

11th October, 2026, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time /A

TEMORA MISSION AREA

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In our Prayers: Lee Jackson, Robyn Richards, Neville Caldwell.

For our Deceased: Deceased Family, Friends, Victims of war, violence, accidents & natural disasters.

Oct 17th—18th

(3rd Saturday)

Ardlethan 8am Sat **Mass**

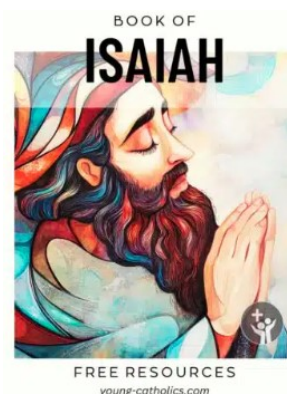
Barellan 5pm Sat **Mass**

Liturgy - Arian Park Sat 6pm

Temora 9am & 5pm Sunday **Mass**

Reflection - *Come to the Banquet. God's Invitation to the Feast*

Our God invites all people to the banquet of the kingdom, a banquet characterised by joy, integrity and true peace. Sometimes, however, we decline this invitation preferring the lesser banquets that we know. May God enlighten the eyes of our heart that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called.



The feast is ready, but those who were invited were not worthy to come. Go out, therefore, into the main roads and invite to the feast whomever you find.

Matthew 22:8-9

This Sunday reminds us that God invites everyone to share in His joy. The readings speak of abundance, welcome, and being ready to take part in what God offers. Like a great feast, His love is open to all, but we must come prepared to receive it.

Isaiah tells of a feast on a mountain where sorrow and death are gone. God gathers all nations and wipes away tears. It is a picture of hope and comfort. This connects with the Gospel, where Jesus speaks of a wedding banquet that welcomes anyone willing to come.



STILL WATERS IN A BUSY WORLD

Life today can feel fast and overwhelming. Many people carry stress and worry. Psalm 23 offers a quiet reminder that God is with us. He leads us to peace and helps us slow down and rest in His care. When we feel lost or unsure, this psalm reminds us that we are not alone. God sees us and stays close. He guides us, even when we cannot see the path ahead. These words help us trust Him and follow His lead each day.

A PRAYER BASED ON PSALM 23

Lead Me Every Day

Lord,
You are my guide when I feel lost.
You help me breathe when life moves too fast.
You give me what I need, even when I don't ask.

You calm my heart when I'm stressed.
You help me rest when I'm tired.
You remind me I don't have to do everything alone.

When things go wrong, you walk beside me.
When I'm scared or feel small, you stay close.
I don't need to be afraid, because you are with me.

You give me friends and moments of joy.
You help me feel safe when life is messy.
You remind me that good things still happen.

Thank you for being near.

Thank you for staying with me.

Please lead me every day.



Psalm 23 helps bring the readings together. It shows God's care and love in a simple way. That is why it keeps showing up again and again. It speaks to every season of life.

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Accept God's Invitation

- God prepares a joyful feast for His people.
- He guides us like a shepherd.
- Everyone is invited to come.
- Say yes to God and live as His faithful guest.

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Reminder: Cuppa for Cancer will be held next Friday 16th October at the Memorial Hall. All welcome.



Roster 17th October
(3rd Saturday)

Leader:

Reader: Linda Griffin ?? Or Ian Lucas
Ex. Minister :

Acknowledgement of Country - With respect, we acknowledge the country, the skies, the waterways and spiritual systems of the Wiradjuri people on whose land we gather. We acknowledge the elders for the passing on of knowledge, language and spiritual connections to country.

Parish Safeguarding Commitment — Our Lady Help of Christians Parish Ardlethan/Sacred Heart Arian Park is committed to safeguarding and upholding the rights of all our children and vulnerable people. We seek to empower children, their families and carers and vulnerable people, to have a say, to be listened to and to be protected. Parishioners are encouraged to raise any concerns they may have by emailing Fr Alex Osborne at alex.osborne@cg.org.au. Parishioners are also welcome to contact Maria Hicks, manager for the Archdiocesan Institute for Professional Standards & Safeguarding (IPSS) at ipss@cg.org.au or phone 02-62399806.