#### **ROSTERS**

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



6pm Welcomers: M Dunne, S Hargreaves Gifts: Richards Family Readers: G&M McDonald

Ministers: J Conheady, P&M Morgan, M Crichton, P Flynn, D Friebe

9am Welcomers: T McCutcheon, C Morriss Gifts: D Lloyd Family Readers: L&M Taggert

Ministers: P Nevill, J O'Grady, K O'Leary

#### **CHURCH CLEANING:**

# Week commencing

23 July D&D

30 July Group 3: D Arundell, J Mahony, H Stoll, A Basford

**COUNTING TEAMS:** 

23 July Team 9: Peter & Geraldine Kenna, Kevin Perrara

30 July Team 10: Nybyiah & Darren Cross

LAWN MOWING: For fortnight 16 July Group 2: Peter Kenna

COMMUNION TO LYNDOCH: 30 July: Margaret Dunne, Peter Flynn



**Making Connections:** We need to accept the imperfections in ourselves and in others to some extent. What do you have to be patient with in yourself? In others? This week, be tolerant of the limitations of others and try to rectify an imperfection in yourself.

**Did you Know?:** Points of interest and Catholic lore. The Jewish faith has a profound respect for the name of God and the holy name is never pronounced or even written in full. The Gospel of Matthew is the most Jewish of the Gospels and characteristically always refers to the kingdom of heaven rather than the kingdom of God.

**Marriage Tip:** Your family is a community. This means that when one person changes a behavior – for good or for ill – it impacts everyone. If you smile, do a favor, give a compliment, it lifts everyone's spirits.

**Daily Prayer:** Let your church be small as a mustard seed and hidden as yeast is in dough, quietly growing, passing no judgment, slowly becoming a sign of your kingdom, a tree in whose branches all can find room to nest, a table whose bread satisfies the heart's deepest hunger.

**A Vocation View:** There are many weeds growing with the wheat in our lives. Sometimes the weeds strangle our growth, or prevent us from hearing clearly God's voice. We need time to reflect on the garden of our life.

Parishioners Email Addresses To help the efficient circulation of Parish Rosters, please send your name and email address to olhcwbl@bigpond.net.au

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.

Reflection: Enter into the whole mystery of Jesus' self-gift to us in the Eucharistic meal. The Eucharist is first and foremost an action that engages us heart and soul. Our communion in the Body and Blood of Christ makes the Church the Body of Christ. Like Jesus we break the bread and pour out the wine of our lives for the sake of the world.

From "Break Open the World"

# **Pope's Prayer Intentions for July**

### Lapsed Christians.

That our brothers and sisters who have strayed from the faith, through our prayer and witness to the Gospel, may rediscover the merciful closeness of the Lord and the beauty of the Christian life.

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



THE TRUTH. AND THE LIFE"

"I AM THE WAY.

JN 14.18.

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



# PARISH BULLETIN

# 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time—23rd July 2017

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St. Carthage's Church—Grauers Rd, Allansford

"PEACE TO ALL WHO ENTER HERE"

Recent Deaths: John Gerard Gleeson, Maggie McKinnon Anniversaries: Jane McMeel, Sister Joan Smith, Fr. Jongeblood, Darryl Leddin, Alison Mahony, Kevin Holscher, Our Deceased Grandparents, Leo

and JP Ryan, Peter Hargreaves, Tom Delaney, Jim Ryan, Sandi Watson,

Bryan Barmby, Michael Healy, Bill Billington, Francis Greene

Mass Times Monday 7.30am at St Pius

Tuesday—Friday 10.00am at St Joseph's

Saturday 10.00am at St Pius

THE LORD'S DAY

Saturday Sunday Allansford 6.00pm 9.00am 10.30am **Green** is the colour of hope and growth

**The Word of God:** This Week: Wis 12: 13.16-19, Rom 8: 26-27, Mt 13: 24-43

Next Week: 1 Kgs 3: 5.7-12, Rom 8: 28-30, Mt 13: 44-52

<u>Sacraments</u>: Baptisms and Marriages by Appointment Please phone 5561 1533 <u>Reconciliation</u>—at St. Joseph's on Fridays10.20am, at St Pius Saturday 10.20am

"We know that Christ, raised from the dead, dies no more; death no longer has power over him."

We rejoice in the greatest victory. When we unite ourselves to Christ Jesus, we unite ourselves to his resurrection from the dead.

#### A Praver for Winter

Let us huddle together this morning, our community a place of warmth in our lives as we share the flame of hope and connection. Let us allow the frost of isolation and bitterness to melt away as we open ourselves to a sense of peace and spirit.

We extend our thoughts to all those who are cold this morning, lacking shelter or love to keep them warm. Let us wrap our prayers around them and each other like scarves, and wish each other safe journeys through the storm.

May we be insulated from fear as the earth is insulated by the snow, and, like bulbs, may we continue to grow and open inside, despite the cold, ready for the spring, to stretch and grow towards justice. Amen.

### 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom." MATTHEW 13:24.37-38

As children of God, we are all "good seeds," blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God's plan when we share our talents and our financial gifts to help build God's kingdom on earth. Through our stewardship we sow "good seeds" on earth to ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

"If you can't feed a hundred, then feed iust one."

(Saint Mother Teresa)

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

# LORD, YOU ARE GOOD AND FORGIVING



O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of love to all who call. Give heed, O Lord, to my prayer and attend to the sound of my voice. **R** 

All the nations shall come to adore you and glorify your name, O Lord: for you are great and do marvellous deeds, you who alone are God. **R** 

But you, God of mercy and compassion, slow to anger, O Lord, abounding in love and truth, turn and take pity on me.  $\bf R$ 

## **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia, praise the Word of Truth and Life.

To the humble and the lowly you reveal the kingdom's mystery.

## **HYMNS:**

Entrance 71 Gather Your People
Gifts 115 A Trusting Psalm
Communion 81 We Remember
86 We Are Many Parts

Recessional 16 Glory and Praise

The Eucharist is a sign of unity. Joined to the body and blood of Christ, we are joined to each other. We are one body and that body is Christ. The Eucharist is truly a celebration of thanksgiving: thanksgiving for our transformation and thanksgiving for our unity.

- Sr. Dianne Bergant

# LIGHTING A FIRE THAT BURNS OUR INDIFFERENCE

In the preaching of the Word of God, Jesus wishes that the divine flame would set the hearts of people on fire. The Word of God that Jesus preaches is like a sword that cuts, a fire that burns and purifies. It confronts people into taking decisions. Jesus breaks the false peace of indifference, superficiality, and compromise that would place God in the same level with idols, love in the same level with egoism. He wants people to choose the Gospel despite the cost.

As Robert Kennedy once said, "Each time a man stands up for an ideal, or acts to improve the lot of others, or strikes out against injustice, he sends a tiny ripple of hope."

- Fr Gil Alinsangan SSP

## **Mystery Of Faith**

We proclaim your Death, O
Lord, and profess your
Resurrection, until you
come again.

# Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Those who are just must be kind," says today's first reading. If our words and deeds are kind and selfless, we will be like the good seed in the Gospel parable and gathered as wheat in the Lord's harvest. Good stewards in a parish are like the yeast in today's Gospel. Their selfless gifts of time and talent help the parish grow and thrive, and their example inspires others to become good stewards,

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.

<u>Introduction to the Bible</u> every Friday in the Meeting Room at **10am.** 

"Winter is an etching, spring a watercolor, summer an oil painting and autumn a mosaic of them all."

Stanley Horowitz

# Planned Giving Receipts are available today. Please collect to save the Parish expensive Postal Costs. All your generosity is received with appreciation.

**Diocesan Lay Pastoral Ministry Program.** The Program offers formation and study opportunities for lay people in a wide range of short online topics. A subject is done in five weeks of study. You can complete a Certificate of Pastoral Ministry or a Certificate of Youth Ministry. Phone 5337 7125, Amanda Smith, Facilitator, Diocesan Lay Pastoral Ministry Program.

**Liturgy Training** at St Joseph's 23rd July. Mass at 10.30am, Celebrant Bishop Paul. Workshops for Readers; Funeral Preparation; Preparing children for the Sacraments.

### PARISH LIFE—LIFE TO THE FULL

OLHC Community acknowledges and respects the traditional custodians of this land—
the Gunditimara 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 July with the Saints** "We must always remind ourselves that we are pilgrims until we arrive at our heavenly homeland." (St Ignatius of Loyola, 31 July)

Holy Hour Monday 10.00am

<u>First Holy Communion</u> for Children in Grade 4 (and above) will be celebrated on **September** 9th and 10th. Enrolment Sunday **will be** 12/13 August. <u>Parent Information Session</u> will be in the Church foyer on Tuesday August 8th at 7pm.

Open New Horizons for **Spreading Joy**. Australian Catholic **Youth Festival** on Sunday 7-9 December www.acyf.org.au

**Thanks** for the donations to the **St Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal** so far. Your donations directly assist the East Warrnambool Community. The School children at OLHC have made an amazing donation of food also at the Poor Man's Mass. Well done. We are already distributing your gifts. **June Update**: Families visited - 66; Food (food share) - \$3640; Financial Vouchers - \$3814.

**Food for the Poor** to be distributed by the St Vincent De Paul Society can be left in the **Basket** in the foyer.

Please help the **St Vincent De Paul Winter Appeal** by putting a marked envelope on the Collection plate. If you would like to be a member contact Peter Allan on 5561 4963.

Enrolments for our Parish School now open.

We welcome and Thank Fr Kevin Arundell who will be celebrant at our Masses next weekend. Dinner for Old Collegians of St Patrick's College Ballarat at the Warrnambool Cally on Sunday August 6th at 7pm.

**Evening of Inspiration** celebrating the Induction of Inspiring Alumni of Emmanuel College at the Lighthouse Theatre on Friday 28th July with Entertainment from 7.10pm. Phone 5560 0888 during school hours.

Past students of **St Ann's College** are invited to Mass and lunch on Wednesday 26 July at 11am. RSVP Monday to Candice 5560 0888.

**Our Parish Family Groups** welcomes all Parishioners to a monthly Social Outing. Contact coordinators Terry & Laine Kenny 5562 4083.

**eConference:** 'Gospel Leadership in time of Chaos—the Hope of Pope Francis'. Prominent international and national speakers will reflect on the momentous uncertainties of these times and discuss them in context of Pope Francis' unique style of leadership. Thursday

10th August 10.30am at St Joseph's Parish Hall.

**Next Sunday** is International Day of Friendship.

Cards (Euchre & Solo) on Tuesday 1pm in Church foyer. All Welcome

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

"The Eucharist is the secret of my day. It gives strength and meaning to all my activities of service to the Church and to the World"

- Pope Saint John Paul II

The Body of Christ is not simply something we receive; it is something we become. The bread and wine we share are truly the Body and Blood of Christ, and we who receive them become one body—incorporated into Christ and into each other.