

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

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Liturgy Times this Week

6.00pm St Anne's Sat 8.30am St Anne's Sun 10.30am St Anne's 5.30pm OLMC

9.15am St Anne's - Liturgy of Word Mon

7.00pm OLMC Tues 9.15am St Anne's Wed 2.30pm Lions Hostel 9.15am St Anne's Thurs Frid 9.15am St Anne's

> Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 10.00am—10.30am OLMC

17h July 2016 **Our Lady of Mount Carmel Feast Day**

Psalm Response

The Lord has done great things for me; holy is his name

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Blessed is Mary, virgin and mother, who bore the Word of God and pondered it in her heart. Alleluial

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

Noelene Hussey Principal:

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: Brian HETHERINGTON Arthur PALSER Rolando TAMAYO Christine VELTHUIS Avelino VERA JNR Matthew WITSEY Bethany WRAGG

Recently Deceased: Ian BELL Madge BOURKE Naureen CHISHOLM Gwen MCCORMACK

Anniversaries: Marissa CARLETTI Joseph D'SOUZA Lily & Ronald D'SOUZA

Maclovia GONZALEZ Augusein GONZALEZ

Jermael HIPOLITO Louizena RODRIGUES Katherine STARK

Charlie ZERAFA

OUR PARISH FEAST DAY

Let us welcome each other as we gather this Sunday to celebrate our parish. From the beginning we Christians have met together to pray and support each other. At first, they met together in their homes and later the expanding members required a special building, later called a church.

Pope Francis in his apostolic letter "The Joy of the Gospel" writes at length about the parish today and how a missionary impulse would change parish life.

"In all its activities the parish encourages and trains its members to be evangelisers. It is a community of communities, a sanctuary where the thirsty come to drink in the midst of their journey, and a centre of constant missionary outreach. We must admit, though, that the call to review and renew our parishes has not yet sufficed to bring them nearer to people, to make them environments of living communion and participation and to make them completely mission-oriented" (Pope Francis Joy of the Gospel No 28) Let us continue to work to develop our 24 neighbourhoods as listed on your letter received early this month so that our parish can become a community of communities.

FIVE TIPS FOR PARISHES FROM POPE FRANCIS

- He prays "all who approach the Church find doors open to encounter Jesus' 1.
- 2. Pope Francis says that when people go to their parish, they should feel like they are entering their mother's house.
- 3. Pope Francis urges us to put first those who feel distant and the most vulnera-
- 4. Pope Francis is very clear that the laity need to be involved in their parishes
- Pope Francis urges us to ask ourselves "Do I increase harmony in my parish or am I a gossip, or do I cause division or embarrassment?"

DEFENDER OF FAITH- ELIZABETH II

At Queen Elizabeth's official 90th Birthday celebrations last month, the first major event was a service of thanksgiving at St Paul's Cathedral. Ian Bradley of the University of St Andrews writes the Queen turns first to prayer and worship to mark both personal and national anniversaries and occasions, happy or sad. She attends church every Sunday. She has done more than any other post-Reformation British sovereign to reach out to the Roman Catholic Church. She has been a regular visitor to the Vatican from 1951 to 2014. "I have met a lot of popes in my time" she said.

The Queen has commended the Scriptures and teachings of all the major world faiths in her recent Christian broadcasts and shows a personal interest in and commitment to interfaith initiatives.

CARDINAL NICHOLS OF LONDON CONGRATULATES THERESA MAY

Both have previously worked together in the fight against human trafficking. Theresa attended the first meeting at the Vatican in 2014 where Pope Francis and police chiefs from 20 countries committed to working with the Church in combatting human traffick-

"I am personally delighted at your appointment. I know from the work we have done together that you have so many qualities to bring to the service of our contries. I appreciate the maturity of judgment, the steely resolve, the sense of justice and personal integrity and warmth you have always shown." Cardinal Nichols wrote.

Last month, the Vatican brought together senior judges, prosecutors and magistrates from across the world to share their experiences and sign a declaration to tackle the horror of human slavery. In the UK alone, 13000 are trapped in modern slavery.

PAN ORTHODOX COUNCIL

The first such council in 1200 years began in Crete in late June. The Council is composed of 14 Orthodox Churches from different regions with different languages and cultures. The Russian Orthodox Church is not attending. The Council is a decision to build unity and relate the Orthodox faith to the modern world, an aim of the Second Vatican Council. Let us pray for our 350 million brothers and sisters at this important meetina.

"AN ALL-OUT WAR ON THE CATHOLIC CHURCH"

On 10 June during the federal election campaign, the president of the Australian Sex Party, Fiona Patten a member of the Victorian Legislative Council emailed her party supporters to declare an all-out war on the Catholic Church." Archbishop Anthony Fisher of Sydney criticized her declaration- "there's nothing so messianic as a single-issue party on a crusade."

.....Kevin McIntosh

PARISH FESTIVAL LUNCH: 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 during our parish lunch.

EMPTY ARMS, HEALING HEARTS: On **Sunday 24 July** 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 wishes to attend are most welcome. The Service is being organized by the Sunbury Churches.

SALESIAN VISITORS: On **Sunday 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 in Samoa at each Mass. More details will follow closer to the time.

THE HSI SCHOOL OF DISCIPLESHIP: A 1 year Bible study program starts effective **22 July 2016** every Friday between 7pm to 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.

TWILIGHT SCHOOL: On **Tuesday 19 July** from 6pm, satirist, actor and author John Clarke will be in conversation with Bruno Lettieri at the Twilight School at Rupertswood Mansion, Sunbury. \$10 entrance to hear the wacky tales of this talented story teller. Bookings via Bruno Lettieri on 9744 0085.

DID YOU KNOW?: on our wonderful Parish Website, the Mass of the Week is on the front page for those who cannot attend Mass? Also, the readings of the day can also be found on our Parish Website. We are very lucky to have our website managed so professionally by a volunteer. There are many helpful resources and articles available for everyone to see. Facebook is another good way of accessing Parish Info and asking any questions.

THANKYOU: to our dedicated volunteers who serve at Bingo every Thursday night. All who attend are guaranteed an enjoyable social night.

OUR PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY: to Fr Greg Bourke our parish priest in 1995-1997 whose mother Madge entered eternal life on Thursday. Her funeral Vigil is on Wednesday at 7.30pm in Our Lady's church Sunshine followed by Mass next day at 11am.

POPES HUMANITARIAN AID: annual collection raised \$1544 in our parish last month.

RCIA EXPRESSIONS OF INTEREST: RCIA stands for the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. It is a process of developing our relationship with God, each other and the Catholic community, while learning more about Jesus and His church. If you or someone you know, would like to learn more about the Catholic faith, an Inquiry night will be held in the Meeting Room of the St Anne's church foyer on Monday 25 July at 7.30pm that will last about an hour. For more information please contact the Parish Office on 9744 1060 or Jo Wiegerink on 9744 5788. Thankyou.

PARISH PLAYGROUP: our parish currently runs a playgroup each Tuesday from 9am to 10am in the Parish Centre. During the year we have the Kinda Kinder program run for 5 weeks twice per year. The other weeks we have an unstructured play time where parents and children can play with the toys and socialize together. All are welcome.

CHILDRENS LITURGY OF THE WORD– TERM 3: Currently our parish runs children's liturgy at 1 mass per weekend during school term. If you are interested in helping to run these sessions to teach the children of our parish about our faith, please contact Jo at the Parish Office on 9744 1060.

Term 3 program is as follows:

17 July	10.30am	Christine
23 July	6.00pm	Paul
31 July	10.30am	Bernadette
6 August	6.00pm	Sue & Bridget
14 August	10.30am	Sr Jose`
20 August	6.00pm	Rita
28 August	10.30am	Christine & Car
3 Sept	6.00pm	Sue & Bridget

28 August 10.30am Christine & Carol 3 Sept 6.00pm Sue & Bridget 11 Sept 10.30am Bernadette 17 Sept 6.00pm Rita

A MOMENT IN PRAYER: there are 4 mysteries of the Rosary; The Joyful Mysteries, the Glorious Mysteries, the Sorrowful Mysteries and the Luminous Mysteries. Over the next few weeks, we will focus on 1 of the mysteries: this week the Joyful Mysteries.

In the Joyful Mysteries which we usually pray on Monday and Saturday, we have 5 mysteries from the bible; The Annunciation (Luke 1:26-38); The Visitation (Luke 1:40-42); The Birth of our Lord (Luke 2:1-20); The Presentation of the Lord (Luke 2:22-38); and The finding of Our Lord in the Temple (Luke 2:41-50).

The Visitation: is a timely reflection today on our Parish Feast Day as we hear in our Gospel reading today. The servant of the Lord, Mary goes to help her cousin Elizabeth who heavily pregnant with John the Baptist. Elizabeth regocgnises that Mary is pregnant with the Saviour Jesus and gives us those powerful words used in the prayer of the "Hail Mary", "Blessed are you among women and blessed is the fruit of thy womb".

As Mary, already servant to the Lord, goes to help her cousin Elizabeth in her time of need, when have you been able to help someone in their need? When did you help and not get any help back? Did you feel the grace of God with you when you helped those in need?

ROSTERS NEXT WEEKEND

ALTAR CARE: Mary Porta **CLEANING:** OLMC Church— Peter Readman St Anne's Church—Margaret Crooks Beth Girdwood Jo **COUNTERS** Frank Busuttil Jenny & Peter Ryan **GIFT SHOP**: Roselle Duckworth Mary Wicks **LECTORS:** Paul Fanning Peter Readman Mimi Quattrone Teresa Quin **MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:** *6.00pm* Dawn Westwood Sue Wight Patricia & Angelo Altair Mary Baensch Anne Burnside Vicki Heath Paul Hogan **8.30am** Liz Richards Glenda Shanahan Graeme & Lynne Simpson Andrew Swann Monica Allen Jo & Carmel Wiegerink *10.30am* Cathy Gay Tony Hendy Mick Hetherington Teresa Kiploks Sr Jose` Noy Grace Tucker Mark Perry Mimi Quattrone *5.30pm* Alan Slocombe Mary Thomas Christine Wallace