



# 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	Liturgy of the Word-St Anne's
Tues:	7.00pm	OLMC
Wed:	9.15am	St Anne's
Thurs:	9.15am	St Anne's
Fri:	9.15am	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 Associate: Mrs Lyn Plummer

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 10.00 -10.30am OLMC

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: Celebrated 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:  
Isabella CAMMARANO  
Indigo JOHNSTON  
Archie MCALLISTER  
We joyfully welcome them into our parish community.



**PARISH HISTORY BOOK LAUNCH:** the Historical Committee would like to invite you to the long awaited launch of the Parish History book called "Led by the Spirit". The launch will be held after 8.30am Mass on Sunday 2 December. Morning tea will follow.

## REMEMBRANCE DAY:

11 November 2012

11.00am Prayer Service will

be held at the Memorial on

the Village Green. Prayers will be led by Rev Gavin Ward of St Mary's Church and Fr Kevin.



**ANNUAL CEMETARY GRAVE BLESSING:** will be held on Saturday 17 November. Starting at 9.30am in Sunbury and then 11.00am at Bulla.

**SPECIAL COLLECTION  
NEXT WEEK  
CATHOLIC DEAF**

## 11 November 2012– Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Psalm Response:** Praise the Lord, my soul!

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;  
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!  
Alleluia!

## LET US PRAY FOR

**Sick:** Eileen CHAMPNESS Yvette COOK Roy DENNER Claire DILLON Caleb FARIA Carmen GRECH Leila HOLNESS Dawn & Bill JANNER Ricky LADERAS Maureen LAWSON Dot O'MAHONEY Belen RUTA Jack SEGRAVE Irma TAKAKIS Jeremy TYNDALL Vicki WARD Margaret WILSON

**Recently Deceased:** Simon CALLEJA Greg CROWE Phil HALLETT Leah KERI-NAIVA Ed MCGOVERN (USA) Ron NOTT

**Anniversaries:** Paola CARRAFA Stella CARUANA Mary FAHEY Jill GIBBS Charlie MUSCAT Jadwiga PATRYAS Des ROGERS Pauline SAMMIT Stephen WOODS

## Thirty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time

Jesus has finally come to Jerusalem after the long journey we have been on for the past months, in which each reading of the Gospel on Sunday began with a few words about Jesus moving on to another place, always closer to Jerusalem, and to the fulfilment of his mission. Today he has 'sat down', within the city but outside the Temple – time to draw the story together. He points to the contrast between the influential and self-important leaders who want to be seen as good and important and the poor widow who unobtrusively acts out her faithfulness and integrity.

Last week a lawyer questioned Jesus about which is the greatest commandment, and Jesus demonstrated to him that he already knew the answer. The question was- was he prepared to live by it? As Father Zosima says in Dostoyevski's 'The Brothers Karamazov', 'Love in action is a hard and awesome thing compared to love in dreams.' In the Judeo-Christian tradition, love is a matter of choice, of commitment, of continuing decisions to persevere in, and to grow a relationship. It is not, as is often represented in society, a matter of attraction and feelings. Love based on 'felt' attraction is unsustainable. So when we pray the great prayer of Deuteronomy, 'Listen Israel, you shall love the Lord your God with your whole heart and with your whole soul and with all your strength', we are saying that we will choose to put what God wants in the first place, before what we want. It is an action of our will.

This understanding of love as an ongoing decision to make our choices in a certain way, God first then those with whom we have committed relationships, and then to all, is demonstrated clearly by the famous saying of the early Egyptian monk, Abba Alois, 'Unless a person says at one point, 'God and I alone exist in this world', they will never know peace.' The same is clearly true of marriage, of community and of all genuine friendship. Love is a matter of constantly choosing.

The story which we have heard today about Elijah and the widow, about the jar of meal and the jug of oil, draws our attention to the matter of faith. In our tradition, faith is a way of looking at our world, it is a 'world view' from God's point of view. It is not simply a matter of acknowledging certain statements intellectually, but is fundamentally a matter of trust. We always enter into this position of trust from a position of weakness. If we are in control, we don't need to trust. We can make things happen 'on demand'. And we are always tempted to get ourselves into a position of control for precisely this reason. But actions arising from such a position of power are rarely just or inclusive. This is true of marriage, of community, of friendship. We can love the other person or persons, but we must trust, from a position in which we do not have control, that love is mutual.

Like the widow at the treasury, the widow who Elijah met on the road was not in control, but she put her trust in the Man of God. The response of this unnamed powerless woman has stood for three thousand years as the archetypal image of the genuine child of God – the person of faith. And her trust was not in vain: "The woman went and did as Elijah told her and they ate the food, she, himself and her son. The jar of meal was not spent, the jug of oil was not emptied, just as the Lord had foretold through Elijah.' ....RH



**THANK YOU:** does not seem sufficient for the prayers and support you have given to me during my son, Greg's, illness and his death. He is now at peace with God.  
..... Val Quinn

**MANY THANKS:** to Fr Bert Fulbrook and Fr Will Matthew from the Salesians for celebrating our weekday and weekend Masses. Also, thank you to Fr Brian McMahon for celebrating Baptisms for our children for the last 2 weeks. And finally, Thank you to Fr Tom Cleary from the Columban priests for celebrating Mass last weekend at 10.30am.



**CHRISTMAS ON THE GREEN:** our representative for Christmas on the Green has had to resign from his position due to personal reasons, and it would be great to have a member of our Parish take his place on the Committee. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.

**THANK YOU:** to Jack and Maria Mevissen for kindly donating a Microwave for the kitchen in St Anne's church. It will come in handy for warming up some of the beautiful food for our morning teas.



**A GIANT CAR BOOT SALE:** with craft stalls will be held by Sunbury Uniting Church on the Village Green and inside the church hall, on Saturday 17th November from 8.30am. There will be outside car sites (over 60 cars!!) and inside craft stalls. Site prices: cars \$20, inside craft stalls \$20. To book a site, ring Helen on 9744 3031 or 0407 506 507. Craft stalls include: Christmassy items, candles, jewellery, cakes, kids' craft, quilts, cushions, 'while-you-wait' embroidered items, cards, toys, fairy wings/wands, baby gifts and lots more. Devonshire Tea available and second hand book stall! There is lots of fun for the kids with jumping castles, Thomas the Tank rides, etc.

**MIRACLES IN THE MARKET PLACE :** Healing Workshop on Saturday 17 November from 1-5pm Sunbury Youth Centre, 52-54 Evans St, Sunbury. \$10 per person. Healing Service on Sunday 18 November 10am-12 noon, Sunbury Memorial Hall, Stawell St, Sunbury. Healing takes many different forms— physically, spiritually, emotionally just to name a few. If you would like to be part of these events, guest speakers will inspire healing for those in need.

**RERUM NOVARUM ORATION 2012:** "Labouring for the Common Good" by Senator John Madigan and Dr Matthew Tan. Lecture Theatre, Daniel Mannix Building, Australia Catholic University at 15 Young St, Fitzroy from 7pm Tuesday 13 November. RSVP Mark Clarke 9926 5727.

**EVERGREENS:** Our Lady of Mount Carmel Primary School students in Grade Prep have invited us back for another lunch on Friday 16 November at 12.30pm. For bookings contact Frances Arians 9744 1999. Also keep 12 December free. Details will come later.

**GLUTEN FREE BREADS:** the Parish is able to offer Gluten free breads to be consecrated during Eucharist. If you wish to receive the gluten free hosts, please inform the person setting up for Eucharist. The Minister for Communion at the central aisle will have your host in a separate pyx.

**YOUTH GROUP NEWS:** Friday 23 November— Dance night from 6.30-8pm @ Parish Centre. Latest dance music by Youth DJ. RSVP 16 Nov.  
Saturday 1 December— Carols singing with Santa at 3 Aged Care Homes in Sunbury between 9.15am-12.30pm. RSVP 23 Nov.  
Saturday 15 December— Parish Carols Night at the Parish Centre after 6pm mass. Santa will be visiting with lollies. RSVP 7 Dec. RSVP gljsjacob@gmail.com



**LOURDES DAY MASS:** Saturday 1 December at 10.30am, St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne. *Mass of hope and comfort for the sick and fragile.* The Lourdes Day Mass is hosted by the Order of Malta and supported by the Development Office of the Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne. There will be a blessing of the sick by the Archbishop with water from the spring at the Shrine of Lourdes. Each attendee will receive a gift bag containing a small bottle of Lourdes Water, rosary beads and a "How to pray the Rosary" card.

**CHRISTMAS ON THE GREEN:** please see the flyer attached. Volunteers are needed.

**NURTURING THE WHOLE STUDENT:** at the moment, Catholic schools are funded at 20 per cent less than government schools. Including school fees, this funding gap is 10 per cent. Every effort is made to ensure that the children's learning needs are met, so they can reach their full potential and achieve their best. Our schools seek to foster a sense of community. Our teachers and staff work with families to develop the whole child: spiritually, emotionally, academically, physically, socially and culturally. Students in Catholic schools are encouraged to engage with their communities, serve others and embrace social justice. Our schools need government funding to help build a strong community. For more info, please visit [www.ceomelb.catholic.edu.au/funding](http://www.ceomelb.catholic.edu.au/funding).

### *The Difference*

*I got up early one morning  
And rushed right into my day  
I had so much to accomplish  
That I didn't have time to pray  
Problems just tumbled about me,  
And heavier came each task;  
"Why doesn't God help me?" I wondered.  
He answered, "You forgot to ask."  
I wanted to see joy and beauty,  
But the day toiled on grey and bleak;  
I wondered why God didn't show me.  
He said, "But you didn't seek."  
I tried to come into God's presence;  
I used all my keys at the lock.  
God gently and lovingly chided,  
"My child, you didn't knock."  
I woke up early this morning,  
And paused before entering my day;  
I had so much to accomplish  
That I had to take time to pray.*



### **ROSTERS NEXT WEEKEND**

**ALTAR CARE:** OLMC Church— Lyn Plummer St Anne's Church— Lyn Dillon Julie Wright

**CLEANING:** OLMC Church— Deborah Hoey/ Win Birt St Anne's Church - Lisa Crotty Chris & Mark Perry

**COUNTERS:** Jack Sullivan Kerry Sanford Janet Elliott

**GIFT SHOP:** Julie Reddan Frances Arians

**LECTORS:** Patricia McCourt Graeme & Lynne Simpson Elizabeth Falzon Paul Fanning

**MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:** **6.00pm** Yvonne Rozario Carmen Ryan Pauline Sharma Jean Skillecorn Dawn Westwood Raeleen Cataldo Lucy Foran Paul Hogan **8.30am** Will Honner Christine Cassar Elizabeth Falzon Andrew Swan Lloyd D'Crus John & Sheila Stafford Lily Lupa **10.30am** Julie Reddan Mary Thomas Aileen & Terry Sweeney Kathy Porter Bernadette Anderson John Bottams Johanna Fahey **5.30pm** Maree O'Brien Alan Slocombe