



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

Reconciliation St Anne's
10.00AM-10.30AM Saturday

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.

26 October 2014 – Thirtieth Sunday in

Ordinary Time

Psalm Response

I love you, Lord, my strength.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father
will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

LET US PRAY FOR

Sick: Pat BARRY Vincenzo BRULLO Mary
BUCHANAN Brendan BULL Rosemary
CHISHOLM Joy CREWETHER Fr Jim FEENAN
John FITROLAKIS Lesbia HARMAN Anna
HUTCHISON Bill JANNER Noreen JOLLEY Anne
MAMO Teresa MILLETT Edna ROBINSON Mariella
SCHEMBRI Mary VELLA

Recently Deceased: Ruth HEESH Ann
REMEDIOUS

Anniversaries: John ARTHURSON Douglas
JACOB Bill & Nellie CLARKE Henrika JANSEN
Helen WILLIAMS



The Dual Command of Love

In our world, "rational self-interest" can be seen as an acceptable attribute and religion can be reduced to having no concern for others. This attitude is challenged by God's words to Moses in our first reading today (Exodus 22:20-26) and by Jesus' own words in Matthew's Gospel (22:34-40).

God directly orders Moses to teach that we must be concerned for the most vulnerable in society: the stranger, the widow and orphan, the poor and the indebted. Jesus links love of God with love of neighbours. It is not possible to love God and despise people. Pope Francis is constantly emphasising looking out for and looking after the poor. Our Christian tradition has always been that faith is lived out in the world and expressed actively and effectively.

Gough Whitlam and Funding of Catholic Schools

In June 1969, in Sydney Town Hall, Gough Whitlam spoke supporting the establishment of a Commonwealth inquiry into the needs and priorities of government and non-government schools and how these priorities would be funded. Before 1972, Catholic schools due to increased immigration were in a perilous state and their future was uncertain. Sydney Archdiocese was seriously considering closing a number of schools.

After 1972 election, Whitlam quickly set up the Karmel Committee to survey the needs of all 9500 Australian schools. To that committee was appointed Fr Frank Martin, now retired, the then director of Catholic Education in Melbourne. Father Frank was to serve on the Commonwealth Schools Commission for some years. In May 1973, the Karmel Report acknowledged the need for a system of basic recurrent and building grants for all schools, according to need and that parents have a right to educate their children outside government schools.

Today, federal and state governments contribute 77% of the recurrent income and parents and parishes provide 23%. Prior to this, governments made no recurrent grants to Catholic schools. This funding has enabled Catholic schools to survive and contribute to the common good.

(From "Whitlam & Funding of Catholic Schools" by Brother Kelvin Canavan FMS- May 2012)

The Folly of War- Pope Francis

While visiting war graves in Italy last month, Pope Francis said, "War ruins everything, even bonds between brothers. War is irrational; its own plan is to bring destruction: it seeks to grow by destroying."

.....Kevin McIntosh

RICHARD HALLETT: has decided to finish his ministry among us after eleven years. Those wishing to apply for the position starting in 2015, are asked to contact Trish Fazzino, Human Resources Department, Archdiocese of Melbourne on trish.fazzino@cam.org.au. A job description is available in our Parish Office.

REMEMBERING LOVED ONES IN NOVEMBER: The month of November is dedicated to the prayerful memory of the Faithful departed. Our parish will celebrate the memory of loved ones. At each of our churches there will be blank leaflets to write the names of those who have died, to be placed in a Memorial Book of the Dead. This book will be for display and presented at each Mass during the Procession of the Gifts. The leaflets may be taken home and returned completed during October.

SALESIAN COLLEGE YEAR 9 CAMPUS: commenced in February 2014. At the recent College Council meeting it was noted that parents have been so impressed with the new program in the new campus that parents at other schools have enrolled their children for Year 9 in 2015 so that the campus will be at capacity with 232 students and there is a waiting list. The open evening in early October was very well attended and 140 pizzas were cooked at the campus!

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR YEAR 12 STUDENTS: from Salesian College who celebrated with their parents their Graduation Mass at St Anne's Church in thanksgiving for the last six years and for success in the VCE exams this month. 142 students graduated.

The following children from our parish will be Baptized this weekend:

Oliver DREW Eden RAYMOND
Oliver TE HUIA Andrew WISHART

We joyfully welcome them to our parish community.



WELCOME: to the children from Grades 1 & 2 from both Parish Primary Schools. The children and their families will be attending 10.30am Mass for a special celebration!

WANTED: Goonawarra/ Rolling Meadows are in desperate need of posties. Our posties currently deliver the parish newsletter to Catholic households 4 times per year. It would be great if we could reduce the load of those already helping in this large area by having more volunteers help out. If you can help, please contact the Parish office on 9744 1060. It would be much appreciated.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR YEAR 3 STUDENTS: who began to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation last week. The 115 students took part in one of the four sessions. We were greatly assisted by three Columban Missionary priests: Fr Dan, Fr Ray and Fr Tom from Essendon.

CONGRATULATIONS AND WELCOME: to the newest member of our Altar Server Team, Rachel Prescott. If anyone would like to join the team give Michael a call on 9744 2674.

PARENTING IN FAITH: for parents of children in Years 1 & 2 will be held on Tuesday 28 October at 2pm or 7pm in the Parish Centre by the popular Fr Andrew Hayes.

EVERGREENS (Senior Group): Are invited to the free concert at Memorial Hall on Wednesday 29 October 2014 from 11.30am to 2.30pm. Limited numbers so booking is essential. Call Frances on 9744 1999.

OLMC Teachers and Preps have invited us to be entertained on Wednesday 12 November at 12.30pm in Our Lady of Mount Carmel Primary School. This is one of our highlights for the year. Contact Frances on 9744 1999.

UPCOMING YOUTH EVENTS: Sunday December 7 in Parish Centre after 10.30am Mass we will hold the combined Multicultural Day and Youth Christmas Carols. All are welcome to attend. Please bring a traditional plate of food to share and enjoy the various cultural performances of our multicultural community. Santa will attend the day also. If you are able to help out, please contact the Parish Office on 9744 1060.

NEWS FROM HISTORICAL COMMITTEE: Recent items added to the Parish Website are a history of Our Lady of Mt Carmel Church and the memories of some parishioners. Over time further "Memories" will be added from the many oral histories on file. We would like to hear from any parishioners who would be interested in sharing their memories of parish.

CHRISTMAS ON THE GREEN: the message of Christ to the community of Sunbury. Organised by the Inter Church council, this year's event will be on Saturday 13 December. The free children's activities will start at 5pm with the Nativity Stable, a puppet show, clowns, face painting and Christmas crafts. The Christmas Carols will start at 7pm. Food and drinks will be for sale. **Volunteers from the various churches are needed to make this event a success. Please think about where you may be able to help. Please contact our Parish Office.**

"I WAS HUNGRY AND YOU FED ME":

At the Parish Assembly in September the Social Justice Group put a proposal that we ask our Parish to assist Asylum Seekers. The proposal was approved by the assembly and the



PCT gave us permission to proceed. The Sisters of St Joseph in Footscray are working with refugees and have advised us that support can be given to the Asylum Seeker Resource Centre in Footscray. The website provides excellent information.

www.asrc.org.au The Asylum Seeker Resource Centre was started in June 2001 and has delivered assistance to Asylum Seekers with the help of over 800 committed volunteers and 35 staff members. Over half their clients have no income at all and over 90% live below the poverty line. The centre is in Nicholson St Footscray and through its programs provides free health, medical, legal, employment, casework, material aid and a Foodbank. It also provides a hot meal for 150 people each week-day at the Centre. Asylum seekers can visit the Foodbank once a week, where their dignity is preserved by allowing them to make their own selections within set limits, rather than be allocated a food parcel. The food provided has been donated or purchased with donated funds from people like us from all over Victoria. Donations of basic non perishable items such as canned tomatoes, lentils or beans (without sauce), pasta, rice, cereals, long life milk, dishwashing detergent, soap, shampoo, deodorant, toothbrushes, toothpaste, and shaving gear are always needed. Over the next two weeks there will be a container placed in both Churches for donations of these items. Members of the Social Justice Group are happy to deliver these items to Footscray. This appears to be a very practical way we could assist. Thank You. For further information please contact the parish office....0397441060

A reminder that the collection boxes are in both churches for those who wish to donate.

"WELCOME TO THE INN": at our recent Liturgy Planning Team, we endorsed the parish initiative called "Welcome to the Inn". It was also briefly spoken of at the recent Annual Parish Assembly. The initiative calls for all of us to be the Church Jesus wanted us to be— that is to Welcome everyone! Strangers no longer are strangers when they come home to church. With Christmas approaching quickly, "Welcome to the Inn" reminds us that for the birth of baby Jesus, there was no room at the Inn. Mary and Joseph would have been quite worried with the birth of their child imminent. Those who come to our church should never feel worried about coming. Acting on behalf of Jesus, we have a job to do! Let us be welcoming to all.

ANGLICARE: the need for foster carers has become urgent for Anglicare. An information session will be held in Sunbury on Monday 27 October. For further details call 93015200.

MASS FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS: The Life, Marriage & Family Office warmly invite all expectant mothers and their families to the Mass for Expectant Mothers. The Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Denis Hart at St Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday 7th December at 11.00am. Registrations can be made online at: www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily or alternatively by contacting: 9287 5579 or Lmf@cam.org.au. Please note that registration closes on Friday 28th November. Expectant mothers who register will receive a small token of recognition.

EXPLORING IRAQ TODAY: 19 November 7.30-9pm at Knox Lecture Theatre. Further info is on the Noticeboard in St Anne's foyer or call The Ecumenical and Inter-faith Commission Office on 0400 978 938 or email eic@cam.org.au.

VICTORIAN PARLIAMENTARY PRAYER NETWORK: will be holding a public prayer meeting for the election at Parliament in Queens Hall on Saturday 15 November from 1-3.15pm at Parliament House, Spring St, East Melbourne. Please continue to pray for all the works that happen in Parliament and for our city. Australia is named the "Great Southland of the Holy Spirit".

LOURDES DAY MASS: will be celebrated in St Patrick's Cathedral on Saturday 6 December at 10.30am. Wheelchair access is available at both side entrances. A blessing with Lourdes water will be given by Archbishop of Melbourne, Denis Hart.

ROSTERS NEXT WEEKEND

ALTAR CARE: St Anne's Church—Nil **CLEANING:** OLMC Church— Mary Alkemade St Anne's Church –Megan Feain Joy O'Connor Joe & Mary Kloss Yvonne Driscoll **COUNTERS:** Judith & John Bracher Judith Ibrahim **GIFT SHOP: Assistance Required** John Porta **LECTORS:** Julie Reddan Lyn Mandouit Dian Mardijono Alan Slocombe **MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: 6.00pm** Pauline Sharma Jean Skillecorn Dawn Westwood Moira Sullivan Mary Baensch Angelo Snell Sashi Nair **Assistance Required 8.30am** Tom Allen Lloyd D'Crus Glenda Shanahan Colin & Coreen Wilson Lucy Foran Rex Jacob Andrea Luckett **10.30am** John & Sheila Stafford Grace Tucker Christine Wallace Anthony Aboud Bernadette Anderson John Bottams Tony Hendy **5.30pm** Maree O'Brien Rita Rocco **Assistance Required**