



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 St Anne's-Liturgy of the Word
Tues: 7.00pm OLMC
Wed: 9.15am St Anne's
Thurs: 9.15am St Anne's
Frid: 9.15am St Anne's
11.00am Funeral Mass- Angelo Chiodo
St Anne's

Reconciliation

OLMC Church Saturday 10am- 10.30am

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
St Anne's Principal : Noelene Hussey
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.

26 January 2014- Australia Day

Psalm Response

The Lord speaks of peace to his people.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Happy the peacemakers: they shall be called
children of God.

Alleluia!

LET US PRAY FOR

Sick: Elsie CALIGARI Teresa CHREMPLEWSKA
Mary DAKAKIS Connie DUGHETTI Angie
FRIZZELL Vicki HEATH Alison HILTON Kate
HONNER Anna & Doug HUTCHISON Bill & Dawn
JANNER Tristan MAMO Carol MARTIN Suzanne
RENNISON Irma TAKAKIS Vanessa VARONA
Recently Deceased: Raymond CASTLES Angelo
CHIODO Desmond GLEISNER David HUTTON
Anniversaries: Ellen BUTLER Peter & Ulyses
D'SOUZA Jimmy DIMOPOULOS Carmel
EDMENDS Maurice MCCOURT Nora MILLETT
Doris O'BRIEN Allan OSWALD Giuseppe PARDO
Gerard QUIN Frank TWYCROSS

Australia Day 2014



AUSTRALIA DAY

In 1911, among the first to promote Australia Day, replacing Empire Day, was Cardinal Moran of Sydney.

"Each Australia Day invites us to reflect upon how well we are living our shared national values," Bishop Holohan, Bunbury. Back in 2011, the-then Bishop of Rockhampton, Bishop Brian Heenan, gave a homily that captured the mood of the country, immediately after the formal apology to the Stolen Generation, by then Prime Minister, Kevin Rudd.

"It is significant that this year Australian of the Year should be Professor Mick Dodson - sometimes called the 'Father of Reconciliation'. We know...many Indigenous Australians believe there is nothing to celebrate on this foundation day which they see as Invasion Day. Other Indigenous people see the day as an opportunity to begin a new relationship of respect.

"We respect both points of view and to those Indigenous people here this morning, I extend to you a most sincere welcome, a welcome that you extend to all non-Indigenous people, for your people were here long before we or our forebears came to this land. As I have said before, may I say again as bishop that I am sorry for what happened and offer an unreserved apology for the injuries you suffered.

"We are disciples of Jesus but also citizens of our world and not living in a Christian ghetto. We are the people of this land Australia and called to work together, with all our differences to live out our humanity with respect for all."

CARITAS AT WORK AFTER PHILIPPINES TYPHOON

Jim Murphy, a British Parliamentarian, last month visited Talacloban City where 5000 lives were lost. "The dedication and determination of the young aid workers I met was striking, living out in the field and sleeping by night in the very evacuation centres they help staff by day." Our Church is providing moral, spiritual and material support. "At the centre of terribly damaged communities, faith is holding neighbourhoods together.... The Church is such a rock for those left behind.

"One clear fact stands out from my visit to the Philippines. Aid works, aid saves lives, it protects the vulnerable and gets communities back on their feet." Our parishioners gave \$2957.00 to Caritas appeal for the victims of the typhoon in November.

HOMELESSNESS- NO ROOM AT THE INN

DePaul International is a group of charities inspired by the vision and practice of St Vincent de Paul, an innovator in his day and one of the most significant figures in the history of Christian response to need.

DePaul International works in Ukraine, Slovakia, France, UK, USA and Ireland. The organization has found on the global level, homelessness is often invisible, subsumed into the wider debate about poverty. The group is beginning a new approach. "Housing First" where the priority is to give homeless their own home and then work on other problems. This requires a significant provision of social housing.

NO WEEKDAY MASS DURING HEATWAVES

Our life is a gift from God. Hence, we are not to take unnecessary risks with our health and life. Health experts like Professor Neville Nichols of Monash University predicted an increase in deaths during last week's heat wave. Unfortunately his prediction became reality when 180 people died due to the heat, including a local man and a husband and wife from a former parish of mine. As reported in the media, Ambulance Victoria had 2500 call outs on each of those four days. Following a discussion with some Mass goers last Tuesday evening and in the light of advice from health experts, weekday Mass will not be celebrated when the temperature is forecast to be 35C or more.

THE END OF MASS

In the Instruction on how to celebrate Mass approved by Pope John Paul II in 2002, the celebration is to end with the Dismissal: "Go, the Mass is ended and proclaim the Good News." There is no direction to sing a recessional hymn. Our Mass finishes with the Blessing and Dismissal. Then it is time to greet one another, to be a communitarian person, relating to others around us with whom we have praised God and been fed with God's Word and Sacrament.

.....Kevin McIntosh

The following child from our parish will be baptized this weekend:

Arya VERGARA

We joyfully welcome her into our Parish Community



CATHOLIC PARISH OF CASTLEMAINE: 160TH ANNIVERSARY PILGRIMAGE TO THE HOLY LAND As part of its 160th Anniversary Celebrations in 2014, the Catholic Parish of Castlemaine is offering a pilgrimage to Jordan and Israel, *Walking with Mary* in September this year. Parishioners would welcome pilgrims from other parishes joining with us. Interested pilgrims are invited to an **Information Session** on **Saturday 1st February at 2.00pm** in the **Buckley Room**. **Pilgrimage Information Packages** are available from Fr Tony Doran PP (Anthony.Doran@cam.org.au or 5472 1900).

MARY MACKILLOP HERITAGE CENTRE: at 362 Albert St, East Melbourne will be open to the public on Saturday 8 February from 10am –4pm, to enable visitors to take a tour of the Mary MacKillop Museum, pray in the Chapel where Mary prayed, visit the gift shop and enjoy light refreshments in the tranquil surroundings. A guided Mary MacKillop Walking tour will also be available at 11am. Any Evergreens interested in attending please contact Frances Arians on 9744 1999

THE FRANCIS EFFECT: Tuesday 25 February from 8.30am to 4.30pm at Catholic Leadership Centre, Melbourne will be a Colloquium on the Apostolic Exhortation of Pope Francis "Evangelii Gaudium". More information from Kevin Meese 9639 1344.

MORNING TEA: will be hosted by Gum Tree Hills Neighbourhood. Please bring a plate to share after 8.30am mass on Sunday morning and enjoy a cuppa with friends.

WORKING BEE: will be held at St Anne's Church on Saturday 1 February from 9am to noon. All are welcome to come help keep our church looking so beautiful.

SING ALONG: on Friday 7 February at Goonawarra Nursing Home from 2.30pm to 3.20pm. All welcome.

PARISH BINGO HAS RESUMED: on Thursdays at 8pm at the Sunbury Football Club in air conditioned comfort. Final prize is \$200.

THE BEATITUDES (5:1-12)

¹When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain; and after he sat down, his disciples came to him. ²Then he began to speak, and taught them, saying:

3 "Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

4 "Blessed are those who mourn, for they will be comforted.

5 "Blessed are the meek, for they will inherit the earth.

6 "Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled.

7 "Blessed are the merciful, for they will receive mercy.

8 "Blessed are the pure in heart, for they will see God.

9 "Blessed are the peacemakers, for they will be called children of God.

10 "Blessed are those who are persecuted for righteousness' sake, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

11 "Blessed are you when people revile you and persecute you and utter all kinds of evil against you falsely on my account.

12 Rejoice and be glad, for your reward is great in heaven, for in the same way they persecuted the prophets who were before you.

Parish Social Calendar

VALENTINES DAY DANCE: will be held in the Parish Centre on Friday 14 February 2014 from 8pm to midnight. Tickets are \$10 adults and \$5 primary school children or \$40 per family. Tickets can be purchased from the Parish Office. Get a table together and please join us for a fun night of dancing. Live Band – Colourblind & DJ Music BYO Food & Drinks from 8PM – 11.45PM Adult- \$15 Family \$40 Volunteers to help on the day Welcome. Tickets ready to be purchased at the Parish Office.



PARISH DANCE WITH THE RIPCORDS: Saturday 15 March in the Parish centre will have a return of the Band we had last year for the St Patrick's day dance. 50's, 60's and 70's music. Get in early as we had a very fun night. Check out the photos on the board in St Anne's church. Guess who's behind the glasses? Tickets are \$25 per person.

CHRISTMAS MASSES REVIEW

The Liturgy Planning Team met last Wednesday to review Advent and Christmas and to plan Lent.

Firstly, the Mass at Rupertswood Stadium requires immense amount of moving chairs (1650) and gathering liturgical items from both our churches. So to those who came on Friday 20 December at 3pm and 6pm, our thanks we give. However putting the chairs away at 8pm on the night was left to too few volunteers. The dismantling of the altar and removal of liturgical equipment was also done by only a few. Staging the Mass at the Stadium requires the installation of audio visual equipment with its 3kms of electrical cabling. The sound and vision were very good, costing us \$1650.

The Festival of Carols and Readings on 22 December was very well received and will be repeated this year.

REFUGEE POLICY A 'CAMPAIGN OF CRUELTY': BISHOP SAUNDERS:

The Australian government is in effect conducting a campaign of cruelty towards asylum seekers, the Chairman of the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council, Bishop Christopher Saunders, said on 23 January 2014 'The government's campaign, like that of its predecessors, has only one purpose: to deter desperate men, women and children from seeking protection from persecution and danger', Bishop Saunders said.

'The government claims that it is fighting a war', Bishop Saunders said. 'If it is a war, then it is being fought against wretched and defenceless people.'

'We are ignoring the most important issue: the millions of people in our region and around the world who need protection and security.

'The only hope for a solution to the refugee problem is international cooperation', Bishop Saunders said.

'Australia's policies are undermining and destroying that hope by angering the very nations we need to work with.

'It seems that friendly relationships with our neighbours are becoming collateral damage in pursuit of an aggressive and callous policy', Bishop Saunders continued.

'Can we be surprised if Indonesia is offended when Australian naval ships stray into its waters, or when we ignore its protests and force boats to turn back to their sovereign territory?'

Bishop Saunders quoted recent words of Pope Francis, who said: 'Migrants and refugees are not pawns on the chessboard of humanity'. The Pope called for us all to move away from 'attitudes of defensiveness and fear'.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK:

Monday 27 January St Vincent de Paul 7pm St Anne's Church

Wednesday 29 January PCT 7.30pm Parish Centre

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK:

Wednesday 5 February Parish/ Schools Coordination 1.30pm Parish Centre

ACCOMMODATION -BOARD: Available for a female in Sunbury enquiries phone Misha 0435 435 068.

ROSTERS NEXT WEEKEND

ALTAR CARE: St Anne's Church—Val McManus Cath Dyer **CLEANING:** OLMC Church—Raquel Handley Candice Bowen St Anne's Church - Margaret Crooks Bernie Owens **COUNTERS:** Frank Busuttill Jenny & Peter Ryan **GIFT SHOP:** Carmel Wiegerink Mary Wicks **LECTORS:** Kevin Crowley adelfo Hipolito Anthony Aboud Brendan Morganti **MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: 6.00pm** Jean Skillecorn Dawn Westwood Raeleen Cataldo Lucy Foran Paul Hogan Maree Walsh Carmel Pritchard **8.30am** Elizabeth Falzon Andrew Swan Lloyd D'Crus Graeme & Lynne Simpson John & Sheila Stafford **10.30am** Aileen & Terry Sweeney Bernadette Anderson John Bottams Johanna Fahey Cathy Gay **5.30pm** Maree O'Brien Maria Mallia assistance required