

OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

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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

Wed 9.15am St Anne's Fri 9.15am 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

Principal: Julie Freeman

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

4 June 2017 Pentecost Sunday

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11
Psalm Response: Psalm 103:1,24,29-31.34

Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading: Corinthians 12:3-7,12-13

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Come Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love

Alleluia!

Gospel: John 20:19-23

LET US PRAY FOR

Sick: Ray ATKINSON Bruce CROWE Peter & Yvonne CRUICKSHANK Matthew FLANAGAN Kevin FURY Stephanie KARAVASILIS Mathew PALSER Christine VELTHUIS

Recently Deceased: George COLLINS Anthony FOSTER Patrick MCHALE (Ireland) Maureen TOLLAN

Anniversaries: Martin DEVENY Michael HOCTOR

This Week Special Collection St Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal

THE POWER OF ONE

One song can spark a moment, One flower can wake the dream. One tree can start a forest, One bird can herald spring.

One smile begins a friendship, One handclasp lifts a soul. One star can guide a ship at sea, One word can frame the goal.

One vote can change the nation, One sunbeam lights a room. One candle wipes out darkness, One laugh will conquer gloom.

One step must start each journey, One word must start each prayer. One hope will raise our spirits, One touch can show you care.

One voice can speak with wisdom, One heart can know what's true. One life can make a difference, You see, it's up to you.



St Paul tells the Corinthians that in their group there is...'a variety of gifts, but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people. It is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ.' (1 Cor 12: 7-13)

From this Pauline teaching developed the doctrine that the Church is the Mystical Body of Christ. The head of the Body is Christ, and each member of the Church is part of that Mystical Body. Each of us has a particular role to play. No one has all the gifts, so we depend on each other. We are all different, but together we form one Body, each contributing in a special and unique way, exercising our individual gift for the common good.

Have you ever watched a colony of ants at work? If you have, you have witnessed the perfect example of team work. Have you ever seen an anthill? If you have, you have witnessed an amazing example of the achievement of team work. But a team without individual effort will never achieve its purpose.

Jesus came to establish the kingdom of God on earth. Mathew, the gospel writer, prefers to use the phrase, *Kingdom of Heaven*. If humans live in such a way that can be said, 'Life here is like heaven on earth', then the Kingdom of God is complete. Obviously, we still have a long way to go, but that does not mean we should be in any way discouraged. The challenge is always there for us to keep chipping away and doing our individual best to push ahead with the project began by Christ. Let us not be discouraged when we see the glass half empty. Instead let us be motivated by seeing that the glass is at least half full. So instead of cursing the darkness, let us light a candle. The Power of One says to you, 'YOU can make a difference.'

Fr Bert Fulbrook sdb

HOLY TRINITY SCHOOL, SUNBURY: is the name of our new school in Mitchells Lane. The name is based on the central mystery of our Christian faith. Pope Francis teaches that to love is to live the life of Trinity, having unity in diversity. The name has been discussed at School Steering Committee and approved by Archbishop Denis. The school is planned to open in 2019 as a P-6 school.

VINNIES WINTER APPEAL: is on this weekend. We need your support to help those in need this winter. Vinnies prefer cash donations so that families can buy the items they need for their families. Please give generously.

WELCOME TO THE TEAM: our recent Ministry Sign Up resulted in 2 new members of the Altar Server team. We welcome Heidi and Sophia Fabian to the team and thank them for coming forward to support our great parish. If anyone is interested in becoming part of the Altar Server team, please contact the parish office on 9744 1060.

THANK YOU to all parishioners who responded during the Ministry Sign Up weekends. We had a very good response. All new rosters have been drawn up and letters sent out to the many generous people who support the work of the parish. The spirit certainly is alive and well. - if you missed out you can always let us know if you would like to join one of our ministries.

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY SERVICE: was held in the packed Lutheran Church, Sunbury last Wednesday. Members of the Sunbury Churches took part in the service of the Word, Music was led by the Sunbury Chorale. Ministers from the Anglican, Baptist, Catholic, Lutheran, Methodist and Uniting Church led some prayers.

POPE TELLS US TO GET UP AND GO. NO MATTER YOUR AGE, THIS IS YOUR CHANCE! If you are an experienced professional, business or trades person, in any area, here is a volunteering opportunity that will change your life. Communities in Asia, the Pacific and Africa are looking to provide mentoring opportunities for local personnel and to improve processes and procedures for organisations, both vital to reducing poverty. To ensure sustainable development they prefer those who can come for two years, but accept that some are only available for 12 months. If you want to find out more, please contact Christine on 02 9560 5333 or email palms@palms.org.au

NEW SAINTS THE YOUNGEST EVER: on 13 May, Pope Francis while in Fatima, Portugal to celebrate the centenary of the apparitions of Our Lady canonized two of the children, Francisco and Jacinta Marto who witnessed the apparitions. Francisco died in 1919 aged 10, and Jacinta in 1920 aged 9. Apart from martyrs, these two children are the youngest to be recognized as saints and canonized.

Cardinal Clemente of Lisbon said "What they heard, what they told us, is as important now as it was then. These children, with the Mother of Jesus, understand very clearly the evil of the world, but above all, and even more clearly, how this evil can be overcome by placing ourselves at God's side."

MINISTRY OF COMMUNION TO THE SICK: not only brings the Eucharist and prayers but comfort and dignity to those who are visited by our Ministers. Our Parish has planned meetings so that ministers may be informed of parish guidelines. The meetings are as follows: Sunday 18 June 9.30am-10am or Wednesday 21 June 10am-10.30am in the Parish Centre. You are welcome to attend either session.

The following children from our parish will be baptized this Sunday: Lexi PATERRA

We joyfully welcome them to our parish.



MASS COUNT: thank you to the collectors for assisting the parish with the annual Mass Count throughout the month of May. The average count was 580 persons present per weekend.

CHRISTMAS IN JULY: tickets are on sale this weekend for the great Christmas in July celebration on Saturday 1 July from 7pm-10pm in the Parish Centre. Tickets cost \$20 per adult. Please call Garnet on 0411 286 428 or the parish office on 9744 1060 for tickets.

CAN YOU PLEASE ASSIST7: The Pernaperna Women's Group Is an Aboriginal Women's Group that welcomes all women, bringing them together in friendship, sharing and learning from each other in the true spirit of Reconciliation, through social connection and engaging in projects for the benefit of the Sunbury and wider community.

We URGENTLY need assistance with gathering, sorting, drilling, threading, dipping and varnishing small gumnuts for a project we are involved in. They are crocheted together so anyone who could assist with crocheting would also be greatly appreciated. Any help, no matter how small, will assist us in our dream and goal for a Sunbury Women's Shed. New members warmly welcomed. Contact Joan 9744 3357

ARCHBISHOP DENIS' PENTECOST LETTER TO YOUTH: may be viewed on melbournecatholic.org.au or a printed copy is available at the Welcome Desk. The Archbishop encourages young people to live the dream of Jesus.

CARITAS AUSTRALIA APPEALS FOR EAST AFRICA FAMINE: The United Nations 23 million people in Somalia, South Sudan and parts of Ethiopia and Kenya are facing starvation. Caritas is assisting 250 000 people. Further donations are needed. This tragedy has not received much attention.

SALESIAN COLLEGE SUNBURY-90 YEARS YOUNG: The number of excess applications for enrolment in 2018 has been double that in 2017. Enrolments for 2019 close on 25 August 2017.

All Catholic Secondary Colleges in Melbourne are moving their enrolments earlier from this year.

RSJ ASSOCIATES: meeting on Wednesday 7 June at 1.30pm in St Anne's Church. All welcome.

SCHOOL AGE CHILDREN BAPTISMS: if you have a child who would like to be baptized and is at school already, please contact the Parish Office asap on 9744 1060. We will be orgainising preparation and celebration times but have limited times/ dates.

"WHEN LIFE IS ENDING": is a publication produced by Sister Ong RSM who is also a practising GP which explains the ramifications of the proposed changes to Victoria's Euthanasia/ Assisted Suicide legislation. A free copy is available on the Welcome Desk.

HAPPY 90TH BIRTHDAY: Today Rose Lucardie is celebrating her 90th birthday. Rose has been our parishioner for 23 years until she moved recently to BUPA Woodend.

ROSTERS NEXT WEEKEND

ALTAR CARE: Nil CLEANING: OLMC Church— Lucette Debono St Anne's Church — Lisa Crotty Chris Perry Narelle Anderson COUNTERS: Imogen Corrie Mimi Quattrone Judith Ibrahim GIFT SHOP: Pat & Peter Readman Mary Wicks LECTORS: Angelo Altair Joe Kloss Des Dowling Jo Spiteri MINISTERS OF COMMUNION: 5.30pm Patricia & Angelo Altair Mary Baensch Anne Burnside Vicki Heath Jim O'Brien Garnet Jacob Paul Fanning 8.30am Tom Allen Ann Chircop Lloyd D'Crus Lili Lupa Glenda Shanahan Graeme & Lynne Simpson Liz Richards 10.30am Bernadette Anderson John Bottams Christine Cassar Johanne Dajic Judith Davies Olga Ellul Johanna Fahey Tony Hendy 5.30pm Will Honner Maria Mallia Rita Rocco