

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

Wed: 9.15am St Anne's Fri: 9.15am St Anne's

Reconciliation St Anne's Saturday 10am—10.30am (Fr Bert)

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.

11 May 2014—Fourth Sunday of Easter

Psalm Response

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the Good Shepherd, says the Lord;
I know my sheep, and mine know me.
Alleluia!

LET US PRAY FOR

Sick: Jenette BLIGHT Brendan BULL Mary DACAKIS Ted FANNING Eileen HEAD Kate HON-NER Vicki HEATH Judith IBRAHIM Pat JEFFREY Tom KINDER Anne MAMO Tristan MAMO Maria MEVISSEN Teresa MILLETT Jack REDDAN William RIMERATA Veronica SPITERI Irma TAKAKIS

Recently Deceased: Fr Romuald MURPHY

Anniversaries: Margaret CAUCHI Nina CAUCHI John & Kathleen KILEY Dot McGREGOR Roy McGREGOR Peter ROBERTS David ROMERO

SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT SUNDAY CHAPLAINCY SUNDAY APPEAL

Fourth Sunday of Easter

On Sunday 4 May our Parish of Our Lady of Mount Carmel celebrated the installation of a set of Liturgical Banners with a blessing during the 8.30am Mass at St Anne's Church, Sunbury in the presence of the Liturgical Artist, Judy Dioszegi and the architect, Randall Lindstrom.

PROJECT DESIGN

The project began early in 2013 with a reconvening of the steering committee that had been elected at a Parish Assembly to guide the updating of the interior of St Anne's Church. The task was to consider ways in which the expanse of the blank brick curtain wall behind the sanctuary might be made less of a blank space and "to soften the strong ceiling beams and more importantly, to illustrate the Paschal Mystery—the centre of our worship together. On the final day of installation, 3 May, in the Prayer of the Church prayed worldwide, there was a reading on the Paschal Mystery from Vatican II as approved by Pope Paul VI with the bishops!.." In the centre of the wall was a shape of a brick round tower, split by a stained glass window. Both these continued up and out of sight. The stained glass window shows the beginning of the story of Jesus from Mark's Gospel Chapter 1 with light streaming down from above and out of sight. After discussion with the architect, Randall Lindstrom, it was decided to investigate some form of liturgical banner or banners.

Banners have been used by human societies since the dawn of time to get attention, to inform, and to inspire action. They communicate on many levels through texts, colours, shapes, symbols, and shades.

The committee researched church tapestries both in Melbourne and overseas. We chose the team of Judy Dioszegi and her daughter Debbie Vicini and over the months the design evolved into the theme of the Death and Resurrection of Jesus.

The final design of the banners was for them to start at the Crucifix and to move across the wall passing the stained glass window with its theme of the commissioning of the Son by the Father through the Spirit and on to the left hand side of the wall with the Resurrection. To achieve this, the design takes our eyes from the dark blues, greys and black of the sky at the Crucifixion, interspersed with lightning-like flashes of white in all directions, down towards the floor and across to the left. Once our eyes have passed the window they are directed upwards by the design and the colours that started in darker shades get lighter as our eyes are lifted up, until the final panel of colours which represent the colours of our earth and our plants and where we are now as Children of the Resurrection. The horizontal arms of the Crucifix are continued across all panels to tie them into a whole and to suggest that there can be no Resurrection without the Crucifixion.

CELEBRATION AND BLESSING

At the blessing of the banners Fr Bert Fulbrook sdb spoke of how we can see in these banners a representation of the Paschal Mystery which forms the most important part of the Church's Year. He thanked the design and production team of Judy Dioszegi and her daughter Debbie Vicini and also thanked Randall Lindstrom our liturgical architect for his input. Thanks were also due to the installers Tony and Mario who have communicated with Judy by email many times and have spent several days and nights installing the tapestries. Finally, thanks went to the Parish Team of Bingo volunteers (Graeme, Gary, Ray, Robert and Tony) who donated this set of banners.

Special mention was made of Fr Kevin who was the driving force behind the project but was prevented from being at the blessing through illness.

.....Tom Allen

The following children from our parish will be baptised this weekend:
Noah HURREN
Joshua MUNSLOW
We joyfully welcome them into our parish

Community.

BAPTISM

MAY MASS COUNT: the Christian denominations each May collect data on the numbers of Australians who take part in Sunday worship. Our collectors will be counting us at each of the May masses.

PROJECT COMPASSION: Project



Compassion boxes should be returned at your earliest convenience, so funds can be sent to Caritas Australia for distribution. Please place in collection plate during Mass. Thank you for your generosity.

FIRST COMMUNION: children will begin to receive the sacrament of Eucharist on 17/18 May at 6pm, 10.30am and 5.30pm masses 24/25 May at 6pm, 10.30am and 5.30pm, masses and 31 May/1 June at 6pm, 10.30am and 5.30pm masses. Please keep these children in your prayers.

FOUNDATION YEAR 2015 AT OUR SCHOOLS:

Interviews of parents and children have commenced and continue until Friday 30 May at the Parish Office. It is essential the prospective student attends with the parents or quardians.

EMMAUS CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: meets at St Anne's Church at 10.00am on Thursdays. All welcome including children. For further info/transport please contact Grace on 9746 3294.

Today we celebrate Mothers' Day, so our best wishes go to all the mums, with gratitude for the gift of life they have given us.



A PERSONAL NOTE: After 14 days in hospital, I am now in respite at our Priests' Hostel which is supported by your contributions to the First Collection—thank you. Please continue to pray for my recovery. Thank you for your prayers and good wishes.

....Kevin McIntosh

CONGRATULATIONS TO DEACON LINH: Last Friday, Linh graduated with a Bachelor of Theology from the University of the Melbourne College of Divinity, Linh studied at Catholic College of Theology, a member college of the University.... well done, Linh Pham B. Theol.

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY 11 MAY 2014: This is the World Day of Prayer for Vocations." The harvest is great but the labourers are few. Pray to the Lord of the harvest to send more labourers into the Harvest." In today's Gospel, the Evangelist records that unlike the thief who enters the sheepfold by another way, the Good Shepherd enters by the door. The Sheep hear his voice, he calls them by name and leads them out. Will you hear the Lord's voice when he calls you? Will you choose the vocation that He has made for you? He has chosen YOU for some work. If you do not do it, it will not get done!

PMN: Last Tuesday evening our Parish groups gathered to discuss the invitation to take part in a Parish Meeting Night. PMN is an initiative that aims to have as many Parish groups as possible meeting on the same night, monthly. All groups gather in prayer for 15 minutes then disperse to their individual meetings, later to reconvene to enjoy supper together.

Most of the Parish groups were represented and having such diverse and energetic groups gathering regularly, concerns and the benefits of a Parish Meeting Night were raised. All group representatives took part in an open and fruitful discussion. It was decided to hold an expo of the groups and their work during May and the first Parish Meeting Night will take place on 9 July, being the second Wednesday of the month. A very important aspect of the PMN is that it is "invitational": that is, groups are invited, encouraged and welcomed to attend as a community, the very same community of people who are already building and giving life to our Parish.

CHAPLAINCY SUNDAY APPEAL: Next weekend is Chaplaincy Sunday in the Archdiocese of Melbourne. The presence of Catholic Chaplains provides hope to those suffering from loneliness, physical illness, mental health challenges and HIV/AIDS. As well as those facing youth detention, a prison sentence or long bouts of time at sea, away from Church support, family and friends. The presence of Catholic Chaplains is also a crucial witness to our faith, a crucial dimension of our service of love, and a vital testimony to the value of life in all its stages. You are invited and encouraged to take home the envelopes in the seats next weekend. Donations will go towards supporting Chaplains who work with:

- Patients and their families in public hospital
- Those affected by menal illness
- Men and women in Prisons
- Young people in youth justice facilities
- Seafarers

FEAST OF THE VISITATION: The Maltese Gharb Club of Melbourne invites you to celebrate the Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary to St Elizabeth on Sunday 1 June at St Bernadette's Catholic Community Centre, Cooke Ave, North Sunshine. Mass at 2.30pm celebrated by Fr John Taliana . Followed by a social function in the foyer.



Congratulations to Phyllis and Rex Jacob on the occasion of their 50th Wedding Anniversary. An inspiration to all married people. A Mass of Thanksgiving was celebrated yesterday.

ROSTERS NEXT WEEKEND

ALTAR CARE: St Anne's Church—Lyn Dillon Julie Wright CLEANING: OLMC Church— Natasha & Angelo Snell St Anne's Church—Miriam Culhane Cedric D'Souza COUNTERS: Kelly Stark Vern Walters Maureen Walters GIFT SHOP: Pat & Peter Readman John Porta LECTORS: Phyllis Jacob Della Oswald Beth Warburton Kevin Crowley MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: 6.00pm Yvonne Rozario Pauline Sharma Jean Skillecorn Dawn Westwood Sue Wight Lucy Foran Paul Hogan Eileen Naylor 8.30am Christine Cassar Elizabeth Falzon Andrew Swan Lloyd D'Crus John & Sheila Stafford Lily Lupa Tom Allen 10.30am Julie Reddan Mary Thomas Aileen & Terry Sweeney Bernadette Anderson John Bottams Johanna Fahey Assistance Required 5.30pm Alan Slocombe Will Honner Assistance Required