

4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON Cf Psalm 32:5-6

The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia



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

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the cornerstone.

1. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. It is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in men: it is better to take refuge in the Lord than to trust in princes **R.**
2. I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour. The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. **R.**
3. Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes. We bless you from the house of the Lord; I will thank you for you have given answer and you are my saviour. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; for his love has no end. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

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

Mass Times

Saturday 6pm

Sunday at 9 am

Allansford at 10.30 am, every 1st, 3rd & 5th Sunday of the Month
(Monday—Holy Hour at 10 am)
Tuesday to Saturday at 9.30 am

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

communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

The Preciousness of Today

This is the day of the LORD has made; let us be glad and rejoice in it. Ps 118:24

When I began to write this reflection, I paused to think about this God-given gift of today. I treasure this day, right now, as a unique blessing for me to appreciate, use well and be glad. What is more precious than a single day of earthly life? I picked up my smartphone and asked how many days have I lived since my birth? Google replied 31,047. Wow! Really? Yes. Every one of those days were given to me by the Lord to use in whatever way I would choose. In gratitude for this day, I resolve to be more attentive and grateful for each future day to love and praise God and give loving kindness to others. Psalm 188, verse 24 will continue to be an integral part of my morning prayer. May we all welcome the gift of each new day to be glad and rejoice in it.
Fr James McKams



AN EASTER PRAYER

Risen Lord. Accept my praise and thanks at Your resurrection. You are my light, my hope, and my God.
In this Easter season, I recall that the faith I profess was brought to me by countless others who wanted to share the joy of your resurrection. They offered to me the undeserved gift of knowing You and the Church which You founded for our salvation. With a grateful heart I give thanks for my ancestors in the faith. Only You Lord know the name of each person who carried that light through the generations, ultimately passing it to me. May they be blessed for their faithfulness to You.
I beg you Lord for the gift of perseverance, that I, like those before me, will humbly and faithfully pass onto others the gift of faith I have received.
May all of us be one day united, with the Blessed Mother, at that Pascal Feast in Heaven, where we shall sing of Your love for all eternity. Amen

"Make it a practice to judge persons and things in the most favourable light at all times and under all circumstances.
St Vincent de Paul

"Aspire not to have more, but to be more."
- Saint Oscar Romero

STAY KIND



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



PARISH BULLETIN

4th Sunday of Easter (ANZAC DAY)—18th April 2021

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

Recent Deaths: Christovao Ramiro Belo, Chris Sheedy

Anniversaries: Mary Atkinson, Fathers James Hyland, Gallagher, Grady and Martin O'Keefe, Sister Irene Hoy, Cassie Boswell, Evelyn O'Sullivan, Andy and Ross Powell, Allan Trigg, Stephen Kelson

Sacraments: Baptisms and Marriages by Appointment please phone 5561 1533

The Word of God:

This Week: Acts 4: 8-12 / 1 Jn 3:1-2 / Jn 10: 11-18

Next Week: Dt 4:32-34, 39-40 / Rom 8:14-17 / Mt 28: 16-20

Thursday is International Mother Earth Day

International Decade of Ocean Science for Sustainable Development 2021-2030.

2021 International Year of Peace and Trust

EASTER OFFERINGS. Personally and on behalf of Bishop Paul and the Priests and Seminarians of our Diocese THANK-YOU for the Offerings which help support our living and travel.
Fr Lawrie

"Life in the Spirit" Prayer and Reflection at St Pius Church. Tuesdays 27th April—8th June, 1pm and 7pm

Special Collection for East Timor and Flores in their current plight of COVID and FLOODS in Dili and District. You may like to place donations in a marked envelope. Churches and Schools are providing shelter.

Our Appeal for East Timor/Flores \$2985 to date

Some people just make you feel better when you are around them. They are sunshine for your soul and medicine for your mind.

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

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



"Life in a Whole new Light and Clothed with Power from on High"

Today we welcome with great joy

Harrison Ware & Seth Boswell

Who are being baptised into the family of God, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.



White is the colour of rejoicing

ROSTERS		
We thank you for the wonderful works you do!		
CHURCH CLEANING:		
Week commencing		
25th April G1 A Sanderson, D Porter, D Lawler		
2nd May G2 P.Bolte P.Jubb		
LITURGY ROSTER		
24/25 April	6.00p.m.	9 am
Leader/Reader:	T Harney	S Inverarity
Ministers:	M Harney, K&M McKenzie, G McMeel	M&L Taggart, P Allan
	M Mills, F Moloney	
Welcomers:	C McMeel Family	D Duynhoven
2/3 May	6.00p.m.	9 am
Leader/Reader:	J Mahony, J McArdle	T Kenny
Ministers:	J Moorfield, S Reimert, J Tankard	T Baker, M Clancey
	T Treffy, C White, D White	
Welcomers:		J McCosh, J Zanos



Hymns
 ENT Let Heaven Rejoice OV # 124
 The Lord is My Shepherd OV # 26
 Like a Shepherd OV # 160
 & Come to Me OV # 37
 Now We Remain OV # 45



WE'RE ALL IN THIS TOGETHER

Be the reason someone feels welcomed, seen, heard, valued, loved and supported.



"The Joy of Love" - Pope Francis
 It is true that there is no sense in simply decrying present-day evils, as if this could change things. Nor is it helpful to try to impose rules by sheer authority.

EASTER TIME: The fifty days from the Sunday of the Resurrection to Pentecost Sunday are celebrated in joy and exultation as one feast day, indeed as one great Sunday. These are the days above all others in which the Alleluia is sung. The Sundays of this time of the year are considered to be Sundays of Easter . . . GNLVC 22-24:

Do everything for love. Thus there will be no little things: everything will be big. Perseverance in little things for love is heroism. - St Josemaria Escriva

"If you want to see God look attentively at CREATION"
 Anthony de Mello

Our Project Compassion to date amounts to \$3450 Received with thanks

When my hands can't reach my family and friends, I touch them with my prayers. May God continue to protect them and give them strength. Wil Mha

Prayer of Pope Benedict from Deus Caritas Est (God Is Love)
 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

ANZAC DAY
 As we commemorate those who have fought and died in defence of Australia and New Zealand and those who keep the peace today in other lands, we are brought together in the bond of 'mateship'. We understand the concept as being a friend, looking out for each other, enduring when times are tough, sometimes having a bit of a larrikin spirit that believes in the underdog and a 'she'll be right' view of the world. This mateship grew out of the trenches in Gallipoli and still defines Australians today. It is about standing together, shoulder to shoulder, and knowing that we can depend on each other. It is the best of who we are. It is what gets us through the COVID-19 crisis. It is a nationally characteristic worth passing on and treasuring.
 Ann Rennie
 "Prayers and Reflections For Catholic Teachers"



The Bottom Line
 'Let us be renewed by the peace, forgiveness, and wounds of the merciful Jesus. Let us ask for the grace to become witnesses of mercy. Only in this way will our faith be alive and our lives unified. Only in this way will we proclaim the Gospel of God, which is the Gospel of mercy.'
 For if love is only about us, faith becomes arid, barren and sentimental. Without others, faith becomes disembodied. Without works of mercy, it dies.' Pope Francis, Homily, Divine

Prayer Focus
 Please pray for All in our Parish who are sick or undergoing medical procedures and treatments



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

"All One in Christ Jesus" **"Together for Life"**

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.

OLHC A Missionary Parish. A joyful, hope filled and servant community

Worth Watching: [View ABC1 Compass 11am Sundays](#). "Songs of Praise" Sundays 11.30am

If we do not have [your email address](#) please forward it to olhcwbl@bigpond.net.au to receive Parish Bulletins.

Parent Information Night on the **Sacrament of Confirmation** for Children in Grade 4 (27th April). Enquires: Janine Conheady, Chelsea Swarbrick and Fr Lawrie.

Enquiry Day for prospective Seminarians at Corpus Christi College—22 May 2021. An Enquiry Day for any young man who is interested to know more about a Diocesan Priestly vocation will be held at Corpus Christi College Carlton. Email Fr Edward Moloney Edward.moloney@cam.org.au

Enrolments for Emmanuel College Close 30th April. Email College Register Jo-Anne registrar@emmanuel.vic.edu.au

Attention past students of CBC! Reunite with your class mates at a casual catch-up Monday 3rd May at the Emmanuel Centre 5.30-7.00 pm. For further details or to RSVP Emmanuel College on 5560 0888

Cards Euchre @ Solo. 1pm Tuesday in Church Foyer. All welcome!

Next Mass at Allansford: 2nd May at 10.30am

Together we can keep the faith alive

We welcome Seminarian Cay Trinh from Corpus Christi, Carlton who is with us for this Good Shepherd Sunday

Keep up to date with [news in the Diocese](#). Register for [Diocesan E News](#) enews@ballarat.catholic.org.au



Reach Beyond—Enquire Now

Share your skills to help develop the capacity of overseas organisations and the abilities of their people. Low-income communities seek sustainable solutions to poverty, not through money or gifts, but by building self reliance. All trades and professions are called to assist this mission.

Enquire now to properly prepare for a placement in 2022. Join online [Info Zoom](#) on **2nd May**, visit palms.org.au, or call Palms now on **02 9560 5333**



EASTER

We proclaim the Resurrection of Christ when his light illuminates the dark moments of our life and we can share that with others: when we know how to smile with those who smile and weep with those who weep; when we walk beside those who are sad and in danger of losing hope; when we recount our experience of faith with those who are searching for meaning and happiness. With our attitude, with our witness, with our life, we say: 'Jesus is risen! Let us say it with all our soul.'

Pope Francis
How is your life saying: Jesus is risen?

Popes Intention for April

Fundamental Rights

We pray for those who risk their lives while fighting under dictatorships, authoritarian regimes and even in democracies in crisis

Marriage Tip: "Anyone who wishes to give love must also receive love as a gift." (Pope Benedict XVI) Sometimes it's easier to give than receive love, praise, or compliments. Accept the love your spouse and children give you - it's a gift back to them, too!

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