

**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



**33rd Sunday in Ordinary time**

**Year C**

**13th November 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: **10.30 am** Swan Hill

**Mass this Week:**

Wednesday: 10.00 am

Thursday: 10.00 am

Friday: 12.00 Noon

11.00 am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament  
6.00 pm Year 12 Valedictory Mass

**Intentions:**

Wednesday: Gerald Hoare Anniversary

Thursday: Phillip Milano Anniversary

Friday: Phyllis Taylor R.I.P

**Recent Deaths: We commend to God**

**Anniversaries:** **We remember** Marion Derbas, Phillip Milano, Ellen Real, Kathleen Storer, Jack Hall, Leon McDougall, Carmela Capone, Mary O'Connor, Caterina Massara, Catherine Scalora.

**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 prophet Malachi

The day is coming now, burning like a furnace; and all the arrogant and the evil-doers will be like stubble. The day that is coming is going to burn them up, says the Lord of hosts, leaving them neither root nor stalk. But for you who fear my name, the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays.

The Word of the Lord

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Ps 97:5-9. R. see v.9

The Lord comes to rule the earth with justice.

Sing psalms to the Lord with the harp with the sound of music. With trumpets and the sound of the horn acclaim the King, the Lord.

Let the sea and all within it, thunder; the world, and all its peoples. Let the rivers clap their hands and the hills ring out their joy at the presence of the Lord.

For the Lord comes, he comes to rule the earth. He will rule the world with justice and the peoples with fairness.

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

You know how you are supposed to imitate us: now we were not idle when we were with you, nor did we ever have our meals at anyone's table without paying for them; no, we worked night and day, slaving and straining, so as not to be a burden on any of you. This was not because we had no right to be, but in order to make ourselves an example for you to follow.

We gave you a rule when we were with you: not to let anyone have any food if he refused to do any work. Now we hear that there are some of you who are living in idleness, doing no work themselves but interfering with everyone else's. In the Lord Jesus Christ, we order and call on people of this kind to go on quietly working and earning the food that they eat.

The Word of the Lord

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION** Lk 21:28

Alleluia, alleluia! Lift up your heads and see; your redemption is near at hand. Alleluia!

**GOSPEL** reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

When some were talking about the Temple, remarking how it was adorned with fine stonework and votive offerings, Jesus said, 'All these things you are staring at now – the time will come when not a single stone will be left on another: everything will be destroyed.' And they put to him this question: 'Master,' they said, 'when will this happen, then, and what sign will there be that this is about to take place?'

'Take care not to be deceived,' he said, 'because many will come using my name and saying, "I am he" and, "The time is near at hand." Refuse to join them. And when you hear of wars and revolutions, do not be frightened, for this is something that must happen but the end is not soon.' Then he said to them, 'Nation will fight against nation, and kingdom against kingdom. There will be great earthquakes and plagues and famines here and there; there will be fearful sights and great signs from heaven.'

'But before all this happens, men will seize you and persecute you; they will hand you over to the synagogues and to imprisonment, and bring you before kings and governors because of my name – and that will be your opportunity to bear witness. Keep this carefully in mind: you are not to prepare your defence, because I myself shall give you an eloquence and a wisdom that none of your opponents will be able to resist or contradict. You will be betrayed even by parents and brothers, relations and friends; and some of you will be put to death. You will be hated by all men on account of my name, but not a hair of your head will be lost. Your endurance will win you your lives.'

**READINGS NEXT WEEK 20th Nov 2016**

2 Sm 5:1-3 ; Col 1:12-20; Lk 23:35-43

**STATE OF THE NATION**

<b>Presbytery Account:</b> (1st Basket)	\$ 951.70
(Support of Priests & Bishop)	
<b>Parish Account:</b> (2nd Basket)	<b>Envelopes \$ 1,740.00</b>
(Support of the Parish)	<b>Credit Card \$ 0.00</b>
	<b>Direct Debit \$ 70.00</b>
	<b>Loose Plate \$ 107.05</b>
	<b>\$ 1,917.05</b>

**Thank-You!****MINISTRIES for Next Weekend 20th Nov 2016****Ministers of the Word:****Vigil** Kerry & John Hoare**10.30 am** Kate Quinn, Ginny Gook**Ministers of Communion:****Vigil** : Margaret Derham,, Teresa McRae, Dick & Rene Devreux.**10.30 am** Dorothy Bishop, Raelene O'Halloran, Damien Kelly, Brenda Ford, Graeme Learmonth, Jim Meehan.**Music Ministry:****Vigil** Felicity & Greg Lane**10.30am** Brian Wood**Presentation of Gifts:****Vigil** Bev McCartney, Claire Billing.**10.30am** Robertson Family**Counters:** Jocelyn Ingram, Yvonne Richardson.**Over 60's** meet this Monday 14th November at 1.30pm.

**Josephite Associates** Parishioners are invited to come along and meet with Sr Mary Fermio after 10.00 am Mass this Thursday , November 17th in the Parish Centre for reflection on St Mary MacKillop.

**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

**St Vincent De Paul** are in need of volunteers, both men and women. Can you spare a few hours a week?. Contact John Farrell or Michael Grace.

**140years Ss Michael & John's Parish, Horsham** Ss Michael & John's Parish, Horsham celebrates 140 years this year. Mass to celebrate this event is on Sunday, November 20 at Ss Michael & John's Church, Horsham at 10.30am, the Feast of Christ the King. After Mass, all are welcome to a parish dinner at the Coughlin Park Centre at 12.00noon, with a game of bowls and activities for the children to follow. Please contact the Parish office, ph. (03) 5382 1155 to book or for further information .

**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@grieftograceaus.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.

**GOSPEL REFLECTION:** by Fr Michael Tate

Our prayer can tell us a lot about the image of God we really have – holding a parking spot for us, or stopping rain on the second day of the Australian Open. But, if you were in Syria, your prayerful image of God would be as a Liberator from warfare, of a Saviour from Crimes against Humanity, of a Strengthener in time of torture and impending death.

In today's Gospel, Jesus promises his persecuted followers of every age, 'Your endurance will win your lives'. As Malachi prophesied: 'the sun of righteousness will shine out with healing in its rays'.

It is our faith that, out of the darkness of the tomb, the Son of righteousness did rise with healing in His rays, bathing the world with that light which makes the world habitable for human beings.

We could take a moment to pray for contemporary persecuted Christians that their faithful endurance will win their lives.

**2017 Josephite Calendars** are now available. Cost \$8.00. Contact Helen Dean or Barbara Patterson