

## ROSTERS

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



### LITURGY for 29/30 September

**6pm** Welcomers: D Downard, M Magugat **Gifts:** G&U O'Toole **Readers:** G&M McDonald

**Ministers:** D Bartlett, P Bolte, M Bonner, K Bouchier, R Coffey, J Conheady

**9am** Welcomers: C Cooper, D Duynhoven **Gifts:** Fitzpatrick/Vielhabor **Readers:** E Dwyer, D Farley

**Ministers:** P Allan, T Baker, M Clancey

### CHURCH CLEANING:

#### Week commencing

23 September Group 4: J Hales, T Woolley, M&J McLean

30 September Group 5: J McCarthy, J Carroll

### COUNTING TEAMS:

23 September Team 10: Cross Family

30 September Team 1: Pam & Gavin Nevill, Nettie Shannahan

**COMMUNION TO LYNDOKH:** 30 September: Jim & Elaine Hales



**Making Connections:** How have you welcomed Jesus into your life so far? Try to empty yourself this week of the desire to be in control. Look for ways of being of service to others. Perhaps spend time with and learn from a child. What can we learn of faith from their example?

**Did you Know?: Points of interest and Catholic lore.** 'The Son of Man' is a title Jesus often uses of himself in Mark's Gospel. In sitting down to instruct the disciples about being of service to others, Jesus is reinforcing his words about being the least. At that time, a teacher had greater status than his students. The normal practice was for students to sit at the feet of the teacher, not the other way around. In the ancient world, children had no status at all but Jesus puts a child before them and embraces him in welcome. This is another gesture of reversal.

**Exploring the Word:** The great kingdom that the disciples want is not the kingdom of Jesus. In drawing the child to himself in embrace, Jesus is telling the disciples that they must be open, trusting and receptive, as children are.

**Sharing the Tradition:** Some of the greatest people of the Church are those who are remembered for their service to others. St Mary MacKillop, Catherine McAuley, Frédéric Ozanam who were responsible for beginning ministries of service which still exist today. One of the great contributions of Pope John Paul II was the deep theological grounding he gave to the principle of Solidarity: *Solidarity is not a feeling of vague compassion or shallow distress at the misfortunes of so many people, both near and far. On the contrary, it is a firm and preserving determination to commit oneself to the common good; that is to say, to the good of all and of each individual, because we are all really responsible for all.* (Sollicitudo Rei socialis §38). What are the most urgent issues requiring a response of solidarity in our own nation at this time?

**Symbols & Images:** Jesus' use of a child in this text does not mean that in embracing the gospel, we must become 'childish'. Children have complete trust in their parents and we should try to develop complete trust in our heavenly Father. A child is a symbol of letting go of our desire to be in control of life. A child is a further symbol of one who is 'the least'. In welcoming and embracing those who are 'least' we welcome Christ and the one who sent him. This epitomises the discipleship of service.

**Daily Prayer:** O God, whose hand shelters the just and righteous, and whose favour rests on the lowly, banish hypocrisy from our hearts and purify us of all selfish ambition. Let your word sown among us bring forth a harvest of peace.

**Marriage Tip:** If one of you is sad, sick, or depressed, how can you tell? What do you usually do to comfort each other? Does talking about it help? Or would you rather have time alone? What does your spouse want you to do? Ask.

**Vocational View:** When Jesus says, "If you wish to rank first, you must be last one of all and the servant of all," many people could immediately turn and walk away. Are you willing to serve as Jesus did?

### Pope's Prayer Intentions for September

#### Young People in Africa

That young people in Africa may have access to education and work in their own countries.



Creation Season

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



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



## PARISH BULLETIN

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 23rd September 2018

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

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

**Recent Deaths:** John Moloney, David Hose, Betty Ryan, Darryl O'Brien, Jack Caple, Jack Lynch

**Anniversaries:** Anthony McConnell, Rita & Eddie Conheady, Les Hand, Frs. Kevin O'Brien, Matthew Gaffney, Mercovich & Dunworth, Tom Woolley, Sister Imelda Gallagher, Christopher McKinnon, Leon Murphy

*"Happy are those who have died in the Lord for their good deeds go with them." (Apoc 14)*



**Mass Times** Tuesday 10.00am (R&E Conheady RIP)  
Wednesday 9.30am (A McConnell RIP) (Our Lady of Mercy)  
Thursday 9.30am (Feast of St Vincent De Paul)  
Friday 9.30am



**THE LORD'S  
DAY**

**Saturday 6.00pm  
Sunday 9.00am  
Allansford 10.30am**

*Green is the colour of  
hope and growth*

**The Word of God:** This Week: Is 50: 5-9a/ Jas 2: 14-18/ Mk 8: 27-35

Next Week: Wis 2: 12.17-20/ Jas 3: 16—4: 3/ Mk 9: 30-37

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

**Reconciliation—Friday 10.00am**



### Season of Creation

God, our Creator, as we look into the skies we celebrate the wonders of the world that surrounds us. Help us to see your presence in the evening sky, your spirit in the wind, your mercy in

the falling rain. Teach us to hear the good news from the sky celebrating the glory of God in Earth. Rejoice with us as we behold the dawn revealing the mysteries of the skies above and Earth below. In the name of Christ who unites heaven and Earth. Amen.



Christianity has died many times and risen again; for it had a God who knew the way out of the grave.  
- G.K. Chesterton

*It is true, I suffer a great deal—but do I suffer well? That is the question.*  
- St Thérèse of Lisieux

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

**THE LORD UPHOLDS MY LIFE.**

O God, save me by your name; by your power, uphold my cause. O God, hear my prayer; listen to the words of my mouth. **R.**



For proud men have risen against me, ruthless men seek my life. They have no regard for God. **R.**

But I have God for my help. The Lord upholds my life. I will sacrifice to you with willing heart and praise your name for it is good. **R.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

**Alleluia, alleluia! Praise the word of Truth and Life.**

Be our way Lord, be our truth Lord, be our hope of life eternal.



**HYMNS:**

- Entrance 92 Sing to the Mountains
- Gifts 158 A New Heart for a New World
- Communion 129 One Bread, One Body
- 86 We are Many Parts
- Recessional CWB 748 Micah's Theme

**Mystery Of Faith**

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



**24 September—Our Lady of Mercy Day**  
*Mary is the one who has the deepest knowledge of the mystery of God's mercy. She knows its price; she knows how great it is. In this sense, we call her the Mother of Mercy: Our Lady of Mercy, or Mother of Divine Mercy...Pope John Paul II*

As many people around the world celebrate this special day, we extend blessings and prayers to the Sisters of Mercy.

"It is true that the primacy belongs to our relationship with God, but we cannot forget that the ultimate criterion on which our lives will be judged is what we have done for others."  
(GC 145)  
-Pope Francis  
Apostolic Exhortation Gaudete Et Exsultate On a Call to Holiness in Today's World



**10 year old** Jack Berne, grade 4 student at St John the Baptist Freshwater, Sydney, instigated a 'Fiver for a Farmer' suffering from drought through 'Drought Angels' and 'Rural Aid'. He has raised \$1 million since August 13th. From the Parish we can pass on donations placed on the Collection Plate in an envelope marked "**Fiver for a Farmer**".



**Love of our neighbour is included in the love of God** - St Thomas Aquinas

**We Belong to the Lord**  
"We belong to Christ and Christ belongs to God."  
All research into parish renewal highlights three key components:

- Good Community
- Good Teaching and Preaching
- Good Music.

In other words, renewal is about love, truth and beauty. Parishes have been in existence since the 4th Century. They have given voice to the "**we**" of faith.

**We** strongly desire to be loved and to love and *our* desires are realised in our communities.

So, what can **we** do to renew our parishes in this time of crisis?

**We** cannot be passive.

Amen.

Catholic Archdiocese of Canberra and Goulburn



**PARISH LIFE—LIFE TO THE FULL**

**OLHC Community acknowledges and respects the traditional custodians of this land—the Gunditjmarra 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 September with the Saints** "Prayer is the oxygen of the soul." St. Padre Pio (23rd Sept)  
You can receive your **Parish Rosters by email**

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**New Rosters** available today for Cleaners, Counters, Special Ministers for Lyndoch Living, Mass.

**Holy Hour Monday 10am.**

**Bible Study** will resume on October 18/19.

**Fashion Parade** Featuring Daizy Boutique Fashions and Make up by Nutrimetics in aid of St. John of God Auxiliary, Hammond Hall, Henna St, 30th Sep @ 2.00pm, \$20. Includes champagne, lucky entrance ticket, Devonshire tea. Contact Pat King: 5562 5093

**Season of Creation Sep 1-Oct 10 "Walking Together"**.

**Social Justice Sunday** Sep 30 "A place to call Home: Making a home for everyone in our land".  
**In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop** Australian Pilgrimage Oct 23rd—Nov 3rd. Applications to Sister Therese Leydon 0417 683 123.

**Invitation to Child Safe Information Session** on 27th October at the Hamilton Community Baptist Church. Register <http://www.ncca.org.au/component/eventbooking/vic-tas-workshops?start=10> Recommended for Clergy, Parish Guarding Officers and Volunteers working in Parishes.

**Cards** (Euchre & Solo) Tuesday in Church gathering area 1pm. All welcome.

**Bereavement Group** Tuesday 7.30pm.

**Next Masses at Allansford** September 30th and October 7th, 10.30am.

**Down on the Farm** Free School Holiday Fun! At Gateway Plaza Mon-Fri 11am-2pm.

Low Cost Online **Study of Scripture**, Liturgy, Religious Education for 5 weeks begins October 21st. Enquiries: Amanda Smith, Ballarat, 5337 7125 or Dion Bartlett.



**OLHC Keeping faith with you**

**Social Justice Sunday will be celebrated on 30th September** the Australian Bishops' 2018-2019 Social Justice Statement is entitled *A Place to Call Home: Making a home for everyone in our land.*

The Bishops consider the extent of our housing crisis and Australia's falling rates of home ownership. They focus especially on those in our society who are most vulnerable to housing insecurity and homelessness. The latest Census figures show that more than 116,000 Australians are homeless—something unacceptable for a rich and well-resourced nation like ours. We are reminded that safe and secure housing is a human right, asserted both by the Church's social teaching and international rights organisations.



**Plenary Council 2020 Preparations—Gatherings with Lana Turvey-Collins, October 2018**

Representatives from Parishes, School communities, Catholic organisations and all others who might be interested, are invited to attend one of the Gatherings. The Gatherings will be an opportunity to hear from and meet Ms Lana Turvey-Collins, Facilitator of the Australian Plenary Council 2020 Preparation Team. She will give insights into the process of *Listening and Dialogue* that is now open to hear the voices of all who wish to respond. Lana will also talk about the overall three year process of preparing for the Plenary Council 2020 and answer any questions.

**Tuesday 9 October 7pm and Wednesday 10 October 10am at St Joseph's Parish Hall.**

Each Gathering will meet for around a hour and a half.

Share your story, your voice is needed.

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