

ROSTERS

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



LITURGY for 26/27 September

6pm **Welcomers:** N&C Coggins **Gifts:** Atkinson Family **Readers:** P McKimmie, N McLaren

Ministers: E McKinnon, M Mills, F Moloney, J Moorfield, S Reimert, C Ryan

9am **Welcomers:** J Ryan Family **Gifts:** Breunig Family **Readers:** T Kenny, F Lamb

Ministers: V McCallum, F Murrhny, P Nevill

CHURCH CLEANING:

Week commencing

20 September D&D

27 September Group 4: J OGrady, J Hales, T Dicks, R&M Greene, T Woolley

COUNTING TEAMS:

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

27 September Team 4: Margaret Dunne, Dion Bartlett

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

COMMUNION TO LYNDROCH: 27 September: Jim & Elaine Hales



Making Connections: Try to empty yourself this week of the desire to be in control. Look for ways of being of service to others. Perhaps spend time with and learn from a child. What can we learn of faith from their example.

Marriage Tip: Lift high the Cross! Do you have a crucifix in a prominent place in your home? Seeing Jesus' sacrifice is a great reminder of the love spouses are called to every day.

Daily Prayer: O God, whose hand shelters the just and righteous, and whose favor rests on the lowly, banish hypocrisy from our hearts and purify us of all selfish ambition. Let your word sown among us bring forth a harvest of peace.

A Vocation View: When Jesus says, "If you wish to rank first, you must remain the last one of all and the servant of all," many people could immediately turn and walk away. Are you willing to serve as Jesus did?

Celebrating 40 Years
40th Anniversary
OLHC Church
9/11/2015.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend
Invest in your most precious asset... Your Marriage!

Forget life's tensions and interruptions and rekindle the closeness, intimacy, love and romance that brought you together. Recharge your relationship batteries and explore the precious nature of your marriage, allowing you both to share your feelings, hopes and dreams with each other in ways that normal daily living tends to inhibit.

There is no group sharing. Couples and a priest present the weekend. It is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome.

Melbourne weekend dates: 23-25 Oct

Starts 7pm of Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday. Accommodation and all meals provided.

Information/Bookings: Marianne & Marcel 9733 0997. www.wvme.org.au

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's second reading warns that a heart consumed with avarice and envy leads to jealousy, strife, conflicts, and disputes. A giving heart, in contrast, can sing instead with the psalmist, "Freely will I offer you sacrifice; I will praise your name, O Lord, for its goodness."

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.



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

PARISH BULLETIN

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 20th September 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: Jacob Matthew, Dot Thomas, Peter Morris

Anniversaries: Elizabeth George, Tom Woolley, Frs. Dunworth, Claridge and Kevin O'Brien, Lillian Murphy, Leon Murphy, Dennis Wilson

Mass Times: Tuesday	10.00am
Wednesday	9.30am (St Padre Pio)
Thursday	9.30am (Our Lady of Mercy)
Friday	9.30am

THE LORD'S DAY	Saturday	6.00pm
	Sunday	9.00am

Sacraments: Baptisms and Marriages by Appointment Please phone 5561 1533

The Word of God: This Week: Wis 2: 12-17-20, Jas 3: 16-4:3, Mk 9: 30-37

Next Week: Nm 11: 25-29, Jas 5: 1-6, Mk 9: 38-43. 45. 47-48

Reconciliation - Friday 10.00am



*Lord God,
no one is a stranger to you and no one is ever far from your loving care.
In your kindness, watch over refugees and victims of war,
those separated from their loved ones,
young people who are lost,
and those who have left home or who have run away from home.
Bring them back safely to the place where they long to be
and help us always to show your kindness to strangers
and to all in need.
Grant this through Christ our Lord.
Amen.*

The news that every Catholic parish across Europe is being encouraged to take in at least **one refugee family** has prompted an outpouring of support and goodwill. Across social media people are applauding the decision, coming as it does on the eve of next year's Year of Mercy, as declared by Pope Francis. Promoted by the Pope's pronouncement, we cannot shirk our obligations to extend Christian hospitality to some of the **most vulnerable** people in the world. "Faced with the tragedy of tens of thousands of asylum seekers, fleeing death as victims of war and hunger...the **Gospel calls** on us and asks us **to be the neighbours** of the smallest and the most abandoned, to give them concrete hope." Pope Francis said in a recent address. - David McGovern

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Keep for Daily Prayer)

THE LORD UPHOLDS MY LIFE.

O God, save me by your name; by your power, uphold my cause. O God, hear my prayer; listen to the words of my mouth. **R.**

For proud men have risen against me, ruthless men seek my life. They have no regard for God. **R.**

But I have God for my help. The Lord upholds my life. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart and praise your name for it is good. **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 92 Sing To The Mountains
- Gifts 126 I Have Loved You
- Communion 129 One Bread, One Body
- 86 We Are Many Parts
- Recessional CWB 748 Micah's Theme

Mystery Of Faith

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

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.

August 31, 2015

Dear Father,

Corpus Christi College Building Appeal—Help Them Serve

On the weekend of the 26 and 27 September across all parishes in Victoria a special appeal will be conducted to raise funds for the addition of 8 new rooms for seminarians at Corpus Christi College, Carlton.

It is pleasing to be in the position of needing to accommodate a growing number of candidates for the priesthood.

The interest in attending Corpus Christi College is coming from candidates from Australia and around the world. They are preparing to minister in our increasingly multi-cultural parishes.

I thank you and your parishioners for any support you can give to this appeal. God Bless you.

Yours sincerely in Christ,

Paul Bird CSsR
Bishop of Ballarat.

We welcome with great joy **Emmett Prendergast** who is 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 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 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." International Day of PEACE.

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.

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

Compass: Today on ABC 1 at 6.30pm "For better, for worse".

Emmanuel College News—Term three has ended with our annual Emmanuel College Day celebration! The day began with a liturgy to commemorate our founders and the rest of the day was full of food, music and fundraising activities to support the good works of the Mercy Sisters and Christian Brothers.

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

Desmond Tutu

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.

World meeting of Families, Philadelphia—'Love is our Mission: the family fully alive'. Pope Francis meets this week 22-27 Sep with families of the world, including our Australian pilgrims, as they come together in Philadelphia. May it be a sign of great joy and also a time of solidarity with families in difficulties.

In Jesus, God has truly come in the flesh. What Jesus has done is to make all things new, a new creation. As Isaiah promised, He has made the living waters of baptism flow in the desert of the world. He has set captives free from their sins, He has come that rich and poor might dine together in the Eucharistic feast.
- Scott Hahn, Ph.D.

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