

ROSTERS

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



LITURGY for 2/3 September

6pm Welcomers: G&U O'Toole Gifts: Atkinson Family Readers: F O'Connor, A Ryan
 Ministers: M Harney, K Loudon, K&M McKenzie, G McMeel, M Mills
9am Welcomers: T McCutcheon, C Morriss Gifts: Anderson Family Readers: J Fish, P Franc
 Ministers: F Lamb, K O'Leary, A Sanderson

CHURCH CLEANING:

Week commencing

27 August D&D
 3 September Group 1: A Sanderson, K Wright, P Allan, D Porter, D Lawler

COUNTING TEAMS:

27 August Team 4: Margaret Dunne, Dion Bartlett
 3 September Team 5: Dennis Farley, Brian Dalton, John McCarthy

LAWN MOWING: For fortnight 27 August Group 1: Robert Mills, Paul Torpy

COMMUNION TO LYNDROCH: 3 September: Margaret Dunne, Peter Flynn



Making Connections: Keys are a symbol of authority. Jesus says to Peter, 'I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven.' Jesus entrusts his authority to Peter, and thus to successive Popes, and to the Church. This authority must always be used with wisdom and compassion and with it comes great responsibility. The crossed keys are part of the emblem of papacy.

Did you Know?: Points of interest and Catholic lore. The great stone temple built by Herod was at a natural spring which is the source of the Jordan River. The temple was dedicated to the Roman god of nature, Pan. The cave of Pan is housed in the high natural edifice of rock and it was here that Jesus reputedly told Peter, that he, too, would be a rock on which the church is built - not dedicated to a pagan god but to the one true God.

Marriage Tip: Kids are one of the joys of marriage (much of the time). But they also tend to take their time off the top of your energy reserve. You aren't married to your kids so don't let them substitute for the intimacy you owe each other.

Daily Prayer: God, well-spring of all wisdom and font of every insight, you inspired Simon Peter to confess Jesus as the Messiah, the Son of the living God, and on the rock of this faith you built your church. Pour out your Spirit in abundance, that all may join in this profession, and so become living stones built up into your church, standing firm upon the one foundation, which is our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son.

A Vocation View: Many of us fear people in authority as authority can be used rightly or wrongly. As Christians we are called to see power as service. We shall all be judged on love.



A Prayer for Refugees and People Seeking Asylum
 Loving Jesus

Open our hearts and fill them with the boundless love of God. Help us to overcome our fear and selfishness. Show us how to welcome all those who seek safety and freedom in our world. Teach us to be generous to all those who want to be reunited with their loved ones. Guide us as we strive to be advocates of fairness and compassion. In a world torn apart by violence and fear, division and selfishness, let your loving heart show us the way to bring healing and hope. Amen

Ballarat Clergy Support fund—Collection for sick and retired Priests—next weekend

Creating a secure retirement future for the priests of the diocese is a duty and care in which we can all participate. Eighteen retired priests of the diocese are currently supported by this Fund. Some live privately, some are retired in units in Ballarat or elsewhere, others live in supported accommodation. The funding required for these commitments is ongoing. Thanks to your generosity. Along with the priests' own contribution of approximately \$37,000 per year, this annual collection has allowed the Fund to continue to support our sick and retired clergy.

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

CARING FOR THOSE WHO CARE FOR US - THE CHURCH COMMUNITY'S RESPONSIBILITY

"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

21st Sunday In Ordinary Time—27th August 2017

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St. Carthage's Church—Grauers Rd, Allansford

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

"PEACE TO ALL WHO ENTER HERE"

Recent Deaths: Theresia Dickmann, Donald Hammond, Laurie McCartin, Paul Murphy, Jim Dowlin, Marcia Barmby, Ian Slockwitch, John Edward Gleeson, Gerry O'Brien
Anniversaries: Dennis Melican, Annie Melican, Mick Gerbert, Allan Murnane, Charles White, Vern Walsh, Frs. Fennelly, Brown & Shelley, Thomas Karras, Fred Toohey, Alice & Jack Rowan, Jack Watson, Gerard Finn, Patricia Arundell, Tom Smith, Mary & Greg Lenehan, Colleen Dobson, Sam Goodger, Michael Kenneally

Mass Times
 Monday 10.00am at St Pius
 Tuesday 10.00am (Allan Murnane RIP)
 Wednesday 9.30am (Tom Smith RIP)
 Thursday 9.00am (Mary & Greg Lenehan RIP)
 Friday 9.30am (For Creation and For a Good Season) WATTLE DAY (S Goodger RIP)
 Saturday 10.00am at St Pius

THE LORD'S DAY

Saturday 6.00pm
Sunday 9.00am
Allansford 10.30am

FATHER'S DAY

The Word of God: This Week: Is 22: 19-23, Rom 11: 33-36, Mt 16: 13-20
 Next Week: Jer 20: 7-9, Rom 12: 1-2, Mt 16: 21-27

A Prayer for Winter

Let us huddle together this morning, our community a place of warmth in our lives as we share the flame of hope and connection. Let us allow the frost of isolation and bitterness to melt away as we open ourselves to a sense of peace and spirit. We extend our thoughts to all those who are cold this morning, lacking shelter or love to keep them warm. Let us wrap our prayers around them and each other like scarves, and wish each other safe journeys through the storm. May we be insulated from fear as the earth is insulated by the snow, and, like bulbs, may we continue to grow and open inside, despite the cold, ready for the spring, to stretch and grow towards justice. Amen.



"In God's heart there are no enemies. God has only sons and daughters." - Pope Francis

The Eucharist is a sign of unity. Joined to the body and blood of Christ, we are joined to each other. We are one body and that body is Christ. The Eucharist is truly a celebration of thanksgiving: thanksgiving for our transformation and thanksgiving for our unity.- Sr Dianne Bergant.



Green is the colour of hope and growth

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Keep for Daily Prayer)

LORD, YOUR LOVE IS ETERNAL; DO NOT FORSAKE THE WORK OF YOUR HANDS.



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.**

The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the works of your hand. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, praise the Word of Truth and Life.
Speak O Lord, your servant listens, yours the Word of life eternal

HYMNS:

Entrance	12	Gather Us In
Gifts	92	Sing to the Mountains
Communion	86	We are Many Parts
	42	Jesus You are Bread for Us
Recessional	CWB 793	Peace Prayer of St Francis

Mystery Of Faith
Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

Eucharist—Session 3 Jesus Present

In past sessions we have spoken about Mass as an occasion when we celebrate belonging to God's family and gather in the presence of Jesus... In this session we consider how Jesus is present in our Eucharistic celebration:

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| 1) in the Community | 2) in the Celebrant/preside |
| 3) in the Word | 4) in the Sacrament (bread and wine) |

AIMS:

To bring about an awareness in the children that:

- ◆ when we **gather** to celebrate (the Eucharist) - Jesus is present
- ◆ When we **listen** to the Word of God - Jesus is present
- ◆ When the **priest** presides at Mass - Jesus is present
- ◆ When we break the **bread** and pour the **wine** - Jesus is present

Twenty First Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's reading, St. Paul reminds the Romans—and us—that all things come from God: "For from Him and through Him and for Him all things are." Good stewards understand that *all* is gift and treasure with which they've been blessed.

Introduction to the Bible

every Friday in the Meeting Room at **10am.**

"Come live life in all its fullness"

Baptism

"Through the sacrament of baptism the faithful are incorporated into Christ and into his Church. They are formed into God's people and they obtain forgiveness of all their sins. They become a new creation and are called, rightly, the children of God." (Rite of Christian Initiation, General Introduction, n.1)

Eucharist

The celebration of the Eucharist is the centre of the entire Christian life, in which Jesus Christ is offered and received, and by which the Church constantly grows. It is the summit and the source of all Christian worship and life, signifying and effecting the unity of the people of God, providing spiritual nourishment, and achieving the building up of the Body of Christ. (Canon 897)

PARISH LIFE—LIFE TO THE FULL

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 August with the Saints "Wherever we may be let God's glory absorb our thoughts, deliberations and action." (St. Mary MacKillop)

Holy Hour Monday 10.00am

"The Holy Scriptures are our letters from home" (St Augustine)

"Let us pray for those who are sick. We remember them in our Masses"

Worth Watching ABC Sunday 11.00am "The Staffroom" & 11.30am "Songs of Praise"

Compliments of the Parish the Latest Edition of "Our Diocesan Community"

Bishop Paul Bird's Letter is available explaining what the Diocese is doing to respond to Child Sexual Abuse.

Study: The Sacraments, scripture, social justice, catechesis, liturgy, Church history on line. Contact Amanda Smith at the Ballarat Diocesan Office 5337 7125 or 0427 748 867.

Check the Film Clip made by OLHC School Leaders about the service at Lyndoch and Food Share at www.olhcwarrnambool.catholic.edu.au/current-events

"Prayer and Image" an exhibition of **ICONS** is at the Art Gallery of Ballarat until September 10.

The Spring Edition of "Australian Catholics" available today, compliments of the Parish. The theme is "No One Is An Island: The Parish Of The Highway."

Next Sunday is Father's Day and the 30th Anniversary of Family Groups in our Parish. A celebratory Morning Tea will take place after 9am Mass. All are welcome as would a small plate of delights.

St John of God Hospital is seeking **volunteers**. Join a group of caregivers. Ask for a volunteer pack at the reception desk.

New Liturgy Rosters Available Today.

Warrnambool Organ Festival Sept 1-3. Details on the Notice Board.

The Parish Finance and Maintenance Committee have had plans drawn up for a disabled toilet and renovation of our existing toilets. Plans can be seen on the notice board.

Today is 'World Day of Migrants and Refugees' "I ask everyone to help those who, for various reasons are forced to live far from their homeland and are separated from their families" (Pope Francis)

St Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal has come to an end this weekend. Thanks to everyone who supported this appeal. Money raised has been used by the OLHC SVDP to assist those in need. Assistance in July/August:-

Number of Families: 153	Food Vouchers: \$8880
Food From Foodshare: \$5910	Extra Assistance: \$1504

If you would like to become part of the OLHC Conference or would like to know more contact Peter Allan on 0409 178 843.

The celebration of the **Eucharist** is a "**glorious exchange**" - we offer what God has first given to us, and, in receiving those offerings back, **we receive God's very self.**

"Life in a Whole new Light and Clothed with Power from on High"

Today we welcome with great joy **Zoe & Jayden Davis** who are being **baptised** into the family of God, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

Child Safety Standards Our Lady Help of Christians Parish has appointed Dion Bartlett as our Safeguarding Officer. We have a **Child Safety Policy** to ensure the safety and wellbeing of children in our care. **A Child Safety Code of Conduct** has been adopted for all who work with children in the Parish.

Pope's Prayer Intentions for August

Artists. That artists of our time, through their ingenuity, may help everyone discover the beauty of creation.