#### ROSTERS

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



LITURGY for 5/6 March

6pm Welcomers: J Steel, M Thompson Gifts: G&U O'Toole Readers: C Beks, C Bolte Ministers: P&M Morgan, M Page, S Reimert, C Ryan, P Smith

<u>9am</u> Welcomers: J&B Van Baaren **Gifts**: S Cook Family **Readers**: F&P Torpy Ministers: A Sanderson, C Spencer, P Ajang

#### CHURCH CLEANING:

#### Week commencing

28 February Group 1: A Sanderson, K Wright, P Allan, D Porter, D Lawler 6 March Group 2: P Jubb, P Bolte, P&S Smith, R Breunig, F&L O'Connor COUNTING TEAMS:

28 February Team 7: Terry & Laine Kenny, Ann & Gerard Peoples 6 March Team 8: Shirley McKane, Michael Soulsby LAWN MOWING: For fortnight 28 February Group 2: Patrick Lyons, Peter Kenna COMMUNION TO LYNDOCH: 6 March: Margaret Dunne, Peter Flynn



**Making Connections:** Attend carefully this week to cultivating your own relationship with God. Try to bring out the best in someone else as well.

**Marriage Tip:** Pope Francis called the family the "the first and most important school of mercy." In what ways can you teach mercy in your family?

**Daily Prayer:** O God, you loved us while we were yet sinners; in Christ you come in search of us. We thirst for your grace. Grant your people the gift of the Spirit, that we may learn to profess our faith with courage and conviction and announce with joy the wonders of your saving love.

**A Vocation View:** Each Lent should bring us closer to our God. There is no failure, except that of no longer trying. You can still follow Jesus more closely.

**Penola** celebrates the 150th Anniversary of the founding of the **Sisters of St. Joseph** with Mass at 10.30am on **Saturday March 19th**. There will be an unveiling of a Mary MacKillop sculpture. Mass on Sunday 20th at 10.30am followed by festivities.

Lent Calendar visit www.xt3.com/lent

**10th Anniversary of Ordination for Fr. Matthew Thomas** Mass will be held at St Patrick's Church, Camperdown on March 17 at 7.00pm. Supper will follow. RSVP Michael McKenzie, 0409 962 148.

World Day of Prayer OLHC will host a Prayer Service for all the Warrnambool Churches on <u>Friday</u> March 4th, 1.30pm. Maureen McDonald and Marita Murphy, our coordinators, welcome the presence and help of women. The guest speaker will be from 'MacKillop Family Services'. The theme is 'Receive Children. Receive Me'. A plate is welcome. Bring a friend

"Go in peace glorifying the Lord by your life."

# **24 Hours for the Lord: Friday March 4** Dear Friends,

When Pope Francis announced the Jubilee Year of Mercy, one of the special events he proposed was "24 Hours for the L:ord", to be celebrated throughout the world on Friday March 4. Pope Francis has encouraged us to observe this as a special time of prayer that would include the celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This will provide an occasion for us to draw nearer to Christ. It will be a time to experience the mercy of God in our own lives and a time to grow in mercy of ourselves, so that we might be more and more merciful to each and every person we meet, as God our Father is merciful to us. May this 24 Hours for the Lord bring blessings on us all. Yours in Christ,

Paul Bird CSsR Bishop of Ballarat

> Mass 9.30am Reconciliation 10.00am World day of Prayer 1.30pm

Stations of the Cross at St. Joseph's 7.30pm Mass at St. Pius 10.00am Saturday Reconciliation at St. Pius 10.30am Saturday



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

## PARISH BULLETIN

#### 2nd Sunday in Lent – 21st February 2016

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"I AM THE WAY, THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE" JN 14, 18. Emmanuel College: Peter Morgan - Phone 5560 0888 St. Carthage's Church—Grauers Rd, Allansford

## "PEACE TO ALL WHO ENTER HERE"

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Mass Times	Monday Tuesday Wednesday Thursday Friday Saturday	9.30am (Frank Clar 8.30am 10.00am Lyndoch L	iving Chapel ry Producers) <u>(<b>Part of</b></u>	24 Hours For the Lord
THE LORD'S DAY	Saturday Sunday Allansford	6.00pm 9.00am 10.30am		
Sacraments	Next V Baptis	Veek: Ex 3: 1-8.13- Veek: Jos 5: 9-12, <i>ms and Marriages by</i> Saturday at St. Pius	2 Cor 5: 17-21, Lk / Appointment Pleas	
A CONTRACT THE PARTY OF THE PAR	humanity, ( the One wl close, prov	ut the history of God will always be no is present, ident, holy, and – Pope Francis	Today we w Frankie & H being baptised	<b>a Whole new Light"</b> velcome with great joy Harry Chatfield who are d into the family of God, er, Son and Holy Spirit.
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**Easter** is the name Christians give to the Sunday that celebrates Jesus resurrection. East is the direction where the **sun rises** each morning. The word *Easter* means *dawn*, the awakening of a new day. Mary Magdalene discovers Jesus' tomb empty at dawn.

God creates a promise of life **beyond death** and summons us to a future beyond human **imagination**, to be co-workers of **a new life with him**.

"The ashes mean I'm a sinner. The shape of the cross means I have a saviour." – Fr. Mike Schmitz

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

#### The Lord is kind and merciful.

My soul give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. R.

It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion. R.

The Lord does deeds of justice, gives judgement for all who are oppressed. He made known his ways to Moses and his deeds to Israel's sons. R.

The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy. For as the heavens are high above the earth so strong is his love for those who fear him. R.

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

#### **Mystery Of Faith** Save us, Saviour of the

have set us free.

Praise and honour to you. Lord Jesus: Praise and honour. Lord Jesus Christ!

world, for by your Cross I will rise and go to my father and tell him Father I have sinned and Resurrection you against heaven and against you.

#### HYMNS:

Entrance 30 Hosea Gifts Heart of Jesus, Heart of Mercy Communion 129 One Bread. One Body 1 A Shepherd I'll Be Recessional Christ Be Our Light j today.

**Christ Be Our Light** Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts. Shine through the darkness. Christ be our light! Shine in your church gathered

## Heart of Jesus, Heart of Mercy

A hymn for the Jubilee Year of Mercy. Ezekiel 36:24-28 Michael Herry

I will take you from the nations, 1. and gather you from the world; I will bring you into your own land and you shall be my people and I will be your God, And in mercy, my love will hold the world.

#### REFRAIN

Give us new hearts . O Lord Give us new hearts O Lord Give us hearts of flesh: remove our hearts of stone.

- 2. Through your Spirit deep within us, we become your loving face. And our grasping hands will open in compassion and our frowning eyes will widen to see and know again All the beauty in ev'ry human heart. REFRAIN
- 3. Heart of Jesus, heart of mercy, loving face of God revealed. You proclaimed the word, 'not sacrifice but mercy' for in you we see the Father who longs for our return, Ever faithful. His covenant of love. REFRAIN

For our community: That we may recognise Christ in all our sisters and brothers, especially those whom our society would choose to treat as outcasts. We pray to the Lord.

February

Universal: Care for Creation That we may take good care of creation-a gift freely given-cultivating and protecting it for future generations. Evangelization: Asia That opportunities may increase for dialogue and encounter between the Christian faith and the peoples of Asia.

#### Do not neglect to do good and to share what you have. for such sacrifices are

pleasing to God" Hebrews 13:16 Generational poverty has led to many children in Dominic's community, including gender inequality, alcohol abuse and violence. Since receiving training in the Caritas Australia supported Community Conversations program, Dominic has learnt communication and problem solving skills to lead his community towards a more peaceful, prosperous future. Please donate to Project Compassion.

	An appeal for Financial Support to Our Parish this New Year						
Loose money on the plate pays the Priest's Allowance and the running of the Presbytery. Putting money into a <u>Parish Envelope</u> or into <u>Direct Debit</u> covers Church needs—breads, wine, candles, cleaning, bulletins, activity sheets, electricity, rates, Diocesan taxes, donations to the missions, postage, maintenance, office wages & equipment, help to develop the Parish School.							
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Are happy to contribute by:	Envelope						
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Please place on the collection plate or post to: OLHC, Box 97, Warrnambool, 3280							
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PARISH LIFE							
OLHC Community acknowledges and respects the traditional custodians of this land— the Gunditjmara People and other tribes.							

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 February with the Saints "Let us faithfully transmit to those who come after us the example of virtue we have received from those who have come before us." Peter Damian (21st February)

Holv Hour Monday 10.00am. Stations of The Cross.

The Parish offers the Sacrament of Reconciliation for children in Grade 2 and Grade 6. The Sacrament will be celebrated on Friday March 18th at 5.00pm (Grade 6) and 7.15pm (Grade 2).

Cards 1pm Tuesday Euchre & Solo.

Parish Co-Ordinating Team meeting Wednesday 7.30pm.

Mass for the Forgiveness of Sins Wednesday 16th March 7.30pm, in preparation for Easter.

Next Sunday is Clean up Australia Day.

Planned Giving Envelopes are available to help Parish Finances.

The new Liturgy, Church cleaning, Counting, Lawn mowing and Communion to Lyndoch Rosters are available in the Church foyer. Thanks to all those who serve God and God's people here.

Our giving to Project Compassion will also support the people of Fiji suffering from Cyclone Winston.

Initiation For Children: First Reconciliation—March 18 Confirmation-May 14/15 First Communion—August 13/14

