLECTION *Finding a Treasure.*

A treasure is not something we earn but something we find. We can spend a lot of our lives wishing and hoping that some treasure will come our way. We can forget that we already possess a wonderful treasure in our loved ones and in the gift of life itself. And the greatest treasure of all is the kingdom of heaven which Jesus freely offers to us. May we have the wisdom to seek our treasure in God, and not in the glittering goods of a passing world.



The Kingdom of heaven is like a treasure buried in a field, which a person finds and hides again, and out of joy goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.

Matthew 13:44

The readings today help us see what matters most. Solomon asks God for wisdom instead of wealth or power. God is pleased with this choice. Wisdom helps people make good decisions and serve others well. It shows us how to live in a way that pleases God and brings real meaning.

Jesus teaches that God's kingdom is like a hidden treasure or a rare pearl. It is worth more than anything else. When people see its value, they are willing to give up

other things. This Sunday invites us to seek God first. What lasts forever is worth our time, trust, and care.

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Today is World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

This is the 6th World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, coinciding with the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne. This year's theme, "**I will never forget you**" (Isaiah 49:15), reminds us of God's unwavering love and encourages us to honour the invaluable contribution of grandparents and older people in our families and communities. According to a Feb. 10 statement from the Dicastery for the Laity, the Family, and Life, the verse chosen by the Holy Father "is meant to emphasize how God's love for every person never fails, not even in the frailty of old age."



A Further Reflection - "None of us can gain anything of value without renouncing something. Perhaps what we have to renounce first is our perception of what real treasure in this life really is. ... The real treasures of life is under our noses—in the people we share life with, in the opportunities we face every day to exercise the values of Jesus. None of this might appear a glittering prize, but it is in the heart of the ordinary that we

discover the presence of Jesus. He is the authentic article. He is hidden in the common-place, hoping that we'll stumble on that truth before long."

Richard McBride CSsR

We are saddened to share that Denise O'Reilly has passed away, a former resident of Beckom. Her life will be celebrated here on Wednesday 29th July at 11am. Today as



we leave church we will gather up any sheets and hymn books and change the banners on the altar.

Thank You

Roster 2nd August

Leader:

Reader: Linda Griffin

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 Arianah 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.