

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 Word Tue 11.00am OLMC-Funeral Tony Phillips

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

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 10.00am—10.30am OLMC

26 June 2016 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time

Psalm Response

You are my inheritance, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening; you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!

Parish Priest: Rev Kevin McIntosh Assisting Priest: Rev Bert Fulbrook SDB Pastoral Assoc.: Sr Jose Noy RSJ Pastoral Co-ord: Lyn Plummer

St Anne's Primary School: 9744 3055

Principal: Noelene Hussey

Our Lady of Mount Carmel School: 9740 7344

Principal: Paul Hogan
Baptisms celebrated on Sundays.
Please contact the Parish Office for details of the next Baptismal Preparation meeting.

LET US PRAY FOR

Sick: Graham BLAY Severina, Myrna & Dianne DEARMAS Vera FENTON Don MILLER Leone MORGANTI Frances PACE Rolando TAMAYO Christine VELTHUIS Avelino VERA JNR

Recently Deceased: Angelo DAMIANOS Tony PHILLIPS Joseph ZAHRA

Anniversaries: Josephine DAVID

Margaret FANNING Margaret HILL Joe PARNIS

Special Collection this Sunday
Annual Collection for
Humanitarian Relief by the
Holy Father

THE JOURNEY TO JERUSALEM Luke 9:51 - 19:44

The Church's liturgical year is a journey with Jesus. In 2016 (Year C) the principal tour guide on this journey is St Luke, the third evangelist. Sunday after Sunday, we will hear these words from the celebrant: 'A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Luke.' Half way through the year we have reached a pivotal point in the story of Jesus. The public mission of Jesus in Galilee, his miracles of healing. his power over demons, his power over the forces of nature including death, and his amazing teaching have set people thinking to themselves, Who is this guy who has such powers?' Last Sunday (12th in Ordinary Time) the identity of Jesus came to a head. Jesus asked the question: 'Who do people say I am?' The answers that came back showed that the crowd were still scratching their heads. But then Jesus pointed to his disciples and asked them, 'What about you: who do you say I am?' Peter, acting as the spokesman for the Twelve, rightly answered, 'You are the Christ of God.' The identity of Jesus was finally revealed. But the messianic title was open to various interpretations none of them aligned with God's plan. So Jesus begins to explain to his disciples what sort of Messiah God intended him to be. He begins to teach his disciples that the path marked out for him is the way of the cross, and that anyone who wants to be his disciple must follow that same path.

In the Gospel of Luke Jesus is often caught in the act of prayer. Many of us think that prayer is us mouthing a lot of words to God, as if prayer is a one-way conversation. No! Prayer is a two-way conversation. Yes, God listens to us, but we must also listen to God. I am sure Jesus had things to say to his Father, but he also listened to the Spirit and discerned where the Spirit was leading him. This listening heart gave Jesus clarity of vision and he had clear sight of the path his Father had marked out for him. That path led to Jerusalem, the city where he would be put to death and the city from where he would be taken up into heaven. So today's Gospel begins with these words: 'When the days drew near for him to be taken up (the Ascension), Jesus set his face to go to Jerusalem (9:51). Here begins a journey with a clear destiny. Jesus had clarity of vision because, through his prayer of listening, he was in tune with his Father's plan of salvation. With his face set towards Jerusalem there is more than a hint of steely resolve. Luke borrows the journey theme from Mark, but whereas as Mark devotes less than one chapter to the journey (Mk 10:32 – 11:11) Luke devotes ten chapters (Lk 9:51 – 19:44).

The journey to Jerusalem is chock full of incidents and teaching. It is not just a geographical tour: it is a pilgrimage to the Holy City and beyond that to the Heavenly Jerusalem. Again and again we are reminded that Jesus is the road, not on the road to nowhere, but on the road with a marked out destiny. As we progress through the chapters of the journey we experience a sense of movement and direction. While Jesus seems to be meandering geographically, he never loses sight of his personal destiny. The journey of Jesus is also the journey of the people of God (the Church). We, the pilgrim Church accompany Jesus on his way to the Father. His journey becomes our journey and his personal destiny becomes our personal destiny.

Fr Bert Fulbrook sdb

Mass with Anointing of the Sick

Tuesday 12 July

2.30pm

Riddell Gardens Aged Care

Wednesday 13 July

10.30am

Parish– St Anne's Church

Friday 15 July

2.30pm

Goonawarra Aged Care

Wednesday 20 July

2.30pm

Lion's Hostel

Sympathy: to the family of Tony Phillips as he has entered eternal life. He was baptized on 18 October 1942. We offer our support to his mother, Ethel Phillips and his siblings, Margaret, Mary and Joseph. His funeral is on Tuesday at 11am at OLMC Church

biamond Jubilee of Fr Jim Feenan: we shall celebrate this Sunday when he visits us. Born in Northern Ireland in 1926, he received his formation as a priest at Carlow in the Republic of Ireland. After being ordained on 10 June 1956, he came to Melbourne. In 1973, he was appointed parish priest of Sunbury. With the opening of the airport at Tullamarine in 1970, Sunbury was beginning to grow. In 1974, he oversaw the purchase of land for another school in Stewarts Lane. At the Parish Education Board they named the new school St Anne's.

Fr Jim began celebrating Mass each Saturday at Sunbury Training Centre later called Caroola. He also commenced religious education for children at government schools. He helped renovate the convent and presbytery. In 1977, he was appointed parish priest at Manifold Heights in Geelong from where he retired in 1990. Since then, he has assisted parishes in the Geelong area and Bellarine Peninsula. Please join us after 8.30am Mass for morning tea. Fr Feenan will be concelebrating 10.30am Mass.

PARISH FESTIVAL: our parish celebrates the feast day of Our Lady of Mount Carmel & St Anne on the weekend of 16/17 July. Our parish will host a lunch for parishioners on Sunday 17 July at noon in the Parish Centre. Please bring a plate to share.

FR BERT'S SILVER JUBILEE ORDINATION: please help us to celebrate this special occasion by coming to the Parish Centre on Sunday 17 July at noon where we will have a double celebration in our parish.

30th ANNIVERSARY OF SUNBURY LAY ECUMENICAL

COMMITTEE (LEC): was celebrated last Friday when 44 past and present committee members dined together with Lutheran, Wesleyan and Catholic pastors. The late Frank Hogan approached the other churches in Sunbury to form the committee. Della Oswald was on the first committee and still serves. The other current Catholic members are Juan Carlos Rodrigues-Dellar, Pauline Lacy and Kevin McIntosh. The dinner was a joyful celebration. Pastor Mary Dight thanked the LEC for their pastoral presence at Caroola when her son resided. Joe Kloss from Germany, of our parish spoke of the great unity of Lutherans and Catholics in Germany celebrating the 500th Anniversary of the Reformation in 2017. Pope Benedict XVI visited northern Germany where the Lutherans are strong. Next year, great numbers of Catholics and Lutherans are following the footsteps of Luther to Rome where Pope Francis will meet them.

The LEC organizes the Good Friday combined Churches Service, the World Day of Prayer, the Week of prayer for Unity and the Christmas on the Green.

THE HSI SCHOOL OF DISCIPLESHIP: 1yr Bible study program starts effective 22nd July 2016 every Friday between 7to 9pm at St Anne's Church. Includes Adult and children's ministry. A blessing and a leadership program for our parish. Please contact Elaine on 0418 322 596 to register.

THANK YOU: to the generous parishioners of Sunbury Parish who supported the Motor Neuron Disease fund raiser at all St Anne's Masses last Saturday and Sunday. Marion O'Callaghan reports that she was overwhelmed by the generosity of parishioners who helped raise \$743 over the 2 days. All the products were sold out and people were leaving donations. All donations will go toward finding a cure for this debilitating disease.

FEDERAL ELECTION: The Catholic Bishops have issued a statement: "A vote for the Voiceless"- available on the internet www.catholic.org.au

The following children from our parish will be baptized this Sunday: Reece COLLIER Megan CRAWFORD Hudson LEWIS Logan & Hunter VANDERKOLK

We joyfully welcome them to our parish community of the Church.



SALESIAN VISITORS: on 28 August our parish will welcome a troop of 45 Samoan Dancers who will sing at our Masses. There will be a fundraiser for a new technical school at each Mass. More details will follow closer to the time.

DAY OF PRAYER FOR FAMILY AND LIFE: On **Friday 1 July** a day of prayer for family and life will take place throughout our universal church. Mass will be followed by Holy Hour which includes the Rosary. The Church would like to focus our attention on the gift and dignity of family life. All families are unique and each family dynamic tries to meet the needs of each person. Please join us at 9.15am Mass.

NEW PRIESTS FOR MELBOURNE: on June 25 at St Patrick's Cathedral, two new priests were ordained for Melbourne. Please pray for Fathers Geoff McIlroy and Darien Sticklen as they begin their priestly ministry in our Archdiocese. Please also pray that others will hear the call of the Lord to serve as priests or religious in Melbourne.

NAIDOC WEEK – 3 TO 10 JULY: NAIDOC Mass – Sunday 10 July, 11.00am at St Francis Church, 326 Lonsdale Street Melbourne NAIDOC Art Exhibition – 21st June to 18th August, at St Francis Church, Melbourne. Located in Pastoral Rooms beside the church. Designed by Primary School FIRE Carriers in the Northeast network, representing their schools journey to Reconciliation.

BABY ITEMS ST VINCENT DE PAUL: Vinnie's are looking for items in good condition for new-born babies such as bassinets and linen, blankets, pram, swaddling and other baby clothes, baby bath and towels, baby gym, etc. Donations may be left at the Parish Office. All gifts greatly appreciated.

EMPTY ARMS, HEALING HEARTS: on Sunday July 24 at 2.30pm in Memorial Hall, a special service will be celebrated for those who have lost a child before or after birth of any age. We will remember the children we can no longer hold but will never forget. Any family who wish to attend are most welcome. The Service is being organized by the Sunbury Churches.

FIRST ANNIVERSARY OF THE ENCYCLICAL LAUDATO SI. .On 18th June, Pope Francis inspired Catholics and people of good will the world over when he called us to unite to protect "our common home." Members of our Advocacy team have prepared a reflection power point which you may find helpful. Last Monday Pope Francis addressed the leaders of UN World Food Program at their headquarters in Rome; put this challenge to the staff and to us all when he stated: "We are bombarded by so many images that we see pain, but do not touch it; we hear weeping, but do not comfort it; we see thirst but do not satisfy it. All those human lives turn into one more news story. While the headlines may change, the pain, the hunger and the thirst remain." "It is not enough," the Pope said, "to offer broad reflections or engage in endless discussion, constantly repeating things everyone knows. We need to "denaturalize" extreme poverty, to stop seeing it as a statistic rather than a reality. Why? Because poverty has a face! It has the face of a child; it has the face of a family; it has the face of people, young and old. It has the face of widespread unemployment and lack of opportunity. It has the face of forced migrations, and of empty or destroyed homes. We cannot "naturalize" the fact that so many people are starving. We cannot simply say that their situation is the result of blind fate and that nothing can be done about it. Once poverty no longer has a face, we can yield to the temptation of discussing "hunger", "food" and "violence" as concepts, without reference to the real people knocking on our doors today. Without faces and stories, human lives become statistics and we run the risk of bureaucratizing the sufferings of others. Bureaucracies shuffle papers; compassion deals with people."

ROSTERS NEXT WEEKEND

ALTAR CARE: Nil CLEANING: OLMC Church— Deborah Hoey Win Birt St Anne's Church – Nil COUNTERS Bernie Owens Mary Reay Mary Alkemade GIFT SHOP: Carmel Wiegerink Frances Arians LECTORS: Mick Hetherington Adelfo Hipolito Elaine Van der Weerden Kevin Crowley MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: 6.00pm Angelo Snell Jim O'Brien Dawn Westwood Sue Wight Patricia & Angelo Altair Mary Baensch Anne Burnside 8.30am Jo & Carmel Wiegerink Colin & Coreen Wilson Tom Allen Ann Chircop Rex Jacob 10.30am Cathy Gay Tony Hendy Mick Hetherington Teresa Kiploks Sr Jose` Noy Moira Sullivan Mark Perry Mimi Quattrone 5.30pm Will Honner Maria Mallia Rita Rocco