



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

BULLA, CLARKEFIELD, DIGGERS REST, SUNBURY, WILDWOOD

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Liturgy this week

Sat: 6.00pm St Anne's
Sun: 8.30am St Anne's
10.30am St Anne's
5.30pm OLMC
Mon: 9.15am Prayer of the Church-St Anne's
Tues: 7.00pm OLMC
Wed: 9.15am St Anne's
7.00pm Prayer of the Church-OLMC
Thu: 9.15am St Anne's
Fri: 9.15am St Anne's

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday 10.00—10.30am OLMC Church

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.

Please contact the Parish Office for details of the next Baptismal Preparation meeting.

The following children from our parish will be baptised today:

Ethan FOSTER

Ruby FOSTER

Jack RASANAYAGAM

Elite SCOLLER

We joyfully welcome

them into our parish community.



FIRST COMMUNION: Congratulations to the following who celebrate their First Communion this week: Charlotte Braganza, Izaac

Chatfield, David Cipriani, Aiden Creevey, Grace Czaplak, Alena Del Rio Reddan, Dominik Failla, Jamison Filla, Hannah Galeotti, Matilda Gavigan, Theresa Hannan, Caleb Hatton, Liam Hatton, Mackenzie Hayes, Isabelle Juric, Hayden Lane, Erinn Luckett, Jude Mackenzie, Stella Marciano, John Matina, Gemma McGann, Gemma McTigue, Aaron Moore, Luke Morris, Ryan O'Leary, Atali Patrice, Rachel Prescott, Claudia Reddan, Jordan Rudge, William Sheppard, Timothy Smith, Caleb Spiteri-Fenton, Alicia Stuart, Hannah Thorne, Alessia Valerio, Anthea Weber, Nash Webster, Emerson White, Josh Wight, Georgia Williamson, Olivia Williamson, Kristen Wright, Declan Xerri.



MORNING TEA: will be hosted by Reservoir Rd Neighbourhood this Sunday. All welcome.

3 June 2012-The Most Holy Trinity

Psalm Response:

Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Glory to the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come.

Alleluia!

LET US PRAY FOR

Sick: Emanuel ATTARD Doris BORG Paola CARRAFA Godfrey DAVIS Caleb FARIA Kurt & Marie Jean HOFMAN Lucia PERALTA Anthony ROCCO Ageha YANAGASIWA

Recently Deceased: Esther GOLLOP Mary TOOHEY

Anniversaries: Joe BONNICI Millie CARDWELL-SMITH Charles CALLEYA Frances CATTUNA Fr Thomas CONSIDINE Stephen O'Boyle Elfride SCHNOOR.

Trinity Sunday

Last week I was speaking to some children about baptism, and saying that we are baptised in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit. A very bright young theologian - currently in Year 1 at school - immediately and spontaneously proceeded to make the sign of the cross, saying as she touched her forehead, 'The Father is God', then as she touched her chest, 'The son is God', and as she touched both shoulders together, 'and the Holy Spirit is both of them'!

Impressive! Delightful! Her parents and teachers have made a good start!

Here is how Saint Augustine, one of the great early teachers of the Western Church, put it: 'In the mutual relationships of the Trinity, the Father is the source of the Son, as begetting him. The question as to whether the Father is also the source of the Holy Spirit, since, as we read in Saint John's Gospel, 'He proceeds from the Father' (John 15:26) is a difficult one, because, if so, he is not only the source of that which he begets or makes, but also of that which he gives. This also throws light on the question, which disturbs many people, why the Spirit is not also a son. The Holy Spirit comes not as begotten but as given; therefore he is not called Son since his relationship to the Father is not that of the Only-Begotten; nor is he created, as we are, so as to need to obtain the adoption to sonship. If a gift has the giver as its source . . . it must be admitted that the Father and the Son are the source of the Spirit; not two sources, but one source in relationship to the Holy Spirit, as the Father and the Son are one God, and in relationship to the creation, one Creator and one Lord. Indeed, in relation to creation, Father, Son and Holy Spirit are one source, as they are one creator and one Lord. [de Trinitate 5:5]

This kind of language can easily give you a headache! And it is not difficult to see how it can lead to disagreements and arguments which are more about the language used than about the reality which the language is trying to express as clearly and simply, but as accurately as possible. The problem is that our language is limited, and our ability to know and to understand are limited, while God is not!

We are reminded of the famous story of Augustine walking by the seashore and seeing a little boy scooping water into a hole in the sand. When Augustine asked what he was doing he replied that he was putting the ocean into the hole. Augustine replied that that was impossible. 'Not as impossible as you trying to explain the Triune nature of God!' the little boy replied.

The only 'data' which we have about the Trinity - about the nature of God - is contained in the New Testament writings, and perhaps most evocatively in the great speech which John has Jesus make at the Last Supper - the so-called 'Farewell Discourse', chapters 14 to 17. You might like to read these chapters and notice what Jesus says about his relationship with the Father and with the Spirit, and about the relationship between the Father and the Spirit. I think Augustine would have enjoyed a chat with our young theologian; to enquire whether her intuitive perception that the Holy Spirit had something to do with the relationship of Father and Son might help him in his work as bishop and teacher to enable us to enter into communion with God, Three and One.....*Richard Hallett*

THANKS: for your prayers and best wishes last week on our anniversary of ordination in 1970. Twenty-four of us were ordained for Tasmania and Victoria. Since then, six have been called to their reward: (four aged less than 60 years)- Frs Con Busser, Peter Cross, Joe Flynn, Peter Fulton, Steve Sas. Twelve have retired and six of us are still in active ministry.

As I look back over the past year there have been very happy and sad times, especially with the loss of good friends. There is never a dull moment. Last weekend, I had a first- I have never celebrated all six Sacraments before in one weekend: Baptism, Confirmation, Eucharist, Marriage, Reconciliation and Anointing of the Sick. I continue to hear amazing stories, like the parishioner who is fluent in the Russian language!
.....Kevin McIntosh

YEAR OF GRACE: Archbishop Denis Hart recently wrote to all parishes in Melbourne to welcome the "Year of Grace". He wrote, "Beginning at Pentecost, the entire Catholic Church in Australia will enter into a Year of Grace, a time of deep contemplation and renewal, where through prayer, the scriptures, and liturgy, we will endeavor to commit ourselves to starting afresh from Christ. I invite your local Catholic community on this special journey towards a deeper relationship with Christ." Our Parish will take part in this journey throughout the year to start afresh from Christ and deepen our faith together.

WEEK OF RECONCILIATION: For thousands of years before Abraham and Moses the Aboriginal people uses Message Sticks to communicate and invite neighbouring groups to initiation ceremonies, right of entry to country and invitation to religious rituals. On this Reconciliation Sunday we are pleased to use our recently received Message Stick to remind us to listen to the teaching of Jesus and the stories of His Ancestors.

PRAYER OF THE CHURCH: Will continue this Wednesday in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church at 7pm and continue weekly. It is an opportunity to pray the "Prayer of the Church" which includes Psalms, and readings from the Bible. This is the official prayer of the universal Church. All are welcome.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: We have re-commenced Liturgy of the Word for children in our parish at 10.30am Mass- as happens in other parishes. All primary school children are welcome.

MARRIED COUPLES: Give yourselves a treat! A whole day together to relax, revisit, renew, rejuvenate, recall, reassess, reconnect, romance, respond, resource, and rekindle your relationship! 'R' Day Marriage Enrichment Day, 16 June \$80 per couple. Contact Karen or Rada on 9287 5516 for bookings.

OUR PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY: we offer to Jennifer Ladek whose mother, Esther Gollop, entered eternal life last Sunday and whose funeral concluded with committal at the Sunbury Cemetery. Esther and her husband of 65 years, Edmund, were taken in by their daughter at her Sunbury home in 2004.

MEETINGS COMING UP:

Monday 4 June	7pm	St Vincent de Paul-	St Anne's Church
Friday 8 June	10am	Maintenance Team-	Parish Centre
Wed 13 June	7.30pm	Liturgy Team-	Parish Centre

ROSTERS NEXT WEEKEND

ALTAR CARE: OLMC Church- Mary Barraclough St Anne's Church- Mary Macdermid

CLEANING: OLMC Church- Natasha & Angelo Snell St Anne's Church- Margaret Crooks Bernie Owens Errol Daniels

COUNTERS: Gerard Duggan Julie Reddan Anne McCormick

GIFT SHOP: Roselle Duckworth Pam Jeffrey

LECTORS: Mary Macdermid Lyn Mandouit Teresa Quin Maria Martin

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: **6.00pm** Dolores Kruszynski Shashi Nair Sue Wight Barry Roberts Yvonne Rozario Pauline Sharma Jean Skillecorn Jennifer Poon **8.30am** Elizabeth Falzon Andrew Swan Lloyd D'Crus Pat Readman Graeme & Lynne Simpson John & Sheila Stafford **10.30am** Tony Hendy Michael Hetherington Teresa Kiploks Patricia McCourt Olina Moore Nesta Pardo Val Quinn Sean Quigley **5.30pm** Maree O'Brien Will Honner John Kremers

NEWS FROM SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP: via office for Justice and Peace "Stronger Futures Northern Territory 2011 Bill". This Bill has been passed by the House of Representatives and is scheduled to be debated in the Australian Senate on the 18 June 2012, just a few weeks before the Church celebrates Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday on 1 July 2012. In a Media Release, the Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference and Catholic Religious Australia "Call upon the Federal Senators not to pass this legislation." You are encouraged to read the Media Release and other information, together with contact details for Senators, available at the Welcome Desk. Please take action in support of our Indigenous brothers and sisters. For further info, media@catholic.org.au.

CHOIR PRACTICE : will be on Wednesday's every week during school terms between 6.30 to 7.30PM @ St Anne's Church. Please make use of this opportunity to get trained by professional Music Teachers at no cost. We are intending for this Choir to sing every 1st Sunday of the Month at the 10.30AM Mass. All are welcome to attend.

CAN YOU HELP: Do you know an older person or a person with a disability who lives at home but has difficulty getting out and about to do their shopping or meeting up with friends? These are the people our Volunteer Drivers assist through the Sunbury Community Transport Service! As a Volunteer Driver you will be driving the newest fleet of cars and mini-buses in town and you will go home satisfied everyday knowing that you've lend someone a hand. You will meet some amazing people and enjoy the many social and recreational benefits of being part of great volunteer team at Link Community Transport. Further info call Link Community Transport Ph: 03 9355 8484.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITY ASSISTING REFUGEE STUDENTS:

MERCY CONNECT PROJECT: Mercy Works is currently recruiting volunteers to support refugee students in their educational transitions in Secondary and Primary Schools in Melbourne's northern and western regions. The volunteer commitment is half a day per week for four school terms. Experience working in an educational setting is required. Retired teachers are encouraged to apply. A training program will be conducted in July 2012. Please contact Sr. Mary Lewis for an application form and further information. Mercy Connect Project 9326 1895 or email somml@bigpond.com.

MASS FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS: The Life, Marriage & Family Office warmly invite all expectant mothers and their families to a Mass for Expectant Mothers. The Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Denis Hart at St Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday 17 June at 11.00am. To register, please contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 9287 5587 or lmf@cam.org.au. You can also register online at www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily. Please note that registration closes on Friday 8 June. Women who register will receive a small token of recognition.

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: We all do things to enhance our lives; Fitness programs and diets to improve our health; Professional Development programs to improve our job skills. We offer you an opportunity for married couples to give a wonderful gift to your children by enhancing your marriage through a Marriage Encounter weekend. We invite you to invest in your most precious asset, your marriage. Please join us in 2012. Take a look at our website on www.wwme.org.au Our weekends in 2012 are: 15-17 June (Anglesea), 10-12 August and 12-14 October (Melbourne). For further information and bookings contact Marianne & Marcel Van den Bronk (03)9733 0997 or Email vicbookings@wwme.org.au