

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 Liturgy of Word Tues: 2.30pm St Anne's Funeral Paul Castelli

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

> Sacrament of Reconciliation Saturday 10.00am—10.30am OLMC

28 August 2016 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Psalm Response

God in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia!
Take my yoke upon you; learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart.
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: Grace BOOTH Monica HAYES Brian HETHERINGTON Matthew JURICIC Peter & Tricia KENNEDY Margaret MCCONVILLE Arthur PALSER Brian RAMSAY Elizabeth ROZARIO Matthew WITSEY Bethany WRAGG

Recently Deceased: Paul CASTELLI

Anniversaries: Vincenza CALLEYA Kate CROOKS Cathleen FITZGERALD Katie MARTIN Lydia SEGOLIN

Special Collection next week
Priests Retirement Foundation

Special Collection this week Samoan Technical School

HUMILITY

'Everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.' (Luke 14:16)

A rather pompous landowner met a local farmer one morning and said to him, 'Why, Brown, you're getting quite bent. Why don't you stand up straight like me?' In reply, Farmer Brown said, 'Do you see yon field of corn?' And when the other nodded, he went on, 'Well, you'll notice that the full heads hang down, and the empty ones stand up.' Don't we love it when the man who is puffed up with pride is brought back to earth?

An American girl visited the house of Beethoven. She sat down at the piano of the great artist and played through with pride his *Moonlight Sonata*. When she had finished she turned to the stern old caretaker of the house and said to him, 'I suppose many great people come here.' 'Yes,' said the man. 'Paderewski was here last week.' 'And did he play on Beethoven's piano?' she asked. 'No,' said the old man, 'he said he wasn't worthy.' (Southern Churchman)

Jesus, having observed the blatant jockeying for places of honour at the rich man's table, had a message for the invited guests. Their exhibition of self-promotion, their pushy and aggressive behaviour, and their vying for prestige and status, were symptoms of the deadly sin of pride. And pride comes before the fall. There will be no room for such behaviour in the messianic banquet.

There is a story of a rabbi, a cantor and a humble synagogue cleaner who were preparing for the Day of Atonement. The rabbi beat his breast and said, 'I am nothing, I am nothing!' The cantor beat his breast and said, 'I am nothing, I am nothing!' The cleaner beat his breast and said, 'I am nothing, I am nothing!' And the rabbi said to the cantor, 'Look who thinks he is nothing.' (Alan Paton)

Did the rabbi and the cantor just mouth words of humility, while deep down they were stinking with pride? Humility is truth about oneself. 'True humility makes no pretence of being humble, and scarcely ever utters words of humility.' (St Francis de Sales) One calls to mind the caricature phoney **Uriah Heep** in Charles Dickens' **David Copperfield:** 'I am a humble man, I am.' The same character was riddled with pride. 'Pride changed angels into devils; humility makes men into angels.' (The Great St Augustine of Hippo)

'Holiness is not in one exercise or another: it consists in a disposition of the heart, which renders us humble and little in the hand of God. We are conscious of our weakness but confident, even daringly confident, in God's fatherly goodness.' (St Therese of Lisieux)

The humble man is grateful for what he has received and is never boastful or conceited. He does not belittle others who appear to have been given less, not is he envious of those who have been given more. Comparisons are odious. Parents sometimes make the mistake of saying to N° 3 sibling, 'Why can't you be more like your N° 1 sibling?' God does not say that to us. God is more likely to us, 'I love you as you are, and I will help you to be your best self. In the meantime, relax, you are in my hands.' Let me conclude with this gem: "You grow up the day you have your first laugh at yourself." (Ethel Barrymore)

Fr Bert Fulbrook sdb

PARISH ASSEMBLY 2016: next Saturday 3 September from 9.30am-12.30pm in our Parish Centre. As co-responsible parishioners we will gather to review the activities of our active groups, receive an update on plans for our Parish future and commit ourselves to working together in the coming 12 months. Any proposals for discussion need to be received by Wednesday evening at the parish office. Proposals are to be signed by three Parishioners.

We have a seat and a cuppa with your name on it. We would love to see and hear from you at the Parish Assembly......

SALESIAN STUDENTS FROM SAMOA: we welcome today at our Sunday morning Masses: These young men are being given a second chance at secondary education by the Salesians in Samoa. These men will lead our singing and add a few small parts to our Mass. These parts were developed by the late Cardinal Pio of Samoa. A collection will be taken up to build an apprentice school for such youth. On Sunday at 7pm the men will give a dance concert in our Parish Centre. Admission is FREE.

MOVIE NIGHT: please join us on Saturday 3 September at 7pm in the parish centre as we gather to watch the inspirational movie called "Courageous" developed by the Baptist Church in Georgia, USA. It is very timely for Fathers Day as it is about four men who are learning the art of being Fathers to their kids! Inspiring and riveting! Bring your bean bag, blankets, snacks and get ready for a great family movie. No RSVP required, just turn up. Coffee and tea provided.

MERCY BBQ FUNDRAISER: please come join us on Sunday 4 September after 10.30am Mass at St Anne's church for our fundraiser. This is to support a small number of families with absolutely no income/ not eligible for Centrelink payment. Currently these families are supported but have to suffer the indignity of having no access to cash what so ever. Please join us and all are welcome. This will replace the morning tea normally held after 8.30am on the first Sunday of the month.

OLMC CHURCH: a new alarm system has been installed in our church. The system requires a password to operate.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK:

Tues 30 August 7pm Confirmation Parent/Child Parish Centre Wed 31 August 8.30am School Design Committee

10am Annual Parish/School Planning

7.30pm OLMC School Advisory Committee

Sat 3 September 9.30am Annual Parish Assembly Parish Centre

ANNUAL FATHER'S DAY COLLECTION FOR OUR RE-

TIRED PRIESTS: supports the retired priests of Melbourne Archdiocese. Since last August, the following priests supported by this collection have entered eternal life: Fathers Des Cameron, John Woodcock, John Spillane, Cyril Blake, Ross McKenney and Mick Fitzpatrick.

The Melbourne priests who have retired or will soon do so this year are: Fathers Brian Costgriff, Mal Crawford, Arnold Heredia, Barry Moran, Michael Morgan, Tony Toms and Mick Wheeler.

CONGRATULATIONS ON YOUR GOLDEN ANNIVER-

SARY: to Doreen and Claude Mills who are celebrating 50 years of marriage this month. Their marriage began in St Francis of Assisi Church Paddington NSW. They have been blessed with two sons, Michael and Ian. Claude & Doreen came to our parish last year.

OUR PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY: we offer to the family of Paul Castelli who entered eternal life last Monday aged 67 years after eight years of serious ill health. Paul, his sister Maria and their parents migrated from Sicily in 1958. His Funeral Mass is on Tuesday at 2.30pm.

ST PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL SOUND RECITAL: soprano, flute and organ on Tuesday 30 August 6.30-7.30pm. \$20 at the door. More info is on the noticeboard at St Anne's Church.

AN AFTERNOON OF SPRING DELIGHTS: at St Andrews Uniting Church cnr Brook and Barkley Sts, Sunbury on Thursday 15 September at 1.30pm. Donation of \$10 will support The Leprosy Mission Projects in India and Nepal. Musical program by Kristin Britten and afternoon tea. Enquiries to Joycelyn Young 9740 5948.

THE HIS SCHOOL OF DISCIPLESHIP: continuing on Friday 2 September 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. **This Tuesday will be the last 2016 session of Kinda Kinder Program.**

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:

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

CATHOLICS WELCOME ASYLUM SEEKERS: the nation of Lebanon with a population of four million has welcomed one million refugees from Syria. The Catholics of Lebanon have opened their homes to accommodate refugees.

CHOSEN GENERATION: YOUTH RETREAT: Saturday 17 and Sunday 18 September from 10am-6pm at Salesian College, Chadstone. 2 days of praise, worship, music and inspiring talks and messages from gifted ministers. More info Nicola 0410 423 350.

HOLY LAND OLVE WOOD DISPLAY: a family from Bethlehem will be at all Masses this weekend at St Anne's church to display their huge collection of religious artifacts, such as rosaries, crosses, nativity scenes and Christmas ornaments. All funds raised will support Christian families in Bethlehem.

CATHOLIC ALLIANCE PEOPLE SEEKING ASYLUM (CAPSA) CIRCLE OF SILENCE: Friday, 2 September 2016, 11.00 am – 12.30 pm Birrarung Marr (next to Fed Square), Batman Ave, Melbourne. The Circle will consist of speakers, including people from a refugee background who will share their experiences, followed by 30 minutes of silence in respect for those whose dignity and rights have been infringed under Australian immigration policy. The Circle will end with a reflection and prayer.

ROSTERS NEXT WEEKEND

ALTAR CARE: Danielle Caruana CLEANING: OLMC Church— Deborah Hoey Win Birt St Anne's Church—Margaret Crooks Beth Girdwood Jo Spiteri COUNTERS John & Judith Bracher Judith Ibrahim GIFT SHOP: Carmel Wiegerink Pam Fairbairn LECTORS: Moira Sullivan Colin & Coreen Wilson Mary Macdermid Jo Spiteri MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: 6.00pm Albert & Diana Mastramico Sashi Nair Eileen Naylor Jennifer Poon Carmel Pritchard Barry Roberts Assistance Required 8.30am Andrew Swann Monica Allen Jo & Carmel Wiegerink Colin & Coreen Wilson Tom Allen Ann Chircop 10.30am Tony Hendy Mick Hetherington Teresa Kiploks Sr Jose Noy Christine Cassar Mark Perry Mimi Quattrone Sean Quigley 5.30pm Alan Slocombe Mary Thomas Christine Wallace