

ST MARY'S PARISH SWAN HILL BULLETIN

Priest: Fr. Marcello Colasante PP

Parish Secretary: Glenda Klabbers

Parish Council Chair: Michelle Haeusler

St Mary's School Principal: Greg Lane

St Mary MacKillop Principal: Michelle Haeusler

Parish Office: Tuesday 10.00 am — 2.00 pm
Friday 10.00 am — 2.00 pm



31st Sunday in Ordinary time

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30th October 2016

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The Parish of Swan Hill comprises the faith Communities of: St Marys Swan Hill, St Joseph's Nyah West, St Joseph's Lake Boga

Mass Next Weekend:

Vigil: 7.00 pm Swan Hill

Sunday: 8.30 am Nyah West 10.30 am Swan Hill

Mass this Week:

Tuesday: 5.30 pm

Wednesday: 12.00 pm

5.45 pm Cemetery (B.Y.O. Chair)

Thursday: 10.00 am

Friday: 12.00 Noon

11.00 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Intentions:

Tuesday: All Saints

Wednesday: All the Faithful Departed

Thursday: John Betts Anniversary

Recent Deaths: We commend to God Bruce Jones

Anniversaries: We remember Zoe Teague, Ike Lawry, Brian Boulton, Hugh Foott, Gwen Murdoch, Roma Mannix, Gerald Hoare, Thomas Francis Maher, Catherine Turner, Rex & Aileen Shepherd, James & Margaret O'Brien, Tom & Danny Schifferle.

Prayers for the Sick: Moira Higgins, Rita Tuohey, Monica Nolen, Erin Coburn, Jude Lewis, Ronald Duryea, Brian Mulcahy, Brooke Kennedy, Jarrod Crimmins. Sr Cheryl Bourke (PBVM) Mandy Pearce Lovell. Eileen Watson.

If you would like a sick person prayed for, please ask for their permission. After one month names will be deleted from the list unless otherwise advised.

FIRST READING from the book of Wisdom

In your sight, Lord, the whole world is like a grain of dust that tips the scales, like a drop of morning dew falling on the ground. Yet you are merciful to all, because you can do all things and overlook men's sins so that they can repent. Yes, you love all that exists, you hold nothing of what you have made in abhorrence, for had you hated anything, you would not have formed it. And how, had you not willed it, could a thing persist, how be conserved if not called forth by you? You spare all things because all things are yours, Lord, lover of life, you whose imperishable spirit is in all. Little by little, therefore, you correct those who offend, you admonish and remind them of how they have sinned, so that they may abstain from evil and trust in you, Lord.

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 144:1-2, 8-11, 13-14. R. see v.1

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

I will give you glory, O God my King, I will bless your name for ever. I will bless you day after day and praise your name for ever.

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all his creatures.

All your creatures shall thank you, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God.

The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds. The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down.

I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

SECOND READING from the second letter of St Paul to the Thessalonians

We pray continually that our God will make you worthy of his call, and by his power fulfil all your desires for goodness and complete all that you have been doing through faith; because in this way the name of our Lord Jesus Christ will be glorified in you and you in him, by the grace of our God and the Lord Jesus Christ.

To turn now, brothers, to the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ and how we shall all be gathered round him: please do not get excited too soon or alarmed by any prediction or rumour or any letter claiming to come from us, implying that the Day of the Lord has already arrived.

The Word of the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! God loved the world so much, he gave us his only Son, that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Alleluia!



READINGS NEXT WEEK 6th Nov 2016
2 Mc 7:1-2, 9-14 ; 2 Thes 2:16 – 3:5 ; Lk 20:27-38

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STATE OF THE NATION

Presbytery Account: (1st Basket) <i>(Support of Priests & Bishop)</i>	\$ 755.35
Parish Account: (2nd Basket) <i>(Support of the Parish)</i>	
Envelopes	\$ 1,475.00
Credit Card	\$ 0.00
Direct Debit	\$ 20.00
Loose Plate	\$ 86.05
	\$ 1,581.05

Thank-You!

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MINISTRIES for Next Weekend 6th Nov 2016

Ministers of the Word:

Vigil Michelle Haeusler, Glenda Klabbers

10.30 am Deanne Dacey

Ministers of Communion:

Vigil : Josh Klabbers, Mary Kennedy, Kerry Hoare,
Kath Hogan.

10.30 am Sam Colombo, Robert Jager, Margaret Foott,
Elizabeth Milazzo, Yvonne Richardson, Josie Renda

Music Ministry:

Vigil Joe Taverna

10.30am St Mary's School,

Presentation of Gifts:

Vigil Shane & Julie Noonan

10.30am St Mary's School

Counters: Claire Billing, Joe Taverna.

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Mass at Cemetery: Due to the current mosquito plague if attending Mass at the cemetery on Wednesday evening please ensure you have a hat, sunglasses and insect repellent as well as a chair.

Do you want the CUPPA AFTER MASS on the 1st Sunday of each month to continue? To be able to continue we are looking for a new co-ordinator and more helpers as a number of ladies due to ageing and illness are unable to continue. Can you help? If so please contact Kath Lawry on 5032 2487

Mass of Thanksgiving for the Jubilee Year of Mercy

You are invited to a Mass of Thanksgiving for the blessings of the Holy Year of Mercy to be celebrated at St Patrick's Cathedral, Ballarat by Bishop Paul Bird CSsR on Sunday, November 13, 2016 at 10.30am.

Grief to Grace - Healing the Wounds of Abuse

A spiritual retreat for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual or spiritual abuse. The retreat will be held March 26 - 31, 2017. To request an application contact Anne by emailing info@griefftograceaus.org.au or phone 0407704539

2016 National Church Life Survey. Our Parish will be amongst thousands of churches that complete the 2016 National Church Life Survey (NCLS) in November this year.

The purpose of the NCLS is to help churches to be more vital and effective. Through the survey our churchgoers will be able to give their thoughts, opinions and experiences of church life.

The survey provides valuable feedback that enables leaders at local, regional and national levels to evaluate and plan for the future.

After 25 years of experience you can be assured that this Christian mission research with proven academic credibility will lead to practical application in churches. Our church's contribution will form an important part of the national snapshot of the whole Australian Church.

Music Trivia Night, 17th Nov , 6.30 pm-10.30 pm, Heritage room , Commercial Hotel. Cost \$30.00, includes meal,. In support of Swan Hill Chaplaincy Support Group. Tickets available from Clarkes Gifts, Swan Hill College, Steve's Fish Shop, or ph Hayden Price on 0433260831

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GOSPEL REFLECTION: by Dianne Bergant CSS

The change of seasons is always an opportune time to marvel at the magnificence of the natural world of which we are a part. Its colours, its textures, its smells all reflect the limitless imagination of the creator. Perhaps the most marvellous feature of the world is the interconnectedness of all the elements of which it consists. Somehow the spirit of the creator is manifested through each and every aspect of this universe. And we are part of it all. The universe may be as a grain in the balance or a drop of morning dew, but each grain and each drop contains within it the possibilities of the future.

Offering hospitality is a profound social act. When we offer hospitality, we invite another into our world, into our lives. We shift our attention from our own cares and concerns to the needs and comfort of the other. By the act of hospitality we transform strangers into friends and intimates, just as Jesus did with Zacchaeus. The hospitality that Jesus offers dissolves all constraints. Relationships disregard the biased measures of propriety, forging bonds of reconciliation and issuing everyone an invitation to intimacy. The hospitality that Jesus offers recreates the world from one of insider versus outsider to one of universal inclusivity. Sinners become friends, the lost are found, and all are restored to the rightful place as children not merely of Abraham but of God. The creativity of the creator is matched by the compassion of the re-creator.

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Lord, make me an instrument of your peace

Prayer of Saint Francis of Assisi



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