We acknowledge the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand, the Gunditjmara people.

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Reconciliation (Confession): Sat. 5.30pm & after weekday Mass

We are a Child Safe Parish.Child Safe Officer: John Hockey 0439 319 823http://westernborder.church/child-safe-policy-and-protocol/

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	Count	ry Mass	Schedu	St Joseph's Penshurst - Mass 13/10					
	1 <sup>st</sup> Sun	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sun	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun	4 <sup>th</sup> Sun	5 <sup>th</sup> Sun	Lector - Rob Coates			
Penshurst 8:30am	No Service	Mass	SAWC	Mass	Mass	Prayers - Theresa Fitzgerald Gifts - Theresa & Helen Leader - Fatima Statue This Week Chris & Kathie Jansen			
<b>Dunkeld</b> 8:30am	Mass	No Service	Mass	SAWC	No Service (To Hamilton)				
Glenthompson 8:30am	SAWC	Mass	No Service (To Dunkeld)	Mass	24 Carmichael Street Rosary Daily at 4 pm All welcome.				
Macarthur -	1st Sunday	of each Mo	nth, Uniting	To host contact					
Tu	es, Wed fession a	, Thurs &	Mary's H & Fri. @ 1 weekday evenings.	Chris Jansen0407719530. Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet Thursdays @ 5pm St Mary's Church.					

Ministry Roster If you are unavailable for your ministry please try to arrange swap & advise office of change .

	5 & 6 Oct. Mir	nisters of Communic	on	12 & 13 Oct. Ministers of Communion								
6 pm	Vol	unteer		Pauline Kelly								
10.30am	Т	Irving		John Hockey								
The Grange	Margar	et Roberts		John Hockey								
Date	Open & Welcoming	Сирра	Compu	ıter	Commentator	1 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading					
05/10	Karen Brewis	Noreen McLeish	Pauli Oliver-S		Karen Brewis	Margaret Meagher	Jacinta Ryan					
06/10	Carolyn Stanhope	Richard & Ursula	Carol Stanho	•	Sherrie Hockey	Jack Bell	Trish Irving					
12/10	Margaret Meagher	Ophiya & Jisha	Jacinta Ryan		Margaret Meagher	Terrielynn Groves	Angelina Juby					
13/10	John Hockey	Della & Glenn Richa Murp			Ursula Murphy	Helen Tripovich	Wendy Collins					

## Saint Mary MacKillop Parish

#### Donation Point – Collection Bowls

Over the coming weeks, all our communities will have their first collections changed over to a Donation Point bowl. These bowls will allow you to make your offering using either card or cash.

These bowls have proven very successful in increasing the Priests Support collection in Hamilton over the last twelve months. They work most successfully when passed along the congregation.

I thank you for your patience as these are introduced and we all get used to this technology! John Hockey (Parish Manager)

> **Our Parish Collections** 1st Collection: \$1,240. 2nd Collection: Stewardship—2024FY

Given :\$ 39,764. Budget:\$125,092.

#### PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

**DEATHS: Beverley Lyons.** Our Prayers & condolences to the family.

Funeral 10am St Mary's Church, Friday 11th October.

#### ANNIVERSARIES:

Di Barker, Eileen Fallon, Olive Pedrina, Betty Myers, Kelly Symons, Ivy Steel, Ludovicus Piels.

#### SICK:

Mark Brown. Carolyn Clifford (Mother of Brendan, teacher at St Joseph's Penshurst).



Congratulations & best wishes for the 10th October on your special birthday!

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

60 Years (Diamond) Kevin & Kaye Porter. 50 Years (Golden) Charlie & Brigitte Waters.



Select the amount you wish to donate then tap your card It's as Simple as That! Western Border Parish

Tap n Go

Now on the First Collection Bowl.

**Mission Outreach** Mission Donations made last financial year to date. Sr Lourdes—Kenya Mission \$ 3,000 Sr Stella's—India Mission \$ 10,500



### **OCTOBER | For a shared mission**

Let us pray that the Church continue to sustain a synodal lifestyle in every way, as a sign of coresponsibility, promoting the participation, communion and mission shared by priests, religious and laity. **Pope Francis** 

## Prayer

O God. you have made us in your image, knowing that it is not good for us to be alone. Penetrate our hard hearts. that we may bind ourselves to one another. fulfilling the splendor of your vision for us. Give us faithful hearts, that what you have joined together no human power may put asunder. Praying as always through Jesus the Christ.



# **Communion from the Chalice Reinstated**

A letter from Bishop Paul Bird CSsR to the people of the diocese

September 28, 2024



Dear People of the Diocese,

In the early days of the Covid pandemic, one of the adjustments made was suspending the practice of sharing communion from the chalice. As Covid restrictions have been lifted, some have asked me about reintroducing the option of communion from the chalice in our diocese of Ballarat.

When I wrote about this in April this year, we were actually facing a surge in Covid cases in hospitals in our diocese and medical advisors were concerned because of the greater risk of various infections in winter. So, even though some other dioceses in Australia had reintroduced communion from the chalice by then, I indicated that we would wait a while longer. However, now that we are looking towards the warmer months of the year, I consider that it is time to reintroduce the option of communion from the chalice.

In the diocese of Ballarat, communities may reintroduce the option of communion from the chalice from November 1 this year.

From All Saints Day, local communities will be free to offer communion from the chalice to any of the faithful who wish to take this option. I leave it to the judgment of the Parish Priest or Administrator in each place to arrange when and how communion is offered from the chalice. The practices may vary from place to place. However, the common aim is to allow the faithful to receive Christ under the appearance of wine as well as under the appearance of bread, following the words of Jesus "Take and eat" and "Take and drink". In this way, communion is more clearly a sign of sharing in Christ's heavenly banquet.

In making the chalice available, care should be taken to follow good hygiene practices. The person ministering the chalice should wipe the rim of the chalice inside and out with a purifier before offering the chalice to the next communicant. Anyone who is feeling unwell should refrain from taking the chalice. After Mass, it is good to wash chalices in hot water.

From All Saints Day, communicants in our diocese will again have the option of communion from the chalice. May the revival of this practice enrich our celebration of communion with Christ and with one another.

God bless you all.

**Bishop Paul** 

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