

ROSTERS

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



LITURGY for 16/17 September

6pm Welcomers: M Thompson, D White **Gifts:** Bouchier Family **Readers:** R&T Treffry
Ministers: c Smith, T Treffry, C White, D White, D Bartlett, P Bolte
9am Welcomers: A Bamford, M Brown **Gifts:** S Brittain Family **Readers:** P McLean, C Morriss
Ministers: L&M Taggart, B Byrne

CHURCH CLEANING:

Week commencing

10 September Group 2: P Jubb, P Bolte, P&S Smith
 17 September Group 3: D Arundell, J Mahony, H Stoll, A Basford

COUNTING TEAMS:

10 September Team 6: Robert Mills, Robert Lane, Paul Torpy
 17 September Team 7: Terry & Laine Kenny, Ann & Gerard Peoples

LAWN MOWING: For fortnight 10 September Group 2: Peter Kenna

COMMUNION TO LYNDROCH: 17 September: Jim & Elaine Hales



Making Connections: One of the greatest prayers about being a peace maker is the prayer of St Francis of Assisi: *Lord, make me an instrument of your peace. Where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy. O divine master, grant that I may not so much seek to be consoled as to console, to be understood as to understand, to be loved as to love. For it is in giving that we receive; it is in pardoning that we are pardoned, and in dying that we are born to eternal life.*

Living The Word: This gospel emphasises the worth of each member of the community; we are all interconnected and we are all responsible for others. Love and the desire for reconciliation should govern our responses, not the desire to humiliate or chastise.

Marriage Tip: Don't let mistakes ruin your relationships. Put them behind you, so you can move on and grow stronger together.

Daily Prayer: God of unity and peace, your Son has taught us that where two or three are gathered in his name he is present in their midst and you will grant their request. Grant us a new heart to presume the goodness of every brother and sister, and a spirit sensitive to the burdens each of them bears, that by loving our neighbour as ourselves we may bear witness to that love which is the fulfilling of the law.

A Vocation View: How much would the world be changed if everyone were completely forgiving?

Probably totally! Jesus' stories of forgiveness are so loved because they are so needed. Re-tell them! Re-live them!

Pope's Prayer Intentions for September

Parishes. That our parishes, animated by a missionary spirit, may be places where faith is communicated and charity is seen.

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.

We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on 24 September. This year, the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement is titled: 'Everyone's Business: Developing an inclusive and sustainable economy'. The Statement calls for an economy that is founded on justice and offers dignity and inclusion to every person. For further information about the Social Justice Statement, visit www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au or call (02) 8306 3499.

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)

"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

23rd Sunday In Ordinary Time—10th September 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: Norm Mast, Father Taffe, Norma Honey, Tony Reicha, Maureen Bourke, Jim McCarthy, Jack Malady, Allan Binns

Anniversaries: Margaret Vallenge, John Jenkins, Father John Russell, Sister Isobel Murray, Olive Billington, Alma O'Keeffe, Dennis Wilson, Ted & May Quirk, Bruce Everard, Jim & Margaret O'Neill



Mass Times Monday 1.00pm (Funeral Mass for Norma Honey)
 Tuesday 10.00am
 Wednesday 9.30am (St. John Chrysostom) (J. Jenkins RIP)
 Thursday 9.30am **Triumph of the Cross**
 Friday 9.30am **Our Lady of Sorrows** (Dennis Wilson RIP)

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

The Word of God: This Week: Ez 33: 7-9, Rom 13: 8-10, Mt 18: 15-20
 Next Week: Sir 27: 30-28:7, Rom 14: 7-9, Mt 18: 21-35

Sacraments: Baptisms and Marriages by Appointment Please phone 5561 1533

Reconciliation—Fridays 10.20am

We welcome the following children to the Table of the Lord for the Sacrament of the Eucharist and full Initiation into the Church

Sienna Musico	Lucy Board	Samuel Rhodes	Thomas Hancock
Isaac McCullough	Tyson James	Estella Rea	Callum Leahy
Shekia Karunarathne	Michael Ferguson	Kayne Rae-Rentsch	Grace Watt
Mia Amarant	Malachai Smits	Cooper Polack	Eva Ryan
Harry Van Rooy	Rhea Thazhath	Metbehn Nabong	Claudia White
Hannah Wallace	Sebastian Thazhath	Tate McDowall	Cameron Kermond
Patrick Hilderbrant	Chloe Anderson	Emily Irving	Charlotte Vogels
Anthony James	Hilary Hannagan	Brodie Hayes	
Claudia Lynch	Flynn El-Hage	Lucas Grundy	
Isabella Timpson	Millen Buckle-Perkins	Brayden Elfrod	
Kiarna Breunig	Morgan Cook	Lexi Lewis	
Hunter Cross	Kyra Waller	Renee Lake	
Annabelle Lucas	Taylah Wiffrie	Eva Dylan	
Madison Parsons	Sidney Watson	Hudson Steel	



RESPONSORIAL PSALM (*Keep for Daily Prayer*)

Like a shepherd he feeds his flock and gathers the lambs in his arms, holing them carefully close to his heart, leading them home.



Say to the cities of Judah: Prepare the way of the Lord. Go to the mountain top, lift your voice: Jerusalem, here is your God. **R.**

I myself will shepherd them, for others have led them astray. The lost I will rescue and heal their wounds and pasture them, giving them rest. **R.**

Come unto me if you are heavily burdened, and take my yoke up on your shoulders. I will give you rest. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the Word of Truth and Life!
All who eat the living Bread will live forever.

Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the Word of Truth and Life!
All who drink my blood live in me and I in them says the Lord.

HYMNS:

- Entrance 71 Gather Your People
- Gifts 42 Jesus You Are The Bread
- Communion 125 Eat This Bread
When We Eat This Bread (Words Below)
- Recessional Christ Be Our Light

Mystery Of Faith

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

Christ Be Our Light

Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ be our light! Shine in your church gathered today.

When We Eat This Bread Andrew Chinn

1. Let us give thanks, in this breaking of bread
I've called us together, to share this sacred meal
This is my body, take now and eat
Do this in memory of me

*When we eat this Bread
And drink this Cup
We proclaim your death, Lord Jesus
until you come in glory.*

2. Let us give thanks, for this cup we now share
In taking this cup, God's covenant is sealed
This is my lifeblood, take now and drink
Do this in memory of me

3. Leading with love, I came to serve you
Remain in my love, remain with me
My hour has come, and I pray for you
And now my peace I leave

4. I am leaving but to you I will return
And in your waiting, my Spirit will be
To guide you, be with you, and inspire you
And now my Spirit I leave

Leunig—A Spring Prayer

Dear God,
We rejoice and give thanks for earthworms and bees, ladybirds and broody hens; for humans tending their gardens, talking to animals, cleaning their homes and singing to themselves; for the rising of the sap, the fragrance of growth, the invention of the wheel barrow, we give thanks.
We celebrate and give thanks. Amen!



September, A Catholic Season of Creation

St Francis, faithful to Scripture, invites us to see nature as a magnificent book in which God speaks to us and grants us a glimpse of his infinite beauty and goodness. Pope Francis Laudato Si' #12

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.**



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.

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 September with the Saints *"What is easier, sweeter, more pleasant, than to love goodness, beauty, and love the fullness of which you are, O Lord, my God?"* (St. Robert, 17th Sept)

Holy Hour Monday 10.00am

"The Holy Scriptures are our letters from home"

(St Augustine)

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.

New Liturgy Rosters Available Today.

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.

Sacrament of Matrimony Next Saturday for Nicola Treffry and Nick Bakai at St. Mary's West Melbourne. **Celebrant for Masses** next Sunday will be Fr. Kevin Arundell.

Thank you to date our annual collection on Father's Day has brought in \$665.

Torney Room Australian Catholic University Ballarat, Sept. 14th, 5.30pm-7pm. Information about being **a lay Missionary** in Asia, the Pacific and Africa. Enquiries—Joey 02 9560 5333.

Can you help? The St Vincent de Paul Society is starting an After-School Tutoring Program for primary school-aged students. We are looking for volunteer tutors. You do NOT need to be a teacher. More

information is available on a flyer in the parish foyer. Or contact CHRISTINA WORRAL on 0409 841 312, or Christina.worrall@svdp-vic.org.au

Introduction to the Bible every Friday in the Meeting Room at **10am.**

Child Protection Sunday "See Me, Hear Me"

As has become the custom each year the Child Protection Sunday and the preceding week, provides a focus reminding each of us to play a part in protecting our children. This year our theme is "see Me, Hear Me". The question is how do we, OLHC community, play our part in listening to children to ensure they are kept safe?

In the first reading for the 10th September, Child Protection Sunday, the Prophet Ezekiel speaks of 'being a sentry to the House of Israel'. As already stated within our Catholic Communities there is horror, anger and sorrow over the abuse of children.

As Pope Francis outlined before leading the crowds in the Angelus prayer in March last year it is important to "Listen: this is the key word. Do not forget, listen to the hurt, sick and marginalized, among families". As a sentry, each of us plays a part in listening to what the children have to say, making sure that every child is safe and protected from abuse and harm.

We can see evidence of the strength of our community providing support, protection and opportunities to help keep our children safe through the appointment of Dion Bartlett as Safety Officer and our having Protection Policies on our Notice Board.

**Our Prayer
See Me, Hear Me**

Gracious God provide us with a listening heart that we see and hear the voice of each of our children.

We ask you God to strengthen and guide all in our Catholic communities. Grant us the ability and time to listen carefully when children come to us seeking help.

May our institutions and families respect, listen and do what is required to help all children feel safe.

Help us to recognize the hurt felt by those wounded initially by abuse then again through the failure to be heard. We stand in constant need of your healing and help.

Let your grace and love fall gently upon our children giving them the inner strength, peace, and resilience to seek out assistance when required.

We ask you God to provide each of us with the wisdom to involve children in making institutions and communities safer.