

## ROSTERS

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



### LITURGY for 27/28 April

**6pm** **Welcomers:** Conheady Family **Gifts:** Bouchier Family **Readers:** G&M McDonald

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

**9am** **Welcomers:** D Duynhoven, D Grimshaw **Gifts:** M Fish Family **Readers:** T Kenny, Z Lukeis

**Ministers:** P Allan, T Baker, M Clancey

### CHURCH CLEANING:

#### Week commencing

21 April Group 4: J Hales, Woolley, M&J McLean

28 April Group 5: J McCarthy, J Carroll

### COUNTING TEAMS:

21 April Team 10: Cross Family

28 April Team 1: Pam & Gavin Nevill, Nettie Shanahan

**COMMUNION TO LYNDONCH:** 28 April: Jim & Elaine Hales



**Making Connections:** It is the women who first give witness to the risen Christ. How will you witness this event? Reflect on all that has happened in the last three days. Identify the most powerful moment for you. Why was it so meaningful?

**Did You Know?:** At the time of Jesus, women were not considered to be reliable witnesses in a court of law. The burial practices of the time required that the body be anointed with spices, but Jesus had been buried in haste before the Sabbath, so the women are now returning at the first opportunity to complete the process of his burial rites. The Jewish Sabbath runs from sunset on Friday night to sunset on Saturday night, so the dawn of Sunday morning (the first day of the week) was when this action could take place. The first witness to the resurrection are women. This echoes the faith demonstrated by Mary at the beginning of Luke's Gospel, when she says 'yes' to God's plan for her.

**Exploring the Word:** The New Testament readings reflect on the final and definitive act of God—the passing over of Jesus from death to life and our sharing in this mystery through baptism. These are the 'mighty works' of God on behalf of the people. What 'mighty works' has God done for you?

**Sharing the Tradition:** There is an essential unity in the three days of the Triduum, which begins with the celebration of the Lord's Supper on Holy Thursday, including the washing of the feet, and culminates in the Easter Vigil, featuring the Service of Light. The newly baptised neophytes enter the period of mystagogy or post-baptism catechesis. Baptism or reception is not the end of the journey but the beginning of a new journey, in which both our faith and our place in the community of believers are deepened.

**Symbols and Images:** The first day of the week, Sunday, has a special significance for Christians because of the resurrection of Jesus. It is known as the Lord's Day and was set aside from the earliest times as the day for the community of believers to gather for the Lord's Supper or Eucharist.

**Daily Prayer:** This is the day, Lord God, that you have made! Raising Christ from the dead, and raising us with Christ, you have fashioned for yourself a new people, washed in the flood of baptism, sealed with the gift of the Spirit, invited to the banquet of the Lamb! In the beauty of this Easter morning, set our minds on the new life to which you have called us; place on our lips the words of witness for which you have anointed us; and ready our hearts to celebrate the festival, with the unleavened bread of sincerity and truth.

**Marriage Tip:** What are some things that make you stressed? Are you prioritizing them too highly? Talk with your spouse about them and seek detachment.

**Vocational View:** We're no longer nobodies. Jesus rose from the dead. He promises to take us to heaven too. Our Ultimate Vocation: Union with God!

**This week's prayer focus:** For the world-wide church, that it may be a radiant sign of hope for the whole of humanity.

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

*"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

**Easter Sunday — 21st April 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:** Tom Morrissey, Brian Meade, Geoff Parker, Kerri Lyn Baulch, Kingston Vinalathdsan (Sri Lanka)

**Anniversaries:** Fathers Madden, John O'Brien, Bart McDermott & O'Keeffe, Sisters Placid Tait, Irene Hoy & Margaret Houlihan, Mary Atkinson, John Ryan, Evelyn O'Sullivan, Veronica Carney, Phillip Williams, Gerard Curran, Elsa Beggs

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

Mass Times	Monday	10.00am at St Pius
	Tuesday	10.00am
	Wednesday	9.30am
	Thursday	9.30am <b>ANZAC Day</b>
	Friday	9.30am (For Our Deceased)
	Saturday	9.30am at St Pius



THE LORD'S DAY	Saturday Sunday	6.00pm 9.00am
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### The Word of God:

This Week: Acts 10: 34a.37-43/ Col 3: 1-4/ Jn 20: 1-9

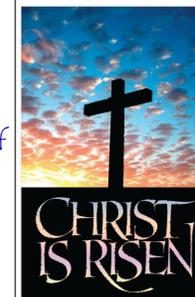
Next Week: Acts 5: 12-16/ Rv 1: 9-11a.12-13.17-19/ Jn 20: 19-31

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

**Reconciliation** —Friday 10.30am; Saturday 10.20am at St Pius

*White is the colour of  
rejoicing*

*"Life in a Whole new Light and Clothed  
with Power from on High"  
Today we welcome with great joy  
Madison Mahony & Savannah Hynek  
who are being baptised into the family of  
God, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.*



*May a blessing of hope, peace  
and joy be with you at  
Easter. From the Parish Co  
ordinating Team—Teresa  
Bant, Dion Bartlett, Marion  
Bugge, Minn Cooper, Rachel  
Kelly, Father Lawrie, John  
Tankard, Paul Torpy &  
Catherine White.*

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

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

1. Give thanks to the Lord, he is good.  
The love of the Lord knows no ending.  
Sons of Israel, say: 'His love has no end.' R.
2. The right hand of God raised me up.  
The hand of the Lord has triumphed.  
I shall never die—I shall live telling His deeds. R.
3. The stone which the builders rejected  
Becomes the corner stone chosen.  
Praise the work of God for this marvel in our eyes. R.



**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Alleluia, alleluia!**

Now He is the living Christ. Out of the tomb he is risen: he has conquered death—opened heaven to all believers.

**HYMNS:**

Entrance	80	Sing A New Song
Gifts	15	Alleluia No. 1
Communion	86	We Are Many Parts
	125	Eat This Bread
Recessional	92	Sing to the Mountains

**Mystery Of Faith**

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

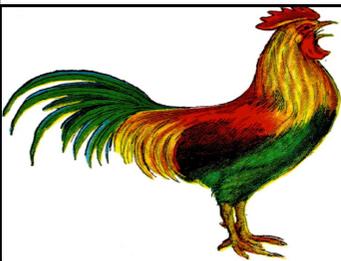
**Easter Sunday**

Today, the culmination of the Passion of Jesus Christ, we celebrate the Resurrection of the Lord on the third day of His burial following His crucifixion by the Romans at Calvary. His resurrection marks the triumph of good over evil, sin over death. Easter is the principal feast of the Church year and the cornerstone on which the Christian faith is built.

**Easter Message 2019**

The community in Christchurch has endured a time of darkness but there have also been rays of light piercing the gloom – light that has come through prayer to God and care for one another. Holy Week and Easter is a celebration of darkness and light, the darkness of Christ's suffering and death, the light of his rising to new life. As we celebrate these days, we could draw on the experience of the last few weeks in Christchurch. We too can find strength through prayer to God and care for one another. The prophet Zechariah speaks of "a spirit of kindness and prayer" (Zechariah 12:10). I invite you to enter into Easter in this spirit. In a prayerful spirit and a spirit of compassion, reflect on the sufferings of Christ and the sufferings of people around the world today. And in that same spirit, pray that God will raise us up as God raised up Jesus. Pray that our whole community will come through times of sorrow and be blessed with the gift of peace.

*Bishop Paul Bird CSsR*



The rooster—what a splendid symbol for the Church! Announces the saving mystery of Jesus' passion and resurrection, acknowledges human frailty, and cries constantly for conversion,

reform and renewal. The crowing of the rooster summons the dawn to come forth from the tomb of night. The rooster is a witness to the triumph of the light over darkness, good over evil. It is a symbol of resurrection. The crowing of the rooster caused Peter to burst into tears. The rooster is a witness to Peter's remorse and bitter tears of repentance. It is a symbol of Peter and the Church, and the gospel call to conversion of heart.

**PARISH LIFE—LIFE TO THE FULL**

**OLHC Community acknowledges and respects the traditional custodians of this land—the Gunditjmara People and other tribes. We deeply respect the Aboriginal Community upon whose land our parish resides.**

**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.** "If you are what you should be you will set the whole world ablaze" (St Catherine of Siena, April 20)

**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)



**Confirmation** is offered to children in Grade 3 and above on **Pentecost Sunday** 8/9th June. A Parent Information evening will take place on Wednesday May 8th at 7pm.

**Commissioning Four New Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist** will be taking place during our Masses. They are Leonora & Sharna Jenkins, Christine Brittain and Minn Cooper.

To meet our **Financial responsibilities** as a Parish it is **necessary** to send out our **Thanksgiving Statements**. Please save postage costs by picking up your statement.

**Divine Mercy Devotions** at St Pius 2.30pm Sunday April 28th.

**Cards** (Solo & Euchre) 1pm Tuesday in Church Foyer.

**Earth Day** is on Easter Monday. Catholics are invited to plant a tree "to symbolise commitment to protect all creation".

**Holy Spirit Prayer Group** meets on first Fridays 1.30-3pm at the Merri View Gallery. Enquiries: Maureen Healy 0438 613 212.

**Thank you** for your contribution to Project Compassion. Given to date \$1594.85. "Let us be lights of hope" (Pope Francis).

*"The work of the Lord needs more hands and more hearts"*

**Warrnambool Churches Easter Arts Festival**

OLHC is participating with our children's Art Works displayed at Gateway Plaza April 11-29 and a Painting at our Church Entrance especially created by Anne Wines. (Thanks for the organisation by our Parish Co ordinating Team)

**22 April—International Mother Earth Day**

Mother Earth is a common expression for the planet earth in a number of countries and regions, which reflects the interdependence that exists among human beings, other living species and the planet we all inhabit. The Earth and its ecosystems are our home. In order to achieve a just balance among the economic, social, and environmental needs of present and future generations, it is necessary to promote harmony with nature and the Earth. International Mother Earth Day is celebrated to remind each of us that the Earth and its ecosystems provide us with life and sustenance.

"The smallest act of kindness is worth more than the greatest intention" - Oscar Wilde

**Plenary Post:** the Listening and Dialogue phase of the Plenary Council has yielded a remarkable foundation from which the people of God can move forward. In all, more than 222,000 people either made an individual submission or participated in a group discussion that culminated in a submission.

**Retreat at Home** St Joseph's Parish is presenting a home-based retreat from 28 April to 25 May. The program will be presented by a visiting Jesuit priest. It will involve an opening session from 2pm to 4pm on Sunday 28 April, guided spiritual conversation each week for one and a half hours and a closing session on Saturday 25 May. More information is available from Mary Lacaster 0409 158 177.

**Pope's Prayer Intentions for April**

**Doctors and their Collaborators in War-Torn Areas** For doctors and their humanitarian collaborators in war-torn areas, who risk their lives to save the lives of others.