

## ROSTERS

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



### LITURGY for 29/30 April

**6pm** Welcomers: M Dunne, S Hargreaves **Gifts:** R&L Jenkins **Readers:** P Morgan, F O'Connor

**Ministers:** R Coffey, J Conheady, M Crichton, P Flynn, D Friebe, B Gladman

**9am** Welcomers: J Zanos, A Bamford **Gifts:** P Aberline Family **Readers:** C Spencer, P Allan

**Ministers:** B Byrne, M Clancey, E Dalton

### CHURCH CLEANING:

**Week commencing**

23 April D&D

30 April Group 5: J McCarthy, J Caroll

### COUNTING TEAMS:

23 April Team 6: Robert Mills, Robert Lane, Paul Torpy

30 April Team 7: Terry & Laine Kenny, Ann & Gerard Peoples

**LAWN MOWING:** For fortnight 23 April Group 4: John Tankard, Michael Soulsby

**COMMUNION TO LYNDROCH:** 30 April: Jim & Elaine Hales



**Making Connections:** 'Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' That is addressed to you! How will you nourish that belief in the future?

**Did you Know:** There is an ancient tradition that St Thomas preached the gospel as far east as India.

**Marriage Tip:** Would your spouse describe you as a good listener? If you're not sure, humbly seek out their opinion, and be willing to grow.

**Daily Prayer:** In your great mercy, O God, you have given us new birth to a living hope through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, **who gathers us into community**, stands among us and gives us peace. Day by day, increase in us this Easter faith, and day by day add to our number, that, believing in Jesus, whom we have never seen, we may confess him as our Lord and our God, and loving him, whom we cannot see, we may rejoice to share with others the pardon and peace he bestows.

**A Vocation View:** It is only through people like you that others will be able to say: "We have seen the Lord." With the resurrection to empower you and with Jesus to lure you, you too can inspire others who have not seen to believe.



### Pope's Prayer Intentions for April

#### Young people

That young people may respond generously to their vocations and seriously consider offering themselves to God in the priesthood or consecrated life.

**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.

### Second Sunday of Easter

Jesus meets the need of each disciple. To the fearful in the upper room, He speaks words of peace. To doubting Thomas, He provides the tangible proof of His resurrection. What do I need to become His disciple? What do I have to share that might meet someone else's need?

**"Life in a Whole new Light and Clothed with Power from on High"**  
Today we welcome with great joy  
**Fletcher & Solomon Hall**  
who are being **baptised** into the family of God, who is Father, Son and Holy Spirit.

*"Go in peace glorifying the Lord by your life."*



**"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

**2nd Sunday of Easter-23rd April 2017**

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St. Carthage's Church—Grauers Rd, Allansford

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

**Recent Deaths:** Tim Couch, Elsa Beggs, Max Donoghue, Father Frank Madden

**Anniversaries:** Mary Atkinson, Sister Irene Hoy, Laurie Liston, Monsignor O'Keeffe, Frs.

James Hyland & John O'Brien, Daniel Wicks, Brian Patrick, Our Deceased Service

Personnel, Bridgie Bourke, Mick McMeel, Laurie Loft, John Hunt, Evelyn O'Sullivan

**Mass Times** Monday 7.30am at St Pius  
Tuesday 10.00am **ANZAC DAY**  
Wednesday 9.30am (St Mark)  
Thursday 9.30am (Phyllis Somers)  
Friday 9.30am  
Saturday 10.00am at St Pius

(Rosary 20 minutes before weekday Masses)

**THE LORD'S DAY** Saturday 6.00pm  
Sunday 9.00am  
Allansford 10.30am

*White is the colour of  
rejoicing*



**The Word of God:** This Week: Acts 2: 42-47, 1 Pt 1: 3-9, Jn 20: 19-31

Next Week: Acts 2: 14. 22-23, 1 Pt 1: 17-21, Lk 24: 13-35

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

Reconciliation—Friday 10.00am, St Pius Saturday 10.20am

*May the Beauty  
of Easter inspire  
you, the Joy of  
Easter fill your heart and the  
Blessings of Easter be with you  
always.*



**"Easter is not a one day  
affair: it is a transformation  
that we carry forward into  
our lives"**

"We venerate your cross, O Lord, we praise and glorify your holy resurrection: because of the wood of the tree, joy has come into the whole world."  
(from The Glenstal Book of Prayer)



### Easter

O Splendor of the Father's light  
That makes our daylight lucid, bright;  
O Light of light and sun of day,  
Now shine on us your brightest ray.

- St Ambrose, Fourth Century

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** (Keep for Daily Prayer)

**GIVE THANKS TO THE LORD FOR HE IS GOOD, HIS LOVE IS EVERLASTING.**

Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' Let the sons of Aaron say: 'His love has no end,' Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.'

**R.**  
I was thrust, thrust down and falling but the Lord was my helper. The Lord is my strength and my song; he was my saviour. There are shouts of joy and victory in the tents of the just.

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name. Spread the good news over all the earth, Jesus has died and has risen.

**HYMNS:**

Entrance	80	Sing a New Song
Gifts	63	We Walk By Faith
Communion	185	Our Supper Invitation
	64	We Have Been Told
Recessional		Christ Be Our Light



**Mystery Of Faith**

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

**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.



**Stronger**  
through companionship

**Second Sunday of Easter**

"Jesus came and stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you.'" JOHN 20:19

Are you good at making people feel **welcome**? When you meet someone new, a new neighbor, a new work colleague, a new parishioner, do you make them feel at home? Many of us can probably do a much better job at this. When we make people feel **welcome**, we make them feel like they are included instead of being excluded. A simple "hello" and a smile goes a **long way**.

**Our Good Friday Collection** for the Church in The Holy Land amounted to \$842.95. Thanks. **Thank You** to all who served our Prayer for The Holy Week Liturgies. They were graced encounters with our Risen Christ.

He knew that he would receive the light of Christ. He did not expect that for others, he would become that light. Washed clean, white robes flowing, now reborn and filled with the light of Christ, he walked confidently to the very back of the church to bring that precious light to those who would renew the promises that he had only now made for the first time. "I know you said that we did not have to stop at every row and light each person's candle," he said later. "But they wouldn't let me pass them by. They all wanted, needed, to receive the light from me and touch me. I didn't know. I didn't expect it, " he said, his voice cracking as he gave in to tears.

- neophyte quoted by Barbara Buddle A Baptism Sourcebook (LTP)



In his exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium*, "The Joy of the Gospel", Pope Francis describes the parish as "an environment for hearing God's word, for growth in the Christian life, for dialogue, proclamation, charitable outreach, worship and celebration ... The parish encourages and trains its members to be evangelisers."

**I Believe the Light has Come**

I believe in death. I believe that it is a part of life. I believe that we are born to die, to die that we may live more fully; born to die a little each day to selfishness, to pretence, and to shortcomings. I believe that every time we pass from one stage of life to another, something in us dies and something new is born. I believe we taste death in moments of loneliness, rejection, sorrow, disappointment, and failure. I believe that we are dying before our time when we live in bitterness, in hatred, and in isolation. I believe that each day we are creating our own death by the way we live. For those with faith, death is not extinguishing the light; it is putting out the lamp because the dawn has come. (Anon.)

**PARISH LIFE—LIFE TO THE FULL**

**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 April 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 of Siena (29 April)

**Holy Hour Monday 10.00am**

**The Sacrament of Confirmation** will be celebrated for children in Grade 3 and above on June 3/4. An information night for parents will take place on Monday 1st May at 7pm in the Church foyer.

**Emmanuel College** Information evening, Thursday 27th April at 7pm for 7.30pm in Emmanuel Centre.

**Open Day** on Sunday April 30, tours & workshops commence 1.30pm for Grade 5 & 6 students.

**Thank You** our Project Compassion Collection has reached \$3801.45 **Available Today** a letter from the Victorian Bishops on Euthanasia and "Our Diocesan News".

**Today** is *Divine Mercy Sunday*. **Devotions** will be at St Pius 2.30pm-4pm. (A small plate please)

**Spirit Matters**

"**Sing A Song For Ireland**" by Maria Forde in Infant Jesus Church, **Koroit, next Sunday** from 12 noon-1pm. The presentation is the story of the Irish coming to Australia.

**Please collect your Liturgy Roster today.**

**Oxfam** Warrnambool Group will host a screening of the Zookeeper's Wife at the Capitol Cinema, April 27 at 6.30pm. Tickets \$15. Contact Julie 5565 1574.

"*Hurt not the earth, neither the sea, nor the trees.*" REV 7:3

"It is our sense of **connectedness** to other people, to other nations, to the planet that makes fully developed human beings."  
- Joan Chittister

*"Holiness consists not in doing uncommon things, but in doing all common things with an uncommon fervor."*

(Cardinal Manning)

"Let us pray for those who are sick. We remember them in our Masses"

**Child Safety Standards** Our Lady Help of Christians Parish has appointed Dion Bartlett as our Safeguarding Officer. We have a **Child Safety Policy** to ensure the safety and wellbeing of children in our care. **A Child Safety Code of Conduct** has been adopted for all who work with children in the Parish.