

**ROSTERS**

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



**LITURGY for 23/24 February**

**6pm** Welcomers: P&J Frusher Gifts: G&U O'Toole Readers: C Bolte, M Bugge  
 Ministers: R Coffey, J Conheady, L Flaherty, D Friebe, B Gladmen, G McMeel  
**9am** Welcomers: J Bouwman, C Cooper Gifts: J&S Smits Family Readers: C Spencer, M Wrigley  
 Ministers: H Goddard, C Wrigley, J O'Grady

**CHURCH CLEANING:**

**Week commencing**

17 February Group 1: A Sanderson, D Porter, D Lawler  
 24 February Group 2: P Jubb, P Bolte

**COUNTING TEAMS:**

17 February Team 1: Pam & Gavin Nevill, Nettie Shanahan  
 24 February Team 2: Des Arundell, Bryan O'Keeffe, Ces & Mim Cooper

**COMMUNION TO LYNDROCH:** 24 February: Colin Ryan



**Making Connections:** Remember a time of difficulty or suffering in your own life. Was there a blessing for you hidden in that experience? How and when did you come to realise the blessing born of pain?

**Exploring the Word:** Luke does not speak of 'the poor in spirit' or 'those who hunger and thirst for justice' as Matthew does. Luke is much more interested in the

lived experience of those who are literally poor, hungry and suffering. They were the ones who were persecuted under the status quo of their day, and it was they who had an openness to the new order announced by Jesus' preaching of the kingdom. The powerful, who directed the established order of the day, could not bear such a challenge to their own position and thus they will 'drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal' for preaching the new order of God's kingdom. Such is the challenge to those who are disciples.

**Sharing the Tradition:** The church does not teach that it is wrong to be wealthy—in fact, it enshrines the right to own property. What it does teach is the proper use of wealth. If acquiring wealth becomes an end in itself, it means that we have lost sight of what is truly important for our ultimate salvation—that is, our relationship with and fidelity to God. If we are fortunate enough to have wealth in excess of our needs (not our wants!), we have an obligation to share our good fortune with those who do not have enough even to meet their basic needs. St John Chrysostom says, 'Not to enable the poor to share in our goods is to steal from them and deprive them of life.'

**Symbols and Images:** Jesus is pointing to a new order in which positions will be reversed. Those who are comfortable and judged as successful by the standards of the world and who pursue worldly concerns will ultimately be the ones who lose out. Indeed, the kingdom of God will be for the poor, for those who hunger and suffer and who continue to confess their faith in Jesus.

**Living the Word:** Pray for the poor, the hungry and the suffering of the world—name the places where such people may live.

**Daily Prayer:** Not from on high do you summon us, O God, to tasks beyond our power. But through Jesus, you come into our midst with promises of blessing and warnings of woe. Shield us from the false security of possessions and privilege. Fix our hearts instead on the blessings promised those who trust in you alone.

**Marriage Tip:** Marriage responds to the deepest longings of the heart for love. How can you go out of your way to show your spouse love today?

**Vocational View:** Try not to pray for an easy life; rather, pray to be a strong person. Strong in trust, hope, care, love. Follow the Master.

**Our Lady Help of Christians East Warrnambool is a Child Safe Parish**

**Pope's Prayer Intentions for February**

**Human Trafficking** For a generous welcome of the victims of human trafficking, of enforced prostitution, and of violence.

*"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**

**6th Sunday in Ordinary Time —17th February 2019**

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Child Safety Officer—Dion Bartlett 0458 778 935

**"PEACE TO ALL WHO ENTER HERE"**

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

**Recent Deaths:** Maria Townsend, Fathers Meaney MSC & Edward McCulloch (USA), Shane Harris, Michael Forrest, Max Cameron

**Anniversaries:** Greg McKew, Mary Goggin, Brian Kearney, Bridget Lane, Ellen Greene, Veronica O'Keeffe, Mick O'Keeffe, Peter Tobin, Father Kennelly, Peter Crowe, Francis O'Rourke

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



<b>Mass Times</b>	Monday	7.30am at St Pius
	<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>5.00pm</b>
	Wednesday	9.30am
		1.00pm (Funeral Shane Harris RIP)
	Thursday	9.30am
	Friday	9.30am
	Saturday	10.00am at St Pius

<b>THE LORD'S DAY</b>	<b>Saturday</b>	<b>6.00pm</b>
	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>9.00am</b>

*Green is the colour of hope and growth*

**The Word of God:**

This Week: Jer 17: 5-8/ 1 Cor 15: 12.16-20/ Lk 6: 17.20-26

Next Week: 1 Sm 26: 2.7-9.12-13.22-23/ 1 Cor 15: 45-49/ Lk 6: 27-38

**Sacraments:** *Baptisms and Marriages* by Appointment Please phone 5561 1533

**Reconciliation** —Friday 10am; Saturday 10.20am at St Pius

*We are a chosen people,  
 A family people,  
 Chosen for love and to share love,  
 Chosen for joy and to spread joy,  
 Chosen for friendship and for being friend,  
 Chosen for blessing and to bless,  
 We are a chosen people.*



*"Life in a Whole new Light and Clothed with Power from on High" Today we welcome with great joy*

*Artie Hickey*

*who is being baptised into the family of God, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.*



**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** (Keep for Daily Prayer)



**Happy are they who hope in the Lord.**

Happy indeed is the man who follows not the counsel of the wicked; nor lingers in the way of sinners nor sits in the company of scorners, but who delight is the law of the Lord and who ponders his law, day and night. **R.**

He is like a tree that is planted beside the flowing waters, that yields its fruit in due season and whose leaves shall never fade and all that he does shall prosper. **R.**

Not so are the wicked, not so! For they like winnowed chaff shall be driven away by the wind. For the Lord guards the way of the just but the way of the wicked leads to doom. **R.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia! Alleluia! Praise the word of truth and life.**

Those who love you seek you Truth, Lord, come and make your home within us.

**HYMNS:**

- Entrance 55 Blest Are They
- Gifts 115 A Trusting Psalm
- Communion 49 I Am the Bread of Life
- 158 A New Heart for a New World
- Recessional CWB 690 Go Now You Are Sent Forth

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

**Bishop Paul Bird will be visiting us over the weekend of March 15-18.**

On **Friday 15th** he will visit some homebound and South West Health Care and have a meal at The Junction, Allansford with Allansford Parishioners, Parish Coordinating Team, Finance/Maintenance Committee, Family Group coordinators and St Vincent De Paul office bearers. Spouses are welcome.

**Saturday 16th** their will be a Communion Service at Lyndoch Living Chapel at 10am. 2.45pm visit to Opal. 6pm Mass with a cuppa afterwards.

**Sunday 17th** Mass 9am with a cuppa afterwards. Mass 10.30am at Allansford followed by Communion to Gillin Park Residents.

**Monday 18th** 9.30am Mass with the School and Parishioners for the Feast of St Patrick's day followed by a visit to OLHC School.

Bishop Paul is available to meet Parishioners. Appointments can be made through the Diocesan Office 5337 7121 or Parish Office 5561 1533.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND**

*Invest in your most precious asset..... Your Marriage!*

Forget life's tensions and interruptions and rekindle the closeness, intimacy, love and romance that brought you together. Recharge your relationship batteries and explore the precious nature of your marriage, allowing you both to share your feelings, hopes and dreams with each other in ways that normal, daily living tends to inhibit.

*There is no group sharing. Couples and a priest present the weekend. It is based around Catholic values but couples of all faiths are welcome.*

**2019 Melbourne weekend dates: 29-31 March 2019, 31 May-2 June 2019, 23-25 August 2019, and 15-17 November, 2019**

*Starts 7pm on Friday. Ends 5pm Sunday. Accommodation and all meals provided.*

Information/Bookings: PH: Mercy and James 0409 183 676

Email: [vicbookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:vicbookings@wwme.org.au) Website: [www.wwme.org.au](http://www.wwme.org.au)

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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 Gunditjmarra 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 everyday with the saints.** *"Let us fruitfully transmit to those who come after us the example of virtue we have received from those who have come before us."* (St Peter Damian, 21 Feb)

**The Sacrament of Reconciliation for Children** in Grade 2 and above and in Grade 6 will be prepared for in Term 1. Parent Information will be on February 27th at 7pm in the Church foyer. Enquiries: Janine Conheady, Sam Invererity & Fr. Lawrie.

**Volunteer Tutors Required**

The Warrnambool Tutoring Program is seeking volunteer tutors for two hours a week. This program is conducted under the auspices of St Vincent de Paul at St Pius X Primary School. Please contact Bernie Roach at [warrnambool.tutor@svdp-vic.org.au](mailto:warrnambool.tutor@svdp-vic.org.au) or phone 0447156690.

**Training for Special Ministers of the Eucharist** is being offered. Enquiries to Father Lawrie. **2019 Palms Mission Tours** to Timor, Leste, Samoa, Myanmar, Phone Robert 02 9560 5333.

**World Day of Prayer** Friday March 1st at 1.30pm at the Anglican Church, cnr. Henna & Koroit Sts. All welcome. If you are willing to represent our Parish at this annual Ecumenical event, please contact Marita Murphy 0439 55 562.

 Play Group for pre school Children each Friday morning 9am-11am in the School Hall. All Welcome.

**Bereavement Team will meet on Tuesday week, 26th February.**

**20 February – World Day of Social Justice**

Social Justice is an underlying principle for peaceful and prosperous coexistence within and among nations. We uphold the principles of social justice when we promote gender equality or the rights of indigenous peoples and migrants. We advance social justice when we remove barriers that people face because of gender, age, race, ethnicity, religion, culture or disability. For the United Nations, the pursuit of social justice for all is at the core of our global mission to promote development and human dignity. The adoption by the International Labour Organisation of the Declaration on Social Justice for a Fair Globalization is just one recent example of the UN system's commitment to social justice. The declaration focuses on guaranteeing fair outcomes for all through employment, social protection, social dialogue, and fundamental principles and rights at work.

