

ROSTERS

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



LITURGY for 19/20 September

6pm Welcomers: M Brown, M Dunne Gifts: Woolstencroft Family Readers: G&M McDonald

Ministers: E Dicks, P Flynn, J Fowler, D Friebe, B Gladman, B Kavanagh

9am Welcomers: O'Sullivan/Shaw Gifts: Barnes Family Readers: P Franc, A Greig

Ministers: E Dalton, J Facey, A Jubb

CHURCH CLEANING:

Week commencing

13 September Group 3: B Mair, D Arundell, J Mahony, H Stoll, A Basford

20 September D&D

COUNTING TEAMS:

13 September Team 2: Des Arundell, Don Cooper, Bryan O'Keeffe

20 September Team 3: Terry & Pat King, Bryan & Jill Mair

LAWN MOWING: For fortnight 13 September Group 2: Patrick Lyons, Peter Kenna

COMMUNION TO LYNDPOCH: 20 September: Louise & Michael Taggart



Making Connections: We actively engage people by inviting them to turn around and greet the people around them.

Marriage Tip: If one of you is sad, sick, or depressed, how can you tell? What do you usually do to comfort each other? Does talking about it help? Or would you rather have time alone? What does your beloved want you to do? Ask.

Daily Prayer: Not in easy words, O God, but in selfless deeds is the faith we profess made real and the love our Master commanded made present. Give us the strength to take up the cross and wisdom to follow where Christ leads, losing our lives for the sake of the gospel.

A Vocation View: When Jesus says "Who do people say I am?" We could interpret this as Jesus asking for feedback from His disciples about Himself. If you were to ask Jesus, 'how would you describe today's Christians?'

"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me." (MARK 8:34)

When we truly believe that all we have is a gift from God, then we must be willing to give up some things so that we can share our blessings as God intended. Living a stewardship lifestyle means not only being responsible for our own life, but the lives of others as well.

Pope's Prayer Intentions for September

Opportunities for the young

That opportunities for education and employment may increase for all young people.

Catechists

That catechists may give witness by living in a way consistent with the faith they proclaim.

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.

Online diocesan training course about safeguarding children and vulnerable adults.

If you have a particular role in the parish, you may be contacted about providing your email address for the purpose of completing an online training course to be distributed by the Diocesan Professional Standards office. The training relates to two diocesan documents: "Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults" and "Code of Conduct for Caring for Children". The training aims to ensure that those who work with children and persons in positions of responsibility in our parishes have read and understand the document.

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

In the second reading today, St. James has harsh words for those who do not put their faith into action. May we be such good stewards of God's gifts to us that we can never be accused of having "faith that does nothing in practice."



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

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

PARISH BULLETIN

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 13th September 2015

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St. Carthage's Church—Grauers Rd, Allansford

"PEACE TO ALL WHO ENTER HERE"

Recent Deaths: Bruce Everard, Desma Lynch, Jim Brody, Frank McKenna

Anniversaries: Pat Broady, Vera Hyland, Hugh Waring, Margaret Waring, Fr. O'Bryan, Molly Slattery, Desma Lynch, Verna Lamb(Bega), Joan Mulready(Melb), Olive Billington

Mass Times: Tuesday	10.00am (Our Lady of Sorrows)
Wednesday	9.30am
Thursday	9.30am
Friday	9.30am

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

Sacraments: Baptisms and Marriages by Appointment Please phone 5561 1533

The Word of God: This Week: Is 50: 5-9a, Jas 2: 14-18, Mk 8: 27-35

Next Week: Wis 2: 12. 17-20, Jas 3: 16-4:3, Mk 9: 30-37

Reconciliation - Friday 10.00am



BALLARAT CLERGY SUPPORT FUND Collection for Sick and Retired Priests

Last year our parish contributed \$2,493 to this collection, which raised nearly \$67,000 throughout the Diocese. The collection in our parish this year has raised \$1,117.95 to date. The Ballarat Clergy Support Fund relies on your generosity to enable it to continue supporting our sick and retired priests. You are still able to contribute, by using the special envelope provided, or in an envelope marked "Ballarat Clergy Support Fund".

A credit card facility is available for your convenience, and contributions over \$2.00 are tax-deductible

CARING FOR THOSE WHO CARED FOR US—THE CHURCH COMMUNITY'S RESPONSIBILITY

"Spread love everywhere you go. Let no one ever come to you without leaving happier." - Mother Teresa



RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Keep for Daily Prayer)

I WILL WALK IN THE PRESENCE OF THE LORD, IN THE LAND OF THE LIVING

I love the Lord for he has heard the cry of my appeal; for he has turned his ear to me on the day when I called him. **R.**

They surrounded me, the snares of death, with the anguish of the tomb, they caught me, sorrow and distress. I called on the Lord's name. O Lord my God, deliver me! **R.**

How gracious is the Lord, and just; our God has compassion. The Lord protects the simple hearts; I was helpless so he saved me. **R.**

He kept my soul from death, my eyes from tears and my feet from stumbling. I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia, Praise the Word of truth and life.

Be our way, Lord, be our Truth, Lord, be our hope of life eternal.

HYMNS:

Entrance	28	Praise To You
Gifts	90	Here I Am Lord
Communion	CWB 793	Peace Prayer
	45	Now We Remain
Recessional		Christ Be Our Light



Mystery Of Faith

We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection, until you come again.

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 today.

OUR CHANGING CHURCH - "Practising communion"

The way of Jesus is that of *communion*, and its features together constitute the *communion paradigm*. It is, we can say, a glimpse of the Kingdom, or Realm, of God... But because we are fallible human beings, there will always be a tension between the call to *communion* and the temptation to *domination*. The culture of *communion living* that Jesus taught is persons can develop, differences can be positively welcomed, aggression or selfishness is not provoked, and individuals become energized, eager and hopeful in their daily lives. - Amanda Smith

The Synod of Bishops XIV Ordinary General Assembly is convening in Rome in October 2015. In order to support this important gathering, the Australian Catholic Marriage and Family Council (ACMFC) has published this prayer.

Prayer for the Synod on the Family

4-25 OCTOBER 2015

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, in you we contemplate the splendour of true love, to you we turn with trust.

Holy Family of Nazareth, grant that our families too may be places of communion and prayer, authentic schools of the Gospel and small domestic churches.

Holy Family of Nazareth, may families never again experience violence, rejection and division: may all who have been hurt or scandalised find ready comfort and healing.

Holy Family of Nazareth, may the approaching Synod of Bishops make us once more mindful of the sacredness of the family, and its beauty in God's plan.

Jesus, Mary and Joseph, graciously hear our prayer. Amen.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: As it was in the beginning, is now and ever shall be, world without end. Amen.

We welcome with great joy **Indiana Kirkham** and **Lottie Moore** who are being baptised into the family of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit

PARISH LIFE

OLHC Community acknowledges and respects the traditional custodians of this land—the Gundiṯjmarra 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 September with the Saints "We can do no great things; only small things with great love." (Blessed Teresa of Calcutta)

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.

Children's Liturgy of the Word Saturday 26th September 6pm.

Organ Concert at St Joseph's 26th September 7.30pm.

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

Cards Euchre/Solo 1pm Tuesday in Church foyer.

Youth Festival in Adelaide Dec 3-5, www.youthfestival.catholic.org.au

Congratulations to the Emmanuel College Netball & Basketball Teams on winning the State titles.

40th Anniversary OLHC Church 9/11/2015.

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

We celebrate **Social Justice Sunday on 27 September**. This year's Social Justice Statement is titled: 'For Those Who've Come Across the Seas: Justice for refugees and asylum seekers'.

The Statement addresses the divisive national debate over asylum seekers, especially those who arrive by boat. It reminds all Australians of the need to welcome and comfort those who have fled here from terror and danger, and to live out the example of Jesus, who never turned his back on those who were lost or suffering.

God has a **preferential** love for the **poor** that flowed so fully through the human heart of Jesus to any kind of poverty. The poverty that attracts the love of God revealed in the life of Jesus is not only material poverty—a lack of food, clothing and housing. There are at least four **other kinds** of poverty besides material poverty.

There is **bodily** poverty: a lack of health or a proper functioning of our body. There is **mental** poverty: a lack of education or a mind that does not function normally. There is **social** poverty: a lack of a voice in society or living on the margin of society. Then there is **spiritual** poverty, the deepest poverty of all: a lack of God's love surging through us to others. - Fr. John Reilly SJ

"My father used to say...Don't raise your voice, improve your argument" *Desmond Tutu*