# Our Lady Help of Christians

Member of the Diamond Valley Deanery



## PARISH BULLETIN

Sunday, 18th September, 2016: - Twenty-fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year C

Parish Vision Statement

A loving parish, centred in Christ, that is welcoming, inclusive and connected, and relevant to the needs of our world.

#### Parish Information

Parish: 4 Henry Street, Eltham House: P.O. Box 310, Eltham

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#### **Liturgy Schedule**

Weekend Masses

Saturday 6.00pm

9.00am & 11.00am Sunday

#### Weekday Services

- Wed to Fri 9.15am - Tues - Communion Service 9.15am

#### Parish Team

Parish Priest: Fr. Kevin Burke Parish Worker - Gina Ang (Tues, Wed & Thurs 9.00am - 3.30pm) Parish Secretary - Angela Vines (Mon & Wed 9.00am-3.30pm) Parish Secretary - Loretta Marazzato (Fri 9.00am-3.30pm) email: olhc@alphalink.com.au web site: www.olhc.info

#### School Team

School Principal: Chris Ray School Secretary: Liz Cox R.E.C.: Marguerite Jones

School: I-13 Henry Street. Eltham

9439 7824 Phone:

email: school@olhceltham.catholic.edu.au Website: olhceltham.catholic.edu.au

#### **Diamond Valley Deanery**

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#### Today's Readings

First Reading: Am 8:4-7 The Lord will forget nothing that the

wicked do.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 112:1-2. 4-8. R.see vv.1.7 Second Reading: 1Tm 2:1-8

Pray often, free of anger and dissension. Gospel Acclamation: 2 Cor 8:9

Gospel: Lk 16:1-13

Parable of the wise manager.

Lk 16:10-13

#### **Next Weeks Readings**

First Reading: Am 6:1. 4-7 Woe to the complacent. Responsorial Psalm: Ps 145:6-10. R. v.2.

Second Reading: 1Tm 6:11-16

Fight the good fight.
Gospel Acclamation: 2 Cor 8:9
Gospel: Lk 16:19-31

Parable of the rich man and Lazarus.

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us;

you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Praise the Lord who lifts up the poor.

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty. Alleluia!





We pray for those whose anniversaries fall at this time

Onofrio Saltalamacchia Josie & Kevin Landy (Michelle Leahy's parents)

We pray for all who are sick and in need of care Rosemary Yonckheere Celía Gerreyn

> Florina Azarcon Elaíne Tynan Brían Skelly Irene Fry María Maurer

Ivan Alfred Lyn Baker

#### **APOSTLES CREED**

We believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; on the third day he rose from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. We believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

#### Catholic Social Services Sunday

We celebrate <u>Catholic Social Services</u> this weekend. This is an opportunity for all of us to reflect on our commitment to love of neighbour. As Pope Benedict reminded us in his encyclical "God is Love:" Love of neighbour, grounded in the love of God, is first and foremost a responsibility for each individual member of the faithful, but it is also a responsibility for the entire ecclesial community at every level". Help yourself to a one page with information about

Help yourself to a one page with information about the many and various aspects of Catholic Social Services.

Also on the table in the gathering area are various articles:

- On refugees and asylum seekers
- A media release by Australian Catholic Bishops on Federal Government's plans to ditch cuts to benefits for poor and disadvantaged communities.
- Fr. Kevin's latest scriptural contribution: "St Paul in Acts of the Apostles"

#### Catechumenate Program

We plan to start the Catechumenate program in the next month: If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, please speak to Marlis, Gina or Fr. Kevin.

#### Parables of Mercy

From Wednesday, Sept 21st to Wednesday, Sept 28th the parish will be hosting a special exhibition on the subject of mercy. Through the paintings and photographs presented, we are given a visual meditation on some of the parables Jesus used to portray God's mercy. Two of the images are not parables - the Washing of the Feet and Pope Francis: a Prophet of Mercy. These are provided to deepen our reflection on mercy in action.

You are invited to take some time to pray with these images, alone or in a group, and allow them to speak to your own experience of the mercy of God.

### Parish Secretary

Fr. Kevin is delighted to announce that our new parish secretary is Patricia Robinson, one of our parishioners. Angela's last day will be Wednesday, October 12th and Patricia will begin on Monday, October 17th.

## **Year of Mercy – September** 17-18 Lk 16:1-13 'You cannot be slaves both of God and of money.'

God has given us many things to make us happy and comfortable – but we are reminded that we must share. We must be giving of our time, talents and possessions and show, by our mercy to others, that nothing is more important than our relationship with God.



#### Let's Be Adventurous!

Just six weeks away!! Our **Parish Picnic** will be held on **Sunday**, **23rd October** in the grounds of our parish school.

Mass will be held in the schools community centre at 11.00am <u>not</u> at 10.00am as previously indicated.

<u>Urgent</u> - Is there anyone who is available to do the morning tea at 9am Mass <u>next</u> Sunday, September 25<sup>th</sup>? Please see Fr. Kevin.

"The will of God will not take you where the Grace of God cannot protect you" -

a memorable quote provided by 2014 RCIA member, Tanya.

Support for our Parish - Come along Wednesday, 21st Sept - 3pm in the gathering area

Gina has organised a meeting for anyone in the parish especially those involved in the caring group, sacristan, flowers, hospitality, etc. If you are currently not involved but would like to start doing something for the parish, we would love to see you there too. Remember, nothing is too small, we appreciate all you do. We plan to discuss how we can serve our parish better, problems or little hiccups we faced whilst carrying out our duties, how can we all work together in support of each other.

### Day of Prayer for Peace - Pope Francis

Pope Francis has requested the universal Church to join in a Day of Prayer for Peace on Tuesday, 20th September - on this day he will preside over an Interreligious Meeting at Assisi. The words of the Preface of the Eucharistic Prayer for Reconciliation II synthesize Pope Francis' hopeful prayer:

Even more, by your Spirit you move human hearts
That enemies may speak to each other again,
Adversaries join hands,
And peoples seek to meet together.
By the working of your power, It comes about O
Lord, That hatred is overcome by love,
Revenge gives way to forgiveness,
And discord is changed to mutual respect.

# Forum: Strengthening Parish Support for Asylum Seekers

Tuesday 20 September, 6pm - 8.15pm

Cardinal Knox Centre, 383 Albert Street, East Melbourne
Recent developments highlight the importance of a response at a parish level to the needs of asylum seekers.
This forum, including workshops and guest speakers, aims to share information among parishes and agencies about the needs of asylum seekers and the ways parishes can support them. Cost: \$15, includes refreshments and Resources. Bookings: <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/LWTS">https://www.trybooking.com/LWTS</a>
RSVP: 13 September. Details: Lucia Brick on 9287 5566

Further details on noticeboard

### Youth Camps

Two youth camps during school holidays:

Mon 26th Sept to Wed 28th Sept (Years 7 & 8) and

Wed 28th Sept to Fri 30th September (Years 9 & 10) at

Mt Evelyn Recreation Camp, Tramway Road, Mt Evelyn.

Run by the Archdiocesan Office for Youth. Cost: \$80

includes all meals and accommodation. Discounts are also available. Registration: by Monday 19th September at

www.cam.org.au/youth Details: aoy@cam.org.au or 9287

5565. Further details on noticeboard

#### Spirit, Soul, Body

#### Saturday 24th September 10am to 3pm

St George's Anglican Church296 Glenferrie Rd Malvern.

Karl Rahner wrote that the church of the future would be contemplative. If you have considered looking further into ACMC [Australian Christian Meditation Community] there is an opportunity on Saturday 24th September 10 -3pm. SPIRIT SOUL BODY is to be presented by Fr Cyprian Consiglio OSB Hermitage California. There is a poster in the Gathering Area and an email address for further enquiries.

I am hoping to attend and will happily drive. Trish Taylor

#### Meditation on Jesus

#### For Healing

#### Saturday 17th & 24th September - 11am to 12.15pm Sacred Heart Church Presbytery, 322 Bell St Preston

Guided by Fr. Gilbert Carlo. Meditation through gentle postures and deep breathing heals body, mind and soul. Come and experience energising, recharging and healing in Jesus. Everyone welcome.

#### Retreat

### Friday, 30th Sept - 9.30am to Sun, 2nd Oct - 4.30pm

Janssen Spirituality Centre, 22 Woodvale Road, Boronia.

Fasting with light food & meditation, purifies and heals body, mind and soul. Retreat includes daily *Mass and Eucharistic adoration. Matthew 4:1-2,* "Jesus spent 40 days & nights, fasting and praying..." Mark 9:14-29; Jesus said "...This kind of evil can be driven out, only by fasting and prayer".

Cost \$210 live-in or \$150 live out:

contact 9762 6625 or enquiries@janssencentre.org

#### Healing & Wellbeing

#### Saturday, 8th October 9.30am to 4pm

Janssen Spirituality Centre, 22 Woodvale Road, Boronia.

BYO lunch, dontation of \$25 - concession \$20 contact 9762 6625 or enquiries@janssencentre.org

### St. Martin's Rosanna - 60th Anniversary Community Dance - Greensborough Saturday, 15th October - 7pm to 10.30pm

St Sava Serbian Orthodox Church Hall, 212 Diamond Creek Rd, Children's Dances between 7.00 – 9.00 pm \$10 per person or \$30 per family of 4 (plus booking fee) BYO Supper/Dinner, Drinks & Dancing Shoes For Tickets book online <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/MFFT">https://www.trybooking.com/MFFT</a> or telephone the Parish Office 9457 4275 (bh) or Sarah Gittins 9435 1685 (ah) email: Sarah.Gittins@bigpond.com

### Oxfam Diamond Valley Book Fair Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> October - 8am - 6pm

Eltham Senior Citizens Hall, Library Place 903-907 Main Road Good Quality Second-hand books, Prices mostly \$2.50 for adults and \$1.00 for children's books. All proceeds to Oxfam Development Projects. For more information call Stephen or Ruth 9439 2063.

#### LIBRARY NEWS Book of the Month for September



This small book by Richard Flanagan, following his

excursion [of sorts] into the tragedy of Syrians in refugee camps, is a gem that took me no more than 30 minutes to read in one sitting. I expect it to take many more hours to think about. We may soon have Syrian neighbours in our midst, it may be worthwhile to find out why they fled. These short personal stories will put you in their shoes. Please keep this book for a short time and return to shelf for others.

" Refugees are not like you and me, They are you and me. This terrible river of the wretched and the damned, flowing through Europe is my family" Richard Flanagan 2016

#### "Jonah"

#### Sat & Sun 1st & 2nd October 9am-5pm.

Holy Family Parish Hall, 236 Stephenson's Rd, Mt Waverley will be the venue for a fantastic course "JONAH" presented by the author and international speaker, Carlos de Lara and Fr Giuseppe Antoci, both from Italy. Take an exciting journey with Jonah and discover the mission and vocation of each and every Christian. Neither a passport nor deep sea\_diving experience will be a necessary prerequisite. But expect a whale of a time! The variety of teaching methods used by the Catholic School of Evangelisation make courses come alive and have a life changing effect. Suggested donation \$100. **Register by 25 Sept** with Rose Rendina 0411 650 339 or email: <a href="mailto:schoolofevangelisation@gmail.com">schoolofevangelisation@gmail.com</a>

#### The 5 Love Languages- Enrichment Seminar Sunday 16th Oct - 9am - 5pm

Cardinal Knox Centre, 383 Albert St, East Melbourne The secret to love that lasts: for married couples is based on the international bestseller by Dr Gary Chapman (more than 10 million copies sold). We all need to feel loved. Men and women have an "emotional love tank" that makes us feel content, secure, and loved when it's full. When it's empty, when we feel totally unloved, we feel threatened, angry, frustrated, and alone. The key question all of us face is: what makes me feel loved? We all communicate love primarily according to one of five love languages. Many of us need help recognising our primary love language. And the truly life-changing moment comes when we understand someone else's love language. Speaking the right love language can make all the difference!

Cost: \$35 per couple (includes course materials, lunch and morning & afternoon cuppa). More information and booking: <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/MDZU">https://www.trybooking.com/MDZU</a> Program enquiry: Maria & Andre Rasquinha andrerasquinha@yahoo.com.au or call 0411 225 992 Booking enquiry: The Office of Life, Marriage and Family lmf@cam.org.au or call 9287 5587

#### Would you like to volunteer overseas?

The Cagliero Project, run by the Salesians of Don Bosco, gives Australians an opportunity to devote six to twelve months in volunteer service to youth in overseas Salesian communities. The Salesians are known for their work with vulnerable and disadvantaged youth. Therefore our volunteers are placed in projects such as schools, youth centres and orphanages. Our aim is to walk in solidarity with young people and for volunteer and host to have a mutual learning experience. We are also present in host communities to be role models, people that young people can aspire to be. The experience as a Cagliero volunteer is not about the volunteer but is focused on the people we go to serve. However, serving as a Cagliero volunteer will probably be the most rewarding thing you ever do! Applications for January 2017 departures are open until October 15<sup>th</sup>, 2016.

Please visit www.cagliero.org.au for more information.

### **PARISH SCHEDULE**

#### **Baptisms**

On 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month at 12:15pm.

6 weeks notice required. Baptism preparation held last Saturday of the month at 10:00am.

On the 4th Sunday of each month Baptism candidates are welcomed during Mass.

St. Vincent de Paul Piety Stall Open During W/end Masses Breakfast cereals, biscuits, cake mixes, spreads - jam, honey, peanut butter, vegemite. Sugar, tea, coffee etc.

Altar Society

Sept 17th Kathy Reardon, Helen Scully, Mary Snipe B Morganti, L Dunell, C Saltalamacchia Sept 24th

Oct 1st G Milwain, V Hall, A Rough

Counters

Phil Stewart. Brian Wordsworth Sept 18th Sept 25th Wen Zavadil, Clare Zavadil Oct 2nd Pauline Wenn, Angelo Conte

Pilgrim Rosary Statue

Sept 18th Ryan Family Sept 25th Zavadil Family Oct 2nd Rough Family

Sunday Morning Tea

9.00am Sept 18th Beth & Dennis Morganti 11.00am Maurice Gonella Sept 25th 9.00am Volunteer please Alison Hall/Catherine Croke 11.00am Oct 2nd 9.00am Michelle & Colin Leahy Carmel Ritchie 11.00am

**KidzInC** 

Sept 18th 11.00am School holidays Sept 25th 11.00am School holidays Oct 2nd 11.00am School holidays

Caring Group Co-Ordinators Jayne Britton 9431 2667 Barbara Bibby 9439 8594

Playgroup Facilitator Loretta Marazzato 0412 273 794

## Diary Date

Meditation: Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday: 5.30pm; Wednesday: 6.30pm - All welcome
Stations of the Cross: Friday: 8.45am

Advention: First Friday of the month 7.8pm Adoration: First Friday of the month 7-8pm

September

Sat 17th/Sun18th Mercy Weekend

Social Services Sunday

Sat 24th/Sun 25th Social Justice Sunday

Feast Days

Tues 20th Sts. Andrew Kim Tae-Gon

Paul Chong Ha-sang & Companies

Wed 21st St Matthew

Fri 23rd St Pius of Pietrelcina

"No servant can serve two masters. He will hate one and love the other, or be devoted to one and despise the other. You cannot serve God and mammon (wealth)." LUKE 16:13

Is money a "god" that you put before God? Giving money to support the Church and other charity is a pillar of our Faith, just like attending Mass every Sunday and participating in parish ministry. Giving money frees us from being a slave to money and increases our dependence on God and to trust that He will provide all that we need.

#### Reflection - Being with Christ

Jesus says: "Whoever is not with me is against me; And whoever does not gather with me scatters." I sometimes feel that my life is like scrubland, halfway between garden and desert. I sometimes feel that I live in a world of twilight, halfway between day and night. I sometimes feel like lukewarm water, halfway between hot and cold. I sometimes feel that I am in a state of indifferent, halfway between love and hate. I sometimes feel I am trudging along a safe little path halfway between good and evil. Lord, save me from the illusion that because I am not against you, I am therefore for you. Above all, save me from being neutral.

LITURGY ROSTER			
	COMMENTATOR	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
Sept 17th & 18	th - Twenty-fifth Sunday in O	dinary Time	
6.00pm	Vicki Jordan	Beverley Gillard	Vicki Jordan, Marianne Hadley, Beverley Gillard
9.00am	Neil Walker	Clare Walker	John Gaspersz, Karen Gaspersz, Natasha Gaspersz, 2 volunteers needed
11.00am	Clare Zavadil	Wen Zavadil	Marian Goss, 2 volunteers needed
Sept 24th & 25	th - Twenty-sixth Sunday in O	rdinary Time	,
6.00pm	David Scannell	Lorraine Furtado	Paul Crowle, May Foong, Yvonne Iliffe
9.00am	Trish Taylor	Maria Gartland	Helen Scully, Sheilah Arneson, Ruth Decker, 2 volunteers needed
11.00am	Jennie O'Dell	Colleen Egan	Clare Zavadil, Colleen Egan, Joan Gilbert