

# ST MICHAEL'S PARISH DIRECTORY

St Michael's Ashburton

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## PASTORAL MINISTRY

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| PARISH PRIEST                    | Fr. Laurence Cortez | 9885 2498 |
| PASTORAL/SACRAMENTAL COORDINATOR | Gail Ryan           | 9885 2498 |
| PARISH PASTORAL WORKER           |                     |           |

## ADMINISTRATION & MAINTENANCE

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| OFFICE MANAGER  | Valerie Scholast | 9885 2498 |
| VENUE BOOKINGS  | Valerie Scholast | 9885 2498 |
| St Michael's Hub is available for hire for Parish & private functions   |                  |           |
| PARISH MEMBERSHIP   | Parish Office    | 9885 2498 |
| Census cards are available for new parishioners. Please inform the Parish Office if you are leaving the parish. |                  |           |

## COMMUNITY & HOSPITALITY

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| PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL (PPC)  | Doug Rutledge      | 885 9661  |
| Develop a strategic plan every five years, supports the Parish Priest and liaises with all Parish Groups                 |                    |           |
| DEANERY  | Ernest Kollegger   | 9889 7826 |
| Organise an annual event for parishioners in the Deanery   |                    |           |
| MINI MICKS GROUP"  | Jane Ryan          | 9885 3606 |
| Post-baptism: designed to help support parents and family members to develop the faith of their pre-school children.     |                    |           |
| WELCOMERS  | Melinda Richardson | 9886 9572 |
| Greets visitors and parishioners on arrival at Mass.<br>Coordinates a morning tea on 3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month |                    |           |
| YOUTH GROUP  |                    | 9885 2498 |
| Organises social events for young people from year 7 up  |                    |           |
| PARISH SUPPORT (PSP) TEAM  | Paul Shallue       | 9889 6596 |
| Conducts the three yearly renewal of the Parish Support Program  |                    |           |
| COUNTERS & BANKERS   | Sandra Lovett      | 9885 4941 |
| Teams carry out the counting and banking of the Parish funds   |                    |           |

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| <b>COLLECTORS</b><br>Collection of money at weekend Masses   | Parish Office                       | 9885 2498    |
| <b>SCHOOL ADVISORY COUNCIL (SAC)</b><br>Represents each year level in school decision making   | John Whitehouse                     | 0411 091 338 |
| <b>PARENTS &amp; FRIENDS AUXILLIARY (PFA)</b><br>Co-ordinate a variety of social events for the St Michael's and wider community   | Team Representative<br>Susan Benson | 0413 082 811 |
| <b>FINANCE COMMITTEE</b><br>Meets regularly to assist the Parish Priest in reviewing the financial accounts, setting the Parish budget and making recommendations on major projects. | Paul Shallue                        | 9889 6596    |
| <b>FRIENDSHIP GROUP</b><br>Supports senior women through informal monthly meetings   | Karen Brown                         | 9889 9496    |
| <b>GROUNDS &amp; MAINTENANCE</b><br>Runs working bees to enhance the Church and School grounds and buildings   | Valerie Scholast                    | 9885 2498    |
| <b>COMBINED PARISHES CAR RAFFLE</b><br>Our major fund raiser is held between February and May every year   | Gail Ryan                           | 9885 2498    |
| <b>ARCHIVIST</b><br>Provides for the conservation of historical objects  |                                     | 9885 2498    |
| <b>TENNIS CLUB</b><br>Offers both social and inter-club competition for all ages.  | Catherine Davis                     | 9889 4730    |
| <b>MEN'S BASKETBALL</b><br>Provide social interaction in a team environment  | Peter Carey                         | 9885 2483    |
| <b>NETBALL</b><br>Runs teams for all age groups and levels of competition  | Natasha Browne                      | 9885 2498    |

## **EDUCATION**

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| <b>SCHOOL PRINCIPAL</b>                             | Marisa Matthys    | 9885 3105    |
| <b>SCHOOL SECRETARY</b>                             | Kathy Muhllechner | 9885 3105    |
| <b>SCHOOL RE CO-ORDINATOR</b>                       | Erin Nagel        | 9885 3105    |
| <b>BEFORE /AFTER SCHOOL CARE – EXTEND AUSTRALIA</b> | Darren Stevenson  | 1300 366 437 |

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## **MISSION & OUTREACH**

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| <b>ST VINCENT DE PAUL</b><br>Assists those in need in the parish and wider community                                      | Gary Bruce    | 9885 2498 |
| <b>CARE GROUP</b><br>Provides practical short term support for those in need due to illness, accident or other life event | Carolyn Carey | 9885 2483 |
| <b>EMMAUS GROUP</b><br>Supports those who grieve or have suffered loss  | Gail Ryan     | 9885 2498 |

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| <b>SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP</b><br>Raises issues of injustice/inequity. Works with Catholic Commission for Justice and Peace. Develops inter-parish activities. | Carolyn Carey                       | 9885 2483                  |
| <b>FRIENDS OF SAME</b><br>East Timorese coffee available for purchase.  | Barb Baker                          | 9807 5625                  |
| <b>FRIENDS OF VIETNAM</b><br>Facilitates the relationship with our sister parish in Lang Son through community events, fund raising and cultural exchange   | Vincent Arthur                      | 9885 1040                  |
| <b>AA</b><br>Local alcoholics anonymous group   | Nick<br>Joe                         | 04181 20356<br>04221 29689 |
| <b>SPIRITUAL GROWTH</b>   |                                     |                            |
| <b>SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM</b><br>Providing formation for sacraments for those not attending a parish school  | Gail Ryan                           | 9885 2498                  |
| <b>CHARISMATIC PRAYER</b>   | Lucy De Summa                       | 9568 8737                  |
| <b>SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES</b><br>Groups of up to 8 people supporting each other in an informal setting   | Joe Vella                           | 9809 1618                  |
| <b>SPIRITUAL GROWTH GROUPS (Prayer, Exposition, Advent, Lent)</b>   | Fr Laurence                         | 9885 2498                  |
| <b>RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS (RCIA)</b><br>Program on the Catholic faith and way of life for interested adults. Runs September to Easter.      | Bernard Marshall                    | 9095 3422                  |
| <b>RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF CHILDREN (RCIC)</b><br>Program on the Catholic faith prior to Baptism for children over the age of seven                 | Gail Ryan                           | 9885 2498                  |
| <b>CELEBRATION &amp; WORSHIP</b>  |                                     |                            |
| <b>LECTOR MINISTRY</b><br>This ministry is open to those who can proclaim God's Word clearly during the liturgy of the Word.                                | John Ryan                           | 9807 2771                  |
| <b>LITURGY GROUP/ CHOIR &amp; MUSICIANS</b><br>Coordinates the physical church environment and music for the Masses including special celebrations          | Therese Molnar                      | 9885 0771                  |
| <b>ALTAR SERVERS</b><br>Practical training is provided to those who wish to serve at weekend Masses   | Jacinta Girolami &<br>Michael Smith | 9807 9783                  |
| <b>COMMUNION TO THE SICK</b><br>Special Ministers take Communion to sick and housebound people each Sunday morning following 9am Mass.                      | Parish Office                       | 9885 2498                  |
| <b>FIRST FRIDAY MASS &amp; LUNCHEON</b><br>Transport for sick and elderly parishioners to attend First Friday Mass & lunch. Catering.                       | Nance Gardner                       | 9885 1497                  |

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| SPECIAL MINISTERS OF THE EUCHARIST<br>Participate in an accreditation course and are<br>commissioned to distribute the Eucharist at parish liturgies                                 | Bernadette Clancy           | 9885 2498              |
| FLOWER TEAM<br>Rostered teams work to beautify the Sanctuary   | Annette Mackintosh          | 9885 4815              |
| TEXTILES GROUP<br>Cares for sacramental vessels, vestments and linens.   | Marjorie Lambert            | 9885 2498              |
| SACRISTANS<br>Prepare the Altar and Church to enable the celebration of<br>Mass and other liturgies  | Greg Brown                  | 9889 9496              |
| CHILDREN'S LITURGY<br>Offered at the 9.00am Sunday Mass. To help younger<br>children gain meaning from the Word of God. Parents and<br>older siblings are encouraged to participate. | Maria Fletcher              | 9885 2498              |
| CHURCH ENVIRONMENT<br>DATA PROJECTOR ASSISTANT<br>Operation of the projector during Mass. Young people who<br>can work with computers are encouraged to apply                        | Cath Place<br>Parish Office | 9885 7162<br>9885 2498 |
| OFFERTORY PROCESSION<br>Families are rostered to bring up the bread and wine at<br>Mass  | Gail Ryan                   | 9885 2498              |

### GENERAL INFORMATION

**Parish Groups and Communities:** The parish consists of communities within a community. You are warmly invited to participate in any of the groups mentioned in this Parish Directory.

**Visitation:** We would be very pleased to visit you or to welcome any new arrivals to the parish. Please make yourself known to us, or inform us if someone in the parish is in need of a visit. Home blessings can be arranged with the parish priest.

**Parish Support Program (Thanksgiving Program):** The Parish depends totally upon the contributions of its members to continue its mission, ministry and for the upkeep of the site. Please contact the Parish Office if you would like to become a regular supporter.

**Children's Liturgy & Quiet Room** is located upstairs in the church.

**Hearing Aid Loop** operates within the church:- turn hearing aid "T" switch to "on".

**Low Gluten Hosts** are available for those with gluten intolerance. Please inform the priest before Mass

**Need a lift to Mass?** Contact the Parish Office on Ph: 9885 2498

**Parish Memorial Book for the Dead** is updated every October. New names are entered into our Memorial Book of the Dead of deceased parishioners and loved ones.  
Memorial Garden – for plaques, memorial service or interment of ashes please contact the parish office.