



PARISHES IN PARTNERSHIP

St. Mary's Maffra [Newry & Dargo]

St. Michael's Heyfield-Cowwarr

Phone: 03 5147 1921 email: Maffra@cdsale.org.au

Office Hours: Tues, Wed, Thurs - 10am-4.00pm.

For Emergencies: St. Mary's Cathedral, Sale, Phone 5144 4100

Diocesan website: <https://www.cdsale.org.au/>



17th Sunday In Ordinary Times – Year C – 24th July, 2022.

PARISH PRIEST:

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PARISH SECRETARY:

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WEEKEND MASSES: Heyfield

Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm
1st & 3rd Sunday Cowwarr: 11.00am

WEEKEND MASSES: Maffra

Sunday: 9.00am
2nd & 4th Sunday - Newry: 11.00am
5th Sunday – Dargo : 12.Noon

WEEKDAY MASSES HEYFIELD

Tuesday: 9.30am

MAFFRA

Wednesday to Saturday: 9.30am

RECONCILIATION:

MAFFRA
Any time by request

HEYFIELD:
Saturday: Before Mass 5.20pm
OR any other time by request

DAILY EXPOSITION: Maffra – Tuesday,
Thursday, Friday, Saturday – 8.20am –
9.20am followed by Mass

EXPOSITION AND RECONCILIATION: Maffra
Wednesday: After 9.30am Mass

BAPTISMS:
During or After the Vigil / Sunday Mass

MARRIAGE:

At least six months' notice requested.

PARISH SCHOOLS

ST. MICHAEL'S HEYFIELD

Principal: Jenny Miller
Davis St. Heyfield - 3858
Phone: 5148 2514

ST. MARY'S MAFFRA

Principal: Julian Blackford
4-12 Duke St. Maffra - 3860
Phone: 5147 1334

Catholic Care: 1800 522 076

Safe Steps: 1800 015 188

Facebook: [facebook/dioceseofsale](https://www.facebook.com/dioceseofsale)

REQUEST FOR HELPERS FOR VARIOUS PASTORAL MINISTRIES IN THE PARISHES.

Since COVID, many parish ministries have stopped or been put on hold. We are hoping to re-establish these ministries. If you would like to help with any of the following ministries, or you'd like more information, please contact the parish office on Wednesday or Thursday on 51471921 or email Maffra@cdsale.org.au

Anyone volunteering will need a Working with Children check and a signed Code of Conduct (The parish office can assist with this).

Fruit Baskets/Casserole for sick, bereaved etc: this requires an occasional delivery to those who have lost a loved one or are experiencing a significant change/illness etc.

Visiting Team: In pairs, visit those at Stretton Park or in their homes who may like a visit.

Music/ Choir: Father would like more consistent Music/ singing at Maffra Mass. If you would like to help please let him know.

Holy Vessels: If someone is interested in helping clean the Holy Vessels could you please contact the office either by email or phone or come in and see us.

Extra Ordinary Minister (Communion to the Sick) to visit Maffra hospital and Macdonald wing with communion on Sundays at 11am.

Apologies for my mistake of the flag which I posted here for Father Edwin's congratulatory citizenship. Thank you Jacob for pointing it out.



I need to pay more attention to details.



We welcome Odin Murphy who is being baptized at Newry on Sunday 24th July

MEETINGS AND EVENTS:-
Parish Dinner Monday 1st August, at the Sporting Club Maffra 6pm. **RSVP a Must, please ring 0411436227 for bookings.**

All Welcome!

The parish dinner is a monthly dinner who meet for fellowship and the parish community, they meet on the 1st Monday of every month. RSVP is essential.

Please check to see if your Working With Children Checks are still valid if not please renew, if you have a problem please ring Willie at the parish office. Or 0429 140 362

Catholic Theological College

Online unit via Zoom Ageing Persons and Pastoral Care

6 Saturdays: 30 July; 31, 27 August; 17 September; 8, 22 October: 10am – 12pm plus 2pm – 4pm

To enrol or for further information: Email: registrar@ctc.edu.au Phone: 03 9412 3309

WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY:

Pope Francis last year established the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, which is being celebrated on July 24 this year. The day is marked near the feast of Sts Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. The theme for this year's celebration is "In old age they will still bear fruit", taken from Psalm 92. Find prayer and liturgical resources and Pope Francis' message at www.catholic.org.au/grandparents

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE DEAD:- Recently Deceased: Tina Powell

Anniversaries:

Gerald Harkin, Marie Anderson, Brendan Allman, Olive Henebury, William Cusack, Lidio Pasquali, Jean Westaway, Elma Caffrey, Angela Taylor, Maree Carrolan, Joan Marchesi, Elizabeth Beha, Christopher Robson, May Buxton, Wladyslaw Bednarczyk.

Frs. Denis O'Callaghan, Martin Hayes, Michael Murphy, Reginald (Reg) Wilson, Francis Feruga S.Chr., Mgr John O'Hea

Care for the Sick: If you know of anyone who is unable to get to Mass and would like the Eucharist brought to them, please advise us on 5147 1921.

We pray for ALL who suffer (at present) in body, mind or spirit:

Kevin Bennett, Anne Turra, Marge Canny, Belinda Weatherley, Archie Schacht, Coral Justice, Julie Frew, Peter Smyth, Fr. Brian O'Connor, John Phelan, Lyn McLindin, Ann Martin, Evelyn Bourke, Gerry Gray, Maree Welsh, and all those who seek our prayers.

WE ARE A CHILD SAFE PARISH

Any children, young persons and vulnerable adults have a right to feel safe and be safe. If you are concerned about any form of abuse, or believe that someone is at significant risk, you should immediately raise your concerns with one of our Parish Safeguarding Officers. Contact Via the Parish Office: 03 5147 1921.

PARISH SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS
ST. MARY'S: Terry Donahoe
ST. MICHAEL'S: Ed O'Brien

WEEKLY COLLECTION

PRESBYTERY: \$ 560
ST. MARY'S PG: \$ 285
ST. MICHAEL'S PG: \$ 380

REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA

The readings invite us to reflect on prayer. Whether our prayer be praise, contrition, thanksgiving or petition, it always recognises our need for God. In the gospel Jesus instructs us to ask for what we need. He assures us that God is more than willing to give us what we need. However, for this to happen we must turn to God and humbly acknowledge our need.

The most obvious characteristic of prayer depicted in the readings for this Sunday is persistence. Neither Abraham nor the man in the gospel was deterred by any obstacle. They show that it is not so much that we persist in prayer in order to change God's mind as it is that we persist in order to discover what God's mind might be.

The salutariness of prayer is often found in the change that it effects in us, not in God. By persevering in genuine prayer we may come to acknowledge that all things are in God's hands, and that we can rest content to leave them there, trusting that the situation will be cared for as God sees fit. It seems trite to say that God hears all prayer and sometimes the answer is 'No!' It is better to say that God respects the freedom of people and will seldom intervene to change the way events unfold. Still, prayer can change the one who prays and also the one for whom the prayer is offered if only human need is recognised and divine solicitude is acknowledged.



MAFFRA PARISH LITURGICAL ROSTER [July]

LITURGY:	Sun: 31 st	Office
READER:	Sun. 31 st	Christine
COMMENTATOR:	Sun. 31 st	Dot Benson
EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTER	Sun. 31 st	Trevor Fogarty
COMPUTER:	Sun. 31 st	Mary Fjellner
COLLECTORS:	Sun. 31 st	Roy Shelton and Noel Bennett.
ALTAR SERVERS:	Sun. 31 st	N/A
FLORISTS:	Sun. 31 st	Debbie Kardinaal and Sue Kewming
SACRISTANS:	Sun.	Sylvia Neaves and Pauline Phelan
HOLY VESSELS:	Month Of July	Francis Dwyer

HEYFIELD PARISH LITURGICAL ROSTER [JULY]

READER:	Sat. 30 th	Carmel Pittari
FLORISTS:	Sat 30 th	Sheila McInnes
ALTAR LINEN –	MONTH OF JULY	Carmel Pittari

ST JOSEPH'S DARGO (JULY)

READER	Sun. 31 st	N/A
CHURCH CLEANING	MONTH OF JULY	N/A

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<https://loyalty.ritchies.com.au>

PERSONAL ORDINARIATE MASSES

COWWARR: ST BRIGIDS'

MONDAY: 9.00AM
TUESDAY: 6.00PM
WEDNESDAY: 10.00AM
THURSDAY: 10.00AM
FRIDAY: 6.00PM
SATURDAY: 10.00AM
SUNDAY: 9.30AM

MIRBOO NORTH: ST JOSEPH'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

2ND SUNDAY OF THE MONTH: 4.00PM
4TH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH: 4.00PM

CONFESSION: BEFORE EACH MASS

ANY ENQUIRES PLEASE CONTACT:
FR KEN CLARK EV

GIPPSLAND ORDINARIATE
13 CHURCH STREET
COWWARR, VIC 3857

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DIOCESE OF BROOME **Kimberley Catholic Volunteer** **Service** **NEEDED URGENTLY - VOLUNTEER** **WORKERS**

The Diocese of Broome, WA, urgently requires volunteers to assist with the work of the local Church on Aboriginal Missions. There are various important voluntary tasks: **administration, building maintenance, gardening, shop staffing, cooking, cleaning etc.** Placements are preferred for a period of 6 months plus.

In return for being part of the team, we offer accommodation, living expenses and an allowance.

For further details, and an application form, please contact:

Volunteer Coordinator, Janet Ryan: 08 9192 1060

Email: volunteers@broomedioocese.org

Web: www.broomedioocese.org

Mail: **PO Box 76, BROOME WA 6725**

Dargo Mass Sunday 31st July, why not enjoy a leisurely drive through the scenic snow covered mountains to a beautiful quaint St Joseph Church. Pack a picnic lunch or go to the hotel and spend some time with family and friends after 12noon Mass



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:

God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.

FIRST READING Gen 18:20-32

Lord, do not be angry if I speak.

The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.'

The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?' The Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.'

Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No', he replied 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five just men there.' Again Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will only be forty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.'

Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.' He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

(R.) Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. **(R.)**

2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. **(R.)**

3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Though I walk in the midst of affliction you give me life and frustrate my foes. **(R.)**

4. You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. **(R.)**

SECOND READING: Col 2:12-14

He has made you alive with Christ for he has forgiven all our sins.

You have been buried with Christ, when you were

baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins.

He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!

You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father.

Alleluia, alleluia!

GOSPEL Lk 11:1-13

Ask, and it will be given to you.

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'Say this when you pray:

"Father, may your name be held holy, your kingdom come; give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins, for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us. And do not put us to the test."

He also said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it to you." I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants.

'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

NEXT WEEKEND'S READINGS:

First Reading: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23

Second Reading: Col 3:1-5, 9-11

Gospel: Lk 12:13-21