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Weekend Mass Times

St Therese's Church	Saturday	6.00 pm
Poor Clares' Monastery	Sunday	7.30 am
St Therese's Church	Sunday	10.30 am
St Joseph's, Axe Creek	Sunday	9.00 am
St Mary's, Axedale	Sunday	10.30 am

Weekday Mass Times Mon 17 May – Sat 22 May 2010

Day	Time	Place
Monday	8.00 am	Poor Clares'
Tuesday	8.00 am	Poor Clares'
	9.00 am	St Therese's
Wednesday	8.00 am	Poor Clares'
	9.00 am	St Therese's
Thursday	8.00 am	Poor Clares'
	9.00 am	St Therese's
Friday	8.00 am	Poor Clares'
	9.15 am	St Therese's
Saturday	8.00 am	St Therese's

ROSARY Our Lady's Chapel, St Therese's Church

Poor Clares' Monastery

RECONCILIATION St. Therese's

Thursday 1.30 pm
 Saturday 9.00am.
 Sunday 5.00pm.
 Followed by Benediction
 at 5.30 pm
 Saturdays 9.30am.

ROSTERS

22 – 23 May 2010

LECTORS

6.00 pm Kennington P Billington,
W White
 7.30 am Poor Clares' W Brennan
 10.30 am Kennington M & A Sexton
 St Joseph's Axe Creek J Neilsen, J Self

OFFERTORY

6.00 pm Kennington G Rankins
 10.30 am Kennington Harrington family
 9.00 am Axe Creek Leyden family

MUSICIANS

6.00 pm Kennington F Ring, T Perera
 10.30 am Kennington Filipino Choir
 9.00 am Axe Creek B Mannes, I Horne
 J & K McMillan,
 J Self,

DATA PROJECTOR

6.00 pm H Perera
 10.30 am R Worlsey

BULLETIN DISTRIBUTION

6.00 pm D Thomas
 10.30 am G Hogan's zone (2.6)

SACRISTANS

6.00 pm J Spark
 10.30 am L Fitzgerald, L Conforti

MINISTERS of COMMUNION 4th weekend

ALTAR SERVERS

Group 1

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

6.00 pm M Maloney
 10.30 am B Ward

PIETY STALL

6.00 pm
 10.30 am L Brooks

CHURCH LINEN

D Thomas

COUNTING TEAMS

Team 9

ENVIRONMENT

Kennington M Creely's group
 Axe Creek J Burge, C Ceveri

GARDENERS

K Stevenson, M Nihill

SUNDAY MUNCHERS

Will be held at the Bendigo Club each Sunday after Mass. All welcome. Contact John Green on 5443 7144 for assistance.

SOCIAL CLUB CARDS

1st Tuesday of the month. 1.30pm in the Welcoming Area. All welcome.

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

MEMBERS: Michael Black, Joe Van Dillen, Mike Harahan, Maria McClellan, Bill Edwards, Em Lelean, Rondah Dam.

Ex officio: Fr Joe, Fr Peter-John, Anne Hubbard, Angela Stark, Tim Moloney, and Matthew Mann.

COMMUNITY AND WORSHIP

People are using their gifts and the building of community is a happy by-product. People are getting to know each other and learning to work together. When the building project is finished, let's hope that the sense of community continues to flourish. But then, Axe Creek has had a beautiful community spirit for years. Now that so many more people are moving into the area, that's one of the aspects which needs to be kept in mind. I remember hearing one newcomer say that she found it easier to get to know other newcomers because they would talk to you.

I think we all need to bear that in

mind.

That reminds me, I need someone to help with the visitors' candles on the first weekend of June. It takes 5 minutes to set up sometime on Saturday (or Friday afternoon) and 5 minutes to put things away after Mass on Sunday – or even Monday would do. All it needs is to erect the little table, lay the cloths, and arrange the candles and prayer sheets, all of which are to be found in the old sacristy. Visitors really appreciate the welcome – well, the ones who come forward do; I can't speak for the shy ones...

Anne Hubbard, Zone Co-ordinator

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK

Virginia Petraglia, Anne Green, Paula Drum, Kathleen Ribarich, Norman Orr, Leo Janssen Snr, Eric Mann, Tyler Ruschmeyer, Mary Robert, Mary Ridgeway, Alma Mulqueen, Maria Di Cicco, Monique Bowe.

RECENTLY DECEASED

Alf Holland, Julia Schifferle

PRAY FOR ANNIVERSARIES

Sarah Slattery, Maureen Fee, Kath Robinson.

**MUSTARD SEED
EDITOR**

We need an editor for the next edition of our Mustard Seed!!
PLEASE contact Fr Joe on 5443 3052.

THE CENTACARE APPEAL will be held this weekend in our Parish. Envelopes are available in all churches. Donations over \$2 are tax deductible.

MUSICIANS AND SINGERS

There will be a meeting on Tues 18 May at 7.30pm at St Therese's Church. Hopefully all musicians and singers will be able to attend.

ECUMENICAL PENTECOST

SERVICE at St Therese's Church. 5pm on Sun 23 May. Please bring a plate to share. Help needed! Attendees are encouraged to wear red. Contact Angela on 5443 2455.

**SUNDAY MORNINGS AT
AXE CREEK PORTABLE**

Every Sunday following 9.00am Mass there will be a mini bazaar in the portable. Local produce, plants, cuttings, jams, jellies, home-made bread and lemon butter on request. On the FIRST Sunday of each month, this bazaar will be extended to include cuppa and cake, plus a trading table and a competition to "buy a square".

For more information contact Carmel Fitzgerald on 5439 6236.

PRAYER REFLECTION AT MASS

From Easter to Pentecost, at Mass, some of our parishioners will share their ways of praying.

BAPTISM PREPARATION

School aged children wishing to celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism are welcome to be enrolled in the Parish Baptism Program which commences on Sunday 23 May. Please note at least one parent must be a baptised Catholic. All other members of our community who wish to be baptised into the Catholic Church are encouraged to enrol in the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. For more information contact Torie Waight 5439 4223.

**NATIONAL RECONCILIATION
WEEK (27 May – 3 June)**

provides a nationwide focus on reconciliation. In order for our Parish to join the reconciliation conversation we have invited Aunty Lyn Warren, from the Bendigo District Aboriginal Co-Op, to speak at Masses on 30 May. A great opportunity to hear first-hand from the stolen generation.

ST JOHN OF GOD AUXILIARY

Cake and Produce Stall, Atrium at St John of God Hospital, Lily St, on Wed 19 May at 10am. All welcome.

COME ON PILGRIMAGE to Mary MacKillop's canonisation in *Rome*, follow the footsteps of St. Paul through Greece & Turkey, ending at Robert Galea's ordination in *Malta - Pilgrimage led by Bishop Joe*. **Cost \$7800** Contact Angela on 5443 2455.

YEAR FOR PRIESTS

As the Year for Priests finishes, the Diocese of Sandhurst invites you to donate to the Priests' Retirement Foundation to help care for our current and future retired priests. Forms available in all our churches. Also provided is a letter which may be forwarded to ANY priest, retired or not, whom you would like to acknowledge for their good work. An opportunity exists to donate to the Foundation during the Fathers' Day Collection in September.

**FIRST NINE FRIDAYS OF THE
SACRED HEART OF MERCY.**

First Friday of the month, 5.30pm at Poor Clares' Monastery. See noticeboard for more info!

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

St Francis of the Fields Centre. Tues 18 & 25 May, 7pm. Presenters Stephen & Margaret Holgate. Contact Kate Gundry 5439 3191 or 5442 4055.

CATECHESIS & YOUTH MASS

Sunday 23 May at St Kilian's Church. Catechesis at 5pm in the Parish Centre followed by Mass at 6pm.

**LEADERSHIP AS MINISTRY IN
BUILDING COMMUNITY**

Members of PPC and School Boards are invited to an evening with Br. Loughlan Sofield on the role of laity and the call to leadership. What is our role and understanding of leadership as ministry? How do we build vibrant Christian communities? Thurs 20 May, 7.30 – 9.30pm, CEO, 120 Hargreaves St, Bendigo. RSVP Chancery 5441 2544.

**NATIONAL eCONFERENCE –
MARY: FIRST DISCIPLE**

Presented by Fr Frank Moloney SDB. Tues 18 May, 10am – 3.30pm. De Campo Hall, CEO, Hargreaves St, Bgo. Morning tea provided, BYO lunch. RSVP to Lyn on 5441 2544 or adultfaith@sand.catholic.org.au

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
OF HOLY COMMUNION**

Training Day with Denise Braddon & John Hogan. Sun 23 May, 1pm-5pm. De Campo Hall, CEO, 120 Hargreaves St. Topics: History of liturgy, Theology of Eucharist and practical advice for ministers. Certification of attendance provided. Permission must be given by your Parish Priest. Bookings: Denise Braddon on 5441 2544.

YOUNG CHRISTIAN STUDENTS

Vicky Burrows, Australia's YCS National Coordinator, is currently working in the Sandhurst Diocese to establish YCS groups. She would like to make contact with adults with previous experience in YCS or YCW. Contact Vicky on 0412 529 656 or coordinator@aycs.org.au

THE MARIAN MOVEMENT OF PRIESTS will host a day retreat with Fr Francis Merlino on Thurs 20 May from 10am at Holy Rosary Church, Cnr Hamelin and Bob Sts, White Hills. Contact Noelene on 5447 7197.

DAYBREAK

Reconciliation – God’s Business:

Wed 19 May with Rosie Baxter.
1.30pm – 3.30pm. Cost: \$10,
Members: \$8

Greening the Soul: Mon 17 May with Madeline Duckett. 9.30am – 4pm. Focus on the 11C mystic, Hildegard of Bingen as an inspiration for our own journey. A quiet day of gentle soul nourishment. Cost: \$50 Mem: \$40.

Silent Retreat: Sun 23 May 7pm to Sun 30 May 9.30am with Anne Hubbard. Includes daily spiritual direction and all meals. Cost: \$350 per week or \$50 per day. *Members:* \$315 per week or \$45 per day.

For info on the above programs contact Daybreak on 5441 1814. Bookings essential for all programs.

COMMUNITY AND WORSHIP

Angela’s column

In Jerusalem, several churches commemorate the ascension of Jesus into heaven. One of the most popular is the Chapel of the Ascension, located on top of the Mount of Olives. A Byzantine church in honour of the Ascension was constructed on this site about 390A.D. by a Christian woman named Poimonia. The open-air church was said to contain a stone with the imprint of the footprint of Jesus.

The Persians destroyed the church

about 614A.D, but it was later restored by St. Modestus of Jerusalem. Crusaders rebuilt the church about 1150. But by the end of the 12th century, the Moslem general, Saladin, had captured the church and converted it into a mosque. The chapel remains a holy site for Christians and for Moslems who also acknowledge the ascension of Jesus, and who continue to occupy the site. The walls in the courtyard of the Chapel of the Ascension are lined with hooks, used by Pilgrims to stretch tents when they came to celebrate the feast of the Ascension. *(from The Little White Book)* It is in recent times that this feast is celebrated on the Sunday before Pentecost, in the past it was celebrated 40 days after Easter which fell on a Thursday, and was known as “Ascension Thursday”. Did you know? The nine days between the Ascension and Pentecost which the disciples spent in prayer together gave rise to the ‘novena’: a devotional practice of praying in a particularly focused way for a special intention.

(taken from The Summit)

Angela Stark, Pastoral Associate

Anne’s Column

I hear that the Axe Creek community is in good form with all the activity for the money raising. There seems to be a buzz. People are coming together with a common purpose, and getting stuck into the task with great enthusiasm. (Have you bought your jar of quince jelly or quince paste?)

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LITURGY PAGE

Feast of the Ascension

16 May 2010

Acts 1:1-11 Psalm 46 Ephesians 1:17-23 Luke 24:46-53

EXPLORING THE WORD

The reaction of the disciples to the absence of Jesus after the ascension is in stark contrast to the reaction they had to his leaving at his death. After his death on the cross, they closed themselves into the upper room in fear. Now they worship and go joyfully rejoicing to the Temple. Clearly now they do not lose the sense of his presence with them. Something has changed. His return to God opens the way to glory for all who believe and this is the source of their joy. He is beyond their sight but truly with them and he has repeated again his promise to send the help they will need to undertake their mission in the world. These final verses of Luke’s Gospel introduce that will become the story of his second volume, the Act of the Apostles: ‘repentance for the forgiveness of sins will be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem.’ Acts tells the story of the Gospel being taken out to all the nations, a story which continues to this day.

- In what ways are you just like the disciples – beginning a new journey out into the world?
- What has the Father promised you?

