

## ROSTERS

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



### LITURGY for 5/6 September

**6pm** **Welcomers:** S&R Zanos **Gifts:** P Walsh, S Hargreaves **Readers:** B Kavanagh, N Meade

**Ministers:** C Smith, J Tankard, T Treffry, C White, D White, D Bartlett

**9am** **Welcomers:** D&M Duynhoven **Gifts:** Ajang Family **Readers:** E Dalton, M Davies

**Ministers:** M&L Taggart

### CHURCH CLEANING:

#### Week commencing

30 August Group 1: A Sanderson, K Wright, P Allen, D Porter, D Lawler

6 September Group 2: P Jubb, P Bolte, P&S Smith, R Breunig, F&L O'Connor

#### COUNTING TEAMS:

30 August Team 9: Peter & Geraldine Kenna

6 September Team 1: Paul & Marcia Glynn, Pam & Gavin Nevill, Valerie McCallum

**LAWN MOWING:** For fortnight 30 August Group 1: Robert Mills, Paul Torpy

**COMMUNION TO LYNDPOCH:** 6 September: Robert McLaren, Chris Smith



**Making Connections:** What assists you to become more 'pure of heart' and strengthen your commitment to Christ? For some it may be daily prayer, reciting the rosary, daily Scripture reading, meditation, volunteering at a community service program, attending Mass or a visit to the Church. Think about what helps you grow in faith and commitment and keeps you focused on following Jesus. Practise this daily this week.

**Marriage Tip:** Consider living beneath your means. Many people in the world don't have a choice. Even if you are still collecting necessities for your household, is there one thing that you can give away this week? You'll be richer for it.

**Daily Prayer:** Behold, O God, your Christian people, gathered together on this day of the Lord, our weekly celebration of the Pasch of Christ. Let the praise on our lips resound in the depths of our hearts, the word you have sown, the word that has taken root within us to sanctify and renew our entire lives.

**A Vocation View:** Thank God our struggles of faith can be ultimately overcome through prayer, perseverance and love. 'Do what the word tells you.' Be doers of the word.

### Pope's Prayer Intentions for August

#### Volunteers

That volunteers may give themselves generously to the service of the needy.

#### Outreach to the marginalized

That setting aside our very selves we may learn to be neighbours to those who find themselves on the margins of human life and society.

**PARISH PRAYER:** Loving God, **Good Shepherd** to us all, Gather us and form us into a welcoming parish **family**. Touch our hearts with your love so that we, in turn, may reach out to love one another, in a **neighborly** community. **Our Lady Help of Christians**, guide us as we seek to do Christ's will. Bless us in service, strengthen us in support of each other, and unite us as we grow in faith & love, to be a **welcoming**, caring Parish **community**. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. Saints Carthage and Mary MacKillop, pray for our Parish family.

### 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Every worthwhile gift, every genuine benefit, comes from above," says St. James in the second reading. But he reminds us, true worship of God involves *using* those good gifts to benefit the less fortunate. Good stewardship is not optional: it is the hallmark of our faith!

### DRAWN TO CHRIST BY THE FATHER

**Faith** is a gift from God. Faith is akin to falling in love. Faith is to feel loved by God, and to respond in love.

Why do we believe in Jesus, especially his claim that he is the **living bread** come down from heaven? It is because we feel that he is special. He makes us feel loved. He delivered himself for us. He continues to **sustain** us in the often monotonous, and sometimes painful, moments of our lives. Risen from the dead, he is the bread that restores our **strength**.

So this is our prayer for all humans: may they be drawn to Christ by the Father so that they may experience his **living presence** among us.



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

## PARISH BULLETIN

**22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time — 30th August 2015**

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*"I AM THE WAY,  
THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE"  
JN 14, 18.*

**"PEACE TO ALL WHO ENTER HERE"**

**Recent Deaths:** Geoff Curren, Jock McMurrick, Sue O'Sullivan, Mary Baldock, Ron Mills (ACT), Greg Lenehan, Patricia Fewster-Hynes

**Anniversaries:** Alma Eastwood, Allan Murnane, Norma Mast, Bill Couch, Vern Walsh, Charles White, Clare Dunn, Fathers Fennelly, Browne & Shelley, Patricia & Frank Daly, Michael Kenneally, John Jansen, Maureen Trigg, Maurice Noonan, Patrick F Quinn, Irene & Syd Kelly, Tom Smith, Tom Lourey, Leo Couch, Frederick Toohey, Inez Clare Morgan, Annie Toohey

**Mass Times:** Tuesday

10.00am (World Day of Prayer for Creation)

(Pat F Quinn RIP)

Wednesday

9.30am (John Jansen RIP)(Leo Couch RIP)

Thursday

10.00am in Lyndoch Chapel

Friday

9.30am (For Farmers and Primary Producers)



**THE LORD'S DAY** *Saturday  
Sunday  
Allansford*

*6.00pm  
9.00am  
10.30am*

**FATHERS DAY**

**Sacraments:** *Baptisms and Marriages by Appointment Please phone 5561 1533*

**The Word of God:**

This Week: Dt 4: 1-2. 6-8, Jas 1: 17-18. 21b-22. 27, Mk 7: 1-8. 14-15. 21-23

Next Week: Is 35: 4-7a, Jas 2: 1-5, Mk 7: 31-37

**Reconciliation - Friday 10.00am**

### 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. Eighteen 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 \$40,000 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**



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

**THE JUST WILL LIVE IN THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD**

Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain? He who walks without fault; he who acts with justice and speaks the truth from his heart. **R.**



He who does no wrong to his brother, who casts no slur on his neighbour, who holds the godless in disdain, but honours those who fear the Lord. **R.**

He who keeps his pledge, come what may; who takes no interest on a loan and accepts no bribes against the innocent. Such a man will stand firm for ever. **R.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

*Alleluia, Alleluia, Praise the Word of Truth and Life*

*I am the living bread, the true bread sent from Heaven, and if you believe you will have eternal life.*

**HYMNS:**

Entrance	28	Praise to You
Gifts	748	Micah's Theme
Communion	187	Communion Song
	65	To Be Your Bread
Recessional	57	City of God

**Mystery Of Faith**

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

**Spring**

In conjunction with the Orthodox Church, Pope Francis has declared 1 September as "World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation." In the southern hemisphere this is the first day of Spring. We celebrate Spring as gift, given in love, and to be cared for in love.

Spring marks the turn of the season even though Winter may still be in evidence. As the season progresses, the morning sky will brighten earlier, birds will shrill in the care for their newborn, new seedlings will sprout, and gardens will bloom with a range of colours. O God, we celebrate these changes secure in your promise of ever-renewing life as fixed in the rhythms of creation. Praise be to our Creator God!

**Clothing** is an indicator of personality, of social status and belonging (ask any adolescent!), and a reflection of the wearer's culture—in other words, it can be a metaphor for identity. At **baptism** we were clothed with a white garment as a sign of **our new personhood in Christ**, and the prayer of the rite acknowledges this garment as an outward sign of the Christian dignity that has been bestowed through the sacrament. The prayer continues with the hope that, with the help of family and friends, **that baptismal dignity** will be carried unstained by sin into the everlasting life of heaven. We all grow out of the material garment, but the continuing challenge is to **grow into** what it symbolizes: the **new** self created in God's love and holy truth for the new age and the new creation. Such a radical **transformation** is our possibility. - Sr. V Holyhead sgs.(Sowing the Seed)

"As we have experienced **communion** in this celebration, we are sent forth to work to strengthen the **bonds of communion** between the people with whom we live and work. As a Eucharistic people, we Catholic Christians are a people with a mission." I find the descriptor "Eucharistic people" very powerful. It implies that, **along with Jesus**, we have the capacity and the potential to nourish and sustain others. After all, that's what Jesus does for us, each time we partake of the Body and Blood (ie share in the Eucharist). But I also like the notion of "being sent forth", of being "people with a mission". With Jesus inside us, we can bring the message of Good News and hope to those suffering or living in despair. - David McGovern

**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 August with the Saints** "Do all you can with the means at your disposal and calmly leave the rest to God." (St. Mary MacKillop, 8 August)

**St Vincent de Paul winter appeal** Contributions can now be placed in a marked envelope on the collection plate.

**Earn & Learn** Please collect the stickers from Woolworths for our Parish school. They can be brought to the church or school.

**Holy Hour** Monday 10am. "Be Still and Know that I am God."

**Compliments of the Parish** the spring edition of "**Australian Catholics**" written and edited by High School students.

**Today** is World Day of Migrants and Refugees. The theme is "Church Without Frontiers, Mother to All."

**Emmanuel College's Evening of Inspiration** Friday September 4th at 7.30pm at the Lighthouse Theatre. Br. Gallagher, Dr. Lawrence Gleeson, Trevor Gleeson, Patrick Houlihan and Fr. Patrick Mugavin will be inducted as Inspiring Alumni. Tickets \$5 from Lighthouse.

**Cards** (Euchre & Solo) Tuesday in Church foyer at 1pm. All Welcome.

**Parish Co-ordinating Team** meets on Wednesday at 7.30pm.

**Next Children's Liturgy of the Word** will be on Saturday 12th September at 6pm.

**Friday is Spring Ember Day** Mass 9.30am.

**Worth Watching on ABC1** 6.30pm tonight "Compass—The Meaning of Life" by Mary Robinson.

**"A Study of the parables of Jesus"** at Nazareth House Ballarat 18-20 September led by David Scütz. Enquiries Maureen 0431 273 953.

**Parish Luncheon** at Noon on Tuesday 8th September to celebrate "**The Feast of Our Lady's Birthday**" Venue: Macey's, RSVP on the list in the foyer. All Welcome.

**Kimberley Catholic Volunteer Service—Manager Kalumburu Mission** The Diocese of Broome, WA, requires volunteers to assist in its important work. The Diocese is currently seeking a Manager for Kalumburu Mission. You can learn more about Kalumburu Mission at [www.kalumburumission.org.au](http://www.kalumburumission.org.au). For further details and an application form, please contact Volunteer Co-ordinator Anneliese, ph 08 9192 1060, email [volunteers@broomedioocese.org](mailto:volunteers@broomedioocese.org) web [www.broomedioocese.org](http://www.broomedioocese.org), mail PO Box 76, Broome WA 6725.

The Parish involvement for **first communion** was evident and appreciated. Particular **thanks** to Janene Conheady for help in the organisation of preparation and celebration; Margaret Lamb for preparing study materials and with the Choir Led our song; Rachel Kelly for her preparations of certificates; Helen Murphy for décor; and the Parish caterers for the hospitality. Mrs Meade, the Religious Education co-ordinator from the School, was a support to us all. **Thanks to John First communion Photos can be viewed in the foyer.**

**"My God prosper the work of our hands." - Fr. Lawrie.**

We welcome with great joy Chloe Downing & Joseph Van Kenpen who is being baptised into the family of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit