# Our Lady Help of Christians Member of the Diamond Valley Deanery

# PARISH BULLETIN



# Sunday, 30th April, 2017: - 3rd Sunday of Easter - Year A

# Parish Vision Statement

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

# Parish Information

Parish: 4 Henry Street, Eltham House: P.O. Box 310, Eltham Fax: 9431 3755 Phone: 9439 9206

# <u>Liturgy Schedule</u>

# Weekend Masses

Saturday 6pm 9am & Ilam Sunday

### Weekday Masses

Tues, Wed & Fri 9.15am Thurs - St Vincent's Care 10.30am

# Reconciliation Saturday 9:30am

# Parish Team

Parish Priest: Fr. Kevin Burke Parish Worker - Gina Ang (Tues, Wed & Thurs 9.00am - 3.30pm) Parish Secretary - Loretta Marazzato (Mon, Wed & 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:

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### **Diamond Valley Deanery**

email: drcdvd@optusnet.com.au website: diamondvalleydeanery.org.au

### Today's Reading

First Reading Acts 2:14, 22-33 Peter addresses the people on the day of Pentecost. Responsorial Psalm Ps 15:1-2. 5. 7.-11 R. v.11 Second Reading 1 Pt 1:17-21 We are delivered through the blood of the lamb. Gospel Acclamation See Lk 24:32 Gospel Lk 24:13-35 Jesus greets disciples on the road to Emmaus.

### **Next Weeks Readings**

First Reading Acts 2:14, 36-41 Three thousand are baptised at Peter's urging. Responsorial Psalm Ps 22:1-6 R. v.1 Second Reading 1 Pt 2:20-25 Christ delivered himself up to free us

from sin. Gospel Acclamation Jn 10:14

Gospel Jn 10:1-10 Jesus the sheepgate.

#### **GLORIA**

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 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.

### **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.



#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Lord, you will show us the path of life.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us: make our hearts burn with love when you speak. Alleluia!

# Baptism Welcome

This weekend we welcome to our parish community

Eloise Scannell Daughter of Jarrod & Megan Clare Boyle Daughter of Lynton & Jane Ivy Lemire

Daughter of Marc & Kathryn



We pray for those whose anniversaries fall at this time María D'Agata

We pray for those who are sick and in need of care John Burke Nicole Bistricic

# Malawi Group

Last chance for Mother's Day raffle tickets, \$2 or 3 for \$5; great prizes, drawn after today's 11am Mass. Donations welcome - use Jelly Bean box. Many thanks.

# Thursday Mass

A reminder that this Thursday's Mass is held at St Vincent's Care Services, Diamond St, Eltham at 10.30am.

May - the Month of Mary

Beginning Monday, May 1st at 7.30pm, the Rosary will be recited every Monday in May for the Month of Mary.

# Thank You Gerry Ryan

Long standing parishioner, Gerry Ryan has stood down as our Monday counter/

banker. Gerry was our sacristan for some years and has been helping out on a Monday for many years. We thank you Gerry - enjoy another stage of your retirement.

# St Vinnies Food Appeal

The Eltham St Vinnies food reserves are almost exhausted due to high demands for assistance this year. We seek your help to provide us with basic foodstuffs and toiletries. In particular, we are very low in pasta and rice, pasta sauce, long-life milk, tins of fruit, breakfast cereal, tea, coffee, sugar and all toiletries. If you can help us, please be aware that we cannot use goods that are past the USE BY date or BEST BEFORE date. Thank you for your generosity in the past. Please bring goods inside the church foyer and place in the basket at the church door entrance.

# Double bed for donation anyone?

Does anyone have a spare double bed they could donate? We would like one for the next family of asylum seekers to stay in the unit in Bridge St. Please speak to Marlis or Fr Kevin if you can help.

# Communication between parish & parishioners.

Parishioners have many and varied avenues to communicate with the parish (parish priest, secretary, pastoral associate) whether it be for enquiries, requests (Mass intentions), hiring parish property, dinner invitation, volunteering for ministry or lodging a complaint. Opportunities include-: person to person, mail, fax, phone, email, handing in a note, leaving a note under the presbytery door or in presbytery letterbox. If using presbytery letterbox, be sure to put in our letterbox under the name "Presbytery"; there are letterboxes for all five units numbered 1-5; their addresses are eg. Unit 4, 4 Henry St; the presbytery address is simply 4 Henry St. Be sure not to put notices for the parish in the letterbox for unit 4.

# Liturgy Meeting - 9th May at 7.30pm

The next Liturgy meeting will be on Tuesday, 9th May at 7.30pm.

# Reimagining Parish Services

Saturday 6 May 2017 - 9.30am for 10.00am - 2.00pm St Francis Xavier Parish, 86 Mayona Road, Montmorency Catholic Social Services are sponsoring an interesting, informative session at an EXPO:

- ☐ Celebrating Parishes as communities of service
- ☐ Sharing our work and learning from each other
- ☐ Calling us to act with justice
- ☐ Reaching for our hopes and dreams

  Reimagining Parish Services will help strengthen

  parishes:
- ☐ Presentations from parishes on how they respond to local needs
- ☐ Developing links with parishes and with Catholic service agencies who can assist in meeting your parish goals.

Help yourself to a flyer on the table in the gathering area. Cost: \$20 (\$10 concession, or contact us to discuss). Book: https://www.trybooking.com/264694 RSVP: Monday May 1st 2017

Enq: Lucia Brick 9287 5566; lucia.brick@css.org.au

# Diamond Valley Deanery

On the table in the gathering area is an interesting and informative summary of the Diamond Valley Deanery which consists of 10 parishes. It's a very active and energetic deanery; Vicki Jordan and Fr Kevin represent our parish at the bi-monthly meetings. Help yourself to the page which explains how the deanery works and its main activities which are many and varied.

# Praying for the sick

Praying for the sick is very important to us, names of the sick listed on the bulletin and in our Prayers of the Faithful will continue for one month - if families would like prayers to continue for a longer period, they must inform us.

# OLHC Bright Start Playgroup Every Wednesday - 9.15am to 11am in our Church Hall

Please come along with your little one/s and experience a fun and exciting playgroup. Children from birth to 5 years are welcome to explore the wonders of playgroup. A wonderful gathering of mums, dads and carers. Pop in any Wednesday for a look. Enquiries - Loretta Marazzato 0412 273 794

# KidsInC Volunteer Needed - once a term

Our Kids in Church program is in need of a volunteer to facilitate sessions for our children at the 11am Mass. Sessions run for half an hour. You would be rostered once a term. All materials are given to leader prior to date. No experience needed. You are invited to sit in on a session to see how it is run although everyone has their own way of delivering the message. Children really enjoy this program. Please see Julie Myers or Fr Kevin if interested.

# Prayer Shawl - all welcome

Tuesday, 2nd May at II am in The Gathering Area Thursday, 11th May at 7.30 pm in The Parish Hall Please come and join us. No experience needed - learn as you go. Brochures on table in gathering area.

# Catholic Ladies College - Morning Tour Friday, 5th May - 9:00am - 10:15 am

See how your daughter can thrive in an all girls learning environment at morning tour. Tours leave The McAllister Centre at 9:00 am, followed by Morning Tea at 10:15 am. Further information and online registration is available on our website www.clc.vic.edu.au or contact the College Registrar, Julie Smyth 9430 2076 Email: jsmyth@clc.vic.edu.au

# Mary MacKillop Centre Open Day

Saturday 6 May, 10am-4pm

# Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre, 362 Albert Street, East Melb

During 2017 the Sisters of St Joseph are celebrating the 10th year of the Mary MacKillop Heritage Centre, opened by the Sisters in November 2007. The Centre invites parishioners and friends to the next weekend *Open Day for 2017. Visit the Mary MacKillop* Museum and the Chapel where Mary prayed, refreshments area for morning or afternoon tea. A local 'walking tour' will take place at 11am to visit Mary's birth site. Everyone is welcome.

Details: 9926 9300 Further details on noticeboard.

# Another Great Opportunity

Sunday May 7th from 2pm to 4.30pm St Francis of Assisi church hall, 290 Childs Rd, Mill Park.

An exploration of Catholic Social Teaching in 21st Century. Presenter is Mark Clarke, Office for Justice and Peace of Melbourne Archdiocese. Mark is a very engaging and impressive speaker. RSVP by Wed May 3rd. Deanery.DiamondValley@ cam.org.au or phone Marissa Capuana on 0408 058 692. See flyer on noticeboard.

### Annual Memorial Service - SANDS

Sunday 7th May - 2pm to 4pm

Marwal Centre, Marwal Ave, North Balwyn.

A memorial service for those who have suffered Miscarriage, Stillbirth and Neonatal Death. A guiet time to reflect, can be a healing time to have support. Many friendships have been founded through sharing this occasion. Further information on noticeboard.

# Eco-Spirituality Reading Circle Tuesday 9 May, 5.00 - 6.30 pm - Middle Park

Eco-Spirituality Reading Circle with Sr Anne Boyd meets every second Tuesday of the month. You're welcome to join regularly or for any month. A regular meeting for those intrigued by the contemporary scientific story of the origins of the universe and the evolution of life, and for those who want to articulate a spirituality that embraces this awareness and informs their living. See noticeboard or www.thecarmelitecentremelbourne.org.

LIBRARY NEWS Book of the Month for Mav

Father Kevin spoke of Doubting Thomas last week, and reminded us that we all carry doubts about many things. He reminded us that it is good to question; to search for our truth; to become 'mature Christians' [my words]. Many of us grew up in a system that discouraged questions. The book for May will challenge many beliefs.

# The Opal & the Pearl: Two kinds of perfection Thursday, May 18th - 5pm to 6.30pm -

# Newman College, Melbourne University

Exploring a Christian spirituality for our times. Mark Hederman is an Irish Cisterian Monk. For enquiries and bookings contact Br Mark O'Connor on 0429694707 or email mark.oconnor@marists.org.au. More information on noticeboard.

# Mass for Expectant Mothers Sunday 14th May at Ilam

St Patrick's Cathedral - Melbourne

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. Registrations can be made online at: www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily or alternatively by contacting: 9287 5587 or lmf@cam.org.au. Please note that registration closes on Friday 5 May. Expectant mothers who register will receive a small token of recognition.

# Kimberley Catholic Volunteer Service URGENTLY WANTED: VOLUNTEER WORKERS for Balgo Parish

The Diocese of Broome, WA, requires volunteers to assist with the work of the local Church on Aboriginal Missions. We are currently seeking a couple in Balgo to assist the Priest in the running of the Parish. There are several other roles in the Kimberley for single people or couples also available.

Placements are preferred for a period of 6 months. For further details, and an application form, please contact: Volunteer Coordinator Anneliese Rohr: 08 9192 1060 Email: volunteers@broomediocese.org

Web: www.broomediocese.org

Mail: PO Box 76, BROOME WA 6725

"Did not our hearts burn within us while He talked to us on the road, while He opened to us the scriptures?" LUKE 24:32

How often do we take the time to discern what Jesus wants from us? Are our prayers always petitions, asking Jesus to do things for us? If so, that's a one-sided relationship. Living our faith means developing a personal relationship with Jesus. Just like any friendship, there is give and take, each side listening to each other and helping each other out. Take time in silence to listen to what Jesus is asking of you.

# 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 Pasta, pasta sauces, rice, noodles, oil, tomato sauce, longlife milk & custard, breakfast cereals, tinned fruit, coffee, tea, sugar, toiletries.

Altar Society

April 29th Kathy Reardon, Helen Scully

B Morganti, L Dunell, C Saltalamacchia May 6th May 13th Gianna Milwain, Valli Hall, Annette Rough

Counters

April 30th Terry Johnson, John Joss May 7th Vin McHugh, Kevin Meehan

May 14th Graeme Price, Ed Miller, Jason Callahan

Pilgrim Rosary Statue

April 30th Dhanasen Family May 6th Stewart Family May 14th Ryan Family

Sunday Morning Tea

9.00am April 30th Hugh & Iris Azzopardi 11.00am Clare & Wen Zavadil Anne & John Stevens May 7th 9.00am 11.00am Angelo & Kerry Conte May 14th 9.00am Helen & Greg Scully 11.00am O'Brien Family

KidzInC 11.00am April 30th Loretta Marazzato May 7th 11.00am Duncan Bucknell May 14th 11.00am Gemma Paterson

Caring Group Co-Ordinators Playgroup Facilitator Tanya Murugan 9431 2667

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

Adoration: First Friday of the month 7-8pm

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Tues 2nd 7.30pm Malawi Support Group Meeting Thurs 4th 10.30am St Vincent's Care Service Mass

7.30pm The Way Prayer Group

Tues 9th 7.30pm Liturgy Group Meeting

Thurs 11th 7.00pm Formation Session for school families

of First Eucharist children

6.00pm Youth-Led Mass Sat 13th

Thurs 18th 7.00pm Formation Session for school families

of Reconciliation children

7.30pm The Way Healing Group

8.00pm Healing Mass

Feast Days

St Athanasius Tues 2nd

Wed 3rd Saints Philip & James

> Lord, Guide me through this day. Help me to make the right decisions, not just the easy ones.

A Reflection - Jesus: life's companion

All through life's day, you walk with us, Lord. But often we don't recognise you, For we are blinded by your work and worry, doubt confusion and fear, And so you remain a stranger to us. Before the day's end we will ask many questions, experience many sorrows and disappointments.

And then, suddenly, whether we are young, middle-aged, or old, we will find that night approaching. In that moment, we pray, that, like the disciples on the road to Emmaus,

Our eyes will be opened, and that we will recognise you. And you will not vanish from our sight, but stay with us to guide us to the Father's house.

LITURGY ROSTER			
	COMMENTATOR	LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
April 29th & 30th			
6.00pm	Lorraine Furtado	Denzil Furtado	John Gaspersz, Karen Gaspersz, Natisha Gaspersz
9.00am	Neil Walker	Maria Gartland	Hugh Azzopardi, Iris Azzopardi, Miranda Armstrong, 2 volunteers please
11.00am	Jennie O'Dell	Wen Zavadil	Clare Zavadil, Marian Goss, Linda Dunell
May 6th & 7th			
6.00pm	David Scannell	Dianne Zylstra	Marianne Hadley, Paul Crowle, May Foong
9.00am	Peter Reardon	Miranda Armstrong	Marlis Dopheide, Trish Taylor, Peter Rigg, 2 x volunteers needed
11.00am	Marguerite Jones	Clare Zavadil	Angelo Conte, Kerry Conte, Marian Goss