



THE 2ND SUNDAY OF EASTER



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

1 Peter 2:2

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk, that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we glorify you, we give 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

Ps 117:2-4 22-27 R v I

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting

1. Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' let the sons of Aaron say: 'His love has not end.' Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.' **R**

2. The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. **R**

3. O Lord, grant us salvation; O Lord grant success. Blessed in the name of the Lord is he who comes. We bless you from the house of the Lord; the Lord God is our light. **R**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! Alleluia!

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

Grant, we pray, almighty God, that our reception of this paschal Sacrament may have a continuing effect in our minds and hearts.

PROFESSION OF FAITH

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

Hymns

Ent: Alleluia! Sing to Jesus OV # 191
Gifts: We Walk by Faith OV# 63
Comm: Come to the Feast OV # 154
Recess: Christ be Our Light 2OV#3

Prayer Focus

For all who have lost faith in Christ, that they may find him again in the wounded of the world.



Prayer for Ukraine

God of peace and Justice,
We pray for the people of Ukraine today.
We pray for peace and the laying down of weapons.
We pray for all those who fear for tomorrow, that your spirit of comfort would draw near to them.
We pray for those with power over war or peace, for wisdom, discernment and compassion to guide their decisions.
Above all, we pray for all your precious children, at risk and in fear, that you hold them and protect them.
We pray in the name of Jesus, the Prince of Peace. Amen

REFLECTION

John's Gospel story of Jesus' appearance to the disciples and then to Thomas is told every year on this day. A key role in the narrative is played by Jesus' wounds. It's at the sight of them that the disciples are filled with joy.

John develops this brief observation into the full-blown drama of Thomas' journey from scepticism to exuberant faith. The men, it seems needed material proof that this was Jesus.

By contrast, what made the difference for Mary of Magdala was the mere mention of her name. All four Gospels testify to the fact that women were the first believers and witnesses to the risen Lord. Two millennia later, women still keep the flame of faith alive.

EASTER BLESSING



May the glory and the promise of this joyous time of year bring peace and happiness to you & those you hold most dear. And may Christ, Our Risen Saviour, always be there by your side to bless you most abundantly and be your loving guide.



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



PARISH BULLETIN
2nd Sunday of Easter

24th April, 2022

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

"PEACE TO ALL WHO ENTER HERE"

Recent Deaths: John Keegan, Felismina Oliveira, Leo Matthews, Ted O'Brien

Anniversaries: Betty Carracher, Ross & Andrew Powell, Elsa Beggs, Mary Barker, Mary Atkinson, Graeme Sewell, Raymond Mullane, John Desmond Ryan, Sr Irene Hoy, Frs James Hyland & Thomas Hurley

Sacraments: Baptisms and Marriages by Appointment please phone 5561 1533

The Word of God: This Week: Acts 5:12-16 Rev 1:9-13 17-19 Jn 20:19-31
Next Week: Acts 5:27-32 40-41 Rev 5:11-14 Jn 21:1-19



Mass Times

Monday to Saturday 9.30am
Sunday: 9.00am

Mass at Allansford

1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays of the Month, at 10.30am
Next Mass at Allansford: St Carthage's
Sunday 1st May at 10.30am

Marriage Tip: Research suggests that couples need five affirmations to balance out one negative comment. Go above and beyond today-give your spouse ten, fifteen, twenty+ affirmations and kind words!

What made the holy apostles and martyrs endure fierce agony and bitter torments, except faith, and especially faith in the resurrection?

St Fidelis of Sigmaringen

Faith is a divine and celestial light, a participation in the eternal, inaccessible light, a beam radiating from the face of God
St John Eudes

At Easter

The cross could not hold him, the tomb could not keep Him.

Let us rejoice for the Lord has Risen

Happy and Holy Easter to our Parish Family and visitors from our Parish Co-ordinating Team:
Dion Bartlett, Crissie Clarke, Terry Kenny,
Fr Lawrie, Paul Torpy, David Wells, Greg McMeel



The Sunday Lectionary Readings are from Year C. The Weekday readings are from Year 2

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 April Group 2: P Bolte C Hatfield P & S Smith

LITURGY ROSTER:

23/24 April 6.00pm 9.00 am

Leader/Reader: P McGennissen R Cussen M Wrigley P Allan

Ministers: M & T Harney C White C Wrigley E Dalton E Dwyer

Welcomers: C McMeel Family

Gifts: S Brittain Family

30 April/1 May 6.00pm 9 am

Leader/Reader: P & G Nevill S Smits, E Dalton

Ministers: C Hatfield M & K McKenzie G Howland, L & T Kenny

Welcomers: P & J Frusher C Cooper

Gifts: McCulloch Family Timor Leste Family



Parish Family of East Warrnambool - Allansford Prayer

Spirit of the Living God, from the beginning of time you have breathed life into the clay of creation and nurtured the covenant with your people.

Breathe now on us as we assemble before you.

Release the gifts and the giftedness that we possess in order that we may be witnesses to the Good News of Jesus Christ, in whose name we walk in faith and hope into the future you have entrusted to us. For we are your people, You are our God. Amen

REFLECTION

John's Gospel sees a confused and weeping Mary Magdalene mistaking Jesus for a gardener. Resurrection has so changed him that she no longer recognises her 'Rabbuni'. He is utterly transfigured and Mary is self-absorbed in her grief and weeps for what is missing. In doing so, she fails to be open to the One who is present. Mary wants to cling to what was past, to the Jesus she knew. Jesus calls her by name and invites her to let go of the past and embrace the possibilities of a future with 'my Father and your Father, my God and your God'. He invites her to embrace kinship with him and the Father. But more than that, he sends her as an 'apostle to the apostles' to proclaim his resurrection. As the first witness to Christ's resurrection, she receives not only solace for her misery, but a mission of proclamation that comes directly from her new kinship relation to Christ. Are we ready to be heralds of great joy? How are we embracing our kinship with God and Jesus? How do we show this kinship to the wider world?

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"

Pope Francis Prayer in April

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

Walking in the Spirit

National Prayer Pilgrimage for the Plenary Council

People across the country are invited to participate in a national prayer pilgrimage as the Catholic Church in Australia prepares for the Second Assembly of the 5th Plenary Council of Australia in Sydney 3-9 July.

We pray for the Holy Spirit's guidance and grace for the Members who will gather and also for ourselves and the Church, that we may have the courage to follow where God is leading us.

Plenary Council Prayer

Come, Holy Spirit of Pentecost. Come, Holy Spirit of the great South Land. O God, bless and unite all your people in Australia and guide us on the pilgrim way of the Plenary Council. Give us the grace to see your face in one another and to recognise Jesus, our companion on the road. Give us the courage to tell our stories and to speak boldly of your truth. Give us ears to listen humbly to each other and a discerning heart to hear what you are saying. Lead your Church into a hope-filled future, that we may live the joy of the Gospel. Through Jesus Christ our Lord, bread for the journey from age to age. Amen Our Lady Help of Christians, pray for us. St Mary Mackillop, pray for us.



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.

Worth Watching: View ABC1 Compass 11am Sundays. "Songs of Praise" Sundays 11.30am

Mass For You at Home on Sundays at 6am on Channel 10 WIN TV Channel 44 11.00am

If we don't have **your email address** please forward to olhcwbl@bigpond.net.au to receive the Bulletins.

If you wish to give to our **Parish Finances** via bank transfer:

BSB: 063 533

Act No: 0090 3353

Ref: Planned Giving or, by

<https://bit.ly/CDFpayWarrnamboolEast>

All donations are **greatly appreciated.**



Thank You for help with our *Holy Week Celebrations* - providing palms, arranging flowers, preparing grounds, serving, cleaning churches, reading, welcoming, linen, collecting, projecting, singing, attending Easter Fire, playing music, ministering communion, preparing altar, leading prayers. **Congratulations**

Good Friday Collection for Holy Places in the Holy Land amounted to \$757.00

Baptism Evelyn and Elliott Sweeney are welcomed with great joy

Anzac Day is Monday 25th April. Mass will be 9.30am at Our Lady Help of Christians

You are invited to join a Parish Family Group for a social monthly event with a small group. Enquiries welcome by Richard & Teresa Trefry or Fr Lawrie

Project Compassion to date is 5,604.60. Thanks

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Men's Rosary at St Pius X Anzac Day at 7.00pm

Morning Tea after 9.00am Mass today. Thanks to Parish Family Groups

Parent Information Night regarding Confirmation this Wednesday in the Church at 7.00pm. Children will be in Grade 3 and above for Confirmation.

Emmanuel College Applications for 2023 open now, closing date April 29th. Details online

Reunion past students of CBC Monday 2nd May at Emmanuel Centre 5.30-7.30pm Speaker Paul Tobias RSVP Candice Hampstead 5560 0888

Art Exhibition 23rd Psalm; Artworks & sculptors by Merran Koren & others. St Joseph's Gathering Space

Rosters are available to be picked up by Welcomers, Readers, Special Ministers, Offertory, Cleaners

The proper effect of the Eucharist is our transformation into God

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM

RESURRECTION of the LORD (Easter Sunday)

The renewal of baptismal promises is our annual opportunity as adults to reaffirm the faith and commitment of our baptism. Receiving the body and blood of the Lord from the altar is the ultimate sign of our belonging to the Church and of our participation in the death and resurrection of Christ.



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 year are considered to be Sundays of Easter.



HAPPY EASTER