



# OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL PARISH

BULLA, CLARKEFIELD, DIGGERS REST,  
SUNBURY, WILDWOOD

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## Liturgy Times this Week

Sat	5.30pm	St Anne's
Sun	8.30am	St Anne's
	10.30am	St Anne's
	5.30pm	OLMC
Mon	9.15am	St Anne's—Liturgy of Word
Tues	6.30pm	OLMC
Wed	9.15am	St Anne's
Thurs	9.15am	St Anne's
Frid	9.15am	St Anne's

**Parish Priest:** Rev Kevin McIntosh  
**Assisting Priest:** Rev Bert Fulbrook SDB  
**Pastoral Assoc.:** Sr Jose Noy RSJ  
**Pastoral Co-ord:** Lyn Plummer  
**St Anne's Primary School:** 9744 3055  
**Principal:** Noelene Hussey  
**Our Lady of Mount Carmel School:**  
 9740 7344

**Principal:** Julie Freeman  
 Baptisms celebrated on Sundays. Please contact the Parish Office for details of the next Baptismal Preparation meeting.

**Reconciliation OLMC Church**  
**10.00am-10.30am Saturday**

**7 May 2017**

**4th Sunday of Easter**

**First Reading: Acts 2:14,36-41**

**Psalms Response: Psalm 22:1-6**

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

**Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:20-25**

**Gospel Acclamation: John 10:14**

Alleluia, Alleluia!

I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me.

Alleluia!

**Gospel: John 10:1-10**

## LET US PRAY FOR

**Sick:** Bruce CROWE Matthew FLANAGAN  
Stephanie KARAVASILIS Rose LUCARDIE  
Violeta MARIANO

**Recently Deceased:** Fr Pat CREED PE  
Margaret HAINES Carmel JAMIESON  
Marina SUMMERS

**Anniversaries:** Michael BUTLER Evoyne  
DOUGLAS Bernard MAHONY Alex  
MATHEW David ROMEO John  
SCIBERRAS



## ACTIVE PARTICIPATION

The public worship of the Church is described in one word: **LITURGY**. The word comes from the Greek, *leitourgia*, which means literally, "the work of the people". The liturgy is the ritual activity of the community, as distinct from private prayer or pious practices. For Catholics who lived through the period immediately following Vatican II the changes brought about in the liturgy – the public prayer of the church – did not come out of the blue. For over a century a movement for liturgical renewal had been stirring in the church particularly in Germany and France.

Since the Middle Ages the celebration of the liturgy had become largely the concern of the clergy. The laity attended Mass as silent and devout, yet passive, spectators. Private devotional practices had begun to obscure the primary role of the Mass which should have been a public form of worship. It was not unusual for laypeople to spend the hour of the Sunday Mass reciting the Rosary or reading from a proliferation of devotional books containing a collection of pious prayers. The more astute worshippers followed the Latin Mass in their Sunday Missal written in their native language.

The fundamental guiding principle behind the renewal of the liturgy was to promote the full, conscious, and active participation of the faithful especially at Mass. The call for 'full participation' has rightly been called 'the refrain' of the Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy 'Sacrosanctum Concilium'. The term 'participation' occurs sixteen times in the document. By virtue of their baptism all members of the Church have a right to active participation in the Mass and in the life and affairs of the Church. Our experience of Church, by and large, is confined to our parish, our local Church.

Before Vatican II Mass was in Latin and the priest with his back to the people said all the prayers and did all the readings: the people were mere spectators. Now, thanks to the reforms of Vatican II the people have a voice. All are encouraged to enter into dialogue with the priest and to sing hymns. In times past laypeople were expected simply to 'pray, pay, and obey'. But lay people nowadays are encouraged to take an active role not only at Mass but also in the life of the parish.

For the past three weekends our Parish Bulletin has carried an attachment outlining some thirty or so areas of active participation by parishioners in the life of this parish. In this short article I do not need to elaborate on those activities except to say that each of them shows how much this parish has depended for its functioning on the involvement of many willing participants. On this weekend the opportunity is available for you to ask yourself this question: In what area(s) can I contribute to the life of my parish? This parish of Our Lady of Mount Carmel will only be as good as its sum of individual efforts. Its vitality owes much to the many who share the load.

Fr Bert Fulbrook sdb

**NEW PEOPLE AT THE TABLE OF THE LORD:** this month 126 children of our parish will begin to share from the Table of the Lord after their First Eucharist. Let us be hospitable to our children, their families and friends by being inviting as were the two disciples at Emmaus pressing "the stranger" to share a meal. Please continue to pray for the children preparing to celebrate First Eucharist on the Sundays of 13/14 May, 20/21 May and 27/28 May.



.....Kevin McIntosh

**WELCOME TO SUNBURY:** on Friday evening, Rev Stan Clarke was inducted as the new Minister of St Andrew's Uniting Church. The parish has been waiting for a pastor since the end of 2015 when Rev Peter Cannon was transferred to the parish of Macdon. Our parish welcomes Rev Stan and his wife. Fr Kevin represented us at the induction.

**90 SHOWCASE:** next Friday, there will be a musical Showcase at the College as part of the celebration of ninety years of Salesian College, Sunbury.

**FATHER PAT CREED:** Born and ordained in Waterford Ireland he worked in the Melbourne Archdiocese for 36 years during which time he was parish priest of Dallas and later of Bentleigh. He retired and returned to Ireland. He entered eternal life this week aged ninety-one years.

**WELCOME TO OUR PARISH:** Julie Freeman begins tomorrow as the Principal of Our Lady of Mount Carmel School. We hope Julie enjoys her time among us in her role as principal.

**KINDER KINDA:** our parish has been involved with Kinda Kinder program for a few years now. It is a program where the Victoria University Early Childhood students gain experience in planning and executing an education based play session in our parish with children from toddler to pre-schoolers. Parents stay and watch on (and chat) as their children interact and play during the 1 hour session. Our program started **Tuesday 2 May at 9am** and continue for 4 Tuesdays in the Parish Centre. All welcome.

**EUTHANASIA/ ASSISTED SUICIDE LEGISLATION:** will be debated in Victorian Parliament in the second half of 2017. The Archdiocese has produced a document that shows the Churches request not to legalise it. Please take a copy from the Welcome Desk in St Anne's foyer.

The Archdiocese is asking for lay people to nominate themselves to be the contact person to correspond with as they fight the legislation being passed. If you or someone you know would like to be actively involved in fighting this legislation, please contact the parish office on 9744 1060.

**MASS COUNT:** this month of May is a time the parishes throughout the Archdiocese of Melbourne are asked to count the number of people attending all Masses. Our counters will be counting everyone at Mass as they take up the Mass collections throughout May.

**HISTORICAL COMMITTEE:** A reminder that any item given to the Historical Committee must be connected to the parish and have a written history given it. We are always pleased to received items and photos relating to our history to add to our collection. If you come across any photos in your albums we would love to have a copy.

**EVERGREENS:** Our parish Evergreens group is for all retirees young and old. The next social afternoon is on Tuesday 23 May 1-2.45pm in the Parish Centre. Come and enjoy some games, chats, discussions about outings and afternoon tea. Bring friends a plate to share please.

The following children from our parish will be baptized this Sunday:

William GRAHAM  
Malachi KENNEDY  
Mark & Michael MCCARTHY

We joyfully welcome them to our parish.



**MOTOR NEURONE DISEASE FUNDRAISER:** this Sunday we will have merchandise for sale at all masses at St Anne's Church. All funds raised go toward finding a cure for this crippling and tragic disease.

**VOCATIONS SUNDAY:** Today the Church asks each of us to pray for, or to consider a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life. Each person in the community has a role to play in encouraging vocations – whether by prayer, encouragement or personal suggestion. The Pope, in his Letter for today, tells us 'There is no room for fear!' May each one of us be fearless in praying for, and promoting more vocations.

**'WE MUST ALWAYS SAY 'NO' TO VIOLENCE IN THE HOME':** Pope Francis leads our church in recognizing the destructiveness of domestic violence. Sadly it is prevalent and people don't know what to do about it.

Catholic Social Services has produced a resource that helps people involved in domestic violence. It provides numbers of where to seek help for victims, abusers and concerned family and friends.

1800 RESPECT is a 24 hour 7 days a week service for advice or support in relation to assault, domestic and family violence counseling.

As a community what can we do to help?

- Learn about domestic and family violence
- Reflect on our own attitudes
- Equip ourselves with knowledge to assist those who ask for help – something as simple as giving out the 1800 RESPECT number may mean a family can be safe
- Do what we can to eliminate violence or its impact
- Foster in our families and communities alternatives to violence
- Our aim is to make all church communities places of support and healing

How do we respond to someone facing domestic or family violence? The key message in responding to victims is sensitivity and confidentiality. Please do not counsel or attempt to mediate unless you are suitably qualified. It is better to listen and refer them to seek professional assistance. Maybe by calling 1800 RESPECT.

**CENTRE MANAGER POSITION:** The Stella Maris Seafarer's Centre at 600 Little Collins Street, Melbourne is part of the global Catholic missionary work for seafarers – & forms part of the Pontifical Council for the Pastoral Care of Migrants & Itinerant People.

Stella Maris requires an experienced Centre Manager for a full-time/ permanent part-time position, responsible for day-to-day centre activities, with strong leadership skills and ability to develop and implement successful management strategies.

Contact: [jobs@stellamaris.org.au](mailto:jobs@stellamaris.org.au) for a copy of the Position Description.

**MASS FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS:** The Life, Marriage & Family Office warmly invite all expectant mothers and their families to the Mass for Expectant Mothers. The Mass will be celebrated by Archbishop Denis Hart at St Patrick's Cathedral on **Sunday 14 May** at 11.00am. Reg can be made online at: [www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily](http://www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily) or alternatively by contacting: 9287 5587 or [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au).

#### ROSTERS NEXT WEEKEND

**ALTAR CARE:** Danielle Caruana **CLEANING:** OLMC Church— Deborah Hoey Win Birt St Anne's Church – Nil

**COUNTERS:** Gerard Duggan Julie Reddan Anne McCormick **GIFT SHOP:** Roselle Duckworth Mary Wicks **LECTORS:** Michael Hetherington Peter Readman Michael McConville Jo **MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:** **5.30pm** Garnet Jacob Paul Fanning Albert & Diana Mastramico Val McManus Sashi Nair Eileen Naylor Jennifer Poon **8.30am** Colin & Coreen Wilson Tom Allen Ann Chircop Lloyd D'Crus Rex Jacob Lili Lupa Liz Richards **10.30am** Johanna Fahey Grace Tucker Bernadette Anderson John Bottams Christine Cassar Johanne Dajic Judith Davis Olga Ellul **5.30pm** Alan Slocombe Mary Thomas **Assistance Required**

**MINISTRY MONTH** This weekend, we will hear of the great work done in our parish by so many. All the Parish Groups and Ministries are vital to the parish we have today. These are various groups within our Church community who support our parish. We welcome all parishioners to be involved in any way they feel would bring richness to their life and the lives of other parishioners.

Below are the various ministries for your consideration. Please call the Parish Office if you have any queries.  
"Lord, you have no hands but ours" St Teresa of Avila (1515-1582)

**ALTAR CARE:** To clean the Sanctuary space of the church on a roster basis.

**ALTAR SERVERS:** To assist priest with Mass. Open to boys and girls who have celebrated First Communion.

**BAPTISM PREPARATION :** To welcome and instruct families wanting to baptize their children in the Catholic Faith. Sessions run once per month for 1 hour.

**BINGO HELPER:** To help with running the parish bingo at the Sunbury Football Club every Thursday night.

**CATECHETICS:** Our parish runs a program for children who attend Government schools who would like to celebrate their Sacraments. We need leaders who will support the children and teach them about the faith.

**CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD:** To help children learn about their faith by running faith sessions at Mass that are directed toward children, including activities.

**CHURCH CLEANING:** Help is needed at both St Anne's and Our Lady of Mount Carmel churches to keep them clean.

**CHURCH LINEN:** Each Mass uses Altar Linen. We need helpers to wash and iron the linen.

**COMMUNION TO THE HOUSEBOUND & AGED CARE FACILITIES:** This important ministry helps parishioners who can no longer get to Mass by bringing communion and a friendly face to them. Some ministers attend to those at home and others attend the Nursing Homes.

**COUNTING TEAM:** We need people to count money and get it ready for banking.

**EMMAUS CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP:** Is held every Thursday morning in the Chapel and is open to all who would like to pray in an uplifting environment.

**EVERGREENS:** Our Seniors are always looking for people to join them as they arrange gatherings and outings.

**GARDENING:** Our gardens need love and attention. Our helpers do a great job and would appreciate any assistance available.

**GIFT SHOP:** After Mass at St Anne's our helpers open the gift shop. Helpers are on a roster.

**KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS:** An organization of catholic men who support the educational, charitable, religious and social welfare needs of the parish.

**LAP TOP OPERATORS:** Need helpers to set up and run the laptop during Masses.

**LECTORS & COMMENTATORS:** To read the word of the Lord at Mass on a roster. Commentators will welcome parishioners and make announcements.

**LEGION OF MARY:** Meet every Tuesday to pray together and to reach out to parishioners by visitation to homes and to aged care facilities.

**MAINTENANCE:** Our parish has many buildings and there are items that need to be attended to as a normal household does. We need people who can assist with small odd jobs that need to be done.

**MASS SET UP:** We need helpers who can set up and pack up weekend Masses. Helpers are on a roster.

**MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:** At Mass, we need ministers to distribute the consecrated hosts. Ministers are on a roster.

**MUSICIANS & SINGERS:** "When we sing we pray twice" is the saying. We need people who love to sing or play an instrument to uplift our Masses. Current choirs need assistance.



**OVERSEAS HUMANITARIAN PROJECT:** This project has a small committee who coordinate the promotion of the needs of the orphans in Jakarta that our parish has been supporting since .....

**PARISH HISTORICAL GROUP:** Our small team preserve our parish's rich history. If you have a love for History, please join in.

**PARISH POSTIES:** Our posties are energetic helpers who deliver our Neighbourhood Newsletter to all our Catholic families three times per year.

**RCIA TEAM:** Are involved in Initiating Adults into the Catholic faith. They teach them about the faith and journey with candidates toward their Sacrament celebrations.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL:** supports those in need in our community. They have various roles within their group depending on the talents of those who offer support.

**SMALL CHRISTIAN COMMUNITIES:** In our neighbourhoods we have groups who gather to discuss and celebrate the Christian faith in their homes.

**SOCIAL JUSTICE:** We have a small team who promote issues of Social Justice in our parish. We would love to hear from you if you have a passion for Social Justice.

**TRANSPORT ASSISTANCE:** We have people who have no transport but need to get to Mass or Shops or Medical Appointments. If you are able to assist, please let us know.

**WELCOMING TEAM:** We would love to have helpers to hand out the newsletter at each Mass and welcome each parishioner to Mass.

**YOUTH GROUP:** Our youth group has many activities that they coordinate each year for the parish and they support our other groups financially from any fundraising they do. New members are always welcome.

**Sign Up Weekend will be this weekend. Please consider where you would like to be involved in the work of the parish.**

**Please cut along the line and place in the collection plate. Our parish staff will be in contact with you shortly.**

**Thank you for sharing your gifts among our parish.**

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Name:.....

Phone No.: ..... Email: .....

Ministry I would like to sign up for is: .....

