

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

PROCLAIM THE GOOD NEWS. The early Christian community could not remain as an enclosed, self-contained group in Jerusalem. Its members felt impelled by Christ to bring the Good News to Samaria and then to the ends of the earth. Christians in every age are called to be fully involved in the life and joys and pains of the world. At times this can be difficult but the Spirit of God is always with us to help us.

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Cf Isaiah 48:20

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;
Proclaim to the ends of the earth:
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

COLLECT

Grant, almighty God,
That we may celebrate with heartfelt devotion these days of joy, which we keep in honour of the risen Lord, and that what we relive in remembrance we may always hold to in what we do.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON John 14:15-16

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord, and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete, to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Almighty ever-living God,
Who restore us to eternal life in the Resurrection of Christ, increase in us, we pray, the fruits of this paschal Sacrament and pour into our hearts the strength of this saving food.



*"We must protect creation for it is a gift which the Lord has given us, it is God's present to us; we are the guardians of creation."
Pope Francis*

GOD DOES NOT SEND PLAGUES TO TEACH US THINGS, THOUGH WE CAN LEARN FROM THEM

By Fr Richard Leonard SJ

"Everything in the Old Testament should be interpreted through the revelation of God in Jesus Christ.

This matters when we come to understand the meaning of plagues and other natural disasters. For the peoples of the ancient world, if there was a flood, plague or pestilence then God was saying something through it. But in the Gospels Jesus never sends a plague, a natural disaster or turns anyone into a pillar of salt. If Jesus isn't into murderous retribution, nor if we take him at his repeated word, is God the Father. Jesus is the incarnate correction to false views of how God works in the world.

So even though COVID-19's origins are yet to be finally established, they have a natural explanation, and the way the virus has spread has been in measure the result of poor human decisions. God has not sent the pandemic upon us".

AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE May 8, 2020

The Catholic bishops of Australia have today elected Archbishop Mark Coleridge of Brisbane to a second two-year term as president of the Australian Bishops Conference.

Sydney Archbishop Anthony Fisher OP was re-elected Conference vice-president.

Four members of the Permanent Committee of the Bishops Conference were also elected today; Perth Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB; Toowoomba Bishop Robert McGuckin; Adelaide Archbishop-Designate Patrick O'Regan; and Maronite Bishop of Australia Antonie-Charbel Tarrabay.



*"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

6th Sunday of Easter — 17th May 2020

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Recent Deaths: Margaret Gleeson, Belhina Lay, Claire King (nee Miller), Norma Wright, Norma McCosh, Barry Nunn, Betty Allen (Aunt of Teresa Treffry)

Anniversaries: Mary Dowling, Frs Con Healy, Hussy and Stickland

The Word of God:

This Week: Acts 8: 5-8. 14-17 / 1 Pt3: 15-18 / Jn 14: 15-21

Next Week: Acts 1: 1-11 / Heb 9: 24-28; 10:19-23 / Mt 28: 16-20

Next Sunday is "The Feast of the Ascension of the Lord"

Sacraments: Baptisms and Marriages by Appointment please phone 5561 1533

On-line "Mass on Demand North Sydney"

<https://www.northsydney Catholics.com/spirituality/liturgy/mass-on-demand>

Holy Hour: Monday @ 10 am

Taking Place This Week

16th— World Day of Living Together in Peace

17th—World Day to Combat Desertification and Drought

20th—Autoimmune Arthritis Day and Refugee Day

21st—World Day for Cultural Diversity for Dialogue and Development

22nd—Biological Diversity Day.



If you feel like you're losing everything Remember that trees lose their leaves every year and they still stand tall and wait for better days to come.



Congratulations Mr Joshua McElgunn, former teacher of OLHC who has been appointed as Principal of St Therese Primary School, Torquay. Mr McElgunn will finish as Principal of St Josephs Coleraine at the end of Term 3.

Thank-you to all who volunteer for our Parish Family and Community

Thanks to Parishioners who generously and attentively brought to the Presbytery Planned Giving, Project Compassion, Easter Offering Financial Support. **Thanks** to the Direct Givers

White is the colour of rejoicing

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

Sixth Sunday of Easter

 Jesus said: I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate, to be with you forever.” John 14:16

 Let all the earth cry out to God with joy. Alleluia!

◆ This week, remember Jesus’ promise that the Spirit of truth knows us and abides in us as we live and share Jesus’ message.

☝ Peace entails a conversation of heart and soul. It is a challenge that demands to be taken up ever anew. Pope Francis 2017

16 May—International Day of Living Together in Peace

Living together in peace is all about accepting differences and having the ability to listen to, recognise and appreciate others, as well as living in a peaceful and united way. The UN General-Assembly, in its resolution 72/130, declared 16 May the International Day of Living Together in Peace, as a means of regularly mobilizing the efforts of the international community to promote peace, tolerance, inclusion, understanding and solidarity. The Day aims to uphold the desire to live and act together, united in differences and diversity, in order to build a sustainable world of peace and harmony. The Day invites to further promote reconciliation to help to ensure peace and sustainable development, including by working with communities, faith leaders and other relevant actors, through reconciliation measures and acts of service and by encouraging forgiveness and compassion among individuals.

Let nothing disturb you. Let nothing frighten you.
All things are passing away.
God never changes.
Patience obtains all things.
Whoever has God lacks nothing:
God alone suffices. - St Teresa of Avila.

Day by day,
The Holy Spirit
prompts in us ways of thinking
and speaking that can make us
artisans of justice and peace.



Solitude

*Solitude, a simple
den,
A piece of paper and
a pen,
A cup of tea, a piece
of toast.
A window and the
holy ghost.
Some calm, a table
and a chair;
The mind is free, the
soul is bare.
There's love to make
and life to hold.
The ancient tiny
thread of gold
That runs through all
the joy and gloom
Is found inside this
little room.*
(Leunig)

Sunday —The Lord's Day

Mass on Television:

6 am—Channel 10 WIN TV

Mass on Line:

Saturday, 5.30 pm “Mass on Demand North Sydney” (available then throughout Sunday)

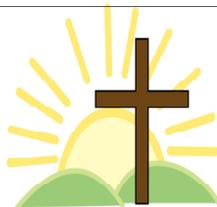
8.30 am, from St Josephs Warrnambool on Facebook—St Josephs Warrnambool or YouTube—St Joseph’s Church Warrnambool.

Evening Prayer,

Meditating on the Resurrection of Jesus From the Dead.

Our Parish Family Prays at Home between 5—6 pm—The Lord’s Prayer; 10 Hail Marys, 1 Glory Be. Alleluia

THE LORD'S DAY



“We have all known the long loneliness, and we have found that the answer is community.”
- Dorothy Day

The most wonderful places to be in the world are: In someone’s thoughts. Someone’s prayers. And in someone’s 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. “*God, you are a fire that consumes all the selfish love that fills my being. You are a fire that takes away the coldness, illuminates my mind, and causes me to know your truth.*” St Catherine Siena (May)

Worth Watching

View ABC1 Compass 11am Sundays. “Songs of Praise” Sundays 11.30am on ABC1.

Keep up to date with news in the Diocese. Register for **Diocesan E News** - enews@ballarat.catholic.org.au

On-line Learning: Scripture, The Sacraments, Liturgy beginning 24th May
Registration 0407 523 424 www.ballarat.catholic.org.au Enquiries—Dion Bartlett (Parishioner)

Enrolments for Our Lady Help of Christians School Opens on Monday 25th May. A virtual tour of the School is now available online. Enrolment forms are now available from **03 5562 5559** or admin@olhcwarrnambool.catholic.edu.au . Enjoy the **Virtual Tour** of the School via link <http://www.olhcwarrnambool.catholic.edu.au/>

Emmanuel College Enrolments for Years 8-12 for 2021 are now open. Information Packs are available.

If we do not have **your email address** please forward it to olhcwbl@bigpond.net.au to receive Parish Bulletins

 My garden beautifies my yard and adds fragrance to the air, but it is also my cathedral and my quiet place of prayer. So little do we realise that the glory and the power of God who made the universe is hidden in a flower.

If you wish to give to our **Parish Finances** via bank transfer:
BSB: 06 3533 Acc. No: 0090 3353
Ref: Planned Giving

Marriage Tip:

Make time at the end of each day to share the highs and lows of your day with each other. Go beyond “just the facts” to how it made you feel. Ask questions; listen well.

Kindness is a language the blind can see and the deaf can hear

Popes Intention for May

For Deacons
We pray that deacons, faithful in their service to the Word and the poor, may be an invigorating symbol for the entire Church

Project Compassion

Through your generosity during Project Compassion this year, you are empowering communities with hope and helping those in great need to shape a better future for themselves, their families and their communities. Lives change when we all give. Thank you so much for your support

