

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH BULLA, CLARKEFIELD, DIGGERS REST, SUNBURY, WILDWOOD

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Liturgy times 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 Frid: 9.15am St Anne's

> Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 10.00am-10.30am OLMC

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 : Stephen Arthurson Our Lady of Mt Carmel School 9740 7344

Principal: Paul Hogan

Baptisms: Celebrated on Sundays.

Please contact the Parish Office for details of the

next Baptismal Preparation meeting.

23 June-Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Psalm Response:

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me. Alleluia!

LET US PRAY FOR

Sick: Irene AGIUS Raymon BANDIAN Caleb FARIA Pammy HEMMING Doug & Anna HUTCHISON Pat JEFFREY Valerie KETTLEWELL Eillen LOWE Barry MITCHELL Anne TURNBULL Tim WILKES

Recent Deaths: Fr Len EGAN Lenis SEGRAVE

Anniversaries: Margaret FANNING Mary HILL Snr Hilda MILLS Patricia REGAN Margot RILEY

Special Collection This Sunday Catholic Mission Sunday



ON THE THIRD DAY

Jesus, as portrayed by Luke, is a man of prayer. In the gospel of Luke, Jesus has a habit of doing important things only after first engaging in prayer. We see this in the following episodes: The temptations in the desert, his baptism, choosing the Twelve, the Transfiguration... Coming out of prayer, Jesus pops the big question: 'Who do people say I am?' The answers to this question are many and varied, and they are also way off the mark showing that the crowds do not really understand who Jesus is. But, after this leading question, Jesus asks a more crucial question: 'Who do YOU say I am?'

Peter, the spokesman for the Twelve and always quick off the mark, answers truly, 'You are the Christ.' The words are spot on, but the understanding behind the words is deficient. While Peter uses the word 'Messiah', Jesus prefers to refer to himself as 'the Son of Man'. Jesus wants to be understood as the 'Suffering Son of Man.' Jesus, by using this title, puts himself in solidarity with suffering humanity. Very soon, Jesus will turn his face resolutely towards Jerusalem and will begin a journey dotted with conflict, rejection and opposition, a journey that will reach its climax on the cross. But the climax of the cross has its resolution in the resurrection. Jesus puts his faith in the faithfulness of his Father. He says, 'On the third day I will be raised.'

How are we to interpret the words 'on the Third Day?' To interpret them literally is to miss the point. Referring to Herod, who is out to kill him, Jesus says: 'Go and tell that fox for me. Today and tomorrow I am curing people and casting out demons, and on the third day I finish my work. Yet today, tomorrow and the next day I must be on my way, because it is impossible for a prophet to be killed outside Jerusalem.' Today - in the present - I must do what has to be done and speak what has to be spoken. Tomorrow - in the future - I must accept the suffering that will come my way from people who can't accept the truth. Ultimately, on the Third Day - in God's good time - I will be proved right and God will vindicate me. We can be absolutely sure that this is the context which helps us to interpret correctly the meaning of the 'Third Day'.

In the meantime, we, the followers of Jesus, must follow his path, must not run away from the cross, must walk the walk, and must be prepared to be treated no better than our Master. We might know the Catechism off by heart, but if we do not grasp today's message from Jesus we fail the litmus test and we are not worthy disciples. His message for us is this: For those who follow me faithfully through thick and thin, the *Third Day* will arrive. You will be proved right. You will be vindicated. Your going to the grave will not be a disaster. You will triumph in the end. Have faith in the God who saves *on the THIRD DAY*.

Fr Bert Fulbrook sdb

Returned to the Father: Father Len Egan

The youngest and the last to enter eternal life of the thirteen Victorian priests ordained in 1944. Fr Len later was parish priest of North Sunshine, Yarraville and Ivanhoe. He retired from active ministry in 1993.

Len was a loyal friend to many parishioners and priests. He had a quirky sense of humour and was a delightful raconteur. When he was 60 years a priest, he said "I wish to thank those thousands of lay people— all those people whom we have got to know over the years. All those who befriended us. No one could have more friends than a diocesan priest."

The One Priestly Ordination in Melbourne in 2013.

Next Friday 28 June at 7pm Rev Simon Grainger will ordain a priest for the Melbourne Church at the Cathedral. Next morning at 10am he will celebrate a Mass of Thanksgiving at All Saints Church, Fitzroy. All are welcome at both liturgies.

Presently, there are 38 students in formation for the priesthood for the Melbourne Church.

"Have you sometimes <u>heard the Lord's voice</u>...Did he <u>invite you</u> to follow him more closely?" *Pope Francis 21 April 2013*



THANK YOU: to all the generous parishioners who donated \$1812.05 to the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal last weekend.

The following children from our parish will Be baptised today: Lucas THOMPSON Hayden VENESS Scarlett WEIR

We joyfully welcome them into our parish community.

PRINCIPAL OF ST ANNE'S SCHOOL: Noelene Hussey has been awarded professional enrichment leave and begins today for a six week intensive course at Boston Theological College with several other Melbourne Principals focusing on Catholic identity in our schools. Later, she will take some holidays with her husband. Until the end of August, Stephen Arthurson has been appointed the Principal of the School and Marie D'Orazio the Deputy Principal.

MASS FOR HEALING 18 JULY ST ANNE'S CHURCH

7.00PM: Fr Varghese Parackal a Vincentian priest has been specializing in retreats for more than 12 years. He is well known as a powerful preacher, gifted in healings and prophesy. He is currently the director of retreat centre in Perth. Along with the formal approval of Archbishops of Perth and Melbourne he is now conducting retreats and healing Masses for healing in Melbourne. On behalf of the team, we invite you to come along and experience the divine love and mercy of Jesus.

CATHOLIC MISSION SPECIAL COLLECTION: In India, child trafficking and child labour is the reality for 12 million children. Every day countless young children are stolen from, or sold by, their families into domestic work and prostitution against their will. Today we invite you to put faith and action together and support the tireless work of the missionaries around the world in rescuing these girls. By supporting the Catholic Mission Church Appeal today or by becoming a "Friends in Faith Partner" with a monthly gift, you will help rescue innocent girls and help give them a future with hope. Freecall 1800 257 296 or catholicmission.org.au/rescue

GROWING GOOD MEN: is a unique opportunity for dads and their teenage sons to embark on a quest of discovery. A son's relationship with his father can be a powerful guiding force. July 5-7 will be the next chance for fathers and sons to reconnect. For all enquiries contact mail@menalive.org.au or 0439 172 465 Michael Bohan.

THANK YOU: this Sunday at 5.30pm Mass, will be the last time we will listen to Mary Wicks proclaim the Word of the Lord. Mary has been a lector at our Parish for a long time and is now ready just to enjoy the Mass from the pews. Well done Mary and thank you for such dedication to our Parish.

GATHERING OF MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: our parish is blessed with volunteer Ministers of Communion who take Communion to the sick and house bound. To review the needs of the parish and show our appreciation, a meeting for all will be on this Sunday 23 June at 9.30am (between Masses) or next Wed 26 June at 9.45am in the Parish Centre meeting room. Please notify the parish office on 9744 1060 if you are **unable** to attend.

MULTICULTURAL ACTION PLAN 2013-2018: Last week two consultations were held in Sunbury where the residents have been born in 87 countries including Australia. 19.8% are born overseas. The top six overseas countries of birth are in order: England, New Zealand, Italy, Scotland, India and Malta (ABS Census 2011)

PARISH SOCIAL CALENDAR

YOUTH SATURDAY NIGHT DISCO: on Saturday 29 June 2013 from 6.30pm to 10.00pm in the Parish Centre, 101 Riddell Rd Sunbury, our youth will be holding a disco to raise funds for the OLMC Youth Group to attend the National Youth Festival in December 2013. Tickets cost \$15 per person including dinner. Hot food and drinks can be purchased on the night. Contact Angelo on 0458 502 232 or Jo at the Parish office on 9774 1060 for tickets. For the Juniors, you are also welcome to join in the fun from 4pm to 6pm with dinner included. Cost for juniors is \$10.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY DINNER & DANCE: will be held on Saturday 27 July in St Anne's Parish Centre from 7.15pm to 11.30pm. Cost is \$15 for adults and \$8 for children 5-12 years old. Children under 5 years old are free. Dinner and drinks will be sold at the venue. Dance the night away to The Megabites and solo artist Maurice Saunders. Bingo, dance competitions, spot prizes and lots more on the night. All proceeds will go to the OLMC Youth attending the Australian Catholic Youth Festival in December 2013. Please contact Jo on 9744 1060.

PARISH HIGH TEA: on Wednesday 19 June, 37 ladies and gentlemen gathered in the Parish Centre for high tea, a fashion parade and a raffle where everyone won! We had a lot of smiling faces and laughs which was fantastic to see. The food was catered for by a local family called Essence Food Co. and the fashion show was by Postie who will donate 10% of the sales to St Vincent de Paul. Thank you to the ladies who modeled for us, Monica Rintoull, Gail Ryan and Tamara Moir. Lots of fun for all. Due to the encouraging feedback, another high tea will be arranged for later this year. Thanks to the organizer Joanne Spiteri.

BANJO SANDWICH: at the time of this newsletter, the Banjo Sandwich concert was to commence. Will have a detailed report for you in the next newsletter.

BRAZILIAN DANCE NIGHT: unfortunately has had to be cancelled due to technical issues.

ANNUAL MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY MASS: Are you celebrating your 25th, 40th, 50th, or 60th-70th wedding anniversary this year? The Life, Marriage & Family Office invite you and your families to join us at the Annual Anniversary Mass. The Mass will be celebrated at St Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday 28th July at 11.00am by Archbishop Denis Hart. Couples who register will receive commemorative certificates and packs. To register visit: www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily or contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on: 9287 5579 / Imf@cam.org.au.

Registrations close on Friday 12th July.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Monday 24 June
Tuesday 25 June
Tuesday 26 June
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YEAR OF FAITH REFLECTION: Year of Faith started on October 11 2012. On behalf of the Legion of Mary, this month we pray for the following: **For those couples in need of strength and vitality in committing their lives to one another.**

SOCIAL JUSTICE CHARTER REVIEW: Hume City Council is reviewing its Social Justice Charter, first adopted in 2001. The review will identify the Council's key priorities in advancing social justice in Hume City. Residents are being asked to state the top three priorities for the Council in progressing its work in Social Justice. Some cards at the Welcome Desk. As Pope Paul VI with the world's bishops taught in 1971, social justice is a constituent of the gospel. Both our schools have a strong program of social justice.

ROSTERS NEXT WEEKEND

ALTAR CARE: St Anne's Church—Gail Ryan Narelle Anderson **CLEANING:** OLMC Church—Mary Alkemade St Anne's Church - Miriam Culhane Cedric D'Souza **COUNTERS:** Bernie Owens Mary Reay Mary Alkemade **GIFT SHOP:** Pat & Peter Readman John Porta **LECTORS:** Paul Fanning Joanne Spiteri Elaine Van Der Weerden Mary Wicks **MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: 6.00pm** Carmen Ryan Pauline Sharma Jean Skillecorn Dawn Westwood Raeleen Cataldo Lucy Foran Paul Hogan Maree Walsh **8.30am** Angelo Snell Andrew Swan Graeme & Lynne Simpson John & Sheila Stafford Lily Lupa Katherine Thompson **10.30am** Sean Quigley Julie Reddan Mary Thomas Aileen & Terry Sweeney Kathy Porter Bernadette Anderson **5.30pm** Paula Seric Maree O'Brien Maria Mallia