

ROSTERS

We thank you for the wonderful works you do!



LITURGY for 22/23 April

6pm Welcomers: Conheady Family Gifts: Henderson Family Readers: A&G McMeel

Ministers: S Reimert, P Smith, C Smith, J Tankard, T Treffry

9am Welcomers: J&B Van Baaren Gifts: Nabong Family Readers: S Smits, H Solomon

Ministers: B Byrne, M Clancey, E Dalton

CHURCH CLEANING:

Week commencing

16 April Group 4: J O'Grady, J Hales, R&M Greene, T Woolley, M&J McLean

23 April D&D

COUNTING TEAMS:

16 April Team 5: Dennis Farley, Brian Dalton, John McCarthy

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

LAWN MOWING: For fortnight 9 April Group 3: Peter Flynn, Don Porter

COMMUNION TO LYNDROCH: 23 April: Louise & Michael Taggart



Making Connections: The cross and the paschal candle are the central symbols of these three days. Death is conquered in new life. The darkness of the tomb is conquered by the light of Christ. Much of this symbolism is present in the baptism ceremony of the Easter Vigil.

Did you Know: The Easter Triduum (which means 'three days'), lasting from Holy Thursday to Easter Sunday evening, is the climax of the Church's year.

Marriage Tip: Do you find yourself giving your spouse the "dregs" of your time? Whatever your life circumstances, making time for one another is an ongoing challenge. Try taking a good hard look at how you spend your time: what could be cut out? Could you "schedule in" your spouse more often?

Daily Prayer: As we hear the word that brings salvation, make our hearts burn within us. In the breaking of the bread, open our eyes to recognize the One whose feast it is. Through the presence of every friend and stranger, reveal to us the face of the one who had first to suffer but who has entered now into glory: your Son, the Lord Jesus Christ.

A Vocation View: You have been given new life in Christ. Forsake earthly materialism, in order to live life to the full.



Easter

"Set your minds on things that are above, not on things that are on earth." COLOSSIANS 3:2

Do you put God first in all things? Possessions, money, power, ego can easily become gods to many of us. Do a quick check of what is important to you. Is it God at the very top of the list? If not, your priorities need to be readjusted. Don't let earthly things become a god before God.

"Life in a Whole new Light and Clothed with Power from on High"

Today we welcome with great joy
Murphy Bourke & Felix Millard
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."

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.



*"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

Easter Sunday-16th April 2017

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St. Carthage's Church—Grauers Rd, Allansford

"PEACE TO ALL WHO ENTER HERE"

Recent Deaths: Maurice Shanahan, Brendan Hoy, Sister Maureen Connelly RSM, John Oliver-Fitzgerald, Sister Margaret Houlihan RSM, Jacinto Tamayo (Phillipines), John Hansen
Anniversaries: Thelma Lynch, Fr. Bart McDermott, Monsignor Fiscalini, Leo Ryan, Jack and Molly McGrath, Shane McGrath, Colin Dunne, Jack Jewell

Mass Times Monday 10.00am at St Pius
Tuesday 10.00am
Wednesday 9.30am
Thursday 9.30am
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

The Word of God: This Week: Acts 10: 34a. 37-43, Col 3: 1-4, Mt 28: 1-10
Next Week: Acts 2: 42-47, 1 Pt 1: 3-9, Jn 20: 19-31

Sacraments: **Baptisms and Marriages** by Appointment Please phone 5561 1533
Reconciliation—Friday 10.00am, St Pius Saturday 10.20am

*White is the colour of
rejoicing*



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



Happy and Holy Easter to all
our Parishioners and visitors
from Father Lawrie and our
Parish Coordinating Team.

*"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 Sunday

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)



Alleluia, alleluia!

Give thanks to the Lord, he is good. The love of the Lord knows no ending. Sons of Israel, say: 'His love has no end.' **R.**

The right hand of God raised me up. The hand of the Lord has triumphed. I shall never die—I shall live telling His deeds. **R.**

The stone which the builders rejected becomes the corner stone chosen. Praise the work of God for this marvel in our eyes. **R.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.

Come let us praise the living God. Joyfully sing to our savior.

HYMNS:

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| Entrance | 15 | Alleluia No 1 |
| Gifts | 186 | The Light of Christ |
| Communion | 45 | Now We Remain |
| | 27 | Song of the Body of Christ |
| Recessional | 80 | Sing a New Song |



Mystery Of Faith

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

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."

Thank you to all who are involved in liturgical ministries, Parish Groups, who volunteer time and talents to these and to community organizations **U are important.**

You cannot spell Ch_rch without u.
 You cannot spell Ad_It without u.
 You cannot spell Yo_th without U.
 You cannot spell S_ccess without u.
 You cannot spell S_unday Mass without u.
 You cannot spell Comm_nity without u.
 The Community and Church needs u.

THANK U

"The Gospels do not explain the resurrection: **the resurrection** explains the Gospels. Belief in the **resurrection** is not an appendage to the Christian faith; IT IS THE CHRISTIAN FAITH". (JS Whale)

Stronger through companionship

To celebrate their 160th anniversary, the Sisters of the Good Samaritan announce The Good Oil **Young Writers** Award for Secondary students and post school young adults to 35. Explore the theme "**Who is my neighbour?**" Guidelines and entry can be found on www.goodsams.org.au. RSVP July 11th.

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.

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



Wedding Bells next Saturday for *Jodie Walker & Jason Smith*



Fire

There are many ancient myths about fire—the Greeks said Prometheus stole it from the gods. The new Easter fire that lights up the darkness on Holy Saturday night is a sign of the resurrection of Jesus, and the divine life that he continues to give.

"Be who God meant you to be and you will set the world on fire." - St. Catherine of Siena

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 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 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.

Australian Catholic Youth Festival Sydney, December 7-9 for young adults up to 30 years www.ACYF.org.au

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.

When Irish Eyes Are Smiling! Inviting parishioners to join me on the 2017 Celtic and Music Tour of Ireland (September 16-30, 2017) Enjoy 2 wonderful weeks traversing the spectacular Irish countryside; experiencing the hospitality of the Irish people whilst learning about their history and story. Enjoy Celtic music, cuisine and its unique spirituality. Travel in comfort by coach and enjoy the relaxed atmosphere of a small tour. (20 people max) If you are concerned about travelling alone or have never before ventured overseas be assured that you will be supported and made welcome by an Irish driver, guests and myself. For an itinerary please contact Tour director Maria Forde on 0411 158 593 or mariaforde1@gmail.com or go to www.mariaforde.com and click on Celtic Tour 2017 link then 2017 itinerary.

Thank You our Project Compassion Collection has reached \$2157.40

Available Today a letter from the Victorian Bishops on Euthanasia and "Our Diocesan News".

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

Our Parish School returns on Tuesday for Term 2. It is also the **46th Anniversary** of the Official Opening and Blessing of the School. The School opened in 1971 with 107 pupils between prep and grade 2. Sister Bertrand (Sheila) Gleeson RSM was Principal. **Worth Watching** on ABC1, Tim Winton a Modern Prophet. Today Sunday 11am. Friday 10.30am.

"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.