

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

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14th August 2010 THE FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION

Mass times this week

Sat 6.00pm St Anne's
Sun 8.30am St Anne's
10.30am St Anne's
5.30pm O.L.M.C.

Mon 9.15am Our Lady of Mount Carmel Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

Tues 7.00pm Our Lady of Mount Carmel

Weds 9.15am St Anne's Church

Thurs 9.15am Our Lady of Mount Carmel Thurs 12.15am St Anne's Church

Fri 9.15am Our Lady of Mount Carmel Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 10.00am—10.30am O.LM.C. Church

READINGS NEXT WEEKEND

1st reading:Isaiah 66:18-21 2nd reading: Hebrews 12:5-7,11-13

Gospel: Luke 13:22-30

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Mon 16 August 4.30pm St Vincent de Paul at St Anne's Church Tue 17 August 3.45pm Teachers of both schools at Parish Centre Tue 17 August 7.30pm Finance & Development Committee

Wed 18 August 7.30pm Centenary Committee O.L.M.C.

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK

Wed 25 August 8.45am to 3.30pm Planning Day for Parish 2011 Fri 27 August 3.00pm Melbourne Priests at Moonee Ponds

PARISH CENTENARY BALL

The Ball is on Saturday 9 October at Calabria Club, Bulla. Five-course meal plus drinks. Live band.Cost \$55 each. Mark your diary.

Enquiries: Eileen Cardillo 54 285 354; Sheila Stafford 9740 9966.

.'DO NOT BE AFRAID, SERVANT OF GOD'

Today we celebrate the feast of Mary's Assumption into Heaven. In the Eastern Churches the end of Mary's life is celebrated in the equally significant festival of her 'Dormition' or 'Falling asleep', in fact, 'falling asleep in Christ' as Saint Paul puts it.

Today's Gospel gives the key to the meaning of this festival. In response to the news that her cousin Elisabeth was unexpectedly expecting a child, with little concern for her own convenience, Mary sets out to visit her. We honour Mary as the one who, through her willingness to trust in God, brought God's Word into the world in the most complete way, and who lived her life, with all its joys and sorrows, in the closest of relationships with her Son and in unstinting service of others. Not only did she play a vital part in Jesus' mission but she also shared fully in the fruit of his mission, victory over sin and fear and death itself.

If we are to take seriously the teaching of Saint Paul on the saving work of Christ, the free gift, or grace, which we do not deserve, of being set free from sin and delusion and death, and set in a state of friendship, communion, being made children of God, in Christ, then we see that we too are called, as Mary was to share in the full fruit of Jesus' Resurrection, in which death is powerless and meaningless to us. Mary, one of us, our sister in the Carmelite tradition, grew to the fullness of her humanity through her openness to God and to those around her. God's gift restored her to his image, in which she, and we, were created. In Baptism we receive that same call and that same free gift.

Here is a prayer which you might like to use according to the ancient custom of a night prayer to Mary at the end of the day. It honours her life which brought her to share in the fullness of humanity and the fullness of the Resurrection. It honours her as the one who carried God within her – 'Theotokos' – the God-Bearer – her honoured title in the Eastern Churches:

Mary, peace be with you.

You have been greatly blessed. Do not be afraid.

You will become pregnant. You will bear a son.

You must name him Jesus. He will be great - the son of God.

How can this be? I am God's servant. Let what you say come to pass.

They have no wine. Do what he tells you.

Woman, here is your son; Here is your mother,

Make a place for her in your home.

Mary, Theotokos, Not beguiled by sin, Unconquered by death,

Be with us sinners now, and at the hour of our death.

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......The Parish Pastoral Team

SOUTHERN STARS SOCIAL CLUB

A club for single Catholics 25 to 50 age group. New members welcome. Enquiries: Peter 9885 2167 or email sssc.online@gmail.com

EMMAUS CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

The Prayer Group meets at St Anne's Church at 10.15am on Thursdays. We are running a 6-week seminar entitled 'This Promise is for You'. This week's topic will be 'Fullness of Life'. All welcome including children. Further info/transport please contact Lambert & Elaine van der Weerden on 9744 4029.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

20-22 August. The weekend is based around Catholic values, but you don't need to be Catholic to attend. Further info / bookings contact Peter & Erika Smith on 9899 0824; email vicbookings@wwme.org.au or visit www.wwme.org.au

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS THIS WEEKEND MIGRANT & REFUGEE DAY COLLECTION

THE SUNBURY BRIDGE CLUB

The Sunbury Bridge Club plays duplicate bridge every Wednesday evening from 7.00pm to 10.00pm. They meet at Rainbow Court (off Timmins St.) Sunbury. Newcomers and visitors are welcome to join us, but please ring the President, Ben Ogle, beforehand on 9740 8852.

FREE BEGINNERS' LESSONS

Lessons commence in September.
Pre-registration is essential for
planning purposes. Contact Ben Ogle
to express interest. This will be our
only beginner's course this year.....Fr
Bert Fulbrook sdb

LAUNCH OF MELB PILGRIMAGE TO WYD 2011 MADRID

Everyone is invited to attend the one-year-to-go launch event for World Youth Day Madrid 2011. The Launch will be on Friday 20 August at St Brigid's Parish, Nicholson St. Fitzroy North from 7.00pm (Songs of Praise) 7.30pm Mass with Archbishop; 8.30pm Spanish Fiesta—food, music and dancing in St Brigid's Hall. **RSVP 13 August—wyd2011@cam.org.au or 9412 3300**.

Enter draw for 3 x grants for airfares. This is a free event. Visit **www.aoy.org.au** for more details.

MACKILLOP

Tickets on sale now for MacKillop, the new Australian musical to be staged as part of the Canonisation celebrations. Performances will be held in Melbourne 23-24 October at Besen Centre. To ensure every parish has an opportunity to purchase tickets there is an exclusive Parish Pre-Sale from August 1-17. If you wish to purchase tickets we strongly advise you do so before 17 August as the production is expected to sell-out. Tickets available from \$35 (for groups of 7+) via the website www.mackillop.info

EVERGREENS AUGUST OUTINGS

_Tuesday 17th 11.30 to 2.30pm Free Concert & Luncheon Sunbury Memorial Hall. Bookings Frances 9744 1999.

Tuesday 24th—Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre. Cost—tour \$5.00, luncheon \$12.00. Total \$17.00. Meet at Sunbury Station to catch 9.10am train to Southern Cross, then tram to centre. Confirmation of bookings—Frances 9744 1999.

OPEN DAY AT THE ACU

Australia Catholic University 15 August 10.00am to 4.00pm Victoria Parade, Fitzroy. University courses Arts, Business, Education, Exercise Science, Health Sciences, Media, Music, Theology, Philosophy, Psychology, SociaL Science and Visual Arts. www.acu.edu.au

OUR PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY

We offer our sympathy and prayers to the three daughters, Christine Foran, Johanna Fahey and Dympna House living in our parish as their father Tim Fahey entered eternal life peacefully last Thursday surrounded by his family in Ireland. Tim has been our part-time parishioner spending half the year in Sunbury, the rest of the year in Ireland over many years.

He founded the Legion of Mary here.

MEGA BOOK SALE

9.30am—4.00pm St Mary's Community Parish Centre (O'Shanassy St. Sunbury) Thursday 19 August.

RUPERTSWOOD CRICKET CLUB INC. REGISTRATION DAY

U12'S, 14'S, 16'S and Seniors New players male & female welcome.

Sat 21 August 2010 9.00am to 11.00am at the Clubrooms Rupertswood. Registration Forms http://rupertswood.cricketvictoria.com.au or email request rupocc@optusnet.com.au

Enquiries: 0413 867 725.

FINANCIAL SKILLS WORKSHOPS:

Financial Skills Workshops for four consecutive Wednesdays from 25
August at 12.30pm in Sunbury.
Supported by Sunbury Churches,
Brotherhood of St Laurence and ANZ
Bank for school families. Enquiries:
www.anz.com/saver plus or
Brotherhood—9305 5100.

CELEBRATION OF FIRST RECONCILIATION

On this Thursday evening and Tuesday and Thursday of next week, children will begin to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Please keep these children in your prayers as they begin to experience the mercy and love of God in the Sacrament.

LITURGY WORKSHOP & MASS

Some Year 7 & 8 students from Salesian College will take part in a workshop on the Eucharist with Fr. K. Kam, College Chaplain on Thursday morning 19 August at St Anne's Church concluding with a celebration of the Eucharist at 12.15pm to which parishioners are very welcome.

NEW CLASSROOMS AT OUR SCHOOLS

At O.L.M.C. up to 40 workers will be soon employed to finish the six new classrooms by the end of this year. More work sheds are being brought on site to accommodate the workers.

At St Anne's, rain has delayed the external painting. A group of experienced educationalists toured the six new classrooms last Wednesday and were overwhelmed at the new facility.

OUR CANONISATION CELEBRATION

On 17 October, the day of the Canonisation of Mary MacKillop we, with our local Sisters of St Joseph, will celebrate a special Eucharirst in St Anne's Church at 5.30pm, followed by a shared tea in the Parish Centre. From 7.00pm we will beam the Canonisation ceremony direct from Rome onto big screens in the Parish Centre and enjoy the event together. This will be a once in a lifetime event for us.

SOME ASPECTS OF OUR WORSHIP TOGETHER

The latest official Instruction of the Eucharist (2002) states there should be periods of silence so that we can take in and make our own the Word of God proclaimed—after each reading (say 60 seconds) after the Homily and after reception of Holy Communion. We are now used to standing to welcome the gospel, so let the lector lead us in the Alleluia after 60 seconds. The Instruction no longer mentions a Recessional Hymn, since the priest has dismissed us 'Go now in peace......' - so we walk out together into the world sent on mission.

MARIST BROTHERS IN EAST TIMOR

The Brothers began their involvement in 2000 when asked to assume leadership of the only teachers college in the nation. This year a number of Year 11 students of Assumption College, Kilmore are having an immersion experience becoming acquainted with the life and culture of the East Timorese. Assumption College believes it can help educationly the people around Baucau, East Timor in a small but meaningful way by developing a twinning arrangement.

Pamphlets at the Welcome Desk or contact Br Frank McIntosh by email at: frank.mcintosh@assumption.vic.edu.au