

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

Bulla, Clarkefield, Diggers Rest, Sunbury, Wildwood

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Liturgy Times this Week

 Sat
 5.30pm
 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

1.30pm St Anne's Funeral Tony Sanza

Tues 6.30pm OLMC
Wed: 7.30pm St Anne's
Thurs 9.15am St Anne's
Fri: 9.15am St Anne's

11.00pm St Anne's Funeral Joan Watmough

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

Acting Principal: Mark Gleeson

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

> 10.00am-10.30am Reconciliation OLMC Church

20 November 2016 Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Psalm Response

Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia!
Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of
David our Father; blessed is he who comes in
the name of the Lord.
Alleluia!

LET US PRAY FOR

Sick: Emmanuel AGIUS Carmel BRENNAN Margaret CROOKS Cath KILGARIFF Cathie LIO Violeta MARIANO Josephine MEEHAS Bernadette NOONAN Arthur PALSER Leo RYAN Frank WALKER Beth WARBURTON Shirley WHORLOW Bethany WRAGG

Recently Deceased: Maurice GROGAN Sr ASUN; THA Sr Joan MACGINLEY RSM Rosemary MAGABILEN Tony STANZA Joan WATMOUGH

Anniversaries: Bishop Jerry COFFEY Dulcie CRUTCHLEY Leila HOLNESS Adelaida MACARIO Ron PLUMMER Jack SEAGRAVE Alby TORR Myrtle WALLACE **30TH ANNIVERSARY OF SAINT JOHN PAUL II'S ADDRESS TO ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER PEOPLES:** will be celebrated on 27 November. <u>This week</u> our parish will remember the importance of this visit to the Australian Catholic Community when Saint Pope John Paul II reminded us of the importance of Unity and Reconciliation.

Quote from Saint John Paul 2nd in Alice Springs in November in 1986

"You are part of Australia and Australia is part of you. And the Church herself in Australia will not be fully the Church that Jesus wants her to be until you have made your contribution to her life and until that contribution has been joyfully received by others."

These words were spoken to the Aboriginal Catholics in Alice Springs 30 years ago, but could equally apply to us all right now in 2016.

One way our parish took heed of his words was that following the Jubilee Year, a small group commenced a discussion in the Parish on the importance of installing a Plaque acknowledging the aboriginal people who lived in this part of the country where we now worship.

By popular vote among our Parishioners, the decision was made to install a plaque and on the wording to be used.

We shared an amazing celebration at the blessing and unveiling of the Plaque on the 28th July 2002.

Please take the time today to pass by the Rock....our garden around the Rock is looking sad, notwithstanding our best efforts.....perhaps someone has a suggestion on how it can be replanted and child proofed!

You may also like to view our Message Stick on display in the glass cabinet behind the font.

It was purchased from the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry (founded following the Papal Visit) and symbolises the sharing of cultural knowledge.

The paintings displayed on the back wall of the Church were prepared and painted by the teachers and students of our Confirmation class of 2001. These children met with Vickie Clark who was the Co-ordinator of the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry Vic. to discuss Aboriginal Spirituality and gain an understanding of the links between Confirmation, (Christian Initiation) and Aboriginal Initiation .

OUR PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY: we offer to the family of Sr Joan MacGinley and to her Sisters of Mercy. Joan grew up in Toowoomba where two of her brothers serve as priests. She worked for over 30 years in PNG in teaching and promoting the renewal of society and the church. She had mobility difficulties due to suffering polio. She entered eternal life suddenly last week aged 84 years.

FORGOTTEN VICTIMS OF CRIME: each year across England and Wales and estimated 200000 children are affected by a parents imprisonment. In fact, twice as many children are affected by a parent's imprisonment than by their parents' divorce. A similar situation must be in Australia.

The experience of having a family member go to prison has been described as "bereavement without a body" and the impact on children and their families can be complex and far reaching. The main Catholic prison charity in England has launched a project to raise awareness and a school Toolkit. For more information, contact Katherine.Copperthwaite@prisonadvice.org.uk

GETTING CLOSER ALL THE TIME: in 1964, at Vatican II Council, the Church solemnly taught that all Christians baptized in the name of the Holy Trinity share the same generic faith, and are members of the one Church of Christ. It declared: "It is the Holy spirit, dwelling in those who believe and pervadeing and ruling over the Church as a whole, who brings about that wonderful communion of the faithful."

In 1966, Pope Paul VI gave his episcopal ring to the leader of the Anglican Church, Archbishop Michael Ramsey as a sign of concord between Catholics and Anglicans. In the past 50 years, all Archbishops of Canterbury have worn that ring when visiting Rome. Last month Archbishop Justin Welby visited Pope Francis.

.....Kevin McIntosh

CHRISTMAS ON THE GREEN: the Combined Churches of Sunbury are seeking help. Need helpers to set up and pack up stalls, selling food, drink, candles, collection, handing out program, children's activities, etc. Please call Wilmy on 9740 9448 if you can help please. A sign up sheet is at the back of both churches for you to consider.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK:

Tues 22 Nov12.30pmMinisters AssociationBaptist ChurchTues 22 Nov7.30pmChristmas on the GreenSt Mary'sWed 23 Nov1.30pmParish/School Co-ordParish Centre

CHRISTMAS WORKING BEES COMING UP: Advent starts next weekend. Our parish will be preparing for the celebrations and will require assistance.

- Christmas Cards for parishioners will need to be folded. We invite parishioners to come into the parish centre and fold on Wednesday 14 December anytime after 9.15am morning Mass.
- Thursday 22 December we will be setting up St Anne's Church at 7pm with extra chairs for our Christmas Eve Masses. We would appreciate any assistance.

NEWS FROM LITURGY TEAM: our team meeting was held on Tuesday 15 November and we have some upcoming notices for your attention.

- Advent Reflection days: to be held on Thursday 1/12/2016 & 15/12/2016 after morning Mass; evening sessions will be on Wednesday 30/11/2016 & 14/12/2016
- Blessing of graves will take place on Sunday 27 November.
 Bulla Cemetery at 2pm and Sunbury Cemetery at 3pm.
- Festival of Carols & Readings OLMC hosting on Sunday 18 December in OLMC Church at 7pm

SAVE THE DATE: on **Sunday 4 December** our parish will be celebrating the 80th Birthday of Fr Bert Fulbrook in the Parish Centre. Wine will be provided. Please bring a plate to share. More info to come......

SAVE THE DATE!!!!- Annual Parish Christmas Dinner Dance will be held on Saturday 3 December in the Parish Centre. Tickets will be on sale from 1st week of November @ \$20 per head, pensioners \$15, children ages 6-10 \$15 per head or family of 4 \$50. Tickets will be pre-sold with no tickets sold at the venue. Enquiries to Garnet on 0411 286 428. Lots of cash and raffle prizes to win. Donations for the raffle would be greatly appreciated. Food and DJ included in this price-that's outstanding value!!

All funds raised will be donated to the following causes: Parish Overseas Humanitarian Project, Village Green Christmas Carols, Sunbury neighbourhood Kitchen, Parish H S I Group and Youth Group. We would welcome any businesses to support this event. Any supporters will be advertised on all Youth group flyers. For \$25 each event or \$100 for 4 events in 2017. Please contact Garnet for more info.

SOLAR PANELS: thanks to a Government Grant of \$20000, our parish has been able to install solar panels on the roof of the Parish Centre. The work was completed last week and will power the hall and the parish office which should reduce the cost of electricity for our parish.

CARDS OF REMEMBRANCE: during Advent, which starts next Sunday 27 November, our parish invites you to take a card from the foyer/ back of church to write the names of those loved ones who cannot be with us at this time of year. It could be they are travelling, living far away or have entered eternal life. It would be great if these cards can be filled in and placed in the Crib. We will remember these loved ones throughout Advent and Christmas.

The following children from our parish will be baptized this Sunday : Xavier BOYLE

James BRENNAN

Lewis CAVANAGH

Bailey SKINNER

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

DEFIBRILATOR TRAINING: Thank you to the 45 people who attended the training on Sunday13 November. It was a great turn out and a bit of a laugh along with the training helped the atmosphere.

SUNBURY STREETLIFE FESTIVAL: Sunday 20 November from 10am-3.30pm in O'Shannassy St, Sunbury. Showcasing local businesses with something for the whole family.

THANK YOU TO ALL MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: Would the person who has the PYX with a separate lid please swap it with the PYX in the sacristy cupboard.Sr Jose

ROOM FOR RENT: Fully furnished 3 bedroom unit. Non smoker, non drinker preferred. No pets. Mature male preferred. \$170 per week and split bills. Contact David on 0403 746 544.

GIANT CAR BOOT SALE & CRAFT MARKET: Saturday 26th November from 8.30am – Village Green and Sunbury Uniting Church.

Over 60 cars and also inside craft stalls – a chance to do some Christmas shopping! Devonshire tea/coffee, sausage sizzle, coffee van, food van Huge second-hand book stall inside - cheap! For the kids – jumping castle, Thomas ride for littlies, lucky dips, face painting, novelty twisted balloons! Live music! Limited outside sites still available – be quick! Phone Helen on 9744 3031 or 0407 506 507.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Binnap Partners are a group who support the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry for Victoria in their role of ministering to Aboriginal Catholics. Members volunteer in many areas to assist in the running of the Ministry. Fundraising is another important component. Presently there is an URGENT NEED for volunteers to assist in the making a gumnut rosary beads. This involves collecting gumnuts, drilling and preparing gumnuts for crocheting together into a rosary. Sewers are also required for making small calico bags for the rosary beads. If anyone could assist with any of these tasks it would be most appreciated. Please contact Joan on 9744 3357. The kettle is always on at the ACM at 434 St Georges Road Thornbury and you are most welcome to visit at anytime. A visit to the new Chapel and recently renovated premises is well worth the trip.

MEDIA RELEASE: 18 November 2016 from Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne regarding Melbourne Response compensation limit to double. Please refer to the noticeboard in St Anne's Church foyer regarding the changes to compensation available to survivors of Child Sexual Abuse. Please continue to pray for victims of abuse that they may heal and be able to lead happy and meaningful lives.

EMMANUEL: ADVENT & CHRISTMAS REFLECTIONS 2016: the Diocese of Wollongong produces a beautiful resource every year. This year they have produced a pocket-sized Advent & Christmas reflection book at an affordable price to help remind us of the reason for the season and to hopefully draw us closer to God. If you would like to order this resource, please contact the office on 9744 1060 by Wednesday 23 November so we can finalise the order. The booklet costs \$3 per copy. Payment can be made at your earliest convenience, but orders will be placed on 23.11.2016. Sorry no late orders will be accepted.

EVERGREENS: Traditional 3 course Christmas Lunch, Tuesday 6 December, 2016, 12 Noon at the Sunbury Football Club. Cost \$20, RSVP by 1 December. For bookings ring Frances 9744 1999 or Colin or Coreen 9744 6015. If your name is already down no need to confirm. All welcome.

ROSTERS NEXT WEEKEND

ALTAR CARE: Elaine Van der Weerden **CLEANING:** OLMC Church— Peter Readman St Anne's Church – Beth Girdwood Jo **COUNTERS** Bernie Owens Mary Reay Mary Alkemade **GIFT SHOP:** Roselle Duckworth Pam Fairbairn **LECTORS:** Patricia Altair Jenny Carland Teresa Quin Brigid Mc Conville **MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: 5.30pm** Albert & Diana Mastramico Val McManus Sashi Nair Eileen Naylor Jennifer Poon Carmel Pritchard Barry Roberts **8.30am** Graeme & Lynne Simpson Andrew Swann Monica Allen Jo & Carmel Wiegerink Colin & Coreen Wilson **10.30am** Grace Tucker Terry & Aileen Sweeney Bernadette Anderson John Bottams Christine Cassar Johanne Dajic Judith Davis **5.30pm** Will Honner Maria Mallia Rita Rocco