

ST MICHAEL'S PARISH DIRECTORY

St Michael's Ashburton

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PASTORAL MINISTRY

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

ADMINISTRATION & MAINTENANCE

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

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. Coordinates a morning tea on 3 rd 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		

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

EDUCATION

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

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MISSION & OUTREACH

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

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

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