



OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

BULLA CLARKEFIELD DIGGERS REST SUNBURY WILDWOOD

ON WURUNDJERI COUNTRY

We acknowledge the Traditional Owners of the land and pay our respects to Elders past and present.



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

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LITURGY TIMES: AT ST ANNE'S CHURCH

Saturday 5:30pm - Vigil Mass
Sunday 8.30am - Sunday Mass
10:30am - Sunday Mass
11:45am - Baptism
Wednesday 9:30am - Mass
Thursday 9:30am - Mass - St John Leo Nardi &
St Denis & Companions
Friday 9:30am - Mass

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 10am - 10.30am St Anne's Church

Parish Priest: Rev Denis Stanley
Deacon: Rev Stephen Fernandes

Safeguarding Officer: Deon Armstrong

St Anne's School: 8746 6800
Principal: Stephen Arthursen

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

School: 9740 7344
Principal: Julie Freeman

Holy Trinity School: 8746 6464
Principal: Krystine Hocking

5 October 2025

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Times –Year C

First Reading: Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4
Psalm Response: Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.8
Second Reading: 2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14
Gospel Acclamation 1 Peter 1:25

Alleluia, Alleluia!

The word of the Lord stands for ever;
it is the word given to you, the Good News.
Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 17:5-10

LET US PRAY FOR

Sick: Mary BORG, Jaclyn DEBENHAM, Jesulin CABRAL, Agatha CHAVES, Vivianne DELLER, Caleb FARIA, Charles FIGUEREDO, Samford FIGUEREDO, Darcy FISHER, Cesar GABALES, Charles HABER, Hilda KOVIANIC, Dolores KRUSZYNSKI, Bernie LEONARD, Margaret MAGRI, Lawrence MALLIA, Sharon MAMO, Diana MASTRAMICO, Diane MOON, Daniel MATA, Tom MOWAT, Brian MUNDY, Willow O'CALLAGHAN, Emilia POTROVSKY, Amanda REBELLO, Jenny SIMPSON, Derick STEWART, Marcus TAYLOR, Delicia VILLELA, Helen WARBURTON, Air WILKENSON, Daniel ZAMMIT

Recently deceased: Estelle FURTADO & Peter WRIGHT

Anniversaries: Vincenzo BRULLO, Joe KLOSS & Linda WARREN

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

OUR DUTY TO TRUST

As the gospel makes clear, faith is never an abstract notion, it's how we live our lives. The apostles ask Jesus to 'increase our faith' as a specific response to what he has just said about forgiving one another.

Trust is central to the gospel and to our faith, which is to say our lives. And the faith that Jesus speaks of isn't blind; it's a way of seeing one another, as a woman reminded me recently when she spoke of coming to befriend a man sitting on the footpath outside Coles.

And as happened when Vinnies began its soup van service: On the first night they ran into Billy Morgan four times. On the fourth occasion a volunteer asked him if there was anything else they could give him or do and he replied, 'Your friendship is enough'. He had told her – ever so clearly – what they were all about. It wasn't simply that they had something to give him, but he had something to give them.

Billy and the woman outside Coles remind us that faith isn't something we have or don't have. It's not something we possess but is given to us in relationship. So, when Jesus speaks of a mulberry tree obeying you, there's no magic formula involved; he's simply speaking of the power of faith made real in our relationship with God.

Yet it seems wherever we look these days, there's a general loss of trust which undermines our trust in one another and ensures, perhaps, that the one thing binding us together is money. We give so we might get in return, and often this becomes our model for relationship. Where it exists, a society may begin to fragment, all the more so a church, because a church community is founded in the gift of relationship – it's where we learn to trust one another and God.

As we do, we begin to see the connection between faith and service, which Jesus speaks of in the second part of today's gospel. We're invited to join a group, so we go along, and gradually our lives change. Our faith begins to deepen, almost unawares, as we practice what's been called 'the spirituality of turning up.'

Later, we may come to understand that it's our trust in the person who asked us and in Jesus which brought us to live in this way, doing 'all you have been told to do.' It's not that God is indebted to us for what we do, but we're indebted to God for enabling this. Like the disciples we're discovering that faith and service are inextricably linked.

This week's first reading, the psalm and the second reading all speak of trusting in God, whatever happens in our lives. This is the precious gift we're entrusted to look after, the gift of God's self in Jesus, and we do this by giving it away. Trusting in Jesus enables us to do what God entrusts to us – it's our duty and our life.

Damian Coleridge
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PARISH MEETING REPORTING ON MAINTENANCE AUDIT AND PLANS FOR THE FUTURE

Saturday, 11 October @ 3:30pm in the Parish Centre

JUBILEE OF MIGRANTS—JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven, may the *faith* you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our hearts by the Holy Spirit, reawaken in us the blessed *hope* for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of Evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*, a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, be glory and praise for ever.

Amen. **Pope Francis**

FEAST OF OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY

Tuesday, 7 October at 10am the Legion of Mary will be gathering on in St Anne's Church to recite all 4 Rosaries. All are welcome.

Wednesday, 8 October after 9:30 am Mass on Exposition of the blessed Sacrament, Legion of Mary Prayers, Rosary, Concluding Prayers & Benediction.

PUBLIC ROSARY

Saturday, 11 October at 1pm the Legion of Mary will be reciting the Rosary as part of a nation-wide Rosary Chain on at The Nook, Vaughan Street Sunbury.

menALIVE GATHERING – MAX2025

This annual gathering draws Catholic men from across Australia and New Zealand for a powerful weekend of faith, fellowship, and renewal. The theme for MAX2025 is "MOUNTAINS" – a strong image of the challenges men face, and the heights to which God calls us in life and faith. **10th–12th October 2025** in Melbourne. **Registrations close in 2 weeks.** All event details and registration links are here [menALIVE Victoria - MAX25](#) or scan the QR Code to register.



SEMINAR

A "New Life in God's Spirit" Seminar will be held in St. Anne's Church each Tuesday evening at 7.00 pm in St Anne's Church, commencing on October 14th for 6 weeks. This seminar is designed to help the participants experience God's love in a direct and personal way. For further information and registration contact Elaine van der Weerden 0418 322 596.

THANK YOU!

Nilda & Alan Pounder would like to express their thanks & gratitude for your prayers for their quick recovery and good health.

OLMC YOUTH GROUP

A chance to register for the OLMC Youth Group! Ages 13 – 18. Dinner / Watch a video / Group discussions / Games + Prayer nights. Parents/guardians to scan QR code and register. Any questions, please **contact** Liam Daniels - 0488541844

ALTAR SERVERS

Don't just come to Mass, they help Father and the community to celebrate it. Join the team. Enquiries Michael 0417332186

MORNING TEA

After 8:30am Mass this Sunday. Hosted by the Evergreens.



We joyfully welcome the following children who will be baptized in our parish: Harrison **BUFFETT**, Patrizie **NOCHE**, Claire & Lucas **ROBERTSON** & Lachlan **SHAW**



OCTOBER- MONTH OF THE HOLY ROSARY

The Holy Rosary will be recited at 5pm and 10am on Sundays during the month of October.

October is dedicated to the **Holy Rosary**, a prayer honouring the **Blessed Virgin Mary** and seeking her intercession. This devotion expresses gratitude for the protection Mary offers to the Church and to all who call upon her. The **Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary** is celebrated on **October 7th**. The Rosary is deeply rooted in the **Sacred Scripture**. For example, **Our Father**: The prayer Jesus taught and the **Hail Mary**: Combines the angel's greeting and Elizabeth's words followed by a petition for Mary's intercession.

The Mysteries of the Holy Rosary: Each decade of the Rosary invites us to meditate on key events in the life of our Lord Jesus and our Blessed Mother Mary: **Joyful Mysteries** – The Incarnation and early life of Jesus. **Luminous Mysteries** – The public ministry of Jesus. **Sorrowful Mysteries** – The Passion and death of Jesus. **Glorious Mysteries** – The Resurrection, Ascension, and the glory of Heaven.

Let this October be a time of grace and renewal. **Pray the Rosary daily** and allow Mother Mary to lead you closer to her Beloved Son, Jesus Christ. **Pope Leo** says, "I invite everyone to pray the Rosary every day during the coming month — for peace — personally, with your families and in your communities."

THE PCT WANT YOU!

Positions have become vacant in the Parish Coordinating Team. The team asks you each to reflect on the gifts you could bring to this group which seeks to identify and respond to the needs of the people in the parish and beyond, and to involve the whole parish in the response to these needs as we live out our Parish Vision of "Christlike relationships of friendship and faith, valuing one another and sharing our gifts for the good of all".

FROM YOUR PARISH COORDINATING TEAM (PCT)

1. **OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH CREATION**: As we reach the end of the Season of Creation we remember with Pope Leo XIV that "the beauty of creation" is a revelation of God "as the source of goodness," and we pray with the Holy Father :Dear God, "help us discover Your presence in all creation, so that, in fully recognizing it, we may feel and know ourselves to be responsible for our common home where You invite us to care for, respect, and protect life in all its forms and possibilities."

2. **30 WAYS to know your most merciful Redeemer, friend, and brother more clearly, love him more dearly, and follow him more nearly :**

- * Youth Group * Vinnies - Society of St Vincent de Paul
- * Social Justice * Safeguarding * RCIA * Piety Shop
- * Music Ministry including children * Men Alive
- * Mass Welcoming Teams * Legion of Mary
- * Lectors & Communion Ministry
- * LAP (supporting youngsters with HIV in Jakarta),
- * Knights of the Southern Cross * Josephite Companions
- * Jill Gibbs Neighbourhood Garden *Visit the housebound
- * GUIH (Give Until It Hurts Charity) * Historical Society
- * Emmaus Group * Evergreens * Counters
- * Church Cleaning * Children's Liturgy and Osprey
- * Bingo * Altar Servers * Altar Care

As you leave Mass today, **why not fill out a simple application form** from the Help Desk nearest the front door?