

## ROSTERS

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



### LITURGY for 13/14 February

**6pm** **Welcomers:** G&U O'Toole **Gifts:** N&A McLaren **Readers:** P Morgan, D Quick  
**Ministers:** D White, D Bartlett, P Bolte, M Bonner, K Bouchier, R Coffey  
**9am** **Welcomers:** D&M Duynhoven **Gifts:** Breunig Family **Readers:** S Smits, H Solomon  
**Ministers:** H Goddard, L&T Kenny

### CHURCH CLEANING:

#### Week commencing

7 February Group 5: M McDonald, J McCarthy, B McGrath, J Carroll, T McLeod  
 14 February Group 6: Ann-Marie Moloney, Hannah Chisholm

#### COUNTING TEAMS:

7 February Team 4: Margaret Dunne, Dion Bartlett  
 14 February Team 5: Dennis Farley, Brian Dalton, John McCarthy

**LAWN MOWING:** For fortnight 31 January Group 4: John Tankard, Michael Soulsby

**COMMUNION TO LYNDROCH:** 14 February: Jim & Elaine Hales



**Making Connections:** Spend time each day reflecting on being 'caught up' in the net of Christ and what that means for you.

**Marriage Tip:** Lent starts this week! Discuss with your spouse about how you want to observe Lent this year, both individually and as a family.

**Daily Prayer:** Lord God, all-holy One, you came among us in Jesus, who sat teaching among the fishermen. He would not depart from us sinners but invited us to **follow** him and become his **disciples, his friends**. Place on our lips this good news of salvation, and in our hearts a welcome from which no one is excluded, a love that delights in **befriending all**.

**A Vocation View:** God does not ask you to be successful: God does ask you to be faithful. Put your vocation ahead of your career.



### Prayer of Pope Francis for the Year of Mercy

Lord Jesus Christ, you have taught us to be merciful like the heavenly Father, and have told us that whoever sees you sees Him. Send your Spirit and **consecrate** every one of us with its anointing, so that the Jubilee of Mercy may be a year of grace from the Lord, and your Church, with **renewed enthusiasm, may bring good news to the poor**, proclaim liberty to captives and the oppressed, and restore sight to the blind. Amen.

**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.

#### Pope's Prayer Intentions for 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.

#### The Face of Mercy—Pope Francis

Jesus Christ is the face of the Father's mercy. These words might well sum up the mystery of the Christ faith. Mercy has become living and visible in Jesus of Nazareth, reaching its culmination in him.

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



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



## PARISH BULLETIN

**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 7th February 2016**

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

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

**Recent Deaths:** Debbie Bellman, Ian Fitzpatrick

**Anniversaries:** Ruth McKee, Kevin McGrath, Frank Keegan, Mary Goggin, Fr. John Kelly, Shirley Warren, Mary Shanley, John O'Connor, Adele Henderson

**Mass Times:** Monday 7.30am at St. Pius  
 Tuesday 10.00am (Ruth McKee RIP)(Shrove Tuesday)(Ian Fitzpatrick RIP)  
**Wednesday 9.30am & 5.15pm (ASH WEDNESDAY)**  
 Thursday 9.30am (Our Lady of Lourdes)(Ruby Quinn RIP)  
 Friday 9.30am (Doug, Bonnie & Annette Conn (Davies) RIP)  
 Saturday 10.00am at St. Pius

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

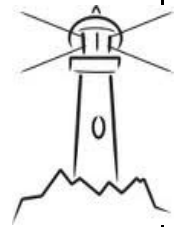
**The Word of God:** This Week: Is 6: 1-2, 3-8, 1 Cor 15: 1-11, Lk 5: 1-13  
 Next Week: Dt 26: 4-10, Rom 10: 8-13, Lk 4: 1-13

**Sacraments:** *Baptisms and Marriages by Appointment Please phone 5561 1533*  
 Reconciliation Friday 10.am. Saturday at St. Pius 10.30am

**For our brothers and sisters around the world experiencing extreme poverty and injustice:** That they may benefit from the abundant goodness of all Christians during this Lenten period. We pray to the Lord.



The **study of the Bible**, is for one purpose. So that, **praying with Scripture**, we may be better able to hear what God is saying to us here and now. **The writers** of Sacred Scripture were **inspired** by the Holy Spirit. But it is equally true that the **Scriptures** themselves are **inspired**. The Holy Spirit has been "breathed into them" and resides within their words as in a temple. When we approach the Scriptures prayerfully, **aided by the same Spirit** who dwells in them, reading Scripture becomes an **experience** of being **filled** and **empowered** by God's Spirit, and **we are changed**.  
 - Marcellino D'Ambrosio, PhD



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



**In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.**

I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. **R.**

I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. **R.**

All earth's kings shall thank you when they hear the words of your mouth. They shall sing of the Lord's ways: 'How great is the glory of the Lord!' **R.**

You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. **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	90	Here I Am Lord
Gifts	114	Be Not Afraid
Communion	27	Song of the Body of Christ
	6	Lord to Whom Shall We Go?
Recessional	5	Galilee Song

**Mystery Of Faith**  
We proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again.

**Ash Wednesday Reflection**

Sackcloth and ashes have been identified with sorrow and repentance since ancient times. In our time we are signed with ashes on our forehead at the beginning of the Lenten season. Ashes not only sign us for Christ with the mark of the cross, but they also remind us of the fragility and weakness of human life. We are on earth only for a relatively short time and at our inevitable death our bodies will return to dust and ashes.

Our Christian faith teaches us that death is not the end. We have been given the assurance of eternal life through the death and resurrection of Christ. The Church provides us with the Lenten season of fasting and prayer to invite us to turn again to Christ in response to his saving love.

The Collect prayer of Ash Wednesday speaks of Lent as a 'campaign of Christian service'. Our campaign of service is spelt out for us in today's gospel. Fasting and prayer and the doing of good deeds for others in the form of almsgiving, such as through giving to Project Compassion, are the ways we are invited to live our discipleship during this time.

In the **body of Christ**, if there is any preferential treatment to be given, it is to those in greatest need, even if they happen to speak another language and come from a different country. In fact, the unity and brotherhood of different ethnic groups, personality types, and socioeconomic groups in one Church is a sign that this is no man-made sect, depending on merely human forces to hold it together. No, this is a community whose unity is due to **divine power**, the **power of the Spirit**. And it is no spiritual club for those who look alike and dress alike. It is instead comprised by **people from every** tribe, tongue, people, language, occupation, and lifestyle. It is the **universal family of God**, the Church Catholic. - Marcellino D'Ambrosio PhD

- \* Lent begins next Wednesday
- \* Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of **fast** and **abstinence**
- \* Lent is a penitential season of prayer, self-denial and helping others. In this way, the whole Church prepares for Easter **with those who are to be baptised**.

**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 Parish Envelope or into Direct Debit 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.

I/We \_\_\_\_\_

Are happy to contribute by:	Envelope	
	Direct Debit	

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Please place on the collection plate or post to: OLHC, Box 97, Warrnambool, 3280

THANKS

**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)

**Holy Hour** Monday 10.00am.

**Invitation** to join a small group of parishioners for a monthly social occasion. See Laine & Terry Kenny or Fr. Lawrie.

The Parish offers **the Sacrament of Reconciliation** for **children in Grade 2** and **Grade 6**. Preparation begins with a parent meeting on Thursday 18th February at 7.15pm in the Church. The Sacrament will be celebrated on Friday March 18th at 5.00pm (Grade 6) and 7.15pm (Grade 2).

**Coffee** next Sunday after 9am Mass. Hosted by Parish Family Groups (St Valentines Day). A small plate welcome.

**Cards at St. Joseph's** 1pm Tuesdays in **February**.

**OLHC** has a team in the Relay For Life NEXT Friday at Deakin. Call Jo Moon 0417 133 579 or Donna Hancock 0419 743 100 for more information.

**Compliments of the Parish** the latest edition of 'Australian Catholics' is available. Theme 'MERCY'

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.