

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
 St Anne's

 Wed:
 9.15am
 St Anne's

 Thurs:
 9.15am
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 9.15am
 St Anne's

Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 10.00am—10.30am OLMC

7 August 2016 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Psalm Response

Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia! Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming. 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

Please contact the Parish Office for details of the next Baptismal Preparation meeting.

LET US PRAY FOR

Sick: Dennis BELLEVILLE Grace BOOTH Brian HETHERINGTON Matthew JURICIC Peter & Tricia KENNEDY Kath KILGARIFF Arthur PALSER Pat PRICE Matthew WITSEY Bethany WRAGG

Recently Deceased: Dr Rod DOYLE cfc Noel SKILLECORN

Anniversaries: Mira BEC Carmen CAUCHI Margaret CAUCHI Tim FAHEY Emmanuel GALEA Ivan KURIC Joseph MICALLEF Joyce ROMEO Pat SMITH John WHITE



"FEAR NOT LITTLE FLOCK, YOUR FATHER IS GIVING YOU THE KINGDOM"

These words open our gospel today (Luke 12:32-40). Nowadays, with reports of bombings in Turkey, Nice, and the Middle East, we can become fearful and despondent.

In Australia, the National Crime Authority last week reported an increasing use of ice, often leading to violent crime.

Hearing the incessant news of crime and misfortunes we can lose hope. Jesus' words are even stronger in the original Greek "Your Father has determined to give you the kingdom." We do not know when God will call us into a deeper life with him.

WAITING IN HOPE

Meanwhile, we also live now in the presence of God. We are blessed to enjoy that presence in the Eucharist and in other ways.

The basis of our hope is the incomprehensible generosity of God. Our second reading today from the book of Hebrews (11:1-2, 8-12) that God is faithful, God keeps faith with us. The faith of Abraham and Sarah was rewarded.

THE FAITH OF THOSE WHO WENT BEFORE US

As we listen to the faith of Abraham and Sarah let us recall our own 'faith' ancestral history— the people, the teachers, family members, friends whose faith has surrounded us. Such witness possibly has more impact on our lives than classes of religious education.

VIGILANT STEWARDS

A steward is one who stands in the place of the master during the master's absence—taking on the duties and responsibilities of the master. Christians are called to become stewards acting in the place of Jesus as we await his return. As St Mary MacKillop whose feast is tomorrow said "Never see a need without doing something about it."

NATIONAL CENSUS- TUESDAY: The Australian Catholic Church urges all Catholics to indicate their religion as Catholics on the census for purpose of planning. It is particularly important in our growing Parish.

ANNUAL PARISH ASSEMBLY: Will be held on Saturday morning 3 September at St Anne's School Library at 9.30am to 12 noon. All welcome.

ST MARY MACKILLOP– our National Patron: Mass celebrating her feast day on Monday 8 August will be held at 9.15am at St Anne's Church.

.....Kevin McIntosh

ST MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP

Mary is well known for her concern for and work on behalf of the poor, neglected, marginalized and isolated people of her time. This concern which moved her to action is firmly anchored in her relationship with God. This love relationship was central to Mary's life, as it is in ours here in Sunbury.

In these times of crisis and uncertainty Mary offers a sign of hope. We look to her, a person like ourselves, to see how she responded to the day to day circumstances of her life, the joys and sorrows of family life, the courage required when facing illness and loss in one's life, the pain and suffering of being rejected. She would urge us to go forward with trust in God.

"Believer in the whisperings of God to your own heart." MM 1868. Mary invites all the Church to listen attentively to the murmur of God in their own heart and in the hearts of people. This requires that we take time to listen to the small quiet voice of God alive in so many ways and in so many places amidst the ordinariness of everyday life.

....Sr Jose` Noy RSJ



EVERGREENS: our next parish Evergreens Group Social Afternoon is on Tuesday 23 August; 1-2.30pm in our Parish Centre. Come and hear our guest speaker Naomi from Hume Council; enjoy musical entertainment and afternoon tea. Please bring a plate to share. All welcome.

PARENTING IN FAITH: Tuesday 9 August 7.30pm and Wednesday 10 August 2pm in Parish Centre for parents of children preparing for Sacrament of Reconciliation. It is recommended parents arrive 15 minutes early for registration and name tags and a prompt start. Each session will be one hour only. Fr Bert

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND: Invest in your most precious asset...... Your Marriage! Forget life's tensions and interruptions and rekindle the closeness, intimacy, love and romance that brought you together. Recharge your relationship batteries and explore the precious nature of your marriage, allowing you both to share your feelings, hopes and dreams with each other in ways that normal, daily living tends to inhibit. There is no group sharing. Couples and a priest present the weekend. It is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome. 2016 Melbourne weekend dates: 19-21 Aug, 11-13 Nov Starts 7pm on Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday. Accommodation and all meals provided. Information/Bookings: PH: Marianne & Marcel (03) 9733 0997 Email: vicbookings@wwme.org.au Website:www.wwme.org.au

NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK 2016: In this Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis reminds us of the need of our world for mercy. Let us pray that we will reflect the merciful love of the Father by our words, actions and prayers. Let us also pray that more young people will take up the challenge to be 'Stewards of Mercy' in the vocations of priesthood and consecrated life.

CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL: Thank you for helping to provide education, as well as emotional and spiritual support to the most vulnerable children so they can have the opportunity to break the cycle of poverty and have a future with hope. Your generosity is making it possible for local priests and sisters to help many more children in desperate need. The generous parishioners of our parish donated \$2058.

KIMBERLEY CATHOLIC VOLUNTEER SERVICE <u>URGENTLY</u> <u>WANTED</u>: VOLUNTEER WORKERS: The Diocese of Broome, WA, requires volunteers to assist with the work of the local Church on Aboriginal Missions. We are currently urgently seeking a couple to assist the Priest in the community of **Balgo** and a couple to manage the **Warmun Retreat Centre** over the wet season. There are several other roles also available. Placements are preferred for a period of 6 months. For further details, and an application form, please contact: Volunteer Coordinator Anneliese Rohr: 0415 526 142 Email: <u>volunteers@broomediocese.org</u> Web: <u>www.broomediocese.org</u> Mail: **PO**

SALESIAN VISITORS FROM SAMOA: 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.

MORNING TEA: will be hosted in St Anne's Church after 8.30am Mass this Sunday. All welcome.

RITE OF ELECTION: for the candidates seeking to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in October will be held at Masses next Sunday.

The following children will be baptized this Sunday: Jackson BOYD

Willow CUTAJAR Walter RIGBY

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

BAPTISM

MEETINGS NEXT WEEK:

Tuesday 9 August

7.30pm
Parenting in Faith Gr3
Parish Centre

RSJ Associates
St Anne's Church
Parenting in Faith Gr3
Parish Centre

7.30pm Parish Meeting Night

Baptism Prep St Anne's Church

5.30pm Parish Education Board

THE HIS SCHOOL OF DISCIPLESHIP: The HSI School of Discipleship commenced on **Friday 29 July** at St. Anne's Church at 7.00pm. The main purpose of the school is to train people to learn, live and share their faith. Come and check it out during August before committing to the year long course. Everyone is welcome, including children, who will be catered for. For further information please contact Elaine on 0418 322 596

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 by Victoria University 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. **Kinda Kinder Program is now running until 30 August.**

CHILDRENS LITURGY OF THE WORD— TERM 3: Currently our parish runs children's liturgy at one 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:

Sue & Bridget 6 August 6.00pm 14 August 10.30am Sr Jose` 20 August 6.00pm Rita 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 one 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).**

<u>The finding of Our Lord in the Temple:</u> after three days, they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, both listening to them and asking questions.

- Have you ever had a friend who you lost contact with? Have you come across them again after some time and wondered why you had lost contact? Did you find joy in your reunion?
- Have you lost contact with your faith? Do you feel like you have something missing in your life? Speak with God and ask his guidance to find yourself again.

ROSTERS NEXT WEEKEND

ALTAR CARE: Nil CLEANING: OLMC Church— Michelle Fettes St Anne's Church – Nil COUNTERS Kelly Stark Vern & Maureen Walters GIFT SHOP: Dolly Causer Pam Fairbairn LECTORS: Mick Hetherington Peter Readman Michael McConville Christine Wallace MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: 6.00pm Patricia & Angelo Altair Mary Baensch Anne Burnside Vicki Heath Paul Hogan Garnet Jacob Paul Fanning 8.30am Colin & Coreen Wilson Ann Chircop Lloyd D'Crus Rex Jacob Lili Lupa Liz Richards Glenda Shanahan 10.30am Johanna Fahey cathy Gay Tony Hendy Mick Hetherington Teresa Kiploks Sr Jose` Noy Mimi Quattrone Mark Perry 5.30pm Will Honner Maria Mallia Rita Rocco