



# 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
Wed	9.15am	St Anne's
	10.30am	St Anne's—Funeral Marlene Hutchinson
	12.00pm	OLMC—Funeral Valerie Wallis
Thu	9.15am	St Anne's
Fri	9.15am	St Anne's
	11.00am	St Anne's— Funeral Lina Polidoro
Sat	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**

**9 July 2017**

**14th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

First Reading: Zecchariah 9:9-10  
 Psalm Response: Psalm 144:1-2,8-11,13-14  
**I will praise your name forever, my king and my God**

Second Reading: Romans 8:9,11-13  
 Gospel Acclamation: Matthew 11:25

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**  
**Blessed are you Father, Lord of heaven and earth, you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.**  
**Alleluia!**

Gospel: Matthew 11:25-30

## LET US PRAY FOR

**Sick:** Bruce CROWE Elizabeth FALZON  
 David FURY Michael HOLLOWAY Neil JACKSON-HOPE Mathew PALSER Kiran PRASA Pio ROCCO Roland ROCHA Sr Mary ROWAN RSJ Loretta SPITERI Susan TUBB Christine VELTHUIS Shirley WHORLOW

**Recently Deceased:** Sue BOWLING Marlene HUTCHINSON Lina POLIDORO Jonathan SHINNER Mona TROY Valerie WALLIS

**Anniversaries:** Polycianna, Lucy & Dominic D'SOUZA Evy DUGGAN Betty HETHERINGTON Adrian PHUNG Nada POLJAKOVIC Eufrocine VERGARA

*Special Collection this Weekend*  
*Catholic Mission*

**GOD DWELLS IN US:** If people were asked where does God dwell, some would answer on the edge of the cosmos, or at a sacred site, like Assisi, or a church, or the place where one first met one's beloved.

For us Christians, there is an amazing answer to the question. St Paul tells us in today's second reading "The Spirit of God has made his home in you." (Romans 8:9)

The great Spanish mystic, St John of the Cross wrote that divinity dwells in the heart of humanity (c.1570)

'Oh, then, soul, most beautiful among all creatures, so anxious to know the dwelling place of your Beloved so you may go in search of him and be united with him, now we are telling you that you yourself are his dwelling and his secret inner room and hiding place. There is a reason for you to be elated and joyful in seeing that all our good and hope is so close as to be within you, or better, that you cannot be without him. Behold, exclaims the Bridegroom, the *kingdom of God is within you.* (Lk 17:21) And his servant, the apostle St Paul, declares: "*You are the temple of God.*" (2 Cor 6:16)'

**PLENARY COUNCIL AUSTRALIA 2020** In November 2016, the forty or so Australian bishops meeting in Sydney decided to plan a plenary council in 2020. It is eighty years since the last council in 1937. The chair of the planning commission is Archbishop Mark Coleridge of Brisbane, formerly a Melbourne priest. Last December he said, "what the plenary council is all about is planning for the Church in this country at a very complex time. We can't just put up a sign saying business as usual. The culture in which we have to proclaim the Gospel is very different to what it was even 20 or 30 years ago. I think the bishops are very conscious that this call to a plenary council has come from God and the whole process will be the work of the Holy Spirit. We have to discern what the Spirit is saying o the Church at this time".

Councils have been held in the Church since the second century. They are forums where all the Christian faithful, graced by the Spirit in Baptism as we heard today in St Paul's letter to the Romans (8:9-13) can offer the gifts of the Spirit, enriched by their life experiences, for the good and service of the Church.

This 2020 Council will be enriched by the renewal from Vatican II, (1962-65) and the Code of Canon Law (1963). Those taking part will be the bishops of Australia, leaders of religious orders, clerics and lay people. There will be preparatory steps of consultation, dialogue and voting by all involved.

In the past, plenary councils have had a great impact. In 1885, the Plenary Council in Baltimore USA created the modern parish school system which became the strongest private school network in USA.

The 2020 Plenary Council for Australia presents a rousing challenge for the whole church.

## OUR PRAYERFUL SYMPATHY

We offer to the family of Mona Troy whose son Graham teaches at St Anne's School. Mona and her family migrated from Dublin in mid 1970's. She was active in St Therese's Parish, Essendon where her Funeral Mass was celebrated on Wednesday concluding with the committal at Fawcner Cemetery.

We offer to the family of Marlene Hutchinson, the mother of three children . Marlene was second of eight children. She migrated as a child from Malta in 1960. Her Funeral Mass is on Wednesday at 10.30am.

We offer to Amedio Polidoro as Lina his wife of 65 years entered eternal life on Friday. Amedio and Lina have sat in the front seat every Sunday at 10.30 Mass. They have been our supportive parishioners for 57 years after migrating from Italy. Most of their five children live in our parish. Lina's Funeral Mass and committal will be on Friday 14 July at 11.00am.

## ARCHBISHOP DENIS' 50TH JUBILEE AS A PRIEST

Parishioners are invited to take part in a Mass of Thanksgiving at the Cathedral on Saturday 22 July at 11am and to share light refreshments in the Parish Hall, 20 Brunswick Street, Fitzroy. For catering purposes, please reply to nicky.kitson@cam.org.au / 9926 5612 before 14 July.

.....Kevin McIntosh

**EVERGREENS:** Any parishioner who is retired or semi retired is invited to the Parish Centre on Tuesday 18 July commencing at 1pm concluding by 2.45pm to hear a talk about yesteryear in Sunbury given by Mrs Kath Tremlett, a long time local resident. Further bus outings will be discussed and afternoon tea served— please bring a plate for refreshments.

**MUSICIANS & SINGERS GATHERING:** thank you to the musicians and singers who gathered on Saturday 1 July to discuss the importance of the music ministry. Everyone present was passionate about their role in the Liturgy and commit to sharing the ministry amongst each other so that the liturgy is enriched with music. Special thanks to Luisa Hogan who hosted the morning and shared her wisdom with those present.

Our musicians and singers share their gifts with the parish on a weekly basis and deserve our gratitude for the work they do. As St Augustine once said “To sing is to pray twice.” We are truly thankful that we have such generous musicians and singers.

**THANK YOU:** to Garnet Jacob and his amazing Youth Group. The Christmas in July Dinner Dance was a great success. The fundraiser for Chaplaincy and Goonawarra Neighborhoods House raised \$460.00. Please continue to support Garnet and the Youth Group as they continue their great work.

**LEGION OF MARY:** are organizing a Mass for Auxiliaries of the Legion of Mary which will be held on Saturday 15 July at 9.15am in St Anne’s church. A cuppa will be available afterwards. All welcome.

**CHILD SAFE STANDARDS:** our parish is looking for members who will assist with developing a culture of child safety awareness in all aspects of parish life. We have a training session by Catholic Care coming up on Saturday 29 July from 10am-3.30pm in the Parish Centre. Participants from around the Archdiocese will join us also. The safety of our children is one of the highest priorities in our church. Please contact the parish office on 9744 1060 if you would like to be part of this important event.

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY:** Those who are interested to work for DHS (Department of Human Services) please apply via this link <https://www.apsjobs.gov.au/>

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

Hunter AUGUSTINI

Ben LETZIS

We joyfully welcome them to our parish.



**IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF MARY MACKILLOP: 2017 NATIONAL PILGRIMAGE:**

Sisters of St Joseph invite you to join the National Pilgrimage, giving you the opportunity to journey to significant places in Australia made holy by St Mary MacKillop. Commence Melbourne 8 November, travel through Victoria & South Australia, conclude in Sydney 18 November 2017. Cost Ex Melbourne \$2990 (all inclusive: airfares, accommodation, coach travel, admission fees and meals) For further info contact Sr Therese Leydon 02 8912 4845.

**SEA SUNDAY 2017:** this Sunday marks Seafarers Sunday. We are asked to pray for those who face the perils of the seas to deliver goods to distant shores. We not only remember the crews of the ships, but also the fishermen who work in very treacherous conditions. The families of these crews are also to be remembered as they are often without their family member for months at a time putting extra stresses on them.

**Stella Maris Prayer: St Pope John Paul II**

*O Mary, Star of the Sea, light of every ocean, guide seafarers across all dark and stormy seas that they may reach the haven of peace and light prepared in Him who calmed the sea.*

*As we set forth upon the oceans of the world and cross the deserts of our time, show us, O Mary, the fruit of your womb, for without your Son we are lost.*

*Pray that we will never fail on life’s journey, that in heart and mind, in word and deed, in days of turmoil and in days of calm, we will always look to Christ and say, “Who is this that even wind and sea obey him?” Our Lady Star of the Sea, Pray for Us. Amen*

**YOUTH GROUP:** 4pm to 5PM on Saturday 22 July in St Anne’s Church- Praise and Worship, Video on: Strengthening Families (To be a strong family is to recognise your mistakes) by Mgr John Armitage, followed by Sausage Sizzle.

**CHILDREN’S LITURGY OF THE WORD:** will be starting at alternating 5.30pm Saturday and 10.30am Sunday Masses in term 3. We have 4 new leaders who will help our children pray at children’s level of understanding. Fun activities and interaction are encouraged at the sessions. All are welcome. Sessions are as follows:

Saturday 22 July 5.30pm	Sunday 30 July 10.30am
Sunday 6 August 5.30pm	Sunday 13 August 10.30am
Saturday 19 August 5.30pm	Sunday 27 August 10.30am
Saturday 2 September 5.30pm	Sunday 10 September 10.30am
Saturday 16 September 5.30pm	

**ROSTERS NEXT WEEKEND**

**ALTAR CARE:** Nil **CLEANING:** OLMC Church— Deborah Hoey Win Birt St Anne’s Church – Nil **COUNTERS:** Jack Sullivan Janet Elliott Kerry Sanford **GIFT SHOP:** Pat & Peter Readman John Porta **LECTORS:** Felicity Wicks Della Oswald Sr Jose’ Noy Jo Spiteri **MINISTERS OF COMMUNION:** **5.30pm** Angelo Snell Jim O’Brien Dawn Westwood James Francis Patricia & Angelo Altair Mary Baensch Anne Burnside **8.30am** Carmel Wiegerink Colin & Coreen Wilson Tom Allen Ann Chircop Lloyd D’Crus Kathy Thompson **10.30am** Bernadette Anderson Julie Reddan Carmen Micallef Gary Plummer John & Sheila Stafford Aileen & Terry Sweeney **5.30pm** Alan Slocombe Mary Thomas Christine Wallace

**What does “parish” mean to you ?** Please complete below; detach then place in the collection plate.....

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**Parish Bulletin Notices *Euthanasia & Physician Assisted Suicide – Why are we concerned?*  
Pastoral letter to the Catholics of Victoria – Push to introduce euthanasia and assisted suicide**

The Victorian Government is seeking to introduce euthanasia and assisted suicide later this year. The proposed changes will impact everyone, not just the terminally ill. Because of their concern about this grave matter, the Bishops of Victoria have released a pastoral letter with copies available in parishes. Please read the pastoral letter and if you would like to get involved, speak with Fr Kevin McIntosh. You can also find out more information from the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 9287 5587 / [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au) or visit: [www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily](http://www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily)

**Euthanasia & assisted suicide represent the abandonment of the sick and suffering** Just as we accompany someone at the start of life, so we are called to accompany our loved ones at the end of life, ensuring a good death. Euthanasia and assisted suicide represent the abandonment of the sick and the suffering, of older and dying persons. We should be assuring people that their life – even as it ebbs away – is precious. We should not be creating laws that intentionally cause death. To find out more about the issue, contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 9287 5587 / [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au) or visit: [www.cam.org.au/euthanasia](http://www.cam.org.au/euthanasia)

**The provision of pain relief is not euthanasia**

Every person is entitled to good pain relief to alleviate suffering at the end of life, such as that offered by palliative care. The provision of such pain relief is *not* euthanasia, even if a person's life may be shortened. It is a vastly different action to euthanasia where the decision is made to intentionally kill someone. To find out more about the issue, contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 9287 5587 / [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au) or visit: [www.cam.org.au/euthanasia](http://www.cam.org.au/euthanasia)

**The refusal of overly burdensome or futile treatment is not euthanasia**

Every person has the right to refuse overly burdensome or futile treatment which does not correspond or is disproportionate to their needs. This is good medical care, not euthanasia and has always been part of Catholic moral teaching and health care. To find out more about the issue, contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 9287 5587 / [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au) or visit: [www.cam.org.au/euthanasia](http://www.cam.org.au/euthanasia)

**Euthanasia and physician assisted suicide would damage doctor-patient relationships** The purpose of medicine is to improve a patient's quality of life not shorten it. As the World Medical Association says, euthanasia is unethical and incompatible with the dignity and practice of medicine. Euthanasia and physician assisted suicide would erode our trust in doctors and plant a seed of doubt in the minds of patients in relation to end of life care. To find out more about the issue, contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 9287 5587 / [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au) or visit: [www.cam.org.au/euthanasia](http://www.cam.org.au/euthanasia)

**Promoting suicide is not good public policy** Suicide is always a tragedy that has far-reaching effects. The State Government plans to spend over \$5 million on suicide prevention throughout 2016-2017 but at the same time open the door to suicide for certain groups of people by legislating for euthanasia and physician assisted suicide. It is both incoherent and a contradiction to promote suicide as a tragedy as well as good public policy. To find out more about the issue, contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 9287 5587 / [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au) or visit: [www.cam.org.au/euthanasia](http://www.cam.org.au/euthanasia)

**The "right to die" can too easily become the duty to die** Euthanasia and physician assisted suicide would create a class of people it would be legally permissible to kill – with the state permitting such killing. We should think about what message this would send our most vulnerable members of society. The "right to die" can too easily become a perceived duty to die. To find out more about the issue, contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 9287 5587 / [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au) or visit: [www.cam.org.au/euthanasia](http://www.cam.org.au/euthanasia)

**Euthanasia & physician assisted suicide would make vulnerable people feel like a burden** Author Dr Karen Hitchcock writes, "Almost every day an elderly patient will tell me – with shame – that they are a burden or a nuisance, that they're taking up a hospital bed someone else needs. They apologise for being a pain, a drain, for wasting my valuable time, for being sick and needing help." Euthanasia and physician assisted suicide would reinforce this, making the vulnerable even more so. To find out more about the issue, contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 9287 5587 / [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au) or visit: [www.cam.org.au/euthanasia](http://www.cam.org.au/euthanasia)

**Euthanasia "safeguards" can never be made foolproof** Irrespective of how robust euthanasia and physician assisted suicide "safeguards" are; they can never be completely foolproof. Recognising that mistakes are made, we abolished capital punishment. We should ask ourselves – can we be absolutely sure vulnerable members of society would not be pressured into dying? Or like in some European countries – be euthanised without their consent? To find out more about the issue, contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 9287 5587 / [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au) or visit: [www.cam.org.au/euthanasia](http://www.cam.org.au/euthanasia)

**Our dignity is not dependent on our usefulness, health or age** Our dignity is not dependent on our usefulness, health or age but simply on our humanity. Everyone should be loved, supported and cared for until they die. The fact that some people struggle to access adequate care is an injustice we should address. There is nothing dignified about being killed or assisted to suicide. Killing such people is not the solution. To find out more about the issue, contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 9287 5587 / [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au) or visit: [www.cam.org.au/euthanasia](http://www.cam.org.au/euthanasia)

**We all have the right to receive good palliative care at the end of life** Every person has the right to receive good palliative care at the end of life. As palliative care doctors recently wrote: "Good palliative care helps patients and families avoid both overtreatment and neglect of treatment. It enhances patient autonomy and decision-making capacity by improving symptom control and empowering patients to participate in their care. It is illogical and immoral to even consider euthanasia legislation before ensuring there is universal access to palliative care." To find out more about the issue, contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 9287 5587 / [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au) or visit: [www.cam.org.au/euthanasia](http://www.cam.org.au/euthanasia)

**Let your MPs know your views about euthanasia & physician assisted suicide** It is vitally important that our members of parliament (both those in the lower and upper houses) hear the public's view about the impending euthanasia and physician assisted suicide legislation. Contact your member of parliament by writing them a letter or visiting them in person. To find your local MPs visit: [www.parliament.vic.gov.au/electorates](http://www.parliament.vic.gov.au/electorates) To find out more about the issue, contact the Life, Marriage & Family Office on 9287 5587 / [lmf@cam.org.au](mailto:lmf@cam.org.au) or visit: [www.cam.org.au/euthanasia](http://www.cam.org.au/euthanasia)

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**PARISH SUPPORT FOR ASYLUM SEEKERS AND REFUGEES:** a forum on Tues. 11 July, 9.30am – 1.00pm St Monica's Primary School, Moonee Ponds. Featuring parish support leaders and guest speakers Sr Brigid Arthur and Paris Aristotle, CEO Victorian Foundation for Survivors of Torture, the forum will explain how each parish can respond to the needs of people seeking asylum. Please come! \$15.00. Register at <https://www.trybooking.com/QDNB> or call Catholic Social Services Victoria – tel 9287 5566 – for more information.

**MARY MACKILLOP FOUNDATION FUNDRAISER:** is holding their annual fundraising event on Friday 25 August from 7pm at Mt St Joseph Girls College, 133 Maidstone St, Altona West. The foundation is a not for profit organization providing community grants to organizations that support vulnerable people including Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islanders. Tickets are \$40 for 3 course meal, BYO drinks. Tickets can be purchased from MMHC by calling 9926 9300.

**HOLY LAND PILGRIMAGE:** Fr Clifford D'Souza MCBS is leading a 14-day pilgrimage to the Holy Land from 12<sup>th</sup> Nov - 25<sup>th</sup> Nov 2017. This pilgrimage is being organised by Magi Pilgrimages and features Petra, Bethlehem, Sea of Galilee, Dead Sea, Jericho, Mt Carmel, Mt Tabor, Mt Nebo & Jerusalem. This all-inclusive pilgrimage is priced at an early bird offer of \$4,990. Reserve your seats with an initial deposit of \$500 prior to 30th July 2017. For the detailed itinerary or to reserve your seats contact Mr. George on 0422 215 855. Magi Pilgrimages Ph: 03 8562 2246, 1300 721 561

**CAST INTO THE DEEP: ACMRO NATIONAL CONFERENCE ON PASTORAL CARE IN A MULTICULTURAL CHURCH & SOCIETY:** Wednesday 19 & Thursday 20 July 2017 – Australian Catholic University, Melbourne Campus

The National Conference is centered around the theme 'cast into the deep' (Luke 5:4), reflecting on the call by His Holiness Pope Francis to go out to the peripheries of the world and cast the net.

The Conference provides an opportunity for migrant communities within the Catholic Church in Australia to come together, meet, pray and reflect on the successes and challenges facing each of their communities. It is also an opportunity to engage with the wider Church and Society in order to better equip our Priests and pastoral workers to be the agents of social cohesion and pastoral care in our communities. The keynote addresses for the conference will be given by Cardinal Peter Turkson, Prefect of the Dicastery for the Promotion of Integral Human Development, and Cardinal Orlando Quevedo Archbishop of Cotabato, Philippines. For more information and to register, please visit [www.acmro.catholic.org.au](http://www.acmro.catholic.org.au)

**IGNITE: CATHOLIC NATIONAL YOUTH CONFERENCE:** 21-24 September 2017– Brisbane. Parishioners are invited to join with over 1500 young people, ministry leaders, teachers, priests and religious who will be gathering in Brisbane for IGNITE Conference 2017. The conference draws young people from all across Australia and beyond to encounter Jesus and be drawn into a positive experience of the Church, equipping them to live out their faith and empowering them to impact the world. The theme for 2017 is "Come". For adults, keynotes and workshops from leading Australian and international Catholic presenters will be available. For more info [www.igniteconference.com.au/come](http://www.igniteconference.com.au/come)

**CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL:** this weekend our parish will be holding the annual Catholic Mission Church Appeal. This year we are invited to participate in Jesus' live-giving mission. The focus this year is for the people of Uganda which is often fraught with danger for women and children especially. Please support the tireless work of people like Sister Mary Goretti and her staff who help women during pregnancy. Not many facilities are available to women at this most vulnerable time. Please support this work with your generosity. Freecall 1800 257 296.