ST MARY'S PARISH SWAN HILL BULLETIN

Priest: Fr. Marcello Colasante PP Parish Secretary: Glenda Klabbers

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St Mary MacKillop Principal: Michelle Haeusler

Parish Office: Tuesday 10.00 am - 2.00 pm

> Friday 10.00 am - 2.00 pm



EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESUURECTION OF THE LORD Year C 27th March 2016

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The Parish of Swan Hill comprises the faith Communities of: St Marys Swan Hill,

St Joseph's Nyah West, St Joseph's Lake Boga

Mass Next Weekend:

7.00 pm Swan Hill Vigil:

Sunday: 8.30 am Nyah West 10.30 am Swan Hill

Mass this Week

Wednesday 10.00 am Thursday 10.00 am Friday 12.00 noon



Wednesday: Nina Taverna Anniversary Thursday:

Anna Nocera Anniversary

Anniversaries: We remember: Martin Walsh, Joe Wilkinson, Bill Kelly, Greg McKerrow, Bryant Barry. Edna Nolen, Reg O'Day, James Peter Maher, Ellie Fallon, Elma Higgins, Maryanne Foott, Vita & Maria Cataldo, Carmela Pelligrino, Vince Carpentari

Prayers for the Sick: Monica Nolen, Erin Coburn, Jude Lewis, Brian Mulcahy, Brooke Kennedy, Ronald Duryea, Jarrod

If you would like a sick person prayed for, please ask for their permission. After one month names will be deleted from the list unless otherwise advised.

FIRST READING

Responsorial Psalm *Ps* 117:1-2. 16-17. 22-23

Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia. Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, for his love has no end. Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.'

The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live And recount his deeds.

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. Alleluia. Alleluia. Alleluia.

SECOND READING Rom 6:3-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

When we were baptised in Christ Jesus we were baptised in his death; in other words, when we were baptised we went into the tomb with him and joined him in death, so that as Christ was raised from the dead by the Father's glory, we too might live a new life.

If in union with Christ we have imitated his death, we shall also imitate him in his resurrection. We must realise that our former selves have been crucified with him to destroy this sinful body and to free us from the slavery of sin. When a man dies, of course, he has finished with sin. But we believe that having died with Christ we shall return to life with him: Christ, as we know, having been raised from the dead will never die again. Death has no power over him any more. When he died, he died, once for all, to sin, so his life now is life with God; and in that way, you too must consider yourselves to be dead to sin but alive for God in Christ Jesus.

The Word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 1 Cor 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia! **GOSPEL** from the holy Gospel according to Luke

On the first day of the week, at the first sign of dawn, the women went to the tomb with the spices they had prepared. They found that the stone had been rolled away from the tomb, but on entering discovered that the body of the Lord Jesus was not there. As they stood there not knowing what to think, two men in brilliant clothes suddenly appeared at their side. Terrified, the women lowered their eyes. But the two men said to them, 'Why look among the dead for someone who is alive? He is not here; he has risen. Remember what he told you when he was still in Galilee: that the Son of Man had to be handed over into the power of sinful men and be crucified, and rise again on the third day?' And they remembered his words.

When the women returned from the tomb they told all this to the Eleven and to all the others. The women were Mary of Magdala, Joanna, and Mary the mother of James. The other women with them also told the apostles, but this story of theirs seemed pure nonsense, and they did not believe them.

Peter, however, went running to the tomb. He bend down and saw the binding cloths, but nothing else; he then went back home, amazed at what had happened. The Gospel of the Lord.

A Happy Easter to all and safe travelling for those who are visiting our Parish and for those who are going to family and friends.



EASTER WATER please feel free to bring your own container and help yourself to the water of new life in the Easter font for blessing of homes people, etc, in fact anything.

READINGS NEXT WEEK 3rd April 2016

Acts 5:12-16; Rv 1:9-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31

STATE OF THE NATION

Presbytery Account: (1st Basket) \$ 752.95 (Support of Priests & Bishop) Parish Account: (2nd Basket) Envelopes \$ 1,119.00 (Support of the Parish) Credit Card 0.00 **Direct Debit** 80.00 **Loose Plate** 87.55 \$ 1,286,55 Project Compassion: to date \$ 1,917.10 Good Friday Holy Land: to date 507.75

MINISTRIES for Next Weekend 3rd April 2016 Ministers of the Word:

Vigil: Kerry Hoare, John Hoare **10.30am.** Dorothy Bishop, Damien Kelly

Ministers of Communion:

Vigil: Claire Billing, Chris Hoare, Gladys Bryent, Lyn Stutley **10.30am**. Frank Fogarty, Connie Alderuccio, Rona Bookham, Elma Balsarini, Ken Smith, Jocelyn Ingram,

Music: Vigil: Joe Taverna
10.30am John Farrell

<u>Presentation of Gifts:</u>

Vigil: Shane & Julie Noonan
10.30am Scott & Carolyn Zambelli
Counters Pat & Cathy Livingston

Divine Mercy Sunday 3rd April Devotions from 1pm Exposition of Blessed Sacrament; Litany of Divine Mercy; Rosary; Prayer of Chaplet of Divine Mercy.

Mass Time: NB: The time of the Vigil Mass will change from 7.00 pm to **6.30 pm** on Saturdays to take effect from **Saturday 9th April**.

CUPPA AFTER MASS NEXT SUNDAY

Misericordiae Vultus -The Face of Mercy from Pope Francis
The practice of pilgrimage has a special place in the
Holy Year, because it represents the journey each of us
makes in this life. Life itself is a pilgrimage, and the human being is a pilgrim travelling along the road, making his way to the desired destination. Similarly, to reach
the Holy Door in Rome or in any other place in the
world, everyone, each according to his or her ability,
will have to make a pilgrimage. This will be a sign that
mercy is also a goal to reach and requires dedication
and sacrifice. May pilgrimage be an impetus to conversion: by crossing the threshold of the Holy Door, we will
find the strength to embrace God's mercy and dedicate ourselves to being merciful with others as the
father has been with us. (Misericordiae Vultus, No 14)

An Easter Prayer God our Father, creator of all, today is the day of Easter joy. This is the morning on which the Lord appeared to men and women who had begun to lose their hope and opened their eyes to what the scriptures foretold: that first he must die, and then he would rise and ascend into his Father's glorious presence.

May the risen Lord breathe on our minds and open our eyes that we may know him in the breaking of bread, and follow him in his risen life. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Congratulations to Stephen and Belinda Davies on becoming full members of our Parish Faith Community and the Catholic Church through reception of the Sacraments of Confirmation and Eucharist.

St Joseph's Technical School South Melbourne (Closed 1988) - Reunion of Students, Teachers and Staff on Sunday, April 17, 2016 from 1.00 pm — 4.00 pm at the old school site in Park St, South Melbourne. BBQ lunch and light refreshments provided. Families welcome. Enquiries and confirmation of attendance to Tony, Ph 9580 7344

Liturgy Formation 2016 The Diocesan Liturgical Commission will be presenting Liturgy Formation sessions in the Following parishes: Birchip — July 24; Ararat — August 7; Hamilton — August 21. Bishop Paul will launch the renewed and revised Diocesan Sacraments of Initiation Catechetical Resource , "Let the Children Come" and workshops will be Funeral Ministry and Formation for Lectors.

DEAR God

Remind me that
the closer I come
to perfection
the closer I get
to being
Crucified!



Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!

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Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2016 Lenten appeal.