



## OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

BULLA, CLARKEFIELD, DIGGERS REST,

SUNBURY, WILDWOOD

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### Liturgy Times

Mon	9.15am	St Anne's— Liturgy of Word
Wed	9.15am	St Anne's
	10.00am	St Anne's—
		2 Rosaries for Australia Day
	7.00pm	St Anne's—
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Fri	9.15am	St Anne's
Sat	5.30pm	St Anne's
Sun	8.30am	St Anne's
	10.30am	St Anne's
	5.00pm	St Anne's

### **Sacrament of Reconciliation OLMC 10-10.30am Saturday**

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

**Parish Priest:** Rev Kevin McIntosh  
**Priest Assisting:** Fr John Papworth SDB  
**Pastoral Assoc.:** Sr Jose Noy RSJ  
**Pastoral Co-ord:** Lyn Plummer  
**St Anne's School:** 8746 6800  
**Principal:** Noelene Hussey  
**Our Lady of Mount Carmel School:** 9740 7344  
**Principal:** Julie Freeman  
**Holy Trinity School:** 8746 6464  
**Principal:** Krystine Hocking

**19 January 2020**

### **Second Sunday Ordinary Time**

First Reading: Isaiah 49:3, 5-6

Psalms Response: Psalm 39:2, 4, 7-10

**Here am I Lord; I come to do your will.**

Second Reading: 1 Cor 1:1-3

Gospel Acclamation: John 1:14, 12

**Alleluia! Alleluia!**

**The Word of God became flesh and dwelt among us. He enabled those who accepted him to become the children of God.**

**Alleluia!**

Gospel: John 1:29-34

### **LET US PRAY FOR**

**Sick:** Rany AZORES Colin BEAR Nadia CHRISTOPOLIS Mary GALEA Royston LEVARO Michelle MIGLANS Cassie O'KEEFE Phillip ROWAN Chris TELFER Ruth WEATE

**Recently Deceased:** Joan FREWEN Feliciano MARAGAY Lawrence MILLETT Jane TANTI Melchor VILLAMATER

**Anniversaries:** Joseph & Elizabeth GATT Cenon HIPOLITO JNR Maxima LAZARO Angela MILLETT Rose MIZZI Alan OSWALD Jerry QUIN John RODRIGUES Pat SWAN

**Parish Vision: Christlike relationships of friendship and faith, valuing one another and sharing our gifts for the good of all**

### **GAZING BACKWARD AND GAZING FORWARD**

Our bible readings today are like a hinged door. We can push the door open to allow us to gaze backward at John the Baptist who points to Christ whose coming in the flesh we have celebrated in the Advent and Christmas seasons. The readings especially from Paul to the Corinthians direct our gaze forward to our ongoing call to be servants of God among all the nations.

As we leave the festive season, we are reminded we are called, in all seasons, everyday to live what we are by the grace of God— chosen and gifted people.

**THE LAMB OF GOD:** Lambs are likable. They are pure, white, fluffy and defenceless. In Jesus' time, the sacrifice of a lamb showed how serious the Jews were about atoning for their sins. Jewish law dictated that a lamb had to be killed at least once a year at Passover. Such a sacrifice cost the shepherd big time.

John the Baptists' calling Jesus the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world (John 1:29), tells us firstly that Jesus is God's precious gift; God's own self is given to the world to reveal God's love for us.

Secondly, in the Baptist's time, in the local language, Aramaic, the word for sheep "*talya*" is the same word as for a servant.

The first hearers of this gospel would realise that Jesus is the servant who brings us the truth we need for life, who answers our deepest desires and opens up for us the next life. As the prayer of our Mass states "Behold the Lamb of God, who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those who are called to the supper of the Lamb."

**HE TAKES AWAY THE SIN OF THE WORLD:** Paul in his letter to the Corinthians which we will hear for the next six Sundays writes about "all the saints everywhere" (1 Cor 1:2). Paul stresses that God's salvation is for all the world, not just the people of Israel. With Christ, all people are chosen, not just the Jews. Some Catholic commentators say the Brexit and the rise of nationalism in Europe, and "USA first" are very concerning. The European Union was set up using Catholic Social Principles. The EU has prospered economically; they have no police force or army and there has been no war between the 512 million people in the 28 nations of the EU since the EU was formed. God's love and mercy are so extravagant that they are poured out for absolutely anyone and everyone. There should be no "us and them."

**OUR PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY:** we offer to Tony Tanti as his wife of 47 years, Jane, entered eternal life recently. They were pioneers in the area near Mount Holden twenty years ago after being in St Bernard's Parish, East Coburg after migrating from Malta in 1981. Her Funeral Mass was celebrated on Friday afternoon.

We offer to the family of Joan Frewen who entered eternal life aged 79 years. Joan and her late husband Kevin had eleven children living in Keilor. Joan suffered the loss of three of her children as well as her husband when he was 53. Her Funeral Mass was celebrated on Friday morning.

**CONGRATULATIONS:** to Jovita and Errol Daniels who are celebrating their Silver Jubilee of marriage. They renewed their marriage vows at Mass last Wednesday before Rev. Desmond Daniels, Errol's brother, who came from Texas USA where he is a hospital chaplain.  
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*Special Collection Next Weekend  
Vinnies Bushfire Appeal*

## SUNBURY'S BISHOP AND CHURCH ARCHITECT MUSEUM:

Currently until March, the Old Treasury Building Museum has an exhibition about the Bishop and Architect who built our OLMC Church.

William Wardell trained as an engineer and architect in England where he designed over 30 churches. Wardell was deeply influenced by the writings and style of the Catholic convert A.W Pugin, the champion of reviving Gothic architecture. Pugin designed in the Westminster Parliament Building. In 1858, Wardell came to Australia for health reasons.

In 1864, Melbourne's first bishop, Bishop James Goold, commissioned Wardell to design our church in Sunbury. The Exhibition features Bishop Goold's art collection and Wardell's designs plus the desk on which Wardell designed our church. The Exhibition is sponsored by the Australian Research Council Opening hours: 10am-4pm, Sunday to Friday. Free admission. Address: 20 Spring St, Melbourne, next to Parliament House. Phone 9651 2233 [www.otb.org.au](http://www.otb.org.au)  
.....Kevin McIntosh

**ST ANNE'S CHURCH SECURITY:** CCTV and alarms have been installed at St Anne's Church. The CCTV is now operational and is designed to help protect our people and assets. Feedback from our Parish Survey advised that a review of the allocation and management of parish keys is required. To address this issue all locks to St Anne's Church, Parish Office and Parish Centre will be changed over the next few weeks. Application forms for new keys are available from the Parish Office and in the entrance to St Anne's Church. for parishioners who require access to these buildings. When the new keys are issued an alarm code will also be provided. Once the transition to the new keys has been completed the alarms to St Anne's Church will be activated. The Management of Parish keys will follow the guidelines of our insurer, Catholic Church Insurance.

**PLENARY COUNCIL—CALL FOR DELEGATES:** The Australian Bishops ask for four Catholics from each diocese to be delegates at the Council in October 2020 and June 2021. Each delegate will discern and take part in various forms. Application forms <http://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2RPTKHZ>. Closing date **24 January 2020**.

**EVERGREENS SOCIAL AFTERNOON** on **Tuesday 28 January 2020** at 12-30pm. Having an information session about what is planned for this year and who wants to go, a quick quiz and a nice cup of tea with biscuits supplied. The **Evergreens** is for all **Seniors**, there is **NO membership** and **NO FEES**. We have a big year planned, Social afternoons with Speakers, Morning Melodies, lunches and trips. Come and join us and enjoy. We would love to see you.  
**Driving Safety for Seniors:** Thursday 13th February 2020 between 10am- 11am. Sunbury Football Club at Clarke Oval  
Free morning tea Call Joe 0477 677 248 for catering purposes.

The following children from our parish will be baptised this Sunday:

Georgia BRADFIELD

Livia DOYCANSKA

Maia LOGAN

Sophie MCCURDY

We joyfully welcome them to our parish.



**CHILD SAFE STANDARDS:** thank you to all who have returned the Safeguarding Children and Young People Code of Conduct Declaration to the Parish Office. These forms were sent out to all parishioners who currently volunteer in our parish. Please drop these forms into the collection plate at Mass.

If you haven't already done so, please ensure volunteers have updated their Working With Children Check to include the Parish as an organisation you work at. If you require any assistance with this, please contact the Parish Office. To ensure all volunteers in the parish understand the importance of Child Safety (including Vulnerable Adults), the parish will be conducting Child Safe Workshops on **Tuesday 21 January at 10am and 7pm in the Parish Centre**. It is a requirement for all volunteers to attend at least one session per year. If you can't get to the session on 21 January, we will hold another workshop on 23 June 2020.

## FROM OUR PARISH SAFEGUARDING CHILDREN AND YOUNG PEOPLE

**COMMITTEE:** All persons in ministry, working or volunteering within the Archdiocese have a moral, legal and ethical responsibility to care for, and promote the wellbeing of children and young people, and protect them from harm or abuse by complying with clear behavioural expectations to act in manner that is caring, respectful and safe toward children and young people. Child safety is a collective responsibility and is best achieved with the involvement of clergy, employees and volunteers working together

## GOSPEL OF MATTHEW RETREAT: Fr Frank Moloney SDB

**3 – 6 February** Fr Frank Moloney will lead this retreat on the Gospel of Matthew at the beautiful and peaceful Don Bosco Retreat Centre Lysterfield. Cost - \$430 all inclusive (retreat, meals, accommodation, etc). Further information and registration: Contact - Candy 9752 2432 or e-mail: [dbclysterfield@gmail.com](mailto:dbclysterfield@gmail.com)

**PARISH YOUTH GROUP "ENGAGE" FUNDRAISER:** will be held on Friday 6 March in the Parish Centre. We are raising funds for "Petshaven" who shelter abandoned/abused animals. We will be running a Movie Night in the Parish Centre; the movie will be "How to train your Dragon 3" which is a fantastic family movie. More Information to come.....Hope you can join us!

**VINNIES APPEAL:** "For days now, our skies across Melbourne have been filled with the smell and haze of the fires – a steady reminder that our neighbours, so close to us particularly in the Gippsland areas, the bordering States of NSW and South Australia, are in dire need. We stand with all those affected by the devastation of these bushfires, as well as those working tirelessly to assist in the recovery efforts."—Archbishop Peter Comensoli **Help our neighbours by donating at [www.vinnies.org.au](http://www.vinnies.org.au) or as part of our Parish Special Collection on Australia Day weekend.**

**SUNDAY MASSES DURING JANUARY & FEBRUARY**— as is our custom, all Masses will be celebrated at St Anne's Church to **23 February 2020**. St Anne's has cooling for the health of all in summer.

**"There is something truly remarkable, and exceptionally humbling, about the spirit of our shared humanity that gives its all without question."**

—ARCHBISHOP PETER COMENSOLI

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## ROSTERS NEXT WEEKEND— 25 January

**ALTAR CARE:** Anne Smith **CLEANING:** OLMC Church— Nil **St Anne's Church— Nil** **COUNTERS:** Gerard Duggan Mimi Quattrone Anne McCormick **GIFT SHOP:** Roselle Duckworth Mary Wicks **LECTORS:** Garnet Jacob Mary Macdermid Della Oswald Jane Voon **MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:** **5.30pm** Mary Sammut Pauline Sharma Dawn Westwood Sue Wight 4 x Standby Ministers **8.30am** Monica Allen Lloyd D'Crus Carmen Micallef 5 x Standby Ministers **10.30am** Sheila Stafford John Stafford Moira Sullivan Elaine Van der Weerden Christine Wallace 3 x Standby Ministers **5.00pm** Maria Mallia 2 x Standby Ministers

**Children's Liturgy of the Word: No Sessions during School Holidays**