



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

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

LITURGY TIMES: ALL AT ST ANNE'S CHURCH

	5.30pm - Sunday Mass
Sunday	8.30am
Sunday	10.30am
Wednesday	11.45am - Baptisms
	9.30am Mass
	2.30pm - Mass of Anointing
	Riddell Gardens
Friday	9.30am Mass
	10.30am - Remembrance Day Commemoration Service—
	Monument at memorial Hall
	1.30pm - Mass of Anointing
	Calvary

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

6 November 2022

THIRTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

First Reading: 2 Maccabees 7:1-2, 9-14
 Psalm Response: Psalm 16:1, 5-6, 8, 15
Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full.

Second Reading: 2 Thessalonians 2:16-3:5
 Gospel Acclamation: Revelation 1:5, 6

Alleluia! Alleluia!

Jesus Christ is the firstborn of the dead; glory and kingship be his for ever and ever.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 20:27-38

LET US PRAY FOR

Sick: Kathleen JOHNSON Aileen JOHNSTON
 Moira KELLY Claire KENNY
 Andrena MCGOVERN-TAYLOR
 Cindy MORRISSEY John O'MEARA
 Bob POWLES Yvonne ROSARIO Edna SAID
 Sr Anne TUCK Lauro VISEAN
 Doris WILLIAMSON

Recently deceased:

Anniversaries:
 Beryl COMRIE Peter DILLON Terence FARIA
 Alice & Griffith GONSALVEZ
 Iris & Harold KERWICK
 Giovanni & Maria LACOBUCCI

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

GOD IS OF THE LIVING; FOR TO HIM ALL PEOPLE ARE ALIVE

In this month of November, when we pray especially for our faithful departed it is providential that our Gospel reading today is focused on the resurrection.

OPPONENTS TO THE BELIEF IN THE RESURRECTION

Jesus is confronted by the Sadducees religious political party whose members are articulate, conservative, rich, with contracts with the Roman Governors and others in positions of power. They wanted to keep things as they were. To have the common people excited about the possibilities of change and a new quality of life is the last thing the Sadducees want.

The Sadducees were determined to show that Jesus is crazy, irrelevant and disobedient to Moses' teaching and a threat to their authority and status.

THE NEW TEACHING OF THE RESURRECTION

Jesus refuses to indulge in trivial biblical pursuit with the Sadducees about the seven brothers dying. The power of the resurrection is utterly new and overwhelmingly transformative. To be children of the resurrection is to be ready to commit ourselves into the hands of God, accepting that our relationship with God surpasses any other human relationship, no matter how intimate and loving.

Jesus teaches God is the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob - a God in a continuing and personal relationship with the Hebrew ancestor's which transcends death. This is "a God not of the dead but of the living; for to him all of them are alive" (Luke 20:37). For us our God is the God of our faithful departed.

POPES ON CLIMATE CHANGE

In 1971, Pope Paul VI warned: "due to an ill-considered exploitation of nature, humanity runs the risk of destroying it and becoming in turn a victim of this degradation". Pope Francis wrote we must develop a way of living that mends our broken relationship with the environment, "We should grasp the desperate urgency of the situation that faces us, but we should not despair. With a change of heart, we will see care for the natural environment as an expression of praise for God's creation."

The Catholic Bishops of England and Wales in early October published: 'The Call of Creation'. In the document, they wrote "The crisis we face is a summons to a profound interior conversion, whereby the fruits of our relationship with Jesus Christ became evident in our relationship with the world around us."

CURRENT RESULTS OF CLIMATE CHANGE

The Salesian Missionaries in Pakistan report the devastation from the worst floods in history causing 6 million out of 30 million persons to need urgent help.

Caritas International reported on 30 September that 7.8 million people in Somalia, East Africa, have been affected by the worst drought in 40 years.

THE LISTENING CHURCH

This October marked 60 years since the opening of Second Vatican Council, an event that reshaped the Catholic Church, giving it a deeper self-understanding and an outward-facing missionary focus.

Presently, we are in the middle of a two-year process of a synod which have been the greatest consultative effort in human history—to listen to the voices of 1.36 billion Catholics - nearly 1 in 5 of all living persons on earth. Pope Francis who began the process last year has said: "If the Church is not synodal, it is not the Church."

....Kevin McIntosh

Remembering our departed Loved Ones

During the month of November our parish community remembers our loved ones at each of our Masses by presenting a memorial book of the deceased at the Procession of Gifts so all are remembered in prayer. You are warmly invited to add your loved ones names to the book which will be in the foyer of the church.

A Memorial Mass will be celebrated on **Wednesday November 23 at 7pm**. You are invited to bring along a photo or memory to celebrate the life of your loved ones.

Our program is:

Blessing and prayers at graves at Sunbury Cemetery on **Sunday 20 November at 2.30pm**.

Blessing and prayers at Bulla Cemetery on **Sunday 20 November at 3.15pm**.

Offer Masses for the Holy Souls, supporting priests in need.

For 50 years Aid to the Church in Need an international charity founded by the Pope in 1947, has passed on the Mass offerings of Catholics to poor priests who have no other material support. In return, these priests offer Masses for the intentions of the donor. Each year 50,000 priests are supported by 2 million Mass offerings. To arrange Masses call 1800 101 201 or online at www.aidtochurch.org/masses.

Upcoming World Youth Day A life-changing trip to Lisbon, Portugal: Join 500 other young Catholics from around Melbourne on an epic journey to World Youth Day in 2023. Find out more at <https://udisciple.melbournecatholic.org/wyd>. See flyer on noticeboard in foyer.

Piety Stall – News

Religious Christmas Cards are NOW available to buy. Pack of 8 cards for \$3.00.

We would like to thank all who volunteers in the Piety stall and we are asking for your help again for next year. Could you please contact Joe on 0477 677 248 if you wish to come on our team. Thanks.

2023 Columban Calendars are now available for sale in the Piety Stall for \$10 each.

Walking Together- Parish Assembly -February 2023

Would you like to get to know your fellow parishioners better? Then head to the Parish Assembly on February 5th 2023. Until then there are 36 groups in the parish who would welcome you with open arms and lots of wonderful fellowship. You could also strike up a conversation with the person next to you in the pew or the one standing alone in the foyer!

From the PPCT Team

SPECIAL EVENT

Hume Libraries—Christmas Songs.

Thursday 24 November 4pm—6pm

The choir from Our Lady of Mount Carmel Primary School will be participating at the HGLC—Sunbury Library. Bookings are required on 9356 6970. See the flyer on the notice board in the foyer.

Ordination to Priesthood will be held at St Patrick's Cathedral on Saturday, 19 November at 10.00am. Deacon Huy Nguyen and Deacon Vinh Do who had a pastoral placement in our parish, will be ordained.

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

Isla CROUGH

Andrew MOSS-HOLLAND

We joyfully welcome them to our parish.



Evergreens Social afternoons

Buffet lunch at Watergardens hotel on **8 November**. Leaving St Anne's car park at 11.am. **Car pooling to help those who cannot drive.** **\$22.40 a head must book for table numbers.**

For more information regarding the above events, please call Joe Spiteri on 0477 677 248 now.

Palms Australia

Roll up your sleeves; make a difference overseas.

Do you require professional renewal, or are you seeking a retirement challenge? Communities abroad are asking for qualified and experienced Australians able to mentor their people in education, health, administration, trades, agriculture and more.

Imagine yourself re-engaging your vocational passion in Africa, Asia or the Pacific. Since 1961 Palms Australia has been recruiting Australians able to offer mentoring that will allow overseas counterparts opportunities otherwise unattainable. Sharing your skills will strengthen the capacity of workers overseas to serve their communities for generations to come, long after you return home. Communities in American Samoa, Cambodia, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste, and Zambia are seeking to fill a variety of roles. Enquire about those roles via www.palms.org.au or by calling 02 9560 533 or 0422 472 567. See the Archbishop's Letter on the Noticeboard in the foyer.

Christmas Carols at Rupertswood

is organised by the Combined Churches of Sunbury on **Saturday 10 December 2022**.

Free activities with bands and choirs on stage and a nativity stable from 5 till 7pm, followed by the Christmas Carols. We are asking for volunteers from all the Churches and Community Organisations of Sunbury to assist us this year. **We would appreciate your help to make this a great event for Sunbury.**

We require assistance:-

2-5pm - setting up marquees, tables and chairs.

5-7pm - handing out programs, taking of collection.

5-7pm - assisting with the children's activities.

5-9.30pm - Keeping grounds tidy, emptying rubbish bins.

5-9.30pm - Supervision of toilets.

7-9pm - Assisting the performers on and off stage.

After 9pm - Dismantling marquees and clearing the site.

All volunteers must be registered and have a current Working With Children's Card, to be covered by insurance. To register go to the Sunbury Churches website link. The form can be filled in on line, but needs to be printed to be signed. Please take the completed form to the **Volunteers Briefing session on Tuesday 22nd of November, 7.30pm, at St Andrew's Uniting Church**. Thank you for volunteering to make this Christmas event a joyous occasion.

CHANGE OF PHONE NUMBERS

PLEASE LET THE PARISH OFFICE KNOW IF YOU HAVE DISCONNECTED YOUR LANDLINE AND USING A MOBILE NUMBER AS YOUR CONTACT. THANK YOU.

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

Tue 8 Nov 9.30am

School/Parish Planning Day