



# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

**BULLA, CLARKEFIELD, DIGGERS REST,  
SUNBURY, WILDWOOD**

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## 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 Liturgy of the Word  
**Tue:** 9.15am St Anne's  
**Wed:** 9.15am St Anne's  
7.30pm Memorial Service  
**Thur:** 9.15am St Anne's  
**Fri:** 9.15am St Anne's

## Sacrament of Reconciliation:

**Saturday 10.00-10.30am St Anne's**

**Parish Priest:** Rev Kevin McIntosh

**Assisting Priest:** Rev Bert Fulbrook SDB.

**Pastoral Associate:** Mr Richard Hallett

**Pastoral Associate:** Sr Jose Noy RSJ

**Pastoral Coordinator:** Mrs Lyn Plummer

**St Anne's Primary School 9744 3055**

**Principal : Ms Noelene Hussey**

**Our Lady of Mt Carmel School 9740 7344**

**Principal : Mr Paul Hogan**

## Parish Information

**Baptisms: Held on Sundays.**

**VERY IMPORTANT MESSAGE: due to unavailability of priests, Sunday 6 November, 5.30pm Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church will be a Liturgy of the Word with Communion Service. Please join our celebration.**

The following children from our parish will be baptised this Sunday:

Olivia KENELY  
Dilan MC MULLAN  
Toby MONAGHAN

We joyfully welcome them into our parish community.



**YOUTH GROUP:** are organising a fund raising 'Sausage Sizzle' on 30 October after 10.30 Mass. All are welcome to join and support this event. Youth are encouraged to register and join the Youth Group. Also, the Youth are going to be trained how to make hand made Christmas cards which will be on sale for parishioners. This is for the Youth to raise funds for their group activities. In order to support this activity can parishioners donate unused art work items that can be used to make cards. We are looking for items like paint or stamp kits, pretty paper, crayons, sketch pens, material, etc. A box will be available at the entrance of St Anne's church to collect the donated items. Thank you for your support.

**MORNING TEA:** Langama Neighbourhood will host next week. Please bring a plate and join us.

## 30 October 2011— Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Psalm Response:** In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia!

You have one Father, your Father in heaven;  
you have one teacher: the Lord Jesus Christ!  
Alleluia!

## LET US PRAY FOR

**Sick:** Elizabeth ACZEL Sandra AMOS Wendy ATTREED Sheralyn BERRY Sr Jean COUTTS Caleb FARIA Jill GIBBS Frank TRAFICANTE

**Recently Deceased:** Ernesto CHAVES Elsie FORD Andrea IRATO Rita JANSEN Laurie JOHNSTON Mary MICALLEF Fr Francis O'LOUGHLIN PE Dot VEITCH

**Anniversaries:** John ARTHURSON Bill & Nellie CLARK Douglas DUGGAN Victor FERNANDEZ Sheila HOCTOR Douglas JACOB Samy PILLAY Rudolph & Pamela SNELL

## THIRTY-FIRST SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

Today's reading from the Book of the prophet Malachi, written in a time like ours in many ways, and the words of Jesus in the Gospel, should strike 'fear and trembling' into the heart of every bishop, priest and religious leader. Malachi (his name means 'My Messenger') wrote about 50 or 60 years after the great religious renewal and fervour of the return of Israel from Babylon, the rebuilding of the Temple and the establishment of a strong and very centralised religious system, based in Jerusalem and focussed on the Temple and its priests. After 50 or 60 years, the interior energy for renewal has been replaced by an authoritarian system of requirements, designed to ensure that the ordinary people are constantly reminded of their religious obligations.

While the original intent of these requirements was good, they had become an end in themselves for many and had lost their significance. In the case of Israel, they were never able to extract themselves from this religious 'system'. It persisted till Jesus' time, and ordinary people were only able to escape from it by entering into the radical freedom of the new Christian communities which Saint Paul describes so vividly in his letters. This truly radical freedom, based on recognition that all in the community are equal as brothers and sisters, living members of one living Body, parts of one another and all indispensable to all others, was terrifying to many who had grown up in the highly structured Jewish system. We are familiar with this kind of 'terror' in Australia. For most, from the arrival of the first European settlers 220 years ago, the vast uncharted interior was a source of uneasiness, even fear, so they clung to their familiar surroundings on the coast. Only a few dared, at some risk to themselves, to venture into, and experience the wonder of the great interior. As we endeavour to build up our parish community we need to ensure that we build on the foundation stones which Jesus and Paul have laid. The basic element of this building is that we 'recognise the Body' as St. Paul says in his first letter to the Corinthians (11.29), that we recognise the dignity of each other as sisters and brothers, as children of the one God and Father. It is difficult to establish these relationships which must necessarily be 'personal' – nodding acquaintance is not nearly good enough – in a large group. There is a saying: 'You cannot love what you do not know'.

It is precisely in order to provide an opportunity for such genuinely personal relationships – friendships – to grow, that we are working towards establishing a sense of connection between those in our parish who live near us in our more local neighbourhood. Of course there will be some who say, 'I don't want that kind of relationship with my neighbours. I just want to go to church to pray.' They will need to take that up with Paul and with Jesus! Attached to the newsletter this week is a summary report of the Annual Parish Assembly held last month. It gives a good indication of the generous efforts of many in our community who are working together to establish the kind of friendships and co-responsibility which we see in the scriptures. As you will see, there are many opportunities to participate more actively in the life of the community.

Also advertised elsewhere in this Newsletter is the invitation that has been extended to the families of children who celebrated their first Reconciliation and Communion this year to come together with others in their Neighbourhoods for Mass on the next two Sundays. There will be refreshments before Mass and you are invited to come along and meet with them.

**Neighbourhood Families Celebration:** As an ongoing part of our celebration of Reconciliation and First Communion in 2011, children and their families who celebrated these Sacraments this year have been invited to a special Neighbourhood Mass at 10.30am on either **Sunday 6th or Sunday 13th of November**. Refreshments will be available from 10.00am and we will arrange for families from each Neighbourhood to meet each other before Mass, to go in and sit together for the celebration of the Mass.

Families from the following Neighbourhoods have been invited to come on Sunday 6th November:

Ashfield	Diggers Rest	Goonawarra	Jacksons Hill
Langama	Old Town	Paynes	Rolling Meadows

Families from the following Neighbourhoods have been invited to come on Sunday 13th November:

Boardman	Bulla	Clarkefield	Emu Bottom
Fullwood	Gisborne South	Gumtree Hills	Killara/
Canterbury Hills			
Kismet Park	Reservoir Road	Riddell	Sherwood
Spaceline	Strathearn Glen	Studley Park	Sunbury West

**Other parishioners from these Neighbourhoods are warmly invited and encouraged to come along, meet with these young families before Mass and make them welcome in their Neighbourhood communities.**

**THANK YOU:** last weeks special collection for Catholic Mission raised \$1071.90. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

*Thank you*

**PRAYING FOR OUR YEAR 12 STUDENTS:** Most Year 12 students finished formal classes on Monday 24 October with exams starting from November 3. Please keep these young people in your prayers, that they may enjoy success from their hard work.

**2012 COLUMBAN CALENDAR:** is the 90th Edition of the Columban Calendar. It is now available at the Piety Stall for only \$8. Buy this Special edition of the calendar and you will be helping our missionaries at the same time. This calendar makes an excellent gift for family and friends. There is an Art Guide Presentation with an explanation of each painting on the website: [www.columban.org.au](http://www.columban.org.au).

**REV FRANCIS O'LOUGHLIN PE:** served the Church in a very positive and pastorally enriching manner, giving fine example to both his brother priests and the community for over 52 years. The Archdiocese is most grateful for his untiring service to the Church of Melbourne. He served as Assistant Priest at Belgrave, Pascoe Vale, Parkville, Springvale and Deepdene parishes and was appointed Administrator of Highett parish. Fr O'Loughlin was then appointed Parish Priest of Werribee, Alphington and Pascoe Vale and retired as Pastor Emeritus in 2001.

**GIANT CAR BOOT SALE:** with craft stalls will be held by Sunbury Uniting Church on the Village Green and inside the church hall, on Sat 19 Nov from 8.30am. There will be outside car sites (over 60 cars!!) and inside craft stalls. Site prices: cars \$20, inside craft stalls \$20. For more info or to book, ring Helen on 9744 3031 or 0407 506 507.

**EVERGREENS:** Our Lady of Mt Carmel preps have invited us to lunch in the multi-purpose room at OLMC school at 12 Thur 17 Nov. For catering purposes, please ring Frances on 9744 1999 by 10 Nov.

**VACANCY- PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATOR:** we are seeking to fill this position- 2 days per week from next year. Contact Parish Office

**GARDENING NEWS:** The next Working Bee will be on Saturday 5th November. Please feel free to join us. You will be made most welcome.

**OPEN DAY, JOIN UP DAY:** Jill Gibbs neighbourhood garden

When: 20 November, 1-3pm

Where: Donkeys Paddock, Riddell Rd, Sunbury

Bring your gardening boots and tons of enthusiasm. Contact Bernie on 9744 4455 for further details.

**THANK YOU:** to Salesian College Farm Department for ripping and rotary hoeing the Jill Gibbs Neighbourhood Garden. A job very much appreciated. Anyone wishing to donate any potatoes that are sprouting for planting can contact John Stafford on 9740 9966.

**MEMORIAL SERVICE:** Wed 2 Nov marks All Souls Day. At 7.30pm in St Anne's Church we will remember and pray for our dearly departed loved ones. Please join us in this special celebration. Please feel free to complete a purple sheet from the Welcome Desk so your loved ones can be included in our memorial book and prayed for at weekend Masses.

**CHRISTMAS ON THE GREEN 2011:** will take place on Sunday 11 December. The event is being sponsored by the Combined Churches of Sunbury and tells the Christmas message in story, song and festivity. Organisers are looking for volunteers and donations to help make the event a success. If you would like to assist, please contact the Parish Office on 9744 1060. There is also information in the foyer of St Anne's Church.

**MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND:** Married couples, we encourage you to prioritise your relationship. It underpins your family life. Please join us for a Marriage Encounter weekend. Our weekend helps you to remember why you married and gives you skills to maintain your love for each other. Couples and priests present the weekend. It is based around catholic values but you don't need to be catholic to attend. The next weekend will be held on 11-13 Nov. For further info contact Marianne & Marcelle Van den Bronk on 9733 0997 or email [vicbookings@wme.org.au](mailto:vicbookings@wme.org.au).

**THE GISBORNE SINGERS:** will be performing Handel's Messiah on Nov 20 at 3pm in The Chapel at Rupertswood Mansion, Sunbury. As in the past, the choir will present this major work with professional soloists and orchestra. Prices are General \$35, Con \$30, Students \$20, under 12 free. Concert bookings, contact Liz on 5426 2467.

**FOUNDATIONS IN ADVENT:** Thursday 10 & 17 Nov 7.45pm-9.30pm at Thomas Carr Centre, 278 Victoria Pde, Melb. Before you get caught up in the parties and presents, take some time to review the year you've had and reflect on what Christmas is *really* about. The Archdiocesan Office for Youth invites you to a two-part Advent retreat with each evening being a mixture of reflection, catechesis and small group discussions. Register now. Send your name and contact details to [aoy@cam.org.au](mailto:aoy@cam.org.au) or call our office on 9412 3324. For more info, visit [cam.org.au/youth](http://cam.org.au/youth).

**DON BOSCO BRUNSWICK YOUTH FOUNDATION FUN & FOOD FESTA:** will be held at Ferraro Receptions, 14 Onslow Ave,

Campbellfield on Sat 19 Nov at 6.30pm. Tickets are \$50 per person (inc food, drink & music) are available by contacting 9386 3948. All proceeds are for a very worthy cause.

## ROSTERS NEXT WEEKEND

**ALTAR CARE:** St Anne's Church—Raeleen Cataldo Alison Fisher Mary Porta **CLEANING:** OLMC Church—Mary Alkemade St Anne's Church—Lisa Crotty Mark & Chris Perry **COUNTERS:** Bernie Owens Hilda Kocianic Mary Reay Mary Alkemade **GIFT SHOP:** Dawn Westwood Pat & Peter Readman Mary Wicks **LECTORS:** Eileen Naylor Peter Readman Beth Warburton Christine Wallace **MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:** **6.00pm** Paul Hogan Maree Walsh Maurie & Anne Saunders Carmel Pritchard Jennifer Poon **8.30am** Katherine Thompson Jo & Carmel Wiegierink Dolores Kruszynski Shashi Nair Barry Roberts Mark Perry Ann Chircop **10.30am** Aileen & Terry Sweeney Kathy Porter Christine Cassar Elizabeth Falzon Diana & Albert Mastramico Lyn Plummer **5.30pm** Alan Slocombe Pauline Strongman Paula Seric