



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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Newsletters are available on the parish website
Olmcsunbury.com

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

Email: Sunbury@cam.org.au

LITURGY TIMES: AT ST ANNE'S CHURCH

Saturday 5:30pm - Vigil Mass
Sunday 8:30am - Sunday Mass
10:30am - Sunday Mass
11:45am - Baptism
Tuesday - Funeral - 11:00am - Anne Margaret Ward
Wednesday 9:30am - Mass
Thursday 9:30am - Mass
Friday 9:30am - Mass
Funeral - 11:00am - Michelle Davis

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 Arthurson

Our Lady of Mount Carmel

School: 9740 7344

Principal: Julie Freeman

Holy Trinity School: 8746 6464

Principal: Krystine Hocking

23 November 2025

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Year C

First Reading: 2 Samuel 5:1-3
Psalms Response: Ps 121:1-5. R. see v.2
Second Reading: Colossians 1:12-20
Gospel Acclamation Mark 11:9. 10

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom of David
our Father; blessed is he who comes in the
name of the Lord.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 23:35-43

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**, Joe **KOREN**, Hilda **KOVIANIC**,
Dolores **KRUSZYNSKI**, Bernie **LEONARD**, Margaret
MAGRI, Lawrence **MALLIA**, Sharon **MAMO**, Diana
MASTRAMICO, Diane **MOON**, Daniel **MATA**, Brian
MUNDY, Willow **O'CALLAGHAN**, Steve **OWEN**,
Emilia **POTROVSKY**, Amanda **REBELLO**, Karen
RODRIGUEZ-DELLER, Alan **STEWART**, Lee **TAYLOR**,
Marcus **TAYLOR**, Delicia **VILLELA**, Air **WILKINSON**,
Daniel **ZAMMIT**

Recently deceased: Michelle **DAVIS** & Anne Mar-
garet **WARD**.

Anniversaries: Fr Bert **FULBROOK SDB**, Joe **GATT**,
Rosa **HABER**, Bianca **PELLEY**, Ron **PLUMMER**, Jack
SEAGRAVE, & Alby **TORR**.

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

Our Lord, Our King
Christ the King Year C
Luke 23:35-43

We come to the last Sunday of this liturgical year, and our year-long celebra-
tion of all the wonders that God has done for us culminates in the feast of
Christ the King. Crowning the liturgical year, we profess and rejoice that
Christ is King of the Universe, Lord of all creation, and that he is Lord of our
lives, individually and communally.

On this feast, we also rejoice that, unlike the monarchies, dictatorships and
governments that come and go in the world, Christ the King reigns forever.
But today's feast challenges us to think about what it means to say that
Christ is King.

We remember that, after his arrest, on the night of his trial, Jesus is taken to
be examined by the governor, Pontius Pilate. In the course of their conversa-
tion, Pilate asks Jesus if he is indeed a king. In John's Gospel, Jesus replies
that his kingdom is not of this world (Jn 18:36)). Jesus' response clearly im-
plies that he is a king, but he stresses that his kingship is not the kind that
the world has come to know in the course of human history.

Indeed, Jesus' whole life attests to the fact that his kingdom is definitely not
of this world. His kingship brooks none of the trappings of power, majesty or
wealth which worldly kingship readily claims and jealousy guards for itself.
His kingship also firmly rejects the methods of coercion, violence and abuse
of power that worldly power so often wields.

The events of Jesus' passion and death following his arrest demonstrate that
his crown is made not of jewels but of thorns; he wears no rich finery; indeed
he is stripped of his clothes; he is mocked and tortured; his hands and feet
pierced with nails; he is crucified; he dies battered and bloodied; his throne is
a cross. Even when he rises from the dead, his resurrected body bears the
wounds of his suffering, born for love of us.

Rather than power as the world exercises it, rather than power over people,
the power of Christ's kingship is the power of love. It is a love that is all-
embracing and steadfast. It is a love that refuses to be anything but love,
even in the face of violence and rejection. It expresses itself concretely and
consistently in the virtues of hospitality, compassion, patience, gentleness,
and kindness (as described by the apostle Paul in 1 Cor 13), and in an un-
swerving concern for justice and for the welfare of others, especially the
most vulnerable. This is "the mind of Christ" (Phil 2: 5-8) that we, his disci-
ples, are called to make our own.

The feast of Christ the King surely challenges us to be especially attentive to
the ways in which we exercise power in our dealings with others – be it in our
family or our community or our workplace – that it be true to the example of
Christ our King.

Anne Hunt

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PLEASE SEE THE NOTICE BOARD FOR MORE NOTICES

OLMC YOUTH GROUP

Ages 13 – 18. Dinner / Watch a video / Group discussions / Games + Prayer nights. Any questions, please **contact** Liam Daniels -0488541844

NEW LIFE IN GOD'S SPIRIT - SEMINAR

The "New Life in God's Spirit" Seminar **will be held this Tuesday 25 November** at St. Anne's Church at 7.00 pm. All welcome. For further information please phone Elaine on 0418 322 596.

PARISH BINGO

Our weekly Parish bingo session -"Major Bingo" continues every Thursday evening, eyes down at 7.30 pm at Sunbury Bowling Club, Riddell Rd.

HELP NEEDED PLEASE

One of the items from our Churches' Audit revealed an urgent need to replace tiles and remove sharp edges from the ramp at OLMC church. Do you have expertise and **experience in tiling and masonry** and would you be willing to help us please? Contact Glenn on 0419104523

CHRISTMAS AT RUPERTSWOOD

Saturday, 13 December from 5-8:30pm. Organised by the Combined Churches of Sunbury. **A reminder for all Carols volunteers.** The Combined Churches of Sunbury Volunteers Briefing is Tuesday 2 December at 7 pm, in the Uniting Church. If you are not yet registered you need to bring your Working with Children Card.

CALL FOR VOLUNTEERS - CHRISTMAS MASSES

We are looking for the following volunteers to assist with the Christmas Masses:

***Setting up Chairs** Working Bee on 22 December at 10:am.

***Greeting & Ushering** ***Sacristan** (Mass Set up)

***Collector's Coordinators** ***AV Operators**

If you would like to lend a hand, please leave your name, number and volunteer role on the clipboard provided in the foyer.

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC YOUTH FESTIVAL LAUNCH & WORLD YOUTH DAY CROSS & PILGRIMAGE WALK

You are invited to join in the launch and walk at St Patrick's Cathedral on Sunday, 30 November as over 6000 young pilgrims are welcomed to Melbourne.

Program:

1.30pm - Melbourne Catholic Festa

2.30pm - Reception of the WYD Cross & Icon

3.00pm - Pilgrimage walk (5km to MCEC - ticketed pilgrims only; 3km return option available)

Aid to the Church in Need Red November: Pray for persecuted Christians

All Catholics to remember, pray for and support persecuted Christians throughout **Red November**. Please pray especially for our brothers and sisters in Nigeria, Sudan and the Middle East, where Christians are facing grave danger right now. Watch the official video and download your Red Rosary prayer card by visiting

www.rednovember.org

A Life That Lit the Way for Others.

An interview with Sr Angela Mary Doyle by Alison Langdon, on A Current Affair, is well worth setting apart. Sr Angela is a Mercy sister, deeply connected with the Mater Hospital in Brisbane - she is interviewed on turning 100 years.

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=dMQ_HrUnoZ0

We joyfully welcome Violet **GOMEZ & Cruz YOUNG** who will be baptized in our parish.



PIETY STALL

Religious Items. Wearable Rosary beads, Bracelets and Rings. Understanding the Sacraments by Fr. Chris Alar Why do we baptize infants? Where is Confession in the Bible? going Fast at \$25. Many NEW items. Quality but cheap.

EVERGREENS SENIORS SOCIAL AFTERNOON

Tuesday 25th November 2025 at 12-00pm. At St Anne Hall behind the church A nice cup of tea with biscuits supplied. The Evergreens is FREE for all Seniors, Come and join us for a chat and enjoy. We love to see you. Call Joe Spiteri on 0477 677 248 for info and transport

UPDATE ON VOLUNTARY ASSISTED DYING

A copy of the Archbishop's letter providing an update on the VAD Amendment Bill 2025 is available on the notice board

THE PCT WANT YOU

Applications are now welcomed for the Parish Coordinating Team. If the team is to represent our **diverse parish**, we would ask you to prayerfully consider how **your gifts** would assist with this representation. Application forms and information sheets which are available at the Help Desk and Parish Office can be returned by email to sunbury@cam.org.au or to the Parish Office, 101 Riddell Rd.

FROM YOUR PARISH COORDINATING TEAM (PCT)

FEEDBACK ON PARISH BULLETIN

The PCT thanks all parishioners who gave feedback on the Parish Newsletter. A copy of all responses is available from the Help Desk and the PCT will give feedback on these in the coming weeks.

TOGETHER AGAIN

On Saturday 29th November, all are warmly invited to an evening of car-ference – carols in that reflect the rich traditions of Sunbury parishioners - **Aboriginal**



Wurundjeri-Woi wurrung, Austrian German, Anglo-Indian, British, Chinese, Dutch, Filipina, Hindi, Irish, Italian, Maltese, Pasifika, Polish, Scots, South-Indian, Sri Lankan Sinhalese, Vietnamese ...

Singers and musicians from all traditions but especially if you are from any tradition not listed above, please email sunbury@cam.com to confirm:

- your participation
- names of singers/musicians
- together with lyrics of your chosen carols, and
- requests (if any) for accompaniment.

In the spirit of Christmas, enjoyable participation, by both audience and performers, is the aim. It's not a competition. Circle the date, Saturday 7 pm, 29th November in St Anne's Church. Light refreshments will be provided.

There's still plenty of time to join in, for voices and instruments to warm up and for practices to begin at home. More details to follow regarding a simple dress rehearsal.

Let's prepare for Christmas as a parish community,
TOGETHER AGAIN.