

ROSTERS

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



LITURGY for 30/31 March

6pm Welcomers: Wash/Hargreaves Gifts: P Walsh Readers: L Flaherty, D Friebe

Ministers: R Coffey, J Conheady, L Flaherty, D Friebe, B Gladman, G McMeel

9am Welcomers: D Duynhoven, D Grimshaw Gifts: S Cook Family Readers: E Dalton, M Davies

Ministers: A Jubb, G Howland, R McLaren

CHURCH CLEANING:

Week commencing

24 March Group 6: Ann-Marie Moloney, Hannah Chisholm, J Squires

31 March Group 1: A Sanderson, D Porter, D Lawler

COUNTING TEAMS:

24 March Team 6: Robert Mills, Robert Lane, Paul Torpy

31 March Team 7: Terry & Laine Kenny, Ann & Gerard Peoples

COMMUNION TO LYNDOKH: 31 March: Colin Ryan



Making Connections: How 'fruitful' has your life been? What 'fruit' have you borne? Do you need a second chance to bear good fruit? Have you ever had an experience of needing to nurture someone or something for a long period before they 'produce fruit'? Were there failures along the way? What was it that eventually brought about the growth? Attend carefully this week to cultivating your own relationship with God. Try to bring out the best in someone else as well.

Did You Know?: The pool of Siloam was a reservoir that lay within the city walls of ancient Jerusalem. During the reign of King Hezekiah, an extraordinary tunnel was dug through bedrock to connect it to the spring of Gihon outside the city walls so that the city would have an ample water supply in times of siege. We have no evidence outside the biblical text of the incident referred to here where Pilate 'mingled the blood of the Galileans with their sacrifice', but such an act is not out of character. Pilate had a reputation for being a brutal military leader. At the time in which Jesus lived, suffering was often considered to be a punishment from God for sin committed.

Exploring the Word: The parable of the owner of the vineyard tells of God's infinite patience in dealing with the sinfulness of humans. Despite our failings, God will graciously allow us time to produce our best fruit. The theme of this gospel—God's forgiveness and care—will be taken up in the gospels of the next two weeks. Lent is a special time of preparation, particularly for the elect. In what ways can you cultivate your own garden of faith in this special time?

Sharing the Tradition: Knowing how to explain the problem of suffering and evil in a world created by a good and loving God has always been a dilemma for people of faith. How can God allow terrible things to occur, especially to the innocent? *'the world we live in often seems very far from the one promised us by faith. Our experiences of evil and suffering, injustice, and death, seem to contradict the Good News; they can shake our faith and become a temptation against it'* (CCC§164). As Christians, we believe that the only answer to these profound questions lies in faith in the risen Christ, who overcame death and evil.

Symbols and Images: The vineyard was often used in Scripture as a symbol of Israel, God's people. God is depicted as the owner of the vineyard, who attends to it with great care—planting, cultivating, feeding and pruning the vines to make them fruitful and abundant. Israel will be judged on what fruit it bears or fails to bear. So too will we be judged on how fruitful our lives are.

Daily Prayer: O God, you loved us while we were yet sinners; in Christ you come in search of us. We thirst for your grace. Grant your people the gift of the Spirit, that we may learn to profess our faith with courage and conviction and announce with joy the wonders of your saving love.

Marriage Tip: Love is humble, and humility acknowledges that we are not perfect. Take the time to ask for forgiveness from your spouse if you have hurt him or her.

Vocational View: Each Lent should bring us closer to our God. There is no failure, except that of no longer trying. You can still follow Jesus more closely.

We must dig deeply in Christ. He is like a rich mine with many pockets containing treasures: however deep we dig we will never find their end or their limit. Indeed, in every pocket new seams of fresh riches are discovered on all sides.

St John of the Cross

MYSTIC PRAYERS



Our Lady Help of Christians Parish
East Warrnambool - Allansford
'A Star in the East'



PARISH BULLETIN

3rd Sunday of Lent — 24th March 2019

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

"PEACE TO ALL WHO ENTER HERE"

Recent Deaths: Billy Ryan (Edenhope) Maureen Murray, Bernard Shaw, Jim Harris, Margaret Fairbank, Tanya Greening, Hilary Lodge, Theresa Bonavia, Deacon Boniface Perdert (Wadeye), Dennis Hand

Anniversaries: Jim Rea, Alan Sheppard, Kevin Riley, Patricia Grace, Patrick O'Toole, Jack Boyce, Tony Clancey, Tom Hyland, Inez Couch, Helen Moloney

"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 (Paddy Lavelle RIP)
	Wednesday	9.30am
	Thursday	9.30am
	Friday	9.30am
	Saturday	10.00am at St Pius

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



*Purple is a colour of
preparation and
anticipating joy*

The Word of God:

This Week: Ex 3: 1-8a.13-15/ 1 Cor 10: 1-6.10-12/ Lk 13: 1-9

Next Week: Jos 5: 9a.10-12/ 2 Cor 5: 17-21/ Lk 15: 1-3.11-32

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

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

"In everyone there is a zone of solitude that no human intimacy can fill: it is there that God encounters us ... Here, in the hollow of our being, we discover the Risen Christ."

- Brother Roger of Taizé

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

Today we welcome with great joy
Patrick Wiese, Maebh & Nenagh Kettyle, Mason Wilson, Theodore Wilson and Dylan Denaro
who are being baptised into the family of God,
who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.



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 his 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 does deeds of justice, gives judgement for all who are oppressed. He made known his ways to Moses and his deeds to Israel's sons. **R.**

The Lord is compassion and love, slow to anger and rich in mercy. For as the heavens are high above the earth so strong is his love for those who fear him. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, King of endless glory. No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that proceeds from the mouth of God; glory to our God.

HYMNS:

Entrance	31	Come As You Are
Gifts	115	A Trusting Psalm
Communion	129	One Bread, One Body
	27	Song of the Body of Christ
Recessional	158	A New Heart for a New World

Mystery Of Faith

We proclaim your Death, O Lord,
and profess your Resurrection,
until you come again.

UN Day of Elimination of Racial Discrimination

Racist extremist movements based on ideologies that seek to promote populist, nationalist agendas are spreading in various parts of the world, fuelling racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance, often targeting migrants and refugees as well as people of African descent. In its recent resolution of eliminating racism, the United Nations General Assembly reiterated that all human beings are born free and equal in dignity and rights and have the potential to contribute constructively to the development and wellbeing of their societies. The resolution also emphasized that any doctrine of racial superiority is scientifically false, morally condemnable, socially unjust and dangerous and must be rejected, together with theories that attempt to determine the existence of separate human races.

Project Compassion

Peter is thrilled to now have clean water on tap at his boarding school. Long walks to unsafe water sources were tiring for Peter, who is living with a disability. With more free time and fewer illnesses caused by dirty water, Peter can fulfil his hope of focusing on his studies, providing him with a brighter future.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2019 and help young people with disabilities gain access to clean water in the Solomon Islands, providing hope for a brighter future.

Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost.
Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land.
O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council.
Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road.
Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth.
Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying.
Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age.
Amen.
Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us.
Mary Mother of the Church, pray for us.
St Mary MacKillop, pray for us.

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. *"Christ be with me, Christ be within me, Christ behind me, Christ before me, Christ beside me.."* (St Patrick, 18 March)

Holy Hour Monday 10am.

Training for Special Ministers of the Eucharist is being offered April 7th at 3.30pm. Enquiries to Father Lawrie.

Retreat in Daily Life—Conducted by a Jesuit Priest April 29-May 25. Theme "Inner Peace In Divine Love". Application forms are at the back of the church.

Emmanuel College—"Grow With Us": March 26th—Year 7 2020 Information Session. 7.30pm in the Emmanuel Centre. March 31st—Emmanuel Expo 1pm-3pm. Register at <https://tinyurl.com.EC2020>

Study Theology, the Scriptures, Liturgy on line for five weeks commencing in June. Contact Amanda Smith 0427 748 867. (Dion Bartlett has successfully done these courses)

All Welcome to Lent and Easter Reflections with Sister Mary on **Thursdays** at 7.30pm and **Fridays** at 10am in the Church Meeting Room.

Stations of the Cross Friday 7.30pm at St Joseph's and Monday 10am at OLHC.

Carols (Euchre & Solo) 1pm Tuesday in Church foyer.

Reconciliation for children in Grade 2 on Wednesday and Grade 6 on Thursday 7pm.

Thank you and Congratulations for the support given to Bishop Paul's Parish Visitation.

Pilgrimage to the **Sacred Shrines of Italy**, departing September 1st, 2019, for 21 days. Kathryn O'Connor, from O'Connor Travel World, has over 25 years experience with these in depth Pilgrimages and provides a Chaplain and guide. Brochures in the foyer, contact Bernadette Moloney 0428 112 059.

SVDP Update—Some Incredible Numbers in the last three months:

295 families in the last 12 weeks visited by 10 conference members! Food vouchers \$26,700. Food share \$11,000. This does not include assistance with energy, phone, back to school, rental, and other household costs. Bishop Paul Bird also donated funds for 'Family Feel Good'. E.g. haircuts, outings etc. at our discretion. Thankyou Bishop Bird. He also assisted with a refugee's Deakin University cost for a semester.

Thankyou all for your ongoing support of this wonderful organisation.

British Dominican Father Timothy Radcliffe

speaks to us. The Catholic Church should not be afraid of crisis; through crisis, it will grow and spring new life, said Father Radcliffe. "If you look at human beings, we grow up through crisis," said the 73-year-old English theologian. "It is our way. And so we believe, I believe, it's the fate of the church...we do not have to be afraid of crisis." Father Radcliffe pointed toward the 'biggest crisis', the Last Supper. The apostles "had abandoned Jesus. Judas had sold him. Peter was about to betray him. There was no future. And then in that darkest moment, Jesus did this extraordinary thing. He said, 'This is my body, and I give it to you'. We should ask what new thing will come to be," Father Radcliffe said.

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

Pope's Prayer Intentions for March

Recognition of the Right of Christian Communities. That Christian communities, especially those who are persecuted, feel that they are close to Christ and have their rights respected.

The heart is rich when it is content, and the heart is content when its desires are focused of God. - St. Miguel Febres Cordero

