



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

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LITURGY TIMES: ALL AT ST ANNE'S CHURCH

Saturday 5.30pm - Sunday Mass
Sunday 8.30am
Sunday 10.30am
11.45am - Baptisms
Wednesday 9.30am
Thursday 3.00pm - Funeral -
Keith Snowden
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
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

7 August July 2022

NINETEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: Wisdom 18:6-9
Psalm Response: Ps 32:1, 12, 18-20, 22
**Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be
his own.**

Second Reading: Hebrews 11:1-2, 8-19
Gospel Acclamation: Matthew 24:42, 44
Alleluia! Alleluia!

**Be watchful and ready: you know not when
the Son of Man is coming.**
Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 12:32-48

LET US PRAY FOR

Sick: Nancy ALLEN Val CARR Wasana
FERNANDO Chris HALL Frank HEENAN
Kathleen JOHNSON Aileen JOHNSTON
Moira KELLY Jo KLOSS Bianca PELLY Bob
POWLES Jocelyn RAMOS Brian RIPPE
Marie SULLIVAN Clive SUMNERS
Sr Anne TUCK Doris WILLIAMSON

Recently Deceased: Val JONES June
KILLEEN Teodoro RATIO Keith SNOWDEN

Anniversaries: Joe GATT Lawrence McIN-
TOSH Pat PRICE Joyce ROMEO
Ida WHELAN Joseph ZAHRA

SPECIAL COLLECTION NEXT WEEKEND
CATHOLICCARE

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

BE READY TO MEET OUR HOSPITABLE GOD

The image of God given to us this Sunday is very positive and tender: The opening words of Jesus in the gospel reading are: "There is no need to be afraid, little flock, for it has pleased your Father to give you the kingdom" (Luke 12:32). In the Psalm 32 we pray today "Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own".

The Lord's hospitality is revealed in "Happy those servants whom the master finds awake when he comes. I tell you solemnly, he will put on an apron, sit them down at table and wait on them".

GOD'S HOSPITALITY AT THE EUCHARIST

For those who open the doors of their hearts to Jesus, the parable has a dramatic reversal of roles: the Master will be our "God-in-an-apron" who serves his watchful servants. The hospitality of God incarnate in Jesus serves us at every Eucharistic table.

At each Eucharist, we recall the death and resurrection of Jesus and the need to be "ready to greet him when he comes again" (Third Eucharistic Prayer). It is a reminder, too, that one Eucharist will be our last when our life on earth ends. Then we will go to meet the ascended Lord who stands in the heavens waiting on those who have lived a lifestyle welcoming him, especially as he comes to us in the poor and marginalised. The Eucharist strengthens us to serve those in need.

Today God is inviting some of our children to enjoy his hospitality as they begin to receive the Eucharist.

THE CIRCLE OF GIVING

As we open our hearts to God, he becomes the giver of good things. In the meantime there is a world of good things, good people, daily tasks, responsibilities, professional commitments and the simple enjoyments of life to see to. Our world is not all bad news as seen in the media. However, we are expected to be responsible stewards of God's good gifts.

Our lives as the "little flock" of the children of the Father should reflect our appreciation of the many good things we have been given on trust.

AS WE WAIT THE LORD'S CALL

Our gospel today has the sense of life as something for which we are always accountable. Like servants awaiting their master's return, we are responsible and accountable - responsible for the welfare of others, especially the poor and disadvantaged, and accountable to God. The best thing one can do with present wealth is to use it to give also to the poor. This converts it into heavenly 'credit', literally 'treasure in heaven', the only credit that survives the barrier of death.

INFORMATION SESSION - PERMANENT DEACONS

Pope Francis last year prayed for vocations that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church". Permanent deacons live their vocation in and with their family.

An information session will be held on **Saturday 3 September** at 10am at Catholic

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Theological College, 278 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne. Men, married or single, between the age of 30-60 years are invited. Contact Office of Permanent Diaconate - 9412 3357, or watch <https://youtube.be/q2RLNDbtTSO>.

Homelessness Week - 1—7 August

Villa Maria Catholic Homes (VMCH) provides affordable homes to 436 people aged over 55, and 90% female. The number of older Australian women seeking homelessness services has increased by 63% in the last five years (Australian Human Rights Commission). VMCH supports the Everybody's Home Campaign which calls for an additional 500,000 social and affordable homes to be built by 2026. VMCH is developing more homes in Ivanhoe East, Bundoora and Wantirna South

....Kevin McIntosh

Evergreens

Evergreens are having lunch at the **Bowling Club 9 August** at 12.00pm.

More info or transport call Joe 0477 677 248.

Evergreens and U3A are again joining for a Coach Tour to Westgarthtown, 1850 German / Wendish settlement. Followed by **Lunch at Excelsior Hotel.** Wednesday, 7 September 2022 – leaving from: Bowling Club Sunbury Carpark. 9:15 AM – 3:00 PM. Capacity: only 40. Cost: \$30 (includes coach fare and tour). **Money due before 23rd August 2022. Posters in Foyer. For more info call Joseph Spiteri 0477 677 248 ASA Possible.**

Altar Servers

"Development Opportunity – We are recruiting Altar Servers.

Girls and Boys who have received their first Eucharist and are at least 10 years of age. We can arrange training to fit in with your availability. Call Michael on 0417332186"

Letter from the Millett Family

Due to Covid restrictions at the time of Dad's passing we were unable to get together and remember Dad's exceptional life. So for his first anniversary we invite you to join us to remember our beloved father, Tom.

10.30am Mass at St Anne's on Sunday 21 August followed by refreshments in the Parish Centre.

The Millett Family.

First Eucharist Celebrations

Will take place this weekend. We pray for these children as they begin to come to the Table of the Lord. May they always be nourished and know they are supported by Jesus throughout their lives.

Next Eucharist Mass is: August 14 at the 10.30am Mass

Report finds 'stark gap' between rich and poor

Australia is one of the richest countries in the world but has a significant wealth gap between the rich and the poor, according to a new report. The findings released by the Australian Council of Social Service (ACOSS) on 22 July found that Australia's richest 10 per cent of households have an average household wealth of \$6.1 million - almost half of the entire country's wealth combined. The majority of Australians remain on the lower scale of wealth, with 60 per cent of the population only pocketing 17 per cent of the country's wealth. Source: SBS News (25/07/2022)

PLEASE NOTE: There will not be a 9.30am Mass on Wednesday 17 August

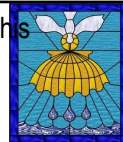
The following children from our parish will be baptised this Sunday:

Lincoln COTTOM

Tucker HIBBERD

Cruz MAZOU

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 0419 301 760

In line with the Victoria Government guidelines, we recommend the wearing of face masks in Church.

CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal

Next weekend is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. As our parish's social service agency, CatholicCare Victoria delivers over 60 programs and services including counselling and mental health services, specialised support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, pastoral care in hospitals and prisons, support for separating families, social housing and homelessness support. **Please donate to the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal.** Your support and generosity will help provide caring support for people when they are at their most broken. You can donate using the appeal envelope available or online at www.catholiccarevic.org.au or call (03) 9287 5513.

Our Prayerful Sympathy

We offer to Sally and Felicity as the daughters of Keith Snowden who entered eternal life on 31 July aged 90. Born in Cooma NSW, Keith became an accountant and later was the manager of Greenvale Geriatric Hospital. Keith and his late wife Margaret came to Wildwood in our Parish in 1975. Keith was a regular participant at our 8.30 Mass until serious ill health four years ago after which he received Holy Communion at home. His funeral is on Thursday at 3pm.

Our Melbourne Saint

Born in 1842, in Fitzroy, Mary was the eldest of eight children of her Scottish parents. She began to receive Holy Communion in August 1850. At 16, Mary began as a shop assistant in Melbourne to support her family as her father was unable to support his family. She became a teacher in Portland in 1862. She founded the Sisters of St Joseph with Fr Tenison-Woods in 1866. In 1873, Pope Pius IX, encouraged her work. Mary died in North Sydney on 8 August 1909 - hence her feast day is 8 August. In 2010, she became the first Australian to be canonised. We thank her sisters for serving us in Sunbury since 1916.

Vocations are born in prayer and only in prayer can they persevere and bear fruit. (Pope Francis)

O God, who chose the apostles to make disciples of all nations, and who by Baptism and Confirmation has called us to build up your Holy Church, we implore you to choose from among us, your children, many priests and religious who will love you with their whole hearts and will gladly spend their lives to make you better known and loved by all.

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

Coming in September to OLMC Parish...

Family Mass

An invitation for you to come to celebrate Mass together as a family.

An opportunity for young people to...

- Join the choir
- Read at Mass
- Join Children's Liturgy
- Lead the Our Father
- Bring up the offertory
- Alter Serve



More information to follow. To express your interest in attending or volunteering, please click here:

<https://forms.gle/K2oevTXsfF4EPaNaA>