

## ROSTERS

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



**LITURGY** for 8/9 June

**6pm** **Welcomers:** Walsh/Hargreaves **Gifts:** B&B Gladman **Readers:** M Atkinson, C Bolte

**Ministers:** T Treffry, D White, D Bartlett, P Bolte, M Bonner, K Bouchier

**9am** **Welcomers:** D Duynhoven, D Grimshaw **Gifts:** J&S Smits Family **Readers:** F&P Torpy

**Ministers:** H Goddard, A Sanderson, C Spencer

**CHURCH CLEANING:**

**Week commencing**

2 June Group 4: J Hales, T Woolley, M&J McLean

9 June Group 5: J McCarthy, J Carroll

**COUNTING TEAMS:**

2 June Team 6: Robert Mills, Robert Lane, Paul Torpy

9 June Team 7: Terry & Laine Kenny, Ann & Gerard Peoples

**COMMUNION TO LYNDPOCH:** 9 June: Colin Ryan



**Making Connections:** 'You are witnesses to this.' Try to define what it is that you are called to give witness to. In what ways can you attest to the truth of that? Live **joyfully** this week. Try to bring **joy** to others. Practise continually praising God in all the small actions of your day.

**Did You Know?:** The Gospel of Luke opens with Zechariah praying in the temple and closes with the disciples praying in the temple. The temple plays a critical role in Luke's account of the public life of Jesus. The nine days between the ascension and Pentecost that the disciples spent in praying together gave rise to the 'novena', a devotional practice of praying in a particularly focused way for a special intention over nine consecutive days.

**Exploring the Word:** The reaction of the disciples to the absence of Jesus after his ascension is in stark contrast to the reaction they had to him leaving at his death. After his death on the cross, they shut themselves into the upper room in fear. Now they worship him and go **joyfully** rejoicing to the temple. Clearly now they have not lost the sense of his presence with them. His return to God opens the way to glory for all who believe, and this is the source of their **joy**. He is beyond their sight but truly with them, and he has repeated again his promise to send the help they will need to undertake their mission into the world. The Acts of the Apostles tells the story of the Gospel being taken out to all the nations, a story that continues to this day.

**Sharing the Tradition:** The celebration of the Ascension as a particular day developed in the vicinity of Antioch around AD 380. Chapter 1 of the Acts of the Apostles notes that Jesus appeared among his disciples for forty days after the resurrection (Acts 1:3). It then goes on to describe Jesus as being taken up into heaven (Acts 1:9). The juxtaposition of these two verses probably gave rise to this feast being celebrated forty days after Easter. Forty days after Easter falls on a Thursday, and in the past this feast was known as 'Ascension Thursday' and was a holy day of obligation. In more recent times, the celebration has been moved to the Sunday before Pentecost.

**Symbols and Images:** Luke's Gospel is sometimes known as 'the gospel of joy'. Joyfulness and rejoicing are constant motifs and familiar reactions to the revelation of Jesus as the Christ. The extent to which we live in union with Christ allows us to participate already in the **joy** of heaven that is promised to us.

**Living the Word:** How does our community 'continually praise God'?

**Daily Prayer:** God of all creation, whose mighty power raised Jesus from the dead, be present to this community of disciples whose hearts have been sprinkled clean from an evil conscience and whose bodies have been washed with the pure water of baptism.

**Marriage Tip:** In the midst of an argument, reach out to your spouse. Physical touch can't fix everything, but it can alleviate tension.

**Vocational View:** Our Spiritual Life is a Journey - following the Call of the Master to "Go and teach all people my Gospel." Say "Yes" over and over again.

### Pope's Prayer Intentions for June

**The Mode of Life of Priests** That priests, through the modesty and humility of their lives, commit themselves actively to a solidarity with those who are most poor.

*"Go in peace glorifying the Lord by your life."*



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

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



## PARISH BULLETIN

**Ascension of the Lord — 2nd June 2019**

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

**Recent Deaths:** Neale Gleeson, Kathleen O'Keeffe, Edna Duggan  
**Anniversaries:** Kevin Stacey, Gil Baker, Margaret Arundell, Fr. Brendan Smith, Sister Gertrude Mugavin, Ernie Dalton, Paul Murphy



*"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
	Tuesday	10.00am (Kath & Pat Harney RIP)
	Wednesday	9.30am (Margaret Arundell RIP)
	Thursday	10.00am at Lyndoch Living
		9.30am at OLHC (Celebrant Fr. Van De Camp)
	Friday	9.30am (Kevin Stacey RIP)
	Saturday	10.00am at St Pius

**THE LORD'S DAY** **Saturday** **Sunday** **Allansford**

**6.00pm** **9.00am** **10.30am**

**PENTECOST**

*White is the colour of rejoicing*

**The Word of God:**

This Week: Acts 1: 1-11/ Heb 9: 24-28; 10: 19-23/ Lk 24: 46-53

Next Week: Acts 2: 1-11/ 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13/ Jn 20: 19-23

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

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



**5 June World Environment Day A Prayer for our Earth**

All-powerful God, you are present in the whole universe and in the smallest of your creatures.

You embrace with your tenderness all that exists.

Pour out upon us the power of your love, that we may protect life and beauty.

Fill us with peace, that we may live as brothers and sisters, harming no one.

O God of the poor, help us to rescue the abandoned and forgotten of this earth, so precious in your eyes.

Bring healing to our lives, that we may protect the world and not prey on it, that we may sow beauty, not pollution and destruction. Touch the hearts of those who look for gain at the expense of the poor and the earth.

Teach us to discover the worth of each thing, to be filled with awe and contemplation, to recognise that we are profoundly united with every creature as we journey towards your infinite light.

We thank you for being with us each day.

Encourage us, we pray, in our struggle for justice, love and peace.



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



**God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord.**

All peoples, clap your hands, cry to God with shouts of joy! For the Lord, the Most High, we must fear, great king over all the earth. **R.**

God goes up with shouts of joy; the Lord goes up with trumpet blast. Sing praise for God, sing praise, sing praise to our king, sing praise. **R.**

God is king of all the earth. Sing praise with all your skill. God is king over the nations; God reigns on his holy throne. **R.**



**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.**

Go and teach all nations. Go, proclaim the Good News. I am with you always. Until the end of the world.

**HYMNS:**

Entrance	92	Sing to the Mountains
Gifts	180	Keep In Mind
Communion	6	Lord to Whom Shall We Go?
	133	Only A Shadow
Recessional	CWB 748	Micah's Theme

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

**Confirmation—Background for Adults**

The coming of the Holy Spirit on the day of Pentecost gave the disciples the power and strength to go out and live like Jesus and tell others about Jesus: the Spirit called them into action. It is this same Spirit, whom we received at Baptism, who now calls us into action.

**Ascension of the Lord**

Jesus said, 'Go out to the whole world, proclaim the Good News to all creation.' (Mark 16:15)  
 Jesus, help us to know that you are with us always, until the end of the world.  
 This week, practise being 'good news' ambassadors by sharing 'good news' stories with each other.  
 Christ leads us to go out from ourselves more and more, to give ourselves and to serve others.

**Aid to the Church in Need** is organising support for the **rebuilding of Churches in Sri Lanka** and healing their wounds after the suicide bombs causing 250 deaths. An envelope marked 'Sri Lanka' can be placed on the collection plate.  
*"For what is one of the world's largest networks, the global Catholic community is closely bound by our shared faith. We stand in solidarity beside our brothers and sisters in Sri Lanka—from all backgrounds—as they come to terms with this tragedy and begin what must seem an unthinkable healing process."*

**Prayer for the Easter Season**

Creator God, we lift our **hearts** to you. As the dawn breaks, may we carry the unity we share into every moment knowing that we are one with the Risen Christ.

Faithful God, we lift our **eyes** to you. As the sun rises, may this moment stay with us, reminding us to look for the promise in your word.

Sustaining God, we lift our **prayers** to you. As the dew air falls, may we breathe this morning in and know that like the earth, you sustain us, keep us and work within us always.

And so, we lift our **voices** to you. We celebrate Jesus' resurrection from death, his defeat of darkness and rejoice in your world, now bathed in stunning resurrection light.

May we ever live to praise you!  
 Amen  
 (Stella Maris, Manly NSW)

*Blessed are those who  
 see God in every  
 person and help others  
 to see him too.*  
 -Pope Francis

**2020 Enrolments for Our Lady Help of Christians School**  
 Enrolments open Monday 3rd June and close Friday 21st June

**PARISH LIFE—LIFE TO THE FULL**

**OLHC Community acknowledges and respects the traditional custodians of this land—the Gunditjmarra 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.** *"Virtues are formed by prayer. Prayer draws into the soul the Holy Spirit, and raises us to God."* (St Ephrem of Syria, 9 June)

**Play Group** Friday 9am at OLHC School Hall.

**Scripture Groups** with Sister Mary on Thursday 7.30pm and on Friday 10am in the Meeting Room. All welcome.

**Works** are progressing well by Bolden Construction for the instalment of a Disabled Toilet and Renovation of our existing toilets. This is possible from Planned Giving and Donations.

**Like Brother Frank O'Shea's Website** [www.rubencentre.org](http://www.rubencentre.org)

**Holy Hour** Monday 10am (Rosary, Plenary Council Prayer)

**A free concert** at Trinity College, Colac, Thursday June 13 at 7pm presented by a **Youth Orchestra** from Bataan, The Philippines.

**Parish Co ordinating Team Meeting** Wednesday 7.30pm.

**Morning Tea** next Sunday after 9am Mass. Hosted by the Smith and Glynn Family Groups. A Plate please.

**Throughout Winter there is an Appeal for the St Vincent De Paul Society. Envelopes are available.**

**Week of Prayer for Christian Unity Prayer Service** at St Joseph's on Thursday at 6pm.

**Pilgrimage to the Holy Land** with Fr. John Fitzgerald 28th May—10th June 2020. Contact Parish Office 5562 2231.

**Chickens for Sale** Large egg laying chickens \$20, Young male chickens \$6. See Paul Glynn, The Agricultural department, Emmanuel College.

**Masses at Allansford in June:**

June 16th 10.30am Trinity Sunday & June 30th 10.30am 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time C

**End of Financial Year**

We have budgeted for \$100,000 for the daily running of our Parish from power to maintenance to insurance. To date, from our Thanksgiving Envelopes and Direct Debit we have received \$88,959.50 with appreciation.

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

In the new financial year 2019-2020, I would like to contribute by:

**Envelopes/ Direct Debit** (Please circle one)

To finance OLHC and St Carthage's.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Please place on Collection Plate or post to OLHC, Box 97, Warrnambool, 3280.

**Thank You**