

ROSTERS

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



LITURGY for 2/3 March

6pm Welcomers: OLHC School Gifts: OLHC School Readers: C Carvalho, M Clancey

Ministers: M&T Harney, K&M McKenzie, M Mills, F Moloney

9am Welcomers: D Duynhoven, D Grimshaw Gifts: P Aberline Family Readers: L&M Taggart

Ministers: L&T Kenny, K O'Leary

CHURCH CLEANING:

Week commencing

24 February Group 2: P Jubb, P Bolte

3 March Group 3: D Arundell, J Mahony, H Stoll, A Basford

COUNTING TEAMS:

24 February Team 2: Des Arundell, Bryan O'Keeffe, Ces & Mim Cooper

3 March Team 3: Terry & Pat King, Maureen & Ron Gillin

COMMUNION TO LYNDROCH: 3 March: Robert McLaren



Making Connections: Respond in a practical way to one of the commands of Jesus in this gospel—for example, pray for those who treat you badly; be compassionate to someone, or forgive someone who has wronged you.

Exploring the Word: Jesus is suggesting radical action. It demands that we act towards others without being asked, that believers offer friendship and pardon constantly, without asking or hoping for anything in return. In Jesus is located God's self-revelation, God's actions in and for the world, his plan for salvation and its fulfilment. Followers of Jesus must act in these ways precisely because they are the ways of God. Turn the other cheek; love your enemies; do good to those who hurt you! Why should we? How can we?

Did You Know?: The gospel contains the most challenging of all the Christian commandments and probably the most difficult to keep: love your enemies and do good to those that hurt you.

Sharing the Tradition: Some of the public apologies made by the church over recent years for past wrongs are, for example, that of Pope John Paul II for the Crusades and the Spanish Inquisition during the Jubilee Year 2000, or, more recently, the apologies for situations of injustice or abuse within the church itself or for cooperating with the removal of indigenous children from their families. It is important that we recognise that sometimes the church, as a divine institution, but one that is also limited by human frailty in its actions and historical circumstances must seek to redress any situations of injustice or hurt in order to move forward in a way more in tune with God's plan for the world. Some of the ways the church is attempting to redress past wrongs (for example, promoting religious dialogue with Islam and Judaism, or accepting responsibility for clerical abuse) thus provides witness to the demands of the gospel.

Symbols and Images: This text follows immediately on from the Beatitudes of last week's gospel. It continues the theme of the radical reversal called for by the gospel. What the world considers as human nature and a natural response is not the way of the disciples of Jesus, who follow a different world order. They must act and respond in a certain way because that is the way of God!

Daily Prayer: Unconditional is your love for us, O God, in Jesus, the Teacher who befriended sinners, the Savior who died praying for executioners. For us in the image of this Jesus, slow to judge and swift to forgive, a people compassionate and generous.

Marriage Tip: "In the Our Father prayer we say, 'Give us this day our daily bread.' Married couples may also learn to pray, 'Give us this day our daily love.'" – Pope Francis

Vocational View: If you love your enemies, do good to those who hate you, bless those who curse you and pray for those who maltreat you, realize that God has already been working in you.



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

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 24th February 2019

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"PEACE TO ALL WHO ENTER HERE"

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

Recent Deaths: Sam Chilton, Barney Cooney, Mary McCluskey, Beverly Anderton, Eileen Pearson

Anniversaries: Helen Moloney, Julie White, Betty Fisher, Eileen Moroney, Monsignor O'Brien, Frank Clancey, John O'Leary, Thomas Karris

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



Mass Times	Monday	7.30am at St Pius
	Tuesday	10.00am (Betty Fisher RIP)
	Wednesday	9.30am
	Thursday	9.30am (Frank Clancey RIP)
	Friday	9.30am (For Seasonal Rain & Farms & Primary Industry)
	Saturday	10.00am at St Pius

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

Green is the colour of hope and growth

The Word of God:

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

Next Week: Sir 24: 4-7/ 1 Cor 15: 54-58/ Lk 6: 39-45

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.*



Order of Mass

The celebration of Mass is the action of Christ and his people, and as such is the centre of the whole Christian life. It is the high point of the action by which Christ sanctifies the world, and by which mankind, with Christ, worships the Father.

We listen to the word of God, and respond by offering ourselves with Christ to his Father. Christ gathers us into his universal sacrifice, which is completed by our sharing in holy communion. At the end of the celebration, we go into the world to be witnesses to Christ in our daily lives, and to bring him to others. By our celebration we commit ourselves to this service.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Keep for Daily Prayer)



The Lord is kind and merciful.

My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all blessings. **R.**

It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion. **R.**

The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults. **R.**

As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins. As a father has compassion on his sons, the Lord has pity on those who fear him. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

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

HYMNS:

- Entrance 71 Gather Your People
- Gifts CWB 621 As Gentle as Silence
- Communion 133 Only a Shadow
- 188 Companions on the Journey
- Recessional 64 We Have Been Told

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.

Everyone is invited to respond to the following questions:

- What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?
- What questions do you have about the future of the Church for the Plenary Council to consider in 2020?
- Do you have a story of your experience of faith, or the church, you would like to share?

Responses can be submitted together or individually to :

- Plenary Council
- PO Box 747, North Sydney 2059
- Facebook: Plenary Council 2020
- Twitter: @PlenaryCouncil

www.plenarycouncil.com.au

Submissions for the Plenary Council Agenda are to be in by March 6th.



The Rite of Election

will take place in St Patrick's Cathedral next Saturday 12.30pm for Adults called by God for Baptism at Easter. **Cards** (Solo & Euchre) 1pm Tuesday. All welcome in the church foyer.

Please collect your Planned Giving Envelopes today for use next Sunday and save postage.

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 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 Inverarity & Fr. Lawrie.

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. Allansford Uniting Church 2pm.

Bereavement Team will meet on Tuesday, 26th February.

Lent Begins with Ash Wednesday on March 6th. Masses 10am and 5.15pm. Reflections led by Sr. Mary on Lent and Easter will begin on Thursday 7th at 7.30pm and Friday 8th at 10am in the Meeting Room.

Holy Hour Adoration. Monday 10am.

Compliments of the Parish the autumn edition of "Australian Catholics".

Retreat in Daily Life—Conducted by a Jesuit Priest April 29-May 25. Theme "Inner Peace In Divine Love".

St Vincent de Paul are looking for a cleaner every Friday morning for one hour to clean two bathrooms (only) at the Vincent Respite House at 3 Japan St. If you know of anybody that can help out let us know—remuneration is offered. Further information ring Jack Daffy 5562 2372 or John O'Sullivan 0447 510 989.



Wedding Bells next Saturday for
Amanda Primmer & Sam Mark



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

We are the Catholic Church in the Ballarat Diocese we gather in the name of Jesus • from the Murray to the sea in interwoven faith communities. • Spirit filled we celebrate and share our journey • reaching out to nurture all God's people. (Diocesan Vision Statement 2005)



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