



### THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

#### ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cf Psalm 95:1, 6

O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

#### GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 24: 4-9

#### R. Teach me your ways, O Lord

1. Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour. **R.**
2. Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old. In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. **R.**
3. The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. **R.**

#### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mark 1:15

Alleluia, alleluia!

The kingdom of God is near: believe the Good News. Alleluia!

#### COMMUNION ANTIPHON

John 8:12

I am the light of world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

Pope Francis published a letter reminding us of the bonds we have with one another. He wrote of the links we have with each other as brothers and sisters in one human family.

The tragedy of COVID has brought home the fact that in many ways we're all in the same boat. As we recognise that we share a common problem, we might also recognise that we need to work together to find a common solution. Pope Francis has encouraged us to dream together for a better future. He wrote, "Let us dream, then as a single human family, as fellow travellers sharing the same flesh, as children of the same earth which is our common home, each of us bringing the richness of our beliefs and convictions, each of us with our own voice, brothers and sisters all."

Over the past couple of years I've invited people around our diocese to offer suggestions to develop our diocesan vision statement. Our vision is in tune with the vision of Pope Francis—the vision of community of brothers and sisters. Our diocese is made up of local communities. All together, our diocese is a community of communities. I'd like to quote our diocesan vision statement.

**We are a community of communities from the Murray to the sea. Inspired by the Gospel and nourished by the Eucharist, we follow the example of Jesus and guidance of the Holy Spirit, reaching out in joyful and humble service, caring for all God's creation, growing in love day and looking forward in life with God forever.**

Bishop Paul Bird CSsR

#### Mass Times

Saturday 9.30am and 6pm

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord

Sunday at 9 am

Allansford at 10.30 am, every 1st, 3rd &

5th Sunday of the Month

Monday—Holy Hour at 10 am

Tuesday—Saturday at 9.30 am

(Please be advised all donations given in Church are to be placed and offered when leaving the Church. Thank-you.)

#### PROFESSION OF FAITH

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord.,

all bow

Who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

We reform others unconsciously when we walk uprightly.



Today, take a few minutes to sit quietly and be Thankful for all that you have.



STAY KIND



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



### PARISH BULLETIN

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time—24th January 2021

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

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

**Recent Deaths:** Mary (Carmen) Hudson, Natalisia Soares Guterres, Anne Vogels, Wilma James, Toto, Maree O'Shanassy

**Anniversaries:** Rachel O'Donohue, Noni Walsh, Bill Sinclair, Monsignors Galligan and Conway, Claire McCarthy, Mary Henry

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

#### The Word of God:

This Week: Jon 3: 1-5, 10; 1 Cor 7: 29-31; Mk 1: 14-20

Next Week: Dt 18: 15-20 / 1 Cor 7 : 32-35 Mk 1: 21-28

#### Taking Place This Week:

Sunday—World Leprosy Day Tuesday—Australia Day; International Day of Customs

Wednesday—Saints Angela Merici, Timothy & Titus, and International Day in memory of the Holocaust Victims, Mozart's Birthday

Thursday—Saint Thomas Aquinas

Saturday—Anniversary of Mahatmas Gandhi (1948)

International Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development 2021—2030  
2021 International Year of Peace and Trust.



Although we come from many different walks of life, our Catholic Community is united by our faith and love for God and neighbour. We strive to live our lives according to the way of Jesus Christ in our homes, workplaces and the wider community.

I expect to pass through life but once. If, therefore, there be any kindness I can show, or any good thing I can do to any fellow being, let me do it now, and not defer or neglect it, as I shall not pass this way again.  
William Penn

Sacrament of First Reconciliation Parents of Children in Grades 2 and 6 who wish to have their children receive this Sacrament are invited to a meeting in the Church on Tuesday 16th February at 7pm.

"Love is a Fruit always in Season"  
Saint Teresa of Calcutta

We walk by faith, not by sight

The Sunday Lectionary Readings are from Year B. The Weekday readings are from Year 1. The Liturgical Colour is Green.

Green is the colour of hope and growth

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

**ROSTERS**  
 We thank you for the wonderful works you do!  
**CHURCH CLEANING:**  
**Week commencing**  
 24th January Group 1 A Sanderson, D. Porter, D Lawler  
 7th February Group 2 P.Jubb, P.Bolte

WE'RE ALL  
 IN THIS TOGETHER

**THE LORD'S  
 DAY**

**Key Quote from Fratelli Tutti (Pope Francis, 4-10-2020)  
 Religious Liberty.**  
 We Christians ask that, in those countries where we are a minority, we be guaranteed freedom, even as we ourselves promote that freedom for non-Christians in places where they are a minority. One fundamental human right must not be forgotten in the journey towards fraternity and peace. It is religious freedom for believers of all religions.

Light looked down and saw the darkness 'I will go there,' said the light.  
Peace looked down and saw war. 'I will go there,' said peace.  
Love looked down and saw hatred. 'I will go there,' said love.  
 So he,  
**The Lord of Light,  
 The Prince of Peace,  
 The King of Love,  
 Came down and crept in beside us**  
 Jamberoo Abbey

**Prayer of Pope Benedict from Deus Caritas Est**  
 Holy Mary, Mother of God, you have given the world its true light, Jesus, your Son—the Son of God. You abandoned yourself completely, to God's call and thus became a wellspring of the goodness which flows forth from him. Show us Jesus. Lead us to him. Teach us to know and love him, so that we too can become capable of true love and be fountains of living water in the midst of a thirsty world.  
 Pope Benedict XVI, 2005

**If we love Christ, if we follow him sincerely, if we stop seeking ourselves and seek him alone, then in his name we will be able to give to others, freely, what we have freely received.**  
 - St Josemaria Escriva

The Eucharist . . . Is not a prize for the perfect but a powerful medicine and nourishment for the weak. *Evangelii Gaudium (2013)*

The LITURGY is the summit toward which the activity of the Church is directed; at the same time it is the fount from which all the Church's power flows. SC10

**"Nature is not a place to visit. It is home."** Gary Snyder

**"If you want to see God look attentively at CREATION"**

**A Summer Prayer**  
 Long warm days . . .  
 The pace of life slows . . .  
 A time for picnics and rest in the shade . . .  
 Lord, help me to rest awhile  
 In the cooling shade of your presence.  
 Slow down my restless heart  
 and fill me with gentle  
 compassion for all your people.

**"All One in Christ Jesus"**

**Prayer Focus**  
 For the nation of Australia, that all who dwell here, from its First Peoples to its most recent arrivals, will work together for a just society.

**"For God to become a human being among the poor, born in a stable among the animals, meant that its good to be human being, that flesh is good and that the world is good—in its most simple and human forms.**  
 Richard Rohr

**"The two most important days in your life are the day you are born and the day you find out why."**  
 Mark Twain

**Don't underestimate the healing power of these three things . . .**  
 Music The Ocean Stars

**Walking with Wisdom**  
 Everything becomes sacred when we walk with God. Every leaf, every tree, every eye, and open heart. The ground we work and plant. The words we write and sing. The ones we bless and honour...  
Every person is Beloved as we walk in the vast wonder of God.  
 Bob Holmes

**Everyday is a second chance.**

**"We should be as the compass that goes round its circle without stirring from its centre—our centre is God—from whom all our actions should spring."**  
 - Mother Catherine McAuley

**"God carries us through the storms"**  
 Mary MacKillop

**Our job is to love others without stopping to inquire whether or not they are worthy. - Thomas Merton**

**"Together for Life"**

**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.  
*OLHC A Missionary Parish. A joyful, hope filled and servant community*  
**Worth Watching**  
**View ABC1** Compass 11am Sundays. "Songs of Praise" Sundays 11.30am on ABC1.  
 If we do not have your email address please forward it to [olhcwbl@bigpond.net.au](mailto:olhcwbl@bigpond.net.au) to receive Parish Bulletins.  
**Can You Help?** The St Vincent de Paul Society's After-School Tutoring Program for primary school aged students will be expanding in 2021 to include a Tuesday session from 3-5pm at Our Lady Help of Christian Primary School and a Wednesday session from 3-5pm St Pius X Primary School. We need volunteers who enjoy working with young people in a fun and engaging learning environment. You do NOT need to be a teacher. More information is available on a flyer in the Parish Foyer. Alternatively, you can contact Rebecca Janes on 0447 156 690, or [rebecca.janes@svdp-vic.org.au](mailto:rebecca.janes@svdp-vic.org.au)  
**On-Line Lay Pastoral Ministry Program—Registrations now open** The Ballarat Diocese, in partnership with Dayton University, offer low-cost study and formation. Subjects include Sacraments, Scripture, Youth Ministry, Liturgy, Leadership and more. More information at [www.ballarat.catholic.org.au](http://www.ballarat.catholic.org.au) or email [Djurджа.klaris@ballarat.catholic.org.au](mailto:Djurджа.klaris@ballarat.catholic.org.au) or ph. 5337 7121.  
**Masses at Allansford:** Next Sunday 31st at 10:30am & February 6th at 10:30am  
**Mental and Emotional Support Line 1800 965 144**

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**Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)**  
 Every Friday at 10 am.

**FAMILY GROUP** You are welcome to join with a small group of Parishioners for a monthly social gathering. See Jan and John Mahony or Father Lawrie.

**"Faith is passed on by contact, from one person to another, just as one candle is lit from another."**  
 Pope Francis

**Australia Day**  
 In this wide brown land there are many peoples who have come from near and far to call this country home.  
 Let us respect our original inhabitants, our First Nation Peoples, for whom this land is mother, and let us listen to their voices.  
 Let us respect the many immigrants from all corners of the globe who have settled here in safety and peace.  
 Ann Rennie



**The world tells us to seek success, power, and money; God tells us to seek humility, service, and love.**

**"Christ has no body on the earth now but yours, no hands but yours; yours are the eyes through which he looks with compassion on the world; yours are the feet with which he walks to do good; yours are the hands with which he blesses all the world."** St Teresa of Avila (1515-82)

**Popes Intention for January**  
**Intention for evangelization - Human fraternity**  
 May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

**Marriage Tip:** "How do you know me?" (John 1:48) While learning about the other person is generally associated with the dating period, continuing to ask and learn about your spouse is an essential part of marriage. Ask questions. Tell stories. Keep learning about your beloved.