

# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

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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 Wed: 7-9pm St Anne's– Mass for Healing

# No Reconciliation available 12 July 2014

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
OLMC Principal: Paul Hogan

Baptisms: Celebrated on Sundays.

Please contact the Parish Office for details of the

next Baptismal Preparation meeting.

# <u>6 July 2014– 14th Sunday Ordinary Time</u> Psalm Response

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

### **Gospel Acclamation:**

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; You have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!

# **LET US PRAY FOR**

Sick: Gina BOSCOLO Mary DACAKIS Ted FANNING Merrill GODFREY Eileen HEAD Kate HONNER Anna & Doug HUTCHISON Anne MAMO Tristan MAMO Maria MEVISSEN Sr Barbara PEDLEY Jack REDDAN Evelyn SKILLECORN Irma TAKAKIS Fr Justin WOODFORD

**Recently Deceased:** Delwyn BRUCE Heinz BUSCHELJOT Daisy HIPOLITO Ann TURNBULL

**Anniversaries:** Fr John ALLEN Cooper BARNES Dominic, Lucy & Policiana D'SOUZA Evelyn DUGGAN Adrian PHUNG Des SKILLECORN Brian TWYCROSS

Special Collection next weekend Peter's Pence Annual Collection for the Holy Father's Humanitarian Relief

# Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time- Aboriginal Torres Strait Islander Sunday:

"I am gentle and humble in heart" (Matthew 11:29) Jesus often used the image of the child to teach our true relationship to God. Today we 'overhear' the joyful intimate exclamation of Jesus addressing directly to the Father. Jesus gives us 'mere children' some sense of the knowledge of God because he is God's son.

Little children, being young and weak receive what is given to them. In return, they give affection and love. To know another in the Semitic sense is to be in a communion of love with another, not simply to know <u>about</u> the other. Hence, this is how our relationship should be with our God.

Today's readings tell us the type of God we are invited to be in communion with— a humble God of peace not like a warrior being with a horse and chariot (1st Reading) but 'the Lord is kind and full of compassion' (Psalm) and "gentle and humble in heart" (Gospel). Hence, any harsh or punitive image of God is so wrong.

Australia's Indigenous Peoples: I consider the words of Pope Benedict XVI in Sydney in July 2008 at Word Youth Day are so appropriate that I publish them in full below: "For thousands of years before the arrival of Western settlers in Australia, the sole inhabitants of the land were indigenous peoples, the Aborigines and Torres Strait Islanders. Their ancient heritage forms an essential part of the cultural landscape of modern Australia. Thanks to the Australian Government's courageous decision to acknowledge the injustices committed against the indigenous peoples in the past, concrete steps are now being taken to achieve reconciliation based on mutual respect. Rightly, you are seeking to close the gap between indigenous and non-indigenous Australians regarding life expectancy, educational achievement and economic opportunity! This example of reconciliation offers hope to peoples all over the world who long to see their rights affirmed and their contribution to society acknowledged and promoted."

**Indigenous Catholics Increasing:** According to Australian Bureau of Statistices, the number of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island Catholics increased by 102 per cent from 1991 to 2011, from 62000 to 125000. In the same 20 years, the overall Catholic population increased by 18 percent.

**Historic Thanksgiving Mass:** Last Sunday evening over 300 people took part in Father Matthew's Mass of Thanksgiving for priestly ordination. Our parishioners were very generous in providing refreshments, so much so that there was food left over. A small group gave five hours of their time on Sunday afternoon preparing the Parish Centre.

Anglican and Catholic Leaders Vow to combat human trafficking: On 16 June, Archbishop Justin Welby, leader of the Anglican Communion and Pope Francis met again in Rome. "As disciples sent to heal a wounded world, we stand together with perseverance and determination, against this grave evil," Pope Francis said. Archbishop Welby replied he was grateful for the progress already made in joint attempts to combat trafficking. Cardinal George Pell said the Holy Sea is checking that none of its suppliers use trafficked labour.

.....Kevin McIntosh

**With Thanks:** To the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Know of my heartfelt thanks for your prayers and support over these past eight years leading up to my Ordination to the Priesthood. Your generosity and help towards making my Mass of Thanksgiving and Supper in the Parish Centre afterwards was incredible. Know of my gratitude for your hard work. There are too many people to thank by name therefore the work of Fr Kevin and all of you was of a great help to me and made a deep impression on the many visitors to our parish, in particular my family and friends many who were not Catholic. This Sunday I intend to offer Mass for the intention of you the Parishioners of Our Lady of Mt Carmel and for the health of our Parish Priest, Fr Kevin. Yours gratefully in Christ

.....Father Matthew Baldwin

PARISH MEETING NIGHT: The first PMN will take place on 16 July at 7.30pm, gathering in the library at St Anne's school. Please park in the Stewarts Lane Car Park.

**PARISH GROUP CARDS:** at all Masses last weekend, cards were handed out to those interested in being part of a Parish Group. Would any further volunteers willing to join please place your completed card either in the collection plates or drop them into the Parish Office over the next few weeks. Someone from the Parish Group will contact you shortly after return of the forms.

**ST ANNE'S BANNERS:** the one panel directly to the left of the cross will change with each season of the Church's year. We have celebrated the joy of Easter and the panel was adorned with gold and white, depicting the hope of the Resurrection. The panel is now in the green colours of Ordinary time, a time that is not unimportant but a time when weeks are numbered in order. It is a time for prayer, reflection and growth which extends to the season of Advent.

**KINDA KINDER:** will resume in the Parish Centre on 29 July after the Victoria University holidays. Parents with children aged from 0 to 5 years are welcome at this weekly program.

**HEALING MASS 2014:** on Wednesday 9 July at 7pm, St Anne's Church will host the 2014 Healing Mass celebrated by Fr Varghese Parachkal and Fr Benny Mundanatte. All welcome. Acts 1:8 You will receive power when the Holy Spirit has come upon you; and you will be my witness in Jerusalem, in all Judea and Samaria, and to the ends of the earth.

### **ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY:**

We are grateful to Joe & Joan Koren for allowing the Parish to use their personal Message Stick at all Masses. The Message Stick acknowledges the Wirrunjeri people and shows the Sunbury "Rings" on the stick.

CATHOLIC THEOLOGICAL COLLEGE: Study Tour and Pilgrimage: "The Experience of Catholic Culture" 3 September – 3 October 2015 Ireland, Scotland, England and Italy. Tour Leaders: Rev. Prof. Austin Cooper omi AM and Dr Frances Baker rsm. Details on College website at <a href="www.ctc.edu.au">www.ctc.edu.au</a> Information Session at Catholic Theological College: Saturday 26 July at 2.00pm RSVP & further information: Jenny Delahunt T: 9412 3314 E: jenny.delahunt@ctc.edu.au

Are you new to the Parish? Changed Address in the last year? Need Thanksgiving offering envelopes or make changes your current pledge? Please let us know as we would like to hear from you! Please complete the details below, detach from the Newsletter and drop in the collection plate. The Parish Secretary will be in contact you shortly.

Name: Address: Phone: Email: **CHRISTMAS IN JULY DANCE:** OLMC Youth Group will be hosting Christmas in July Dance in the Parish Centre on Saturday 26 July from 6pm. Tickets cost \$15. Pizza and drink provided with cost of ticket.

**NO MORNING TEA THIS SUNDAY:** our next Morning Tea will be after 8.30am Mass on **Sunday 20 July** to celebrate our **Parish Feast Day**. Old Town Neighbourhood will be hosting. Please bring a plate to share.

**ALTAR SERVERS**: Training for Girls and Boys wishing to join the Altar Server Team will be held at 11am on Saturday 12 July in St Anne's Church. New members must have received or are about to receive 1st Eucharist. Enquiries to Michael McConville 97442674

NO MASSES: will be held during the school holidays at Salesian Community Chapel

**PREVENTING CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE:** you would be aware of the Royal Commission into Child Sexual Abuse in Institutions which is currently hearing of the many unfortunate cases of sexual abuse in the Catholic Church and other Institutions. For those who have been impacted by institutional abuse, a special helpline exists to help the healing process begin. It is poignantly called the "Starting Point" Helpline. The number is 1800 99 10 99. If you need help and don't know where to start, this may be the first step you take to begin your healing. Flyers are on the St Anne's Welcome Desk in the foyer.

# **SOCIAL JUSTICE:**

On Aboriginal Sunday we celebrate Aboriginal culture and their contribution to our Church. During NAIDOC Week 7<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup> July many events celebrating Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders are held where welcome to attend is extended to all. Refer to www.naidoc.org.au for details.

The NAIDOC Mass will be held at St Francis Church in the city on Sunday 13th July at 11 AM

An art exhibition in the Pastoral Rooms beside St Francis from 7<sup>th</sup> July – 16<sup>th</sup> July has been done by primary schools FIRE carriers and expresses their journey as FIRE carriers. FIRE - Fire igniting reconciliation through education.

Binnap Partners are holding a film screening on Sunday 20th July at the Nova Cinema in Carlton.

Funds raised go to the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry. The film is 'Charlie's Country', a compelling Australian film with Cannes award winning actor, David Gulpilil. Tickets \$20.00. Contact Pat on 9878 7939. Bookings to be made by 14th July.

Opening the Doors Birthday Oration is on 6<sup>th</sup> August at Genazzano College. Speaker Leila Gurruwiwi from the Marngrook Footy Show. Details on Notice Board. Opening the Doors Foundation addresses the severe educational disadvantage still being experienced by many Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander families, by providing practical assistance so that they are able to choose and successfully maintain a positive educational environment for their children.

Please take the time to read the homily of Tamil Dominican Priest Father Pan Jordan of Pax Christi. A copy is on the notice board. Father Pan's homily received spontaneous and resounding applause at the funeral of Tamil asylum seeker Leo Seemanpillai. It is powerful, profound and very moving. Father Pan has agreed to share this homily. Leo's story is just one of many who once imagined they might find protection in our care.

# **ROSTERS NEXT WEEKEND**

ALTAR CARE: St Anne's Church—Nil CLEANING: OLMC Church— Deborah Hoey Win Birt St Anne's Church—Megan Feain Joy O'Connor Joe & Mary Kloss Yvonne Driscoll COUNTERS: Bernie Owens Mary Reay Mary Alkemade GIFT SHOP: Pat & Peter Readman Frances Arians LECTORS: Barry McAloney Colin Wilson Elaine Van der Weerden Paul Fanning MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: 6.00pm Val McManus Sashi Nair Carmel Pritchard Barry Roberts Yvonne Rozario Vicki Heath Paul Hogan Jennifer Poon 8.30am Lucy Foran Rex Jacob Andrea Luckett Lili Lupa Graeme & Lynne Simpson Angelo Snell Andrew Swann 10.30am Christine Wallace Judy Davis Bernadette Anderson John Bottams Tony Hendy Teresa Kiploks Mark Perry Kathy Porter 5.30pm Will Honner Maree O'Brien Assistance Required