

ROSTERS

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



LITURGY for 5/6 January

6pm Welcomers: G&U O'Toole Gifts: S Hargreaves, N McLaren Readers: J Mahony, J McArdle

Ministers: G McMeel, K&M McKenzie, M Mills, F Moloney, J Moorfield

9am Welcomers: D Duynhoven, D Grimshaw Gifts: M Fish Family Readers: D Farley, J Fish

Ministers: G Howland, L&T Kenny

CHURCH CLEANING:

Week commencing

30 December Group 6: Ann-Marie Moloney, Hannah Chisholm, J Squires

6 January Group 1: A Sanderson, D Porter, D Lawler

COUNTING TEAMS:

30 December Team 4: Margaret Dunne, Dion Bartlett

6 January Team 5: Dennis Farley, Brian Dalton, John McCarthy

COMMUNION TO LYNDPOCH: 6 January: Louise & Michael Taggart



Making Connections: Try to imagine the anxiety and fear that Mary and Joseph would have felt at being unable to find their son for three whole days! Reflect on your own experience of family life. Can you discern ways in which you came to experience God's love in your family? In what ways is the love of God for all his children reflected in the love shared by family members?

Did You Know? Points of Interest and Catholic lore: The Passover was one of the three Jewish feasts that should be celebrated in Jerusalem at the temple if at all possible. It was common that many people from a town, or an extended family, would travel together to Jerusalem for Passover, mostly for reasons of safety on the road. Mary and Joseph were devout and pious Jews who observed all the rituals and customs of Judaism. Jesus lost in the temple is the only scene focusing on the boyhood of Jesus in any of the gospels. Luke includes it to highlight one of his central motifs: Jesus' later journey to Jerusalem to the cross—the new Passover.

Sharing the Tradition: Jesus was born into a human family, all the members of which are models of steadfast and committed service to God. We are not only members of our human family but also members of God's family, and this brings responsibilities with it.

Symbols and Images: Despite the worry that he caused them in this episode, Jesus returns to Galilee to live in obedience to Mary and Joseph, just as he was obedient to his heavenly Father. This episode shows that even at an early age, Jesus is focused on the will of the one who sent him and his search to know God completely.

Daily Prayer: O God, Creator all-powerful, in your wisdom and love, your Son, begotten before the dawn of time, became in time a member of our human family. Give to parents the wisdom and wonder to see the mystery of your will unfold in the lives of their children. To daughters and sons give, with the increase of years, an equal measure of growth in your grace. Together may we treasure in our hearts the love you have lavished upon us in letting us be called your children.

Marriage Tip: Don't take down those decorations yet! The Christmas season has only just begun. So

1 January—World Day of Peace

The theme of the 52nd World Day of Peace, which is observed on 1 January, and the Pope's message for the occasion is *Good Politics at the Service of Peace*. This was announced by the Holy See Press Office and emphasised the responsibility of each one in politics. *Political responsibility belongs to every citizen and, in particular, to those who have received the mandate to protect and govern.*



keep playing Christmas music and rejoicing with your family at our Savior's birth.

Vocational View: Unless your family loves you, nothing else makes sense. In your family your vocation can grow in wisdom, age and grace.



"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

Holy Family – 30th December 2018

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

"PEACE TO ALL WHO ENTER HERE"

Recent Deaths: Brother Brian Kelly CFC, Greg Walsh, Kathleen Glennen, Marion Fitzgibbon, Sister Emmanuel RSM

Anniversaries: Jim, Nance & Ray McNiece, Nance Kelly, Father Patrick Maguire, Sister Mary Phillip Gleeson, Bishop Grech

"Happy are those who have died in the Lord for their good deeds go with them." (Apoc 14)



Mass Times	Tuesday	10.00am (New Years Day) (Solemnity of Mary Mother of God)
	Wednesday	9.30am (Saints Basil & Gregory)
	Thursday	10.00am (Lyndoch Living Chapel)
	Friday	9.30am (Our Deceased)

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

White is the colour of rejoicing

The Word of God:

This Week: 1 Sm 1: 20-22.24-28/ 1 Jn 3: 1-2.24-24/ Lk 2: 41-52

Next Week: Is 60: 1-6/ Eph 3: 2-3a.5-6/ Mt 2: 1-12

Sacraments: Baptisms and Marriages by Appointment Please phone 5561 1533

*"Life in a Whole new Light and Clothed with Power from on High"
Today we welcome with great joy
Eden Keane, Ayla Falkiner,
Ari Hare, & Albert Brink
who are being baptised into the family of God, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.*



Happy and Holy Christmas, an enjoyable and peaceful New Year

From Fr. Lawrie, Sr. Mary and our Parish Coordinating Team; Dion Bartlett, Teresa Bant, Marion Bugge, Rachel Kelly, John O'Sullivan (retiring), John Tankard, Catherine White and Paul Torpy

HOPE PEACE JOY LOVE

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Keep for Daily Prayer)

How happy they who dwell in your house, O Lord.

How lovely is your dwelling place, Lord God of hosts. My soul is longing and yearning, is yearning for the courts of the Lord. My heart and my soul ring out their joy to God, the living God. **R.**

They are happy, who dwell in your house, forever singing your praise. They are happy, whose strength is in you; they walk with ever growing strength. **R.**

O Lord, God of hosts, hear my prayer, give ear, O God of Jacob. Turn your eyes, O God, our shield, look on the face of your anointed. **R.**



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

The Word of God became flesh and came to dwell among us. All accepting him will become children of God.



HYMNS:

Entrance	9	Angels We Have Heard
Gifts	25	Child of Mercy
Communion	18	Silent Night
	10	What Child is This?
Recessional	8	Hark the Herald Angels

Mystery Of Faith

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

Feast of the Holy Family

"See what love the Father has given us, that we should be called children of God; and so we are."
(1 JOHN 3:1)

During this season of giving, let us remember the most important gift we have received—being children of God. As God's children, it's important that we express our love for others as well. Frequently tell your spouse, children and other family members and friends that you love them.

A Prayer for the New Year

Lord, You make all things new
You bring hope alive in our hearts
And cause our spirits to be born again.

Thank you for this new year
For all the potential it holds.
Come and kindle in us
A mighty flame
So that in our time, many will see the
wonders of God
And live forever to praise Your
glorious name.

Amen

Christmas Plenary Prayer

Lord, in this holy season of prayer and song and celebration
Open our eyes to the songs of the angels as they tell of Good News
Give us joyful hearts as we sing and pray and celebrate
Awaken our hearts anew to your presence
Encourage us in our efforts to speak boldly and with prayerful discernment
Lead us in our work toward the Plenary Council 2020
That we may continue to proclaim 'Joy to the world, the Lord is here!'
Amen.



If you can help finance our Parish Family in 2019 by using Envelopes of Direct Debit please return this on the collection plate. Thanks.

Name
Address

Direct Debit or Envelopes (Please circle one)

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 December with the Saints "Throw wide the gate of your heart and stand before the sun of everlasting light" (St. Ambrose, 7 Dec)

Compliments of the Parish the Summer Edition of 'Australian Catholics' and Diaries are available. Free

Available Rosters for Sunday Masses, Cleaners, Counters, Lyndoch Special Ministers. Thank you from us all for your essential service to us.

Used Stamps still support the Missions.

A Family for All The Parish Family invites you personally or as a family, to join a group of Parishioners to catch up with a small group for a monthly family friendly social outing. See Louise Taggart, Sue Smith or Father Lawrie. Welcome! "I wish I really knew some of the people I see in the Church."

Our Christmas Collection for the Church's care of the poor amounted to \$2988. Thank you.

Thank you for your contribution to our **Christmas Masses** in many necessary and beautiful ways.

Mary MacKillop School House and **Museum Penola**. Open daily. 08 8737 2092.

Woodford Cup on Monday with benefit to St John's School Dennington.

Sister Margaret Carmony, SGS—Celebrates her 50th Anniversary of Profession, Mass and Supper on Tuesday 8th January, 5pm, St Mary's Colac.

Low-cost online study and formation for lay workers and other ministries, employed or volunteers. Sacraments, scripture, youth ministry, liturgy, leadership—many subjects available—5 weeks per subject. Next study cycle starts January 20, contact us by January 9 to register. More information at www.ballarat.catholic.org.au or amanda.smith@ballarat.catholic.org.au ph. 5337 7125.



*Wedding Bells on New Years Eve for
Helen Flaherty & Anil Nair
and
Virginia Moloney & Trent McCormick*



Pope's Prayer Intentions for December

In the Service of the Transmission of Faith That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

Columban Calendars \$8
Support Columban Missions
Excellent Religious Art

