



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

BULLA, CLARKEFIELD, DIGGERS REST, SUNBURY, WILDWOOD



Parish Office: 101 Riddell Road Sunbury 3429

Liturgy Times this Week

Sat	7.00pm	St Anne's
Sun	8.30am	St Anne's
	10.30am	St Anne's
Mon	9.15am	St Anne's—Liturgy of Word
Tue	6.30pm	OLMC
Wed	9.15am	St Anne's
Thu	9.15am	St Anne's
Fri	9.15am	St Anne's
Sat	5.30pm	St Anne's
Sun	8.30am & 10.30am	St Anne's

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.

Reconciliation OLMC Church
10.00am-10.30am Saturday

16th April 2017

Sunday of the Resurrection

First Reading: Acts 10:34, 37-43

Psalm Response: Psalm 117:1-2, 16-17, 22-23

This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Second Reading: Colossians 3:1-4

Gospel Acclamation: 1 Corinthians 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia!

Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord.

Alleluia!

LET US PRAY FOR

Sick: Joan ATKINS Bruce CROWE
 Matthew FLANAGAN Anna GRAVINA
 Violeta MARIANO Louie SPITERI
 Pasquale VILLELA

Anniversaries: Giovanna BRULLO Maria CAUCHI Margaret CAUCHI Nina CAUCHI Carmelo CAUCHI Rita RAYMOND Eveleen REDDAN Tom & Rose REDDAN Dawn RODRIGUES Rachel TYQUIN



ONE FEAST OVER THREE DAYS

Over these three days we proclaim Jesus' passion, death and resurrection. It is such an immense and awe-inspiring mystery that we need three days to enter its truth. The mystery is called the paschal mystery. We gaze at the mystery on Holy Thursday as Jesus kneels on the floor to wash feet, sits at the table for the Last Supper and anguishes in the garden of Gethsemane. On Good Friday we gaze at the Cross and on Easter Day, we are gazing in another garden and see the empty tomb. There is no attempt to soften either the sadness or the joy.

THE PASCHAL MYSTERY—THE NEW CREATION—THE NEW TREE OF LIFE

John's gospel presents Jesus as dying as a King and that Jesus is in complete control of his own destiny, with Jesus carrying his own cross.

John's passion begins and ends in a garden—a feature unique to John. Jesus's cross is erected in the middle of the garden. The tree of life was in the middle of the garden of Eden. His mother is called 'woman' the same term used for Eve in the Garden of Eden.

(Genesis 2:23)

Only in John's gospel, there is the scene where Jesus from the cross says: "Woman, this is your son. Then to the disciple he said, "This is your mother" (John 19:26) This changed the relationship between Jesus and his disciples. Now we share the same mother as he—we hence become his brothers and sisters.

The body of Jesus is buried in a new tomb in the garden. In John 2:19, Jesus said "destroy this temple and in three days I will raise it up".

The risen Lord appears to Mary Magdalene saying: "Go and tell my brothers and sisters, I go to my Father and your Father" (John 20:17).

Jesus and we share a relationship of being children of God. We by baptism are the Household of the Father—the New Temple.

"As I have washed your feet, you should wash each others feet".

At the Last Supper, Jesus shows he is Servant, one who is ready to do the dirty jobs, to be at the bottom of the social heap. He kneels on the floor to wash the feet. (John 13:15)

Today, attached is a list of the various ways we can serve each other in our parish. There is a tear off slip to leave today at the Welcome desk.

SPECIAL 2017 EASTER SUNDAY MASS TIMES

We are celebrating three Masses this Easter Sunday: at 7.00pm Saturday, 8.30am and 10.30am on Sunday—all in St Anne's Church.

OUR PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY: we offer to Fr Martin Ashe and to his mother and family in Ireland as his sister Maureen entered eternal life last week.

MATTRESS APPEAL: The Bishop of Lismore, Bishop Greg Homeming has launched an appeal for mattresses for the people of Lismore who have lost their bedding in the wake of Cyclone Debbie. Our parishioners at Mass on Thursday evening donated to this appeal. Others wishing to give are invited to leave donations at our Parish office.

MELBOURNE PRIESTS RE-COMMIT: Last Tuesday during Mass at the Cathedral, 254 Melbourne priests renewed their commitment to serve the people in the Melbourne Archdiocese. Please continue to pray for our priests and for more to follow in their footsteps as Melbourne grows bigger. Some parishes are relying on priests aged in the nineties to celebrate Mass for the people. Hundreds gathered for the funeral of their beloved pastor of 32 years Fr Jim Kierce on Wednesday.

.....Kevin McIntosh

OUR PARISH DONKEY: we thank the Honner family for looking after our donkey on their farm. The donkey will feature on the "Melbourne Catholic" website melbournecatholic.org.au this week re-enacting Palm Sunday. The donkey is aged 25 years and in good

VOCATION NEWS: As we celebrate the great Feast of Easter, we are reminded that we are never alone; that God is always with us. Easter is the great feast of hope. It is this hope that we have for the future of the Church in Melbourne. We need more priests for our parishes and ministries. This week, make a commitment to say a small prayer each day for more vocations. As people of hope, we trust that the Lord will hear our prayers and raise up vocations from our local communities to serve.

PREP 2018 CLOSING DATE: Friday 21 April is the closing date for applications for enrolment in our Prep classes at our parish schools. 225 families have collected an enrolment pack. As there are 146 places, families are advised not to be late. School offices re-open on Tuesday 18 April

COMMUNITY APPROACH NEEDED TO PREVENT CHILD SEXUAL ABUSE: from 1 January 2017 new laws called Child Safety Standards (CSS) were put in place. The CSS are in place to change the culture of treatment of children and vulnerable adults. If anyone is aware of an instance of child abuse we are now legally required to report it. Anyone who does not report a known abuse situation can be legally charged.

MASS FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS: The Life, Marriage & Family Office warmly invite all expectant mothers and their families to the Mass for Expectant Mothers. The Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Denis Hart at St Patrick's Cathedral on **Sunday 14 May** at 11.00am. Registration can be made online at: www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily or alternatively by contacting: 9287 5587 or lmf@cam.org.au. Please note that registration closes on Friday 5 May.

EMMAUS CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: meet at St Anne's Church at 10.00am on Thursdays. All welcome, including children. For further info/transport please contact Lambert & Elaine van der Weerden on 0418 322 596.

The closing Mass for the Northern Region of the Jubilee Cross will be celebrated by Bishop Curtin and will be held at St Mary's, 204 Grimshaw Street, Greensborough on **Sunday 23 April** commencing at 2.00pm. If attending please bring a plate for afternoon tea.

VATICAN BANK APPROVED: The government Bank of Italy has given it's approval to the Vatican Bank after it has been reformed in recent years under Pope Benedict and Pope Francis, according to Reuters News on 5 April 2017.

PROJECT COMPASSION: We ask for the boxes to be returned by next week so that we can send the funds to Caritas as soon as possible. Thankyou.

HISTORICAL COMMITTEE MEETING: Monday 24 April 2017 at 11am in the Meeting Room at St Anne's Church. Any parishioners interested in our history most welcome to join us.

KINDER KINDA: our parish has been involved with Kinda Kinder program for a few years now. It is a program where the Victoria University Early Childhood students gain experience in planning and executing an education based play session in our parish with children from toddler to pre-schoolers. Parents stay and watch on (and chat) as their children interact and play during the 1 hour session. Our program will start **Tuesday 2 May at 9am** and continue for 4 weeks in the Parish Centre. All welcome. After the Kinder Kinda program is finished, our parish runs an informal playgroup where parents can access the toys for their children and interact with each other while the children play. We would encourage participants of Kinder Kinda program to continue to come along to build up social networks.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK:

Tue	18 April	2.00pm	School Building Group—East Melbourne
Tue		7.30pm	Sunbury Inter Church Council—St Mary's
Wed	19 April	4.30pm	Parish Centre Management

EASTER MESSAGE FROM THE CHURCHES OF CHRIST IN AUSTRALIA: Annually, 2 million Australians will have an anxiety disorder. Among youth, one in six experience an anxiety disorder. Some blame financial or relationship difficulties and international conflicts. I suggest beneath this is an unnamed spiritual anxiety. We have unresolved questions deep within our souls. Does my life have meaning, how do I deal with guilt, how can I find inner peace, how do I respond to the wrongs in our world?

The answer is the Easter message "Do not be afraid; for I know that you are looking for Jesus who has been crucified. He is not here, for He has risen, just as He said." (Matthew 28:5) - Rev Woodlock, Federal Co-ordinator.

INTERNATIONAL YOUTH CONFERENCE: 270 delegates from 103 countries met in Rome last week to prepare for the Synod on the Youth in October. Ashleigh Green, a social worker was the Australian delegate. Pope Francis told them he wants to hear their voices. "What is needed are young people who will go out on the street and move forward beside others. But looking forward to the future."

ROSTERS NEXT WEEKEND

ALTAR CARE: Nil **CLEANING:** OLMC Church—Michelle Fettes St Anne's Church—Skeeter Jacob Cedric D'Souza Beth Girdwood-
COUNTERS John Bracher Judith Bracher Judith Ibrahim **GIFT SHOP:** Roselle Duckworth Frances Ariens **LECTORS:** Felicity Wicks Della Oswald Terry Sweeney Jo Spiteri **MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:** 5.30pm Vicki Heath Paul Hogan Garnet Jacob Paul Fanning Albert & Diana Mastramico Val McManus Sashi Nair 8.30am Lili Lupa Liz Richards Glenda Shanahan Graeme & Lynne Simpson Andrew Swann Monica Allen Tom Allen 10.30am Moira Sullivan Bernadette Anderson John Bottams Christine Cassar Johanne Dajic Judith Davis Olga Ellul Johanna Fahey 5.30pm Will Honner Maria Mallia Rita Rocco

MINISTRY MONTH: On the weekends of 22 & 23 April and 29 & 30 April, we will hear of the great work done in our parish by so many. All the Parish Groups and Ministries are vital to the parish we have today. These are various groups within our Church community who support our parish. We welcome all parishioners to be involved in any way they feel would bring richness to their life and the lives of other parishioners.

The ministries that are on a roster generally have a rotation of between 4—8 weeks.

Below are the various ministries for your consideration. Please call the Parish Office if you have any queries. *“Lord, you have no hands but ours” St Teresa of Avila (1515-1582)*

ALTAR CARE: Clean the Sanctuary space of the church on a roster basis.

ALTAR SERVERS: Assist the priest with Mass. Open to boys and girls who have celebrated First Communion.

BAPTISM PREPARATION: Instruct families wanting to baptise their children in the Catholic Faith. Sessions run once per month for 1 hour, currently 2 teams share month about.

BINGO HELPER: Help with running the parish bingo at the Sunbury Football Club every Thursday night.

CATECHETICS: Our parish runs a program for children attending Government schools who would like to celebrate their Sacraments. Leaders support the children and teach them about the faith.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: Bring the Word of God to the children in a way they can relate to and easily understand, through simple crafts, prayer and other activities.

CHURCH CLEANING: Both St Anne's and Our Lady of Mount Carmel churches are cleaned on a regularly.

CHURCH LINEN: Altar linen is used at every Mass and requires washing and ironing.

COMMUNION TO THE HOUSEBOUND & AGED CARE FACILITIES: This important ministry helps parishioners who can no longer get to Mass by bringing Communion and companionship to them. Some ministers attend to those at home and others attend the Nursing Homes.

COUNTING TEAM: Count and prepare the weekly collections for banking.

EMMAUS CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: Meet every Thursday morning in the Chapel and is open to all who would like to pray in an uplifting environment.

EVERGREENS: Our Seniors members are always looking for people to join them for social gatherings and outings.

GARDENING: Our gardens need care and attention. Our volunteers do a great job and would appreciate any assistance.

GIFT SHOP: Is opened after Sunday Masses at St Anne's Church.

KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS: An organization of catholic men who support the educational, charitable, religious and social welfare needs of the parish.

LAP TOP OPERATORS: Set up and run the laptop during Masses.

LECTORS: Proclaim the word of the Lord at Mass.

LEGION OF MARY: Meet every Tuesday to pray together and to reach out to parishioners by visitation to homes and to aged care facilities.

MAINTENANCE: Our parish consists of many buildings requiring constant maintenance and upkeep. We need volunteers who can assist with small odd jobs that need to be done.

MASS SET UP: Volunteers set up and pack up weekend Masses.

MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: Assist in the distribution of Holy Communion.

MUSICIANS & SINGERS: “When we sing we pray twice” is the saying. Volunteers who love to sing or play an instrument to uplift our Masses are warmly welcome.

OVERSEAS HUMANITARIAN PROJECT: This project has a small committee who coordinate the promotion of the needs of the orphans in Jakarta that our parish has been supporting since 2013.

PARISH HISTORICAL GROUP: Our small team preserve our parish’s rich history. If you have a keen interest for history, please join in.

PARISH POSTIES: Our posties are energetic volunteers who deliver our Neighbourhood Newsletter, around their area to all our Catholic families three times per year.

RCIA TEAM: Are involved in Initiating Adults into the Catholic faith. They share their faith and journey with them toward their Christian Initiation. The team begins in July.

SCHOOL CANTEEN HELPERS: Both our school communities would welcome more helpers preparing lunches for our children.

SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES: There are groups in our neighbourhoods who gather in prayer and reflection.

SOCIAL JUSTICE: We have a team who promote issues of Social Justice in our parish. We would love to hear from you if you have a passion for this important ministry.

TRANSPORT ASSISTANCE: There are parishioners who require transport to get to Mass or Shops or Medical Appointments. If you are able to assist, please let us know.

WELCOMING TEAM: Hand out the newsletter and welcome parishioners at all Sunday Masses.

YOUTH GROUP: A team of adults assist in organizing activities during the year. Young members are always welcome. Adults to have WWC check.



Tear off slip

Invitation to Sign Up (Please leave at Welcome Desk)

Name:.....
(Please Print)

Contact Number / Email:

Ministry / Ministries:

Preferred Mass: