#### **ROSTERS**

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



**LITURGY** for 7/8 September

6pm Welcomers: Downard/Magugat Gifts: M&U Williams Family Readers: M Atkinson, C Bolte

Ministers: L Flarherty, D Friebe, B Gladman, M&T Harney, G McMeel

<u>Pam</u> Welcomers: J McCosh, J Zanos Gifts: J&S Smits Family Readers: F&P Torpy

Ministers: H Goddard, K O'Leary, A Sanderson

**CHURCH CLEANING:** 

Week commencing

1 September Group 5: J McCarthy, J Carroll

8 September Group 6: J A Moloney, H Chisholm, J Squires

**COUNTING TEAMS:** 

1 September Team 9: Peter & Geraldine Kenna. Kevin Perera

8 September Team 10: Cross Family

COMMUNION TO LYNDOCH: 8 September: Louise & Michael Taggert, Christine Di Palma



# Reflection on the Gospel-22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C (Luke 14: 1, 7-14)

-Veronica Lawson RSM

For the past three years, Catholics have accepted the invitation of Pope Francis to join with other Christians across the planet in celebrating the Season of Creation. This extended celebration of creation was launched in 1989 by the Orthodox Patriarch of Constantinople and joined progressively by other Christian communities. It begins with the World Day of Prayer for Creation on September 1 and concludes on the Feast of St Francis of Assisi. Over this period, we might reflect on what is happening to our planet and pay particular attention to the eighth work of mercy, "care of our common home". As a spiritual work, care of our common home calls us to "grateful contemplation of God's world". As a corporal work, it calls us to "simple daily gestures" that create a more sustainable and equitable world.

Today's gospel calls us to redress imbalances in the human community, imbalances that have ultimately affected the earth itself. Jesus is under scrutiny as he dines in the home of a leading Pharisee. In Luke's gospel, the Pharisees are generally depicted as hostile to Jesus. This portrait reflects the situation of the time the gospels are being written when Pharisaic Judaism and Christian Judaism had parted ways. At the time of Jesus' ministry, the Pharisees were a minority group of well-respected experts in the Law. Despite the hostility from his host, Jesus is not deterred from expressing his opinion and as usual he does so in the form of a story that comes from the experience of his hearers. He first addresses the guests and then the host. The guests are clearly not from the lower echelons of society. They are people who receive invitations to wedding banquets where places of honour are reserved for the most distinguished guests. Jesus appeals to their fairly normal fear of being shamed before others. He also reminds them of the principle of reversal that operates in God's kin-dom where those who seek the first places find themselves last and the last are first.

Jesus' advice for his host is more removed from first century Palestinian experience than is his advice for the guests: do not invite friends, family and wealthy neighbours; invite the destitute and those with disabilities. In other words, invite those considered unclean by observant Jews rather than those who have the capacity to return your hospitality. This was a confronting suggestion in that culture. It embodied the inclusive values of the kin-dom vision that Jesus had preached from the outset. It is confronting for us in our times. It is easy to welcome like-minded people into our land and our homes. It is not so easy to be open to those who see the world differently from us. We are invited to look on them with love rather than hostility and to secure a place for them in our hearts and in our common home.



THE TRUTH. AND THE LIFE"

"I AM THE WAY.

JN 14.18.

# Our Lady Help of Christians Parish East Warrnambool - Allansford 'A Star in the East'



# **PARISH BULLETIN**

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time — 1st September 2019

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"PEACE TO ALL WHO ENTER HERE"

**Recent Deaths:** Trevor Nelson, Michael Foster, Ron Rauert, Sister Barbara Lemkie RSM, Laura McKenzie, Robyn Murray, Sister Euphrasia Nihill SJG

**Anniversaries:** Leo Couch, Our Deceased Fathers and Grandfathers, Maureen Bourke, Alma Eastwood, Frs. Taffe and Markey, Sister Francis Borgia, Paul Murphy, Nance McNiece, Bridgie Nolan, Ivan Sanderson, Mick Gebert, Barbara Hughson

"Happy are those who have died in the Lord for their good deeds go with them." (Apoc 14)

7.30am at St Pius

Mass Times Monday 7.30am a
Tuesday 10.00am
Wednesday 9.30am

Thursday 9.30am (Celebrant Fr. Van de Camp) (St Teresa of Calcutta)

Friday 9.30am (For a Good Season)

Saturday 10.00am at St Pius

THE LORD'S Saturday 6.00pm
DAY Sunday 9.00am
Allansford 10.30am

The Word of God:

This Week: Sir 3: 17-18.20.28-29/ Heb 12: 18-19.22-24/ Lk 14: 1.7-14

Next Week: Wis 9: 13-18/ Phim 1: 9-10.12-17/ Lk 14: 25-33

Sacraments: Baptisms and Marriages by Appointment Please phone 5561 1533

Reconciliation – Friday 10am; Saturday 10.20am at St Pius

## Season of Creation 2019 Prayer

Creator of Life.

The Earth is full of Your creatures, and by Your wisdom you made them all. At Your word, the Earth brought forth plants yielding seed of every kind and trees of every kind bearing fruit, the waters teemed with swarms of living creatures of every kind, and the world was filled with every kind of winged bird, walking animal, and creatures that creep upon the ground.



White is the colour of

rejoicing

Mountains, plains, rocks, and rivers shelter diverse communities, and through the changing seasons Your Spirit renews cycles of life.

During this season of Creation, open our eyes to see the precious diversity that is all around us. Enlighten our minds to appreciate the delicate balance maintained by each creature. Inspire us to conserve the precious habitats that nurture this web of life.

In the name of the One who came to proclaim good news to all creation. Jesus Christ. Amen.

# **RESPONSORIAL PSALM** (Keep for Daily Prayer)

# God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

The just shall rejoice at the presence of God, they shall exult and dance for iov. O sing to the Lord, make music to his name; rejoice in the Lord, exult at his presence. R.

Father of the orphan, defender of the widow, such is God in his holy place. God gives the lonely a home to live in; he leads the prisoners forth into freedom. R.

You poured down, O God, a generous rain; when your people were starved you gave them new life. It was there that your people found a home, prepared in your goodness, O God, for the poor. R.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

#### Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the word of truth and life.

All who eat the living bread will live forever. (Alleluia! Alleluia!...)

All who drink my blood live in me and I in them says the Lord. (Alleluia! Alleluia!...)

#### **HYMNS:**

Entrance	71	Gather Your People	
Resp Psalm	6	Lord To Whom Shall We Go?	Mystery Of Faith
Gifts	42	Jesus You Are Bread for Us	When we eat this Bread and drink
Communion	125	Eat This Bread	this Cup, we proclaim your Death,
	27	Song of the Body of Christ	O Lord, until you come again.
Recessional	57	City of God	O Lord, until you come again.

"We must walk united with our differences: There is no other way to become one. This is the way of Jesus" (Pope Francis)

#### **Pope's Prayer Intentions for September**

#### The Protection of the Oceans

That politicians, scientists and economists work together to protect the world's seas and oceans

Marriage Tip: If an issue arises in your marriage, communicate directly with your spouse. Talking with others about the problem will not solve it. Keep personal issues between you and your spouse.

Social Justice Sunday will be celebrated on 29th September. The Social Justice Statement entitled Making it Real: Genuine human encounter in our digital world.

In this year's Statement, the Bishops reassert Pope Francis' call to 'boldly become citizens of the digital world', with the image of the Good Samaritan as our inspiration. The statement affirms the positive possibilities for encounter and solidarity offered by new digital media, while warning of those elements online that can be harmful. Information overload, social isolation, marginalisation of the vulnerable. consumerism and fake news are just some of the challenges. As individual users and as people and communities of faith, we are called not just to be inhabitants of this new digital world, but to be active citizens shaping it for the good of all.



## **Ballarat Clergy Support Fund** Collection for Sick and Retired Priests—next weekend

Creating a secure retirement future for the priests of the diocese is a duty and care in which we can all participate. Fifteen retired priests are currently supported by this fund. Some live privately, some are retired in units in Ballarat or elsewhere, others

live in supported accommodation.

The funding required for these commitments is ongoing. Along with the priests' own contribution of approximately \$33,000 per year, this annual collection has allowed the Fund to continue to support our sick and retired clergy.

A credit card facility is available for your convenience, and contributions over \$2.00 are tax deductable. CARING FOR THOSE WHO CARED FOR US—THE CHURCH COMMUNITY'S RESPONSIBILITY.

## PARISH LIFE—LIFE TO THE FULL

OLHC Community acknowledges and respects the traditional custodians of this land the Gunditimara People and other tribes. We deeply respect the Aboriginal Community upon whose land our parish resides.

WELCOME TO OLHC & ST. CARTHAGE In imitation of Jesus Christ, we welcome all people to worship and celebrate God's all-inclusive love with us. Whoever you are, wherever you are in your life, we thank you for choosing to be here with us today.

Our Parish Vision "Bringing People together in an atmosphere that is welcoming, nurturing and challenges all to share in the Mystery of God's Love."

Spend everyday with the saints. "I only feel angry when I see waste. When I see people throwing away things we could use." St Teresa of Calcutta

Holy Hour at OLHC Monday 10am

Worth Watching "Songs of Praise" Sundays 11.30am on ABC1.

View ABC1 Compass 11am Sundays.

Scripture Study Thursdays 7.30pm; Fridays 10am. In the Church Meeting Room. Compliments of the Parish the Spring Edition of 'Australian Catholics' is available and 'Our Diocesan News'

St John of God Auxiliary Movie 'Downton Abbey' at the Capital Theatre. September

12th, 10.30am. Morning Tea 10am. \$20, tickets Pat King 0438 625 094. Thanks to everyone for the amazing response to the SVDP winter appeal. Monies, food and clothing has

all for your generosity. From the members of the OLHC SVDP conference. The Archbishop's Prize for New Composers, including entry criteria and an entry form, can be found online: https://www.sydneycatholic.org/about-us/awards/#New-Composer. Entrants must use lyrics from

been and will continue to be distributed amongst those in need in East Warrnambool. May God bless you

Murray's poem. Animal Nativity to compose a piece of choral music that is less than 5 minutes long. Finance/Maintenance Committee meets on Tuesday 7.30pm.

Parish Co ordinating Team meets on Wednesday 7.30pm.

Morning Tea next Sunday after 9am Mass hosted by Parish Family Groups. We will celebrate the coming amongst us of the young people from Timor Leste. A plate please. Hosts Taggert & Glynn

Season of Creation September 1—October 4th:

"There can be no renewal of our relationship with nature without a renewal Of humanity itself." (Pope Francis)

OLHC Play group Open Day Friday 13th September 9am-11am in the School Hall. 0-5 years. BYO snack & drink (Nut Free). Amanda 0438 832 010.

# Today we congratulate the children who are receiving the Sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time



**Bridie Grundy Gunjwok Jack** Laylah Hansford Paddy Lewis **Hudson Carter** Elyssa Mutton Joshua Fitzgerald **Imogen Evans** Riley Kelly Hamish Ross Max Gleeson Jack Hogan Jakob Scott Keelan Grundy Max Hogan Declan Ronnett Ambrose Rea Tayla Parsons

Declan Bo	nnett Ambros	e Rea Tayla F	Parsons Lila Ko	enny
Sarah Moore	Bryce Ryan	<b>Emmy Parsons</b>	Ava Macdonald	
Bonnie Moon	Lexi Amarant	Oscar Gardner	Kade Hirst	
Isabella Dean	Angus Bourke	Patrick Ragg	Lilly McDowall	
Sophie Dennis	Riley Giblin	Maya Rhodes	Tom Martell	
Raina Manjaly-Tony	Niamh Clarke	Tilly Paton	Jayden Davis	1
Megan Fry	Ben Spencer	Kian Waller	Riley Wickenton	
Noah Lynch	Rylee Foreman	Connor Brisbane	Angel McKenzie	
Rosie Bowman	Asha Elford	Max Lewis	Jazz McKenzie	2
Bailey Sheen	Mackai Steel			



Oliver Turner

Natalie Turner

Rebecca Martin

Rex Harris

**Xavier Harris**