



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

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MASS TIMES: ALL AT ST ANNE'S CHURCH

Saturday 5.30pm - Sunday Mass
Sunday 8.30am
Sunday 10.30am
11.45am - Baptisms
Wednesday 9.30am - Communion Service
2.30pm - Funeral-
Bill O'Mahoney
Friday 9.30am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 10am-10.30am St Anne's Church

Parish Priest: Rev Kevin McIntosh
Pastoral Assoc: Sr Jose Noy RSJ
Pastoral Co-ord: Lyn Plummer
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Principal: Noelene Hussey
Our Lady of Mount Carmel School: 9740 7344
Principal: Julie Freeman
Holy Trinity School: 8746 6464
Principal: Krystine Hocking

26 JUNE 2022

THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: 1 Kings 19:16, 19-21
Psalm Response: Ps 15:1-2, 5, 7-11
You are my inheritance, O Lord.
Second Reading: Galatians 5:1, 13-18
Gospel Acclamation: 1 Samuel 3:9, John 6:68

Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening; you
have the words of everlasting life.**

Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 9:51-62

LET US PRAY FOR

Sick: Nancy ALLEN Val CARR Wasana
FERNANDO Anna FINDEIS Frank HEENAN
Agnes HOGAN John KIMPTON Jo KLOSS
Timothy KOREN Madeline McClymont
Bob POWLES Noel STONE Marie SULLI-
VAN Clive SUMNERS Craig WESTWOOD
Doris WILLIAMSON

Recently Deceased: Bill O'MAHONEY

Anniversaries: Harry BORECKI Margot
RILEY

**SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEK—
VINNIES WINTER APPEAL**

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

THE DEMANDS OF BEING A DISCIPLE OF JESUS

This Sunday after celebrating the cycle of Lent, Easter and the special feasts of the Holy Trinity and the Body of Christ, we resume reading the gospel of Luke. Today's reading marks a turning point in Luke's gospel. It is the commencement of Jesus' journey to Jerusalem as he resolutely 'sets his face' towards Jerusalem. This begins the second half of the gospel describing that from this point forward there is no turning back for Jesus; this is the beginning of the end.

REJECTION ON THE WAY

Jews and Samaritans were of a different ethnic mix and were religious adversaries—a volatile mix. Hence, the Samaritans refused Jesus entry to their villages. The apostles James and John said, "Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to burn them up?" To which Jesus rebuked the two men. Violence is not his way to deal with inhospitality. What he would bring to Jerusalem is peace (19:41-44) Jesus himself will meet inhospitality in Jerusalem and be rejected and put to death.

THE DECISIONS OF JESUS

In Galilee, Jesus' ministry has been quite successful, but now he heads south to the centre of Israel's religious and political institutions. He must know he is heading into conflict and likely death - look what happened to John the Baptist! But Jesus chooses. What God wanted is expressed in John 3:16—'God so loved the world he gave his Son that all who believe might live.' From the time of his birth, Jesus' life, like our own, was shaped by the choices he made, and the choices of others. Jesus made the choice to be faithful to his sense of God's call and that meant taking the good news of the reign of God to Jerusalem, and facing the consequences of this choice. (Sr Mary Coloe, Profession of New Testament, Yarra Union, Melbourne.)

DISCIPLESHIP IN OUR BUSY LIVES

Today we consider some of the personal difficulties we might have to face as disciples. First, there is no part-time discipleship. Our commitment must be wholehearted and complete. We must have a willing attitude that frees us interiorly from all other concerns so that we might be able to follow Christ regardless of our state in life or our occupation. This attitude of commitment comes not merely from our own generosity of heart but from our having been transformed into Christ through faith and baptism.

We may face conflicts when our various allegiances seem to clash. We may have family responsibilities. There are children to raise, elderly parents or infirm relatives to care for. What does discipleship require of us? We all must earn a living. Are we expected to leave our employment to follow Jesus? And if so, what then will we do? All disciples must face the interior struggle caused by the conflict of legitimate responsibilities.

The freedom of which Paul speaks comes with genuine love. If, out of love we can negotiate successfully these conflicts caused by competing responsibilities, without compromising our total commitment to Christ, we will find a new kind freedom. This is the freedom that enables us to be faithful to both sets of responsibilities according to the proper priority. We will see that commitment to Christ is primary and the circumstances of our lives with the accompanying responsibilities set the parameters within which we live out our commitment. It is not in opposition with these responsibilities or despite them, but by means of or through them that we live out our discipleship. (Dianne Bergant Professor of Biblical Studies, Catholic Theological Union, Chicago.)

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Conference of Priests

From 13—17 June, 152 Melbourne priests gathered for a conference called by Archbishop Peter. It was great to meet together for the first time for several years due to Covid 19. Among those present were those who have served in our Parish as priests or seminarians from 1994: Fr Greg Bourke, Bishop Martin Ashe, Fr Philip Le, Fr Linh Tran, Fr Binh Le, Fr Linh Pham and me.

The theme of the conference was our mission - "I will make you fish for people", Jesus said (Mark 1:17) and 'Go make disciples of all nations' (Matthew 28:18). The main presenters included Deacon Pellineen of Brisbane, Archbishop Gregory Rys of Poland, (on line) Fr Richard Rosse (Caroline Springs) and Fr Tony Kerin (Box Hill) Suzette Diaz (Melbourne) and Jacqui Guiliano (Melbourne). Archbishop Peter caught Covid and withdrew after one day.

The topics included synodality, changes in the ways of mission, building teams, being a welcoming parish, new diocesan internet service, managing stress, forming parish groups eg. Playgroups, Bible study, Alpha and Divine Renovations.

Our Prayerful Sympathy

We offer to the family of Bill O'Mahoney who suddenly entered eternal life aged 97 years at Calvary Aged Care on 22nd June. Bill grew up in Ascot Vale and became an electrician. He and his wife Joan had two children including Lyn Mandouit of our Parish. Bill came to our Parish in 2003 where he was an active participant. He was a member of the Knights of the Southern Cross and a passionate Bulldogs follower. His Funeral Mass will be celebrated on Wednesday at 2.30pm concluding at Sunbury Cemetery.

....Kevin McIntosh

Evergreens

We will be going to a private screening of **Elvis Presley's** movie at Readings Cinema on **12 July 10.00am**. Cost **\$13**

Followed by **lunch at Itahlia**.

More info or transport call Joe 0477 677 248

School Age Baptisms

In August we will celebrate the baptism of older primary school children. Any enquiries are welcome at the parish office.

Parish Dinner Dance

As part of our Parish Feast Day celebration a dinner dance is being organised for **Saturday 16 July at 7pm in the Parish Centre**. \$20 per person. Book via www.trybooking.com/bzueo. For all enquiries contact: Denise - 0400 826 508 / Dwain - 0417 406 996.

Update for Sunbury Winter Shelter

Thank you for your donations to the Winter Night Shelter. We have been able to issue the items donated to the homeless who have attended the Night Shelter in the last few weeks. The people who received the items have been very grateful and thankful. Now we are in need of donations for the 16 July - Christmas in July Dinner Dance raffle. If you wish to donate any items like wine, coffee, chocolates, cosmetics, creams, perfumes, deodorant's or any items that you have purchased and not using, it will help us to raise some money using those items for the raffle. Thank you for your generosity. All items can be donated in the box in the foyer. Any questions please contact Dwain on 0417 406 996.

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

Sadie APPLEYARD

April HENDRY

Joseph HOGAN

Max ROBERTS

Cassandra WILKINSON

We joyfully welcome them to our parish.



Parish Bingo

Our Parish bingo session "Major Bingo" continues every Thursday, eyes down at **7.30pm** at the Sunbury Bowling Club. Get a group together and come along and join the fun.

Enquiries: Gary Plummer 0419301760

Change of weekday Mass times

To adapt to the closure of Gap Road rail crossing from **30 May**, we shall celebrate weekday Masses at **9.30am** to cope with the increased traffic in Macedon Street and Riddell Road.

Vinnies Winter Appeal

The weekend of **July 2nd & 3rd** we will have a collection for the Vinnies Winter Appeal. With such a rise in the cost of living many of our local families will be struggling to make ends meet. Vinnies also work in partnership with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Island communities. We, again ask for your generosity for those in need. The collection will be taken up during the Masses, there is the option of a one off donation using the envelopes provided or you may wish to consider a regular donation as a direct debit.

This same weekend NATSICC is pleased to celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday when we are able to recognise the strengths and contributions of our First Nation Peoples.

Catholic Diocese of Melbourne -175 Years Anniversary Today

Was formed from the Diocese of New South Wales in 1847 with Bishop James Goold, an Augustinian as our first bishop. He served in Melbourne until his death in 1886. In 1874, the Dioceses of Ballarat and Sandhurst (Bendigo) were established and Melbourne became an archdiocese.

Meetings this week

Tue 28 June 7.30pm Sunbury Inter-Church Council-St Andrews

Thu 30 June 1.30pm Parish Staff Meeting

Fri 1 July 2.30pm Parish Finance & Development Committee

PLEASE NOTE

Wednesday 29 June 9.30am will be a Communion Service only.

Our parish is committed to the Safety, Wellbeing and Dignity of all, including children and vulnerable adults

Second Collection: "Your Financial Support enables us to Baptise around 120, provide First Eucharist for around 128 and Confirmation for 110 people each year. Thank you"