



OUR LADY of MT CARMEL CHURCH BULLETIN

3rd Sunday Easter, 26 April 2020, Year A



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Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday: 9am – 3pm
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MASS INTENTIONS



3rd Sunday Easter, 26 April
Saturday Mass Intention for Holy Souls in Purgatory
Sunday Mass Intention for Healing for Coronavirus Victims
Holy Souls in Purgatory



Monday 27 April ... St Louis Grignion de Montfort
NO 7 - 9pm Holy Trinity Prayer Group



Tuesday 28 April ... St Peter Chanel
Mass Intention for Jerry Abreu (RIP)
Rosary for Giuseppe Chila (RIP)

Wednesday 29 April ... St Catherine of Siena
Mass Intention for Antonio & Maria Arraiol (RIP)
Funeral Mass for Giuseppe Chila
NO Morning Tea after Mass
NO 10.30am Legion of Mary
NO 7 - 8pm Eucharistic Adoration



Thursday 30 April ... St Pius V
NO 8.15am Mass at Seton Catholic College
Mass Intention for Dorothy & George Leach (RIP)

Friday 1 May ... St Joseph the Worker
Mass Intention for Maria Martins (RIP)
NO 9.30-10.30am Eucharistic Adoration



Saturday 2 May ... St Athanasius
NO Mass

4th Sunday Easter, 3 May
Saturday Mass Intention for Parishioners Intentions
Sunday Mass Intention for Deceased Family & Friends of Idalia



Fr Paul offers Masses privately. He prays for all and we are all united in our prayer life.



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS



4th Sunday Easter, 3 May
1st: Acts 2:14, 36-41
2nd: 1 Pet 2:20-25
Gospel: Jn 10:1-10

ANONING & RECONCILIATION

By appointment.



MASS INTENTIONS

Suggested Offering
\$15 per Mass.



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, alleluia.



COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.



WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL PARISH

If you are a new parishioner, please introduce yourself to Fr Paul. We could like to know a bit about you and your family. You can also fill in a Parishioner Registration Form and join in the Parish Planned Giving Program.



2020 SACRAMENT DATES

CONFIRMATION
Saturday 13 June 2020 at 6pm

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION
Sunday 13 September 2020 at 9am



PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS

Christine Rhow, Veronica, Maria, Consiglia Ciavatta, Bill Lawrie, Rosa Pallotta, Irwin Beachell, Isabella Da Cunha, Norma Elliott, Lori Tripi, Rudi Tassell, Gordon Smith, David Azzaro, Steven, Davina, Elisabetta Paddon, Vee Appleton, Dermot McKernon, Judith Greer, Edward Fortune, Lou Collova, Franca Kalat ...





STEWARDSHIP: *Theology of Stewardship – Giving Thanks in the Good Times ...* In this reflection I would like to look at two ways this wider approach

might be taken. One is rooted in the Hebrew scriptures, the other in the Christian scriptures.



SUPPORT OUR CHURCH REPAIR WORKS:

Parishioners are encouraged to think about possible ways of supporting our Parish. In what you can support? Please fill in the new census form. Parishioners who come to our church regularly or occasionally, including volunteers and visitors, please fill in the **New Parishioner Registration Form**. Your presence is very important to our parish. **1.** Consider joining in Planned Giving Programme. **2.** If you are already in the program, please contribute regularly. **3.** Donation of any amount is welcome to support our Church repair. Our small meeting room also needs attention. Any parishioner willing to donate, please contact *Fr Paul*.



Dear Parishioners, Hope you are all keeping well, healthy and alert. COVID-19 is making everyone wonder, scary and frightened. There is fear among many people, especially elderly. Being fearful is natural though remain positive. The majority of affected people (80%) are not expected to experience severe illness. Many are cured either by isolation or treatments... Remember to use personal hygiene... Practice social distancing - avoid unnecessary close-contact (handshakes; hugs; kissing on cheek; sitting in breathing zone; accepting food or drink). Follow instructions of health care professionals if you are required to minister to somebody in hospital care... Consider 'fomites' (these are objects or materials which are likely to carry infection, including: clothes, utensils and furniture). In particular, when providing pastoral care, please ensure sensibly cautious custody/infection control of personal items (such as notebooks, diaries, Bibles; mobile phones; sunglasses; spectacles; drink bottles; hats; wallets; carry bags; pens; and car keys)... Use alcohol-based hand sanitizer as appropriate (for you and your people)... Throw away food items if use by date expired... As this virus has a greater significance on the elderly, please encourage members to reach out and connect with relatives and friends that are aged. Be aware that grief may become a significant concern to our workforce as we move forward... Try to walk around the house and keep moving. Mobility is always good... Drink plenty of water. Never be dehydrated... Please look after your general health (in particular sleep, stress, diet and exercise)... Our Parish: office is opened Tuesday-Friday. You are welcome to visit. Holy water is still available in

front office. Our Parish needs your vital support. In any way you can support, it is much appreciated. You are all united in prayer.



A CHRISTIAN PRAYER FOR THOSE AFFECTED BY COVID-19 from the Anglican Diocese of Melbourne:

Lord Jesus Christ, healer and friend, come and care for all of us through the danger and uncertainty of the coronavirus epidemic. To people who are sick, bring healing. To people who are displaced, isolated, or cut off from family, friends or work, bring comfort and companionship. Work with medical staff as they care for the sick and protect them from harm. Give skill and fruitful research to scientists as they work on treatments and a vaccine. To public health authorities, give wisdom to decide the best ways to manage both this crisis and our anxieties. When communities are fearful, give a calm spirit, and kindness to neighbours and strangers. Through this testing time, and through all the risks we face together, teach us once again how we can love one another as you have loved us. Amen.



ANZAC DAY MASS

LIVESTREAM: The Mass will be celebrated in the ANZAC Memorial Chapel of St Paul at the Royal Military College, Duntroon. The intention is to stream it at 8am on Anzac Day via the diocesan website

www.military.catholic.org.au and the link will be found in the 'Events' section of the website. Please pray that we will have the opportunity to gather together to celebrate Mass as part of our observance next year. **Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine on them. May they rest in peace. Amen.** ✠ *Max L Davis – Bishop - Catholic Military Diocese.*

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

St Padre Pio of Pietrelcina



My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things and I desire to receive You into my soul.

Since I cannot at this moment receive You Sacramentally, come at least Spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Lord, I am not worthy that Thou should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.



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God our Father, prompted by Your Spirit the order of Carmel has from the beginning dedicated itself to the Mother of Your Son. As she unites her prayers with ours, look with favour upon us and bless our families, keep each of us from harm And bring us to the joy of heaven. We ask this through Jesus the Lord. *Amen.*



SOULS in PURGATORY PRAYER

Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, for those in my own home, and in my family. *Amen.*



OUR LADY of ALL NATIONS PRAYER

Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, send now Your Spirit over the earth. Let the Holy Spirit live in the hearts of all nations, that they may be preserved from degeneration, disaster and war. May the Lady of All Nations, the Blessed Virgin Mary, be our Advocate. *Amen.*



PRAYER FOR PRIESTS from mark@henningers.com: Gracious and loving God, we thank you for the gift of our priests. Through them, we experience your presence in the sacraments. Help our priests to be strong in their vocation. Set their souls on fire with love for your people. Grant them the wisdom, understanding, and strength they need to follow in the footsteps of Jesus. Inspire them with the vision of your Kingdom. Give them the words they need to spread the Gospel. Allow them to experience joy in their ministry. Help them to become instruments of your divine grace. We ask this through Jesus Christ, who lives and reigns as our Eternal Priest. *Amen.*

Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Hilton

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

One Hour with Jesus
Wednesday Evenings
7 – 8pm

Friday Mornings
9.30 – 10.30am





THE SAVING WORD

THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER / A

26 APRIL 2020

FIRST READING

Acts 2:14, 22-33

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

It was impossible for him to be held by the power of Hades.

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'Men of Israel, listen to what I am going to say: Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God by the miracles and portents and signs that God worked through him when he was among you, as you all know. This man, who was put into your power by the deliberate intention and foreknowledge of God, you took and had crucified by men outside the Law. You killed him, but God raised him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades; for it was impossible for him to be held in its power since, as David says of him:

I saw the Lord before me always, / for with him at my right hand nothing can shake me. / So my heart was glad / and my tongue cried out with joy: / my body, too, will rest in the hope / that you will not abandon my soul to Hades / nor allow your holy one to experience corruption. / You have made known the way of life to me, / you will fill me with gladness through your presence.

'Brothers, no one can deny that the patriarch David himself is dead and buried: his tomb is still with us. But since he was a prophet, and knew that God had sworn him an oath to make one of his descendants succeed him on the throne, what he foresaw and spoke about was the resurrection of the Christ: he is the one who was not abandoned to Hades, and whose body did not experience corruption. God raised this man Jesus to life, and all of us are witnesses to that. Now raised to the heights by God's right hand, he has received from the Father the Holy Spirit, who was promised, and what you see and hear is the outpouring of that Spirit.'

■ The word of the Lord.

RESP PSALM

Ps 15:1-2, 5, 7-11. R. v. 11

R. Lord, you will show us the path of life. (or Alleluia!)

I. Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you. / I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.' / O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup; / it is you yourself who are my prize. R.

2. I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel, / who even at night directs my heart. / I keep the Lord ever in my sight: / since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. R.

3. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad; / even my body shall rest in safety. / For you will not leave my soul among the dead, / nor let your beloved know decay. R.

4. You will show me the path of life, / the fullness of joy in your presence, / at your right hand happiness for ever. R.

SECOND READING

1 Pet 1:17-21

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

The ransom that was paid to free you was the blood of the Lamb, Jesus Christ.

If you are acknowledging as your Father one who has no favourites and judges everyone according to what he has done, you must be scrupulously careful as long as you are living away from your home. Remember, the ransom that was paid to free you from the useless way of life your ancestors handed down was not paid in anything corruptible, neither in silver nor gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely Christ; who, though known since before the world was made, has been revealed only in our time, the end of the ages, for your sake. Through him you now have faith in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory for that very reason – so that you would have faith and hope in God.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

cf. Lk 24:32

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

GOSPEL

Lk 24:13-35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke.

They recognised him at the breaking of the bread.

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about

all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas, answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.'

Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at the table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?'

They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.

■ **The Gospel of the Lord.**

Reflections on the Gospel

EMMAUS IS OUR STORY

A feature of the resurrection stories in the Gospels is the way in which the risen Lord appears to people exactly as they are: to the disciples in their fear, to Mary Magdalene in her sorrow, to Thomas in his doubting. The encounter told in today's Gospel is no exception. Jesus appears to two disciples in their bitter disillusionment and loss of hope.

By not revealing himself to them immediately but simply accompanying them as a fellow traveller, the Lord respects their experience, letting them tell their story to the end. Only then does he pick it up and weave it into his own instruction. He shows them how the recent events in Jerusalem had followed the path indicated for the Messiah in the Scriptures, rather than that of Israel's political liberation that had been central to their own messianic hope.

Captivated by this companion, the disciples constrain him to be their guest. But once indoors, a reversal takes place: they, who had offered hospitality to him, find themselves guests at a table he provides. The Eucharistic gestures at the breaking of the bread reveal him at last as risen Lord.

Instantly, he vanishes from their sight, and they hurry back to Jerusalem to share with the other disciples their experience of the risen Lord.

This wonderful story perfectly models the life of the Church. Fortified by the Spirit, the Church continues through Word and Sacrament the mission of the Lord. It walks alongside disillusioned, hurt humanity, expounding the Scriptures, and in the Eucharist provides the hospitality of God.

Brendan Byrne, SJ

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