

ROSTERS

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



LITURGY for 19/20 October

6pm Welcomers: D White, J O'Sullivan Gifts: B&B Gladman Readers: T Harney, S Hogan

Ministers: M Page, S Reimert, J Tankard, T Treffry, C White, D White

9am Welcomers: J Zanos, J Bouwman Gifts: D Duynhoven Readers: T Kenny, Z Lukeis

Ministers: C Swarbrick, M&L Taggart

CHURCH CLEANING:

Week commencing

13 October Group 5: J McCarthy, J Carroll

20 October Group 6: A Moloney, H Chisholm, J Squires

COUNTING TEAMS:

13 October Team 5: Dennis Farley, Brian Dalton, John McCarthy

20 October Team 6: Robert Mills, Robert Lane, Paul Torpy

COMMUNION TO LYNDOKCH: 20 October: Jim & Elaine Hales

New Rosters are now Available



Reflection on the Gospel-28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C (Luke 17: 11-19)

-Veronica Lawson RSM

Every day we hear news of race riots, ethnic violence and discrimination somewhere in our world, often quite close to us. Even those who do not resort to violence can tend to be suspicious of those who have different origins and different ways from them. The worst atrocities are frequently perpetrated between those who have differing understandings of the same faith. We have seen elements of this in the protracted Syrian conflict, even if religion is only one component of the conflict. We are seeing, there as elsewhere, the end product of a failure to recognize the shared humanity of all people.

Today's gospel story invites us to reflect on the potential goodness of everyone. It continues last week's focus on the saving power of faith. Just four Greek words make up the most telling sentence in the story: "And he was Samaritan!" A new element has entered into the narrative: faith is not the sole preserve of the Jewish people. A despised half-Jew can have faith, faith buried deep within and actively at work like the life in the mustard seed.

Jesus is approached by ten lepers in a village in border territory. All have been excluded from participation in village life on account of their skin disease. All beg for inclusion, expressed in terms of mercy (*eleos*). All follow the prescription of the Law of Moses to show themselves to the priests (Leviticus 13-14). All are declared "clean". Only one turns back, praises God in the market place, falls at Jesus' feet and thanks him. Readers do not know to this point whether the village and its inhabitants are Galilean or Samaritan. They only know that the village is situated in the region between Galilee and Samaria. Now the shocking truth is revealed: one is a Samaritan, doubly marginalised as a "foreigner" or "stranger" and it is this one alone that gives thanks to Jesus and honour to God. This one alone receives the now familiar affirmation: "your faith has saved you". Jesus tells the Samaritan to rise up and continue on his way, on his journey of faith. The other nine are healed, presumably because they too have some limited faith. They have nonetheless forgotten the source of their healing and abandoned the journey to life.

One measure of our faith is our capacity to acknowledge and to celebrate the source of our well-being when life is good and we have no felt need for healing. A more telling measure is our capacity to say a simple word of thanks to all those who mediate to us the goodness of a compassionate and merciful God, whatever our circumstances. We might also take time this week to focus on and give thanks for the wonderful diversity of life in our world, diversity within the other-than human as well as within the human community.



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



PARISH BULLETIN

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 13th October 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: Christina George, Pat Burris, Paul Bonavia (Mrs Schlooz's Father)
Anniversaries: Frs. Michael Shanley, King & Mulcahy, Joe Nicholson, Ron McCutcheon, Michelle Beks, Max Forrest, Rita Storey, Bernie Harris, Brett Rentsch, John Darcy, Rosalie Farley

"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 (St Teresa of Avila)
	Wednesday	9.30am
	Thursday	9.30am (Joe Nicholson RIP)
	Friday	9.30am (St Luke)
	Saturday	10.00am at St Pius



THE LORD'S DAY	Saturday	6.00pm
	Sunday <td>9.00am</td>	9.00am
	Allansford <td>10.30am</td>	10.30am

*Green is the colour of
hope and growth*

The Word of God:

This Week: 2 Kgs 5: 14-17/ 2 Tm 2: 8-13/ Lk 17: 11-19

Next Week: Ex 17: 8-13/ 2 Tm 3: 14—4: 2/ Lk 18: 1-8

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

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

Catholic Diocese of Ballarat, Vision Statement 2019 (Draft)

We are a community of communities from the Murray to the sea inspired by the Gospel and nourished by the Eucharist to follow the example of Jesus' humble service, so that all may find welcome, hope and joy.

"Let everyone who is thirsty, come. Let anyone who wishes take the water of life as a gift." (Revelation 22:17)

Erasmus

Lord Jesus Christ,
You have said that you are the way,
the truth and the life.
Do not allow us to stray from you,
who are the way;
Not to distrust you who are the
truth;
Not to rest in anything other than
you, who are the life.
Desiderius Erasmus (15th century)



You are Invited to A Morning Coffee Party for
The Good Samaritan Sisters' Mission in
Australia, The Philippines, Kiribati, Japan and Timor Leste

"In all things may God be glorified"

WHERE: St Brigid's Hall, Crossley WHEN: Monday 4th November at 10.00am

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *(Keep for Daily Prayer)*



The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. **R.**

The Lord has made known his salvation; has shown his justice to the nations. He has remembered his truth and love for the house of Israel. **R.**

All the ends of the earth have seen the salvation of our God. Shout to the Lord all the earth, ring out your joy. **R.**



GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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

Speak, O Lord, your servant listens, yours the Word of life eternal.

HYMNS:

- Entrance 184 All the Earth
- Gifts 80 Sing a New Song
- Communion 88 Taste and See
- 180 Keep in Mind
- Recessional 45 Now We Remain

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

Pope's Prayer Intentions for October

A Missionary "Spring" in the Church

That the breath of the Holy Spirit engender a new missionary "spring" in the church.

Marriage Tip: Listening well says to the other person, "I care about what you're saying; I care about you." It helps love to grow.



Plenary Council
Our Plenary Council **Question** for October is:
How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia that is humble, healing and merciful?
This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who expressed a deep and faith-filled trust in God and a need for lament and healing within the Church, acknowledging the sexual abuse crisis as a turning point for the Church in Australia.
"That we listen openly to the wisdom of the Holy Spirit as we discern ways to be a Christ-centred church that is humble, healing and merciful"
Loving God, hear out prayer.
All are invited to a Night of Reflection at St Joseph's on **Tuesday October 29th**, 7.30pm.

*Prayer for the Extraordinary
Month of Mission*

*Heavenly Father,
when your only begotten Son Jesus Christ
rose from the dead,
he commissioned his followers
to 'go and make disciples of all nations'
and you remind us that through our Baptism
we are made sharers in the mission of the Church.*

*Empower us by the gifts of the Holy Spirit
to be courageous and zealous
in bearing witness to the Gospel,
so that the mission entrusted to the Church,
which is still very far from completion,
may find new and efficacious expressions
that bring life and light to the world.*

*Help us make it possible for all peoples
to experience the saving love
and mercy of Jesus Christ,
who lives and reigns with you
in the unity of the Holy Spirit,
One God, forever and ever.*

Amen.

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. "Jesus is happy to come with us—as life is to be lived, as light is to be lit, as love is to be loved, as peace is to be spread." St Francis of Assisi (4 October)

Holy Hour at OLHC Monday 10am

Worth Watching "Songs of Praise" Sundays 11.30am on ABC1.

View ABC1 Compass 11am Sundays.

Scripture Study *Thursdays* 7.30pm; *Fridays* 10am. In the Church Meeting Room during School Terms.

Pilgrimage in the footsteps of **St Mary MacKillop** October 22-November 2. Beginning in Melbourne. Information 0417 683 123.

Online learning for four weeks **Subjects**—Connecting Faith and Life, Faith and Human Development, Evangelisation, Catholic Beliefs, Sacraments, and Bible Basics. Register by October 16, Fran Peterkin 5337 7154. (Dion Bartlett is currently doing a subject).

Today after 9am Mass we have an **Official Opening** of our new and updated Amenities. Some copies of the **2019 Social Justice Statement** on "The Digital World" are still available. Our **Parish Rose Show and Flower Festival** will be over November 21st-24th.

We Congratulate Connor Brisbane who is celebrating his First Holy Communion and full initiation into the Church.

"May every sunrise bring you hope, may every sunset bring you peace" (Irish Blessing)



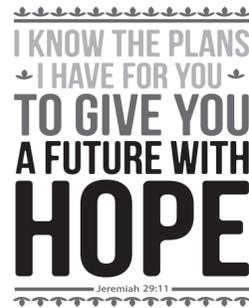
Carers Week



There is a welcome touch of Spring in the air. It's a good time for a deep breath or two, a gentle stroll, some quiet—enough perhaps to attend to the silence. Silence is an opportunity for

God to cross our threshold. - Andrew Bullen SJ

If you wish to give to our Parish Planned Giving via bank transfer:
BSB: 06 3533
Acc. No: 0090 3353
Ref: Planned Giving
All donations are greatly appreciated.



Next weekend our parish will be holding the annual Catholic Mission World Mission Appeal. This year we are invited to support the Eden Gardens Children's Home in Nagaland, north-eastern India. The goal of Father Rajesh Lobo, who runs the home, is to give the children opportunities to fulfil their dreams.

The home currently provides 250 children from disadvantaged backgrounds with basic needs, such as food and water, education and a safe home, as well as faith formation through activities like daily Mass, praying the rosary and catechism.

However, with challenges such as lack of water, the home urgently needs to update their infrastructure to continue providing practical and spiritual support to the children.

As an act of mission for October 2019, Pope Francis has called an Extraordinary Missionary Month, you will be offered the opportunity to support this work – please come prepared to give generously.

Freecall: 1800 257 296
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