

ROSTERS

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



LITURGY for 29/30 August

6pm **Welcomers:** J VanBaaren, D White **Gifts:** Vassallo Family **Readers:** B Gladman, S Hogan

Ministers: J Moorfield, P&M Morgan, S Reimert, C Ryan, P Smith

9am **Welcomers:** J Donohue, J O'Grady **Gifts:** M Turner Family **Readers:** B Bourke, R Breunig

Ministers: A Sanderson, C Spencer, P Ajang

CHURCH CLEANING:

Week commencing

23 August Group 1: A Sanderson, K Wright, P Allan, D Porter, D Lawler

30 August Group 2: P Jubb, P Bolte, P&S Smith, R Breunig, F&L O'Connor

COUNTING TEAMS:

23 August Team 8: Shirley McKane, Michael Soulsby

30 August Team 9: Peter & Geraldine Kenna

LAWN MOWING: For fortnight 16 August Group 4: John Tankard, Michael Soulsby

COMMUNION TO LYNDOKH: 30 August: Colin Ryan



Making Connections: This week spend time in reflecting on your journey so far. What are you finding a challenge? Are you able to freely make the commitment to the Holy One of God?

Marriage Tip: Teach your children the importance of the Eucharist. Celebrate their first Holy Communion and ensure that your family is always prepared to receive the Eucharist at church.

Daily Prayer: In Jesus, your Holy One, you have given us the words of eternal life, O God, but you leave your household free to choose whom we will serve: the gods of the lands in which we live, or you, the living God.

A Vocation View: Jesus, teach us about life everlasting: "Your words Lord are spirit and life ..." It is this that gives us hope when we despair, a way of living when we stray from God's way. "The words I have spoken are spirit and they are life." It is God's words that we need to hear to lift our spirit and give life. Pray for vocations.

"Celebrating the Eucharist should make a difference in the way a **parish community** lives. At Mass, **Christ gathers people** around him to nourish us with his word and his life. This means that the mission and identity of the church begin and take form at Mass". - Pope Francis

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time

In today's first reading, Joshua challenges the people to decide whom they will serve. Recalling God's faithfulness to them and to their ancestors, the people declare, "We also will serve the Lord, for He is our God." May we, too, be mindful of God's gifts to us and renew our commitment to serve Him with grateful hearts.

Pope's Prayer Intentions for August

Volunteers

That volunteers may give themselves generously to the service of the needy.

Outreach to the marginalized

That setting aside our very selves we may learn to be neighbours to those who find themselves on the margins of human life and society.

PARISH PRAYER: Loving God, **Good Shepherd** to us all, Gather us and form us into a welcoming parish **family**. Touch our hearts with your love so that we, in turn, may reach out to love one another, in a **neighborly** community. **Our Lady Help of Christians**, guide us as we seek to do Christ's will. Bless us in service, strengthen us in support of each other, and unite us as we grow in faith & love, to be a **welcoming**, caring Parish **community**. We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. Saints Carthage and Mary MacKillop, pray for our Parish family.



"The Parish is the presence of the Church in a given territory, an environment for hearing God's word, for growth in the Christian life, for dialogue, proclamation, charitable outreach, worship and celebration. In all its activities the parish encourages and trains its members to be evangelisers. It is a community of communities, a sanctuary where the thirsty come to drink in the midst of their journey, and centre of constant missionary outreach." -Pope Francis



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

PARISH BULLETIN

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time — 23rd August 2015

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"I AM THE WAY,

THE TRUTH, AND THE LIFE"

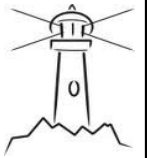
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"PEACE TO ALL WHO ENTER HERE"

Recent Deaths: John O'Sullivan, Win Crawford, Joan O'Sullivan, Nellie Shangie, Bernie Kelly, Peter Cassidy, Keith White, Sr. Ellen Quinn

Anniversaries: Ellen (Nell) Frusher, Joseph Arundell, Patricia Arundell, Gerard Finn, Kevin Ryan, Denis Melican, Annie Melican, Mary Forest & Francis Forest, Kathleen McGrath, Pauline Farley, Monsignor O'Connell

Mass Times:	Monday	7.30am at St Pius
	Tuesday	10.00am
	Wednesday	9.30am
	Thursday	9.30am (St Monica)
	Friday	9.30am (St Augustine)(D&A Melican RIP)
	Saturday	10.00am at St. Pius
THE LORD'S DAY	Saturday	6.00pm
	Sunday	9.00am
	Allansford	10.30am



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

The Word of God: This Week: Jos 24: 1-2a. 15-17, Eph 5: 2a. 25-32, Jn 6: 60-69

Next Week: Dt4: 1-2. 6-8, Jas 1: 17-18. 21b-22. 27, Mk 7: 1-8. 14-15. 21-23

Reconciliation - Friday 10.00am; Saturday 10.30am at St. Pius

Our First Communicants 2015

We welcome them to the table of the Lord and Full Initiation into the Church.

Chelsea Aragon	Hannah El-Hage	Sophie Kelly	Tayah Polack
Ywomo Ajang	Ned Ewing	Grace Kenny	Tom Powell
Annabelle Barker	Drue Flaherty	Lachlan Kenny	Jasmine Richards
Millie Barling	Alexander Gleeson	Archie Lenehan	Alexandra Roberts
Darcy Bourke	Wilson Grundy	Charlie Lynch	Mitchell Roberts
Katina Breunig	Joe Holscher	Thomas Macinnes	Amy Ryan
Cadence Brittain	Daniel Irving	Maggie McDowall	Faith Ryan
Mia Casamento	Madeline Irving	Joel Moon	Fatima Tamasese
Josh Cooke	Joshua James	Eva Murphy	Fletcher Timms
Maiya Cumming	Harrison Keast	Namojwok Nabong	Billy Watt

RESPONSORIAL PSALM (Keep for Daily Prayer)

(Sung) **TASTE AND SEE THE GOODNESS OF THE LORD**

I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips; in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad. **R.**

The Lord turns his face against the wicked to destroy their remembrance from the earth. The Lord turns his eyes to the just and his ears to their appeal. **R.**

They call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress. The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save. **R.**

Many are the trials of the just man but from them all the Lord will rescue him. He will keep guard over all his bones, not one of his bones shall be broken. **R.**

Evil brings death to the wicked; those who hate the good are doomed. The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants. Those who hide in him shall not be condemned. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Alleluia, Alleluia, Praise the Word of Truth and Life
All who eat the living bread will live forever. Alleluia..etc
All who drink my blood live in me and I in them says the Lord.*

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HYMNS:

Entrance	71	Gather Your People
Gifts		Come Gather
Communion	125	Eat This Bread
	188	Companions on the Journey
Recessional		Christ be Our Light

Christ Be Our Light

Christ be our light! Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ be our light! Shine in your church
gathered today.



COME GATHER

Come gather, Come gather,
Together, Together
We come to praise our God,
We come to praise our God.
We raise up, We raise up,
Our voices, Our voices,
We come to praise our God,
We come to praise our God.

Words & Music: Michael Mangan

Mystery Of Faith

When we eat this Bread and drink
this Cup, we proclaim your Death,
O Lord, until you come again.

The Eucharist, Food for the Journey

In God's wonderful plan of creation, **blood** was designed to purify our system of all impurities and bring life to every cell of our bodies. Christ gives us his own **blood** to drink to flush out the toxins of selfishness and revitalise us with his divine generosity and unlimited patience. When we receive this sacrament in faith, we have God's own love coursing through our **veins**, passing through our weak **hearts**, transforming them and strengthening them for the journey of love that can lead us through some pretty bleak landscapes at times. God sent his Son who both brought the **meal** and is **Himself the meal**.

Life is a Feast

By: Dr. Marcellino D'Ambrosio

Approach the Eucharist not as some glum duty, but as an awesome privilege, your mind filled not with distractions but with inspired songs of gratitude and joy. Eucharist, after all, is just the Greek word for thanksgiving. We receive the banquet so that our lives may truly be an ongoing festival of thanksgiving for the amazing blessings that God has hidden everywhere under the guise of quite ordinary people, places and things. Jesus wants us to *live*, to be bursting with vitality, even with divine life.

PARISH LIFE

OLHC Community acknowledges and respects the traditional custodians of this land—the Gunditjmara People and other tribes.

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 August with the Saints "Do all you can with the means at your disposal and calmly leave the rest to God." (St. Mary MacKillop, 8 August)

St Vincent de Paul winter appeal is over half way. Contributions can now be placed in a marked envelope on the collection plate.

Earn & Learn Please collect the stickers from Woolworths for our Parish school. They can be brought to the church or school.

Holy Hour Monday 10am. "Be Still and Know that I am God."

Compliments of the Parish the spring edition of "**Australian Catholics**" written and edited by High School students.

Next Sunday is World Day of Migrants and Refugees. The theme is "Church Without Frontiers, Mother to All."

Catholic Theological College Study tour of the Biblical Lands: 12 November—15 December 2016. Jordan, Israel, Palestinian Territories, and Turkey. Tour leaders: Dr Rosemary Canavan & Rev Anthony Dean cm. Information session: Sat. 12 Sept 2015 at 2.00pm to 4.00pm. RSVP and further information: Jenny Delahunt T: 9412 3314 E: jenny.delahunt@ctc.edu.au

Emmanuel College's Evening of Inspiration Friday September 4th at 7.30pm at the Lighthouse Theatre. Br. Gallagher, Dr. Lawrence Gleeson, Trevor Gleeson, Patrick Houlihan and Fr. Patrick Mugavin will be inducted as Inspiring Alumni. Tickets \$5 from Lighthouse.

Information Evening for World Youth Day, 2016, next Wednesday night, at St. Joseph's at 5.30pm. Young people (35 and under) may be interested in this opportunity.

Emmanuel College News—Year 11 & 12 Young Vinnies Team went to Melbourne last week and had a fantastic, eye opening experience helping out at the Sacred Heart Mission Soup Kitchen, Op Shop and handing out food/soup and toiletries to the homeless with the St. Vincent de Paul

'**Holy Communion** has a **fuller** form as a sign when it takes place under **both kinds**. For in this form the sign of the Eucharistic **banquet** is more clearly evident and clearer expression is given to the divine will by which the new and **eternal Covenant** is **ratified** in the Blood of the Lord, as also the connection between the **Eucharistic banquet** and the **eschatological banquet** in the Kingdom of the Father' (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal 281*). During the celebration of the Mass, we both offer and share the **Sacrifice of Christ** and renew the **Covenant** given us by Christ. Both the Sacrifice and Covenant are separately **expressed** in the rituals of Bread and Wine. We bring our gifts to be consecrated at the Mass and shared in Communion in the broken Bread. As we drink from the **Chalice** we **renew** our **commitment** to the **Covenant of Christ**. By eating and drinking we proclaim **fully** and **clearly** the Mystery of Faith. 'See, I have God for my help. The Lord sustains my soul. I will sacrifice to you with **willing heart**, and praise your name, O Lord, for it is good.' (*Entrance Antiphon*)

We welcome with great joy Zarli White and Ruben & Max Mills who are being baptised into the family of God, Father, Son and Holy Spirit

"The Sacred Scriptures are our letters from home."
- St Augustine