

# Our Lady Help of Christians

Member of the Diamond Valley Deanery 

## PARISH BULLETIN



Sunday, 11 May 2014: Fourth 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  
of our world.

### Today's Readings

First Reading Acts 2:14, 36-41 Three thousand are baptized 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 sheep gate

### Next Week's Readings

First Reading Acts 6:1-7 Stephen is chosen as the first deacon.  
Responsorial Psalm Ps 32:1-2. 4-5. 18-19. R. v.22  
Second Reading 1 Pt 2:4-9 Jesus, a living cornerstone.  
Gospel Acclamation Jn 14:6  
Gospel Jn 14:1-12 Jesus the way, truth, and life

### Parish Information

Parish: 4 Henry Street, Eltham  
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### Liturgy Schedule

Weekend Masses  
Saturday 6.00pm  
Sunday 9.00am, 11.00am

### Weekday Masses

Thurs 7.30pm (candlelight Mass)  
Fri 9.15am

### Communion Services

Tues, Wed, Thurs 9.15am

### Reconciliation

Saturday 9:30am

### Parish Team

Parish Priest: Fr. Kevin Burke  
Parish Worker - Gina Ang  
(Tues, Wed & Thurs 9.00am - 4.00pm)

### Parish Secretary:

Angela Vines - (Mon & Wed 9.00am-3.30pm)  
Vicki Jordan - (Fri 9.00am-3.30pm)

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### 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 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.

### 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

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

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

*Alleluia, alleluia!*

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

### THE MAGNIFICAT

The Magnificat, also known as the Song of Mary, is a canticle taken directly from the Gospel of Luke (Luke 1:46-55) where it is spoken by the Virgin Mary upon the occasion of her Visitation to her cousin Elizabeth. In the narrative, after Mary greets Elizabeth, who is pregnant with the future John the Baptist, the child moves within Elizabeth's womb. When Elizabeth praises Mary for her faith, Mary sings the Magnificat in response.

This is a beautiful thanksgiving prayer for praising and glorifying our Lord, God.

*My soul magnifies the Lord  
And my spirit rejoices in God my Saviour;  
Because He has regarded the lowliness of  
His handmaid  
For behold, henceforth all generations shall  
call me blessed;*

*Because He who is mighty has done great  
things for me, and holy is His name;  
And His mercy is from generation to  
generation  
on those who fear Him.*

*He has shown might with His arm,  
He has scattered the proud in the conceit of  
their heart.  
He has put down the mighty from their  
thrones,  
and has exalted the lowly.*

*He has filled the hungry with good things,  
and the rich He has sent away empty.  
He has given help to Israel, his servant,  
mindful of His mercy,  
Even as he spoke to our fathers, to Abraham  
and to his posterity forever.*

## OUR LADY'S FRIENDSHIP GROUP

We are having our first gathering of the Friendship Group open to men and women of all ages. Come and join us for a cuppa at Eltham Tea House on Tuesday, 13<sup>th</sup> May, 2.30pm for Devonshire Tea at \$10 or you can order anything you fancy from the menu.

Come make some friends or be a friend to someone. We will be organizing activities from time to time, so please come and give us some ideas on what you enjoy. We are happy to arrange transport for you so please put your names down at the gathering area. Hope to see you. For further information call Samantha 0425 785 287 or Gina 9439 9206

## MALAWI GROUP - MOTHER'S DAY RAFFLE RESULTS

**The Mother's Day raffle was a huge success raising \$669** through ticket sales and some very generous donations.



The first prize, a beautiful pearl necklace, bracelet and earrings set valued at just on \$600 was won by

**Graeme Meade (Joanne Timewell's father). This set was donated** by a very generous parishioner and the Group wishes to once again THANK her for that.

The three other prizes were again put together by Group member Una Cardwell and we thank her for their wonderful presentation. The winners of these 3 prizes were: Pauline Neville, Betty Mofardin and Marlis Dopheide.

The Group wishes to THANK ALL who participated for their continued support for our Sister Parish.

## CHAPLAINCY SUNDAY APPEAL 2014, NEXT WEEKEND 17<sup>TH</sup> & 18<sup>TH</sup> MAY

Please take home the envelopes in the gathering area this weekend and bring back next week with your donation. Parishioners are encouraged to offer prayers and a financial donation to assist chaplains to provide hope to those suffering from loneliness, physical illness, mental health challenges and HIV/AIDS.

More information: 9926 5731 or [www.cam.org.au/chaplaincy](http://www.cam.org.au/chaplaincy)  
Donations will go towards supporting Chaplains who work with:

- Patients and their families in public hospitals
- Those affected by mental illness
- Men and women in Prisons
- Young people in youth justice facilities
- Seafarers

## PRACTICAL CHRISTIANITY

Each Tuesday evening, parishioners collect bread from **Brumby's in Montmorency and take it to struggling families. Our "bread runners" are not getting any younger** and we urgently need more helpers - **it's about one hour** once every 6 weeks. Please let the parish office, Mary O'Connor or Fr Kevin know if you can help.

## SOUTHERN STARS SOCIAL CLUB PARTY NIGHT

**Over 28's Party Night for Single Catholics: 28-60 years.**

When: Sat May 24, 8.00pm

Where: Benedict House, St Benedict's, 301 Warrigal Rd, Burwood (Melways M61H6)

Cost: \$13 (includes lucky door prizes & supper)

Enquiries: Peter 9885 2167 (A/H)

We could do with a few more Eucharistic Ministers, especially at the 11.00am Mass. If interested, contact **the parish office or Marlis Dopheide who'll soon be** training a group of our Ministers.

## THE MASS COUNT IS ON AGAIN TODAY

### MAGNIFICAT WITH STEVE ANGRISANO

Celebrate the month of Mary with young people from across Melbourne in a joyful night of song and prayer. Featuring international musician Steve Angrisano and a host of talented local artists. Bring your youth group and invite your friends!

When: Friday 23 May, 7:30pm – 9:30pm

Where: Sacred Heart Church, Cnr Rathdowne & Pelham Streets Carlton

Cost: \$5 entry. Bookings via [www.trybooking.com/83308](http://www.trybooking.com/83308)

Contact: 9287 5565 or [aoj@cam.org.au](mailto:aoj@cam.org.au)

### RETREAT WORKSHOP FOR MARRIED COUPLES

#### "Living in Love"

Holy Saviour Parish, Vermont May 24-25, 2014

More information: [abro6450@bigpond.net.au](mailto:abro6450@bigpond.net.au) / 9800 0851  
[www.livinginlove.org](http://www.livinginlove.org)

### BAPTISM WELCOME

We welcome into our parish community the Cromie, Bordignon and Boyle families as their children Oliver, Thomas and Eliza are baptised this Sunday.



Fr Kevin leaves for his sabbatical and holidays this Monday evening and returns on Thursday evening, July 17.

His adventure begins in Athens with an 18 day St Paul tour of Greece and Turkey, lead by a Scripture scholar with a group of 32 people. Then he does a four week **program at the "Tantur" Institute, a non-denominational** centre in Bethlehem. The course is strongly Scripture based, including many visits to holy sites and in depth lectures. His holiday time will be spent in Italy, mainly the Cinque Terra and Slovenia, especially at Lake Bled and Ljubljana.

**In the nine and a half weeks that he's away, weekend Masses** will be celebrated by Fr Paul Castley, M.S.C. (next weekend), Fr Dan Harding, a Columban (the three following weekends) and Fr Geoff Baron, a diocesan priest (the last five weekends).

There will be Masses on all the ten Fridays - Fr Kevin Mogg celebrating the first four and Fr Geoff Baron the last six.

There will be Communion Services on Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays at 9.15am.

### THIS MOTHER'S DAY



**... give a thought to the mothers of 1,074 children** currently in Immigration detention facilities.

They have to be ever vigilant to **make sure they don't bother others** in hot, overcrowded conditions.

**They don't have the option of** diffusing a stressful situation by

**taking their children to the park or for a swim. They can't** pop out to the library or the ice cream shop for a cool treat. There are a further 3,381 children living in community detention or on bridging visas. Their parents have limited resources to feed, clothe and house them. You may want to read the ACBC pamphlet, What the Catholic Church teaches on Asylum & Migration and then raise your concerns with your federal MP.



Rosary - Monday night at 7.30pm

Thank you to the generous person who left a great number of excellent books for the library.  
Trish would appreciate you calling her 9439 4817.

OFFICE OF EVANGELIZATION - UPCOMING EVENTS

1. Public Lecture at Newman College: **"What happened to Christianity in Western Culture?"**

Date: Tuesday 13 May, 5pm

Venue: Newman College (887 Swanston Street, Parkville)

2. Public Lecture at Newman College **"Being Faithful - Opportunities for Co-responsibility in Today's Church"**

Date: Thursday 22 May, 5pm

Venue: Newman College (887 Swanston Street, Parkville)

More info: 9926 5761 / [evangelisation@cam.org.au](mailto:evangelisation@cam.org.au)

**A Child's Mother's Day Prayer**

I love you, Mum. I love your aliveness, your joy in living, your understanding, your giving.  
And what I love best of all is that you love me.  
God of all Mothers, thank you for my mum!

Gaynell Bordes Cronin Friend Jesus: Prayers for Children

Mass by Candlelight on Thursday, 15th May, 7.30pm.  
Celebrated in the spirit of Taizé. Supper will be provided after Mass. Enquiries: Emilia 9435 7475 /Sandra 9434 7553.

**LIBRARY NEWS**

*Book of the month for May:*

*John Henry Newman* by Austin Cooper.

A beautiful commentary on an extraordinary and insightful man.



*FYI*

The full version of the recent Marian article about humour at church can be found in *Heaven & Mirth*. It's on the top shelf.

Trish

**A MOTHER'S DAY PRAYER**

Loving God, we pray:

for new mothers coming to terms with new responsibility;  
for expectant mothers, wondering and waiting;  
for those who are tired, stressed or depressed;  
for those who struggle to balance the tasks of work and family;  
for those whose children have physical, mental or emotional disabilities;  
for those who raise children on their own;  
for those who have lost a child;  
for those whose children have left home;  
and for those whose desire to be a mother has not been fulfilled.

Bless all mothers, that their love may be deep and tender, and that they may lead their children to know and do what is good,  
living not for themselves, but for God and for others.  
Amen.

**MOTHER MARY**

This week, being Mothers' Day, we look at some images of Mary as mother.

**MOTHER OF GOD**

In these varying portrayals, we see Mary carrying the infant Jesus, reminding us of her importance to our Lord as His mother. She gave birth to Him and nourished and raised Him, and remained with Him all the way to His crucifixion. There are thousands of images of Mary as **"Madonna and Child"**, and the most famous painting of Mary with her dead Son is Michelangelo's **"Pieta"**. This image is **"Madonna and Child"** by Giovanni Battista Salvi Sassoferato, 1685.



**MOTHER OF THE CHURCH AND OUR MOTHER**

The title, Mother of the Church was first used by Berengaud, Bishop of Treves (d. 1125).



On November 21, 1964, during the celebration of Mass at the conclusion of the third session of the Second Vatican Council, Pope Paul VI stated, "For the glory of the Blessed Virgin and our own consolation, we proclaim the Most Blessed Virgin Mary Mother of the Church, of the whole people of God, faithful and pastors, and we call her most loving Mother." He decreed that "from now onward the whole Christian people should give even greater honour to the Mother of God under this most loving title."

Jesus has given us Mary as our mother. She is the mother of Jesus, Who is the head of the Mystical body. We, the members of His Body, look to the Blessed Virgin Mary who cares for the pilgrim church with a mother's love and follows its progress homeward to the eternal splendour of heaven.

Image of Mary as Mother of the Church, gathering and protecting a host of nuns, priests, bishops, popes, and holy men and women under her cloak. Fresco in Sacro Speco in Subiaco, from scenes in the life of the Blessed Virgin Mary.

Pope John Paul II stated that overall the title indicates the Blessed Virgin Mary's maternity of Christ's faithful, as deriving from her maternity of Christ in that "Mary is present in the Church as the Mother of Christ, and at the same time as that Mother whom Christ, in the mystery of the Redemption, gave to humanity in the person of the Apostle John [cf. John 19:27]. Thus, in her new motherhood in the Spirit, Mary embraces each and every one in the Church, and embraces each and every one through the Church." "In the birth of the Church, the one to whom we owe the birth of Christ participates in a particular way." (Oss. Rom. June 19, 1979).

## 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 -

Donations for next week:

Breakfast cereals, pasta, pasta sauces, tins of vegetables and soups, tea and coffee.

### Altar Society

May 18                    B. Morganti, L. Dunell  
May 25                    G. Milwain, V. Hall, a. Rough

### Counters

May 11                    G. Price, E. Millar, J. Callahan  
May 18                    P. Reardon, P. Rigg

### Pilgrim Rosary Statue

May 11                    Stewart Family  
May 18                    RyanFamily

### Caring Group Co-Ordinators

Jayne Britton            9431 2667  
Barbara Bibby           9439 8594

### Sunday Morning Tea

May 11                    9.00am            Trish & Colin Taylor  
                                 11.00am           Maree & Chris Gaffney  
May 18                    9.00am            Trish & John Joss  
                                 11.00am           Volunteer

# Diary Dates

All meetings in Gathering Area unless otherwise specified

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

### May 2014

Mon May 12            Fr Kevin Sabbatical  
                                 Rosary 7.30pm  
Tues May 13           Friendship Group 2.30pm Eltham Tea House  
Wed May 14           St. Vincent de Paul Meeting 7.45pm  
W/E May 17/18        Collection-Chaplaincy Sunday  
Mon May 19           Rosary 7.30pm  
Fri May 23            We celebrate Our Lady Help of Christians Feast Day  
Mon May 26           Rosary 7.30pm

### Feast Days

Mon May 12            Saints Nereus & Achilleus, St Pancras  
Tues May 13           Our Lady of Fatima  
Wed May 14            St Matthias, Apostle

### PRAYERS PLEASE

We pray for those who have died recently and those whose anniversaries occur at this time. We also pray for those who are sick and in need of our care.

### *Recent deaths*

- Fr Romuald Murphy PE

### *Anniversaries*

- Vera Fletcher

### *Sick*

- Ruth Decker

## "Walking Hand in Hand With God"

Mass of Remembrance for those who have experienced the death of a child.

This includes the death of a child before or after birth, or at any age.

Father Terry Kean and the Bereavement Support Team are offering the opportunity for family members to participate in a gentle healing remembrance mass for those children you hold so dear but are no longer with you. The Mass will be at St Francis Xavier Church, 86 Mayona Rd, Montmorency on Friday 23rd May at 7.30 pm.

We warmly invite you or anyone you know who have lost a child, to join us on this evening. If you require further information do not hesitate to contact St Francis Xavier Parish Office on 9435 2178.

### Words of Wisdom

'Stop entertaining those vain fears. Remember it is not feeling which constitutes guilt but the consent to such feelings. Only the free will is capable of good or evil. But when the will sighs under the trial of the tempter and does not will what is presented to it, there is not only no fault but there is virtue.'

St Padre Pio

## LITURGY ROSTER

|                                  | COMMENTATOR      | LECTOR             | EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS                                       |
|----------------------------------|------------------|--------------------|---|
| May 10/11 - 4th Sunday of Easter |                  |                    |   |
| 6.00pm                           | Vicki Jordan     | Lorraine Furtado   | Vicki Jordan, Carmen Baker, Clare Porter                    |
| 9.00am                           | Greg Scully      | Betty Mofardin     | Peter Rigg, Pat Shea, Sheila Arneson, 2 volunteers          |
| 11.00am                          | Colleen Egan     | Samantha Rawlinson | Ian & Rosemary Ashworth, Beverley Toone, 2 volunteers       |
| May 17/18 - 4th Sunday of Easter |                  |                    |   |
| 6.00pm                           | Lorraine Furtado | Phil Stewart       | Beverley Gillard, David Scannell, Maureen Scannell          |
| 9.00am                           | John Bylsma      | Kathleen Nolan     | John, Natasha & Karen Gaspersz, 2 volunteers                |
| 11.00am                          | Linda Dunell     | Jennie O'Dell      | Marian Goss, Samantha Rawlinson, Colleen Egan, 2 volunteers |