



THE CARMELITE

Parish of Port Melbourne and Middle Park
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May we walk gently here.*

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C - 13 JULY 2025

Dear sisters and brothers,

Today's Gospel story of the "Good Samaritan" is very familiar to us. So familiar, in fact, that we may have grown weary of it or think there can't be anything more we can learn from it than what we've previously understood. Perhaps that is true. Nonetheless, we are called to dwell on it again and see if there is something else we can glean from it, or more importantly, that can prompt us to **be** a neighbour to **any** other human being whom we encounter in the course of our lives.

It may be helpful, also, to reflect on the paradox of our juxtaposing the words "good" and "Samaritan" in relation to this story. The Jews certainly didn't think of Samaritans as good. Samaritans were regarded as "bad" - ethnic enemies of Jews. This travelling Samaritan would be more expected to finish off rather than assist the stricken traveller, his Jewish ethnic enemy, who has already been robbed, beaten and left half dead.

The way Jesus has set up the story, with the religious figures, the Priest and the Levite, both refusing to get involved and "passing by on the other side", we could expect the next person to come by would be a good Jewish lay person who would stop and assist the victim of the "brigands" attack. If this were the case, the story would also have made a pungent point – that professional religious figures (like Priests and Religious) need to put their words into practice as lay persons so often do to our shame and embarrassment.

However, in making a Samaritan the next one to come by, to stop, to interrupt whatever his plans were for that day, to assist his fellow human being there and then as far as he could, then make provision for his ongoing care by enlisting the help of the innkeeper, Jesus is strikingly and powerfully telling us that this Samaritan didn't see this man as one with the label, "Jew", on him but as a fellow human being in need. He saw him primarily as a "brother" in need. Seeing the suffering Jew in this way, "he was moved with compassion". This motivated him to reach out in practical love to him. Fundamentally, then, it was the Samaritan's **attitude** to this fellow human being which was at the basis of his "goodness" and all that followed from it.

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OUR PARISH

Churches

St Joseph's
cnr Rouse & Stokes Streets
Port Melbourne

Our Lady of Mount Carmel
cnr Richardson & Wright Streets
Middle Park

Sunday Masses

5.00pm (Sat) Mount Carmel
9.00am Saint Joseph's
10.30am Mount Carmel

Reconciliation

after 9.00am Mass Saturday

Carmelite Parish Office

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Parish Website www.sj-mc.org.au

Carmelite Website

www.carmelites.org.au

Office Hours:

Tuesday - 9am - 4pm
Wednesday - 9am-4pm
Friday - 9am-12pm
(CLOSED MONDAYS & THURSDAYS)

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THIS WEEK

Monday 14 July

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

Tuesday 15 July

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel

Wednesday 16 July - Feast of Our Lady of Mt Carmel

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel

Thursday 17 July

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

Friday 18 July

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

Saturday 19 July

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel

5.00pm Vigil, Mt Carmel

Sunday 20 July - Parish Celebration for the Feast of Our Lady of Mt Carmel including intentions for Mothers.

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

10.30am Mass, Mt Carmel

WE REMEMBER

Those who are sick or ill and in need of prayer: Kitty Brady, Vaughan Carlin, Brendan Coburn, Angela Cochill, Anthony Dickason, Maureen Dickason, Maria Do Ceu, Fr Des Fitzgerald CSSR, Kathie Fennell, Lindsay Flint, Pauline Flint, Jill Foster, Lisa Healy, Sylvie Lagane, Tony Lagane, Bobby Lever, Mr Loh, Mrs Loh, Gerald Lopes, Hazel McKay, Marcello Marasco, Ingrid Ohleiter, Maria Ohleiter, Pina Orientale, Paul Quattrocchi, Rafal Rafalski, Ruth Wrathall, Maria Sekeme, Ailbe Sheehy, Sash Emmanuelle Somerset-Beauverie, Maria Speziale, John Stephens, Jim Sullivan, Rachel Szeto, Kyler Tolongs, Bill Toohey, Bridget Toohey & Henry Verhoeven.

Those who have died recently: Isidro Sapico Snr, Betty Livina Smith & Franco Todisco.

Those whose anniversaries occur about this time: Brian Cusack, Visitacion De Los Santos, Carmel Leonard and Carmelites Patrick Harney & Salvinus Nijenhuis.

IN OUR PARISH



Our Lady of Mt Carmel Feast mass including intentions for Mothers

Sunday 20 July 2025, 10:30am

You are invited to remember all mothers,
living and deceased at this mass.

If you would like any mothers remembered, please write their names on the intention sheets provided in the foyer of the church.

Parish Ladies Dinner

Our next dinner is

Wednesday, 16 July 2025, 6.00pm
at **Clare Castle Hotel, Port Melbourne.**

Meal and drinks at each lady's expense.

To RSVP, please contact **Susie Denholm** via:

Email: susiedenholm25@gmail.com

Mobile: 0417 252 544

All welcome !

Parish Men's Dinner

Tuesday 22 July 2025, 6.45pm
at **Bleakhouse Hotel, Albert Park**
97 Beaconsfield Parade (cnr Victoria Ave)

Cost: Meal & drinks at attendee's expense.

Speaker: TBA.

If you are interested in attending, please contact Mick Leonard (phone or text 0409 777 339 - please state your name e.g. Joe Blow, Bleakhouse diner) or email miki283015@gmail.com by **Friday, 18 July 2025.**

All welcome !

THANK YOU

for your generosity last weekend

Parish Stewardship Offerings

Envelopes	\$ 310.00
Credit Card	\$ 1,085.00
Direct Credit	\$ 950.00
Loose Plate	\$ 1,376.25
Tap & Go	\$ 261.00
Total	\$ 3,982.25



MINISTRIES

19-20 July 2025

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
YEAR C

5.00pm Mount Carmel (Vigil)

Commentator: Tris Tanumihardjo

Readers: Mark Leonard

Offertory: Tris Tanumihardjo

Communion: Tris Tanumihardjo

Music: Organist / Cantor

Sacristan: Tris Tanumihardjo

9.00am St Joseph's

Commentator: Brian Harrison

Reader: Terry Gurry

Offertory: Toni Stuart

Communion: Aoife Ling

Counters: Brian Harrison & Toni Stuart

Music: Organist / Cantor

Hospitality: N/A

Sacristan: Rob Winduss &

Will Kininmonth

10.30am Mount Carmel

Commentator: Marlene Halim

Reader: Sally Diserio

Offertory: Peter Thomas

Communion: Peter Thomas

Music: Organist / Cantor

Hospitality: N/A

Sacristan: Tony Noble

Communion to the Sick:

William Kininmonth - 20-26 July
2025

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As we hear and reflect on this very familiar story again today, we might pray to grow in an **attitude** of openness, respect, care and hospitality for all, especially those in great need, irrespective of who they are, what they have done or however our innate prejudices might incline us to react. May we also pray to grow in a readiness to put aside our own plans to come to the assistance of a brother or sister in need, rather than “pass by on the other side”.

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Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel

In preparation for celebrating this Patronal Feastday of our parish and the Carmelites on 16 July, you are invited to pray the Novena Prayer. This prayer can be found elsewhere in this Newsletter. Apart from praying it for your own intentions, you might also like to pray for it the intentions suggested on sheets available at the church doors and on the Carmelite website (<https://www.carmelites.org.au/novena>).

On the actual Feastday, this coming Wednesday 16 July, we will swap the usual venue for weekday Mass. Hence 9am Mass on Wednesday will be celebrated at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church – and 9am Mass on Thursday will be celebrated at St Joseph’s.

As has been long foreshadowed, the main celebration of this Feastday will occur next Sunday, 20 July, at 10:30am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel Church, followed by lunch at 12pm in St Joseph’s hall.

Special Preachers

This weekend we welcome Sr Rosie Joyce, a Brigidine Sister, parishioner and Canon Lawyer to preach at the 5pm Saturday Vigil Mass and at the 9am Mass at St Joseph’s on Sunday.

Sr Mary Coloe, a Presentation Sister and Biblical Scholar, will preach at the 10:30am Mass at Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

I am very grateful to Rosie and Mary for their willingness to share their insights into the Word of God with us.

Blessings for the week ahead.



Novena Prayer

Mary,
you are always with the
brothers and sisters of your Son
as we seek to follow in his footsteps.

Help us keep our hearts open to God
and to the needs of one another.

Be with those who struggle with
disease and illness, tension and tragedy.

Help us bring peace and reconciliation
wherever it is needed.

Help us to protect and look
after each other.

Help us bring moments of
healing and grace into each other’s lives.

Help us to be God’s heart in
the heart of the world.

This we ask through your Son,
Jesus Christ, our Lord. Amen.



2025 CONFIRMATIONS

Non Galilee candidates in grade 6 or higher are invited to enrol for the 2025 Confirmation Program.

- **Enrolments close:** Monday, 28 July 2025
- **Family Preparation Night: Compulsory** - Thursday, 31 July 2025, 7pm, St Joseph's Hall, 274 Rouse St, Port Melbourne.
- **Commitment Mass: Compulsory** - Sunday, 24 August 2025, 10:30am, Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Middle Park.
- **Rehearsal: Compulsory** - Wednesday, 27 August 2025, 7pm, St Peter & Paul's Church, South Melbourne (TBC)
- **Sacrament:** Tuesday, 2 September 2025, 6pm at St Patrick's Cathedral, East Melbourne

Enrolment forms are available at the bottom of the Home Page of the parish website: <https://sj-mc.org.au/>.

SAVE THE DATE

Thursday 28 August, 7pm - Parish meeting at St Joseph's Hall

Sunday 31 August, 9am - Mass at St Joseph's followed by Morning Tea to celebrate Fr Hugh Brown's 50th Anniversary of Ordination to the Priesthood.

Saturday 4 October, 10am - Feast of St Francis of Assisi and Blessing of the Animals with Sausage Sizzle in the grounds of St Joseph's.

Saturday 1 November, 9:30-11:30am - Working Bee at Our Lady of Mt Carmel.

Saturday 15 November, 2-4pm - Christmas Pudding Making with Sally Diserio at St Joseph's Hall.

Saturday 22 November, 9:30am - Working Bee at St Joseph's Church.

Thursday 4 December 2025, 6 - 8:30pm - Parish Christmas Social, St Joseph's Hall

CARMELITE REFLECTION

Towards a love beyond labels

Pope Francis says society creates "an adjective culture" that prefers to immediately label people as good or bad. Jesus, he says, breaks the mentality that separates, excludes, isolates and belittles the person.

A good example of what the pope says is found in the parable in today's Gospel. The very fact that we know the story as 'The Good Samaritan' seems to imply that he is the exception, that most Samaritans are 'bad'. That's certainly how Jesus' audience would have viewed Samaritans.

Ideas of hospitality, welcoming the stranger and caring for those in need held a very high place in Jewish scriptures, spirituality and practice. The practise of these virtues was long recognised as responding to the Word (God's Law) placed in the believer's heart. That is, acting after God's own heart.

Asking who is my neighbour (who is 'in' or 'out') is the wrong question according to Jesus. Rather, one should ask, "How should a member of God's chosen people act?" In the parable it is not a member of the Chosen People who acts after God's heart, but an outsider, a Samaritan. It is he who shows how a member of God's people should act towards those in need. He does not ask, "Who is my neighbour"; he shows himself to be a neighbour and a person after God's own heart by the lavish way he helps the man in need.

This is 'loving with all one's heart'. Can we go and do the same?

David Hofman, O.Carm. Celebrating at Home, Carmelite Communications, Melbourne

OUR LITURGY

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: GATHER US IN

MARTY HAUGEN

Here in this place new light is streaming,
Now is the darkness vanished away,
See in this space our fears and our dreamings,
Brought here to you in the light of this day.
Gather us in—the lost and forsaken,
Gather us in—the blind and the lame;
Call to us now, and we shall awaken,
We shall arise at the sound of our name.

We are the young—our lives are a mystery,
We are the old—who yearn for your face,
We have been sung throughout all of history,
Called to be light to the whole human race.
Gather us in—the rich and the haughty,
Gather us in—the proud and the strong;
Give us a heart so meek and so lowly,
Give us the courage to enter the song.

Here we will take the wine and the water,
Here we will take the bread of new birth,
Here you shall call your sons and your daughters,
Call us anew to be salt for the earth.
Give us to drink the wine of compassion,
Give us to eat the bread that is you;
Nourish us well, and teach us to fashion
Lives that are holy and hearts that are true.

Not in the dark of buildings confining,
Not in some heaven, lightyears away,
But here in this place the new light is shining,
Now is the Kingdom, now is the day.
Gather us in and hold us for ever,
Gather us in and make us your own;
Gather us in—all peoples together,
Fire of love in our flesh and our bone.

GLORIA

MARTY HAUGEN

**Refrain: Glory to God in the highest
and peace to his people on earth.**

Lord God, heavenly King,
Almighty God and Father,
we worship you, we give you thanks,
we praise you for your glory. **Refrain**

Lord Jesus Christ, only Son of the Father,
Lord God, Lamb of God,
you take away the sin of the world:
have mercy on us;
You are seated at the right hand of the Father:
receive our prayer. **Refrain**

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. Amen! **Refrain**

FIRST READING

Deuteronomy 30:10-14

Moses said to the people: 'Obey the voice of the Lord your God, keeping those commandments and laws of his that are written in the Book of this Law, and you shall return to the Lord your God with all your heart and soul.

'For this Law that I enjoin on you today is not beyond your strength or beyond your reach. It is not in heaven, so that you need to wonder, "Who will go up to heaven for us and bring it down to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" Nor is it beyond the seas, so that you need to wonder, "Who will cross the seas for us and bring it back to us, so that we may hear it and keep it?" No, the Word is very near to you, it is in your mouth and in your heart for your observance.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 69: TURN TO THE LORD IN YOUR NEED, AND YOU WILL LIVE.

Response: Turn to the Lord in your need, and you will live.

I pray to you, O LORD,
for the time of your favour, O God!
In your great kindness answer me
with your constant help.
Answer me, O LORD, for bounteous is your kindness:
in your great mercy turn toward me. **Response**

I am afflicted and in pain;
let your saving help, O God, protect me.
I will praise the name of God in song,
and I will glorify him with thanksgiving. **Response**

"See, you lowly ones, and be glad;
you who seek God, may your hearts revive!
For the LORD hears the poor,
and his own who are in bonds he spurns not." **Response**

For God will save Zion
and rebuild the cities of Judah.
The descendants of his servants shall inherit it,
and those who love his name shall inhabit it. **Response**

SECOND READING

Colossians 1:15-20

Christ Jesus is the image of the unseen God
and the first-born of all creation,
for in him were created
all things in heaven and on earth:
everything visible and everything invisible,
Thrones, Dominations, Sovereignities, Powers –
all things were created through him and for him.
Before anything was created, he existed,
and he holds all things in unity.
Now the Church is his body, he is its head.

As he is the Beginning, he was first to be born from the dead,
so that he should be first in every way;
because God wanted all perfection to be found in him
and all things to be reconciled through him and for him,
everything in heaven and everything on earth,
when he made peace by his death on the cross.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

DAN SCHUTTE

Refrain: Alleluia. Alleluia, alleluia.

Your words, oh Lord, are spirit and light
You have the word of everlasting life **Refrain**

GOSPEL

Luke 10:25-37

There was a lawyer who, to disconcert Jesus, stood up and said to him, 'Master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' He said to him, 'What is written in the Law? What do you read there?' He replied, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength, and with all your mind, and your neighbour as yourself.' 'You have answered right,' said Jesus, 'do this and life is yours.'

But the man was anxious to justify himself and said to Jesus, 'And who is my neighbour?' Jesus replied, 'A man was once on his way down from Jerusalem to Jericho and fell into the hands of brigands; they took all he had, beat him and then made off, leaving him half dead. Now a priest happened to be travelling down the same road, but when he saw the man, he passed by on the other side. In the same way a Levite who came to the place saw him, and passed by on the other side. But a Samaritan traveller who came upon him was moved with compassion when he saw him. He went up and bandaged his wounds, pouring oil and wine on them. He then lifted him on to his own mount, carried him to the inn and looked after him. Next day, he took out two denarii and handed them to the innkeeper. "Look after him," he said, "and on my way back I will make good any extra expense you have." Which of these three, do you think, proved himself a neighbour to the man who fell into the brigands' hands?' 'The one who took pity on him,' he replied. Jesus said to him, 'Go and do the same yourself.'

APOSTLES CREED

I 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;
he descended into hell;
on the third day he rose again 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.
I 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.

OFFERTORY: BE THOU MY VISION ELEANOR H. HULLL / MARY E. BYRNE

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart
Naught be all else to me, save that Thou art
Thou my best thought, by day or by night
Waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light

Be Thou my wisdom, and Thou my true word
I ever with Thee and Thou with me, Lord
Thou my great Father, I Thy true son
Thou in me dwelling and I with Thee one

High King of heaven, my victory won
May I reach heaven's joys, O bright heaven's sun
Heart of my own heart, whatever befall
Still be my vision, O ruler of all

**All: May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands
for the praise and glory of his name,
for our good
and the good of all his holy Church. Amen.**

Cel: The Lord be with you. **All: And with your Spirit.**

Cel: Lift up your hearts. **All: We lift them up to the Lord.**

Cel: Let us give thanks to the Lord, our God. **All: It is right and just.**

HOLY, HOLY, HOLY

DAN SCHUTTE

Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts.
Heaven and earth are full, are full of your glory.
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.
Blessed is he who comes, who comes in the name of the Lord.
Hosanna! Hosanna! Hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

ED BOLDUC

Save us, Savior of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection
you have set us free.

LAMB OF GOD

ED BOLDUC

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world: grant us peace.

Cel: Behold the Lamb of God.
Behold him who takes away the sins of the World.
Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

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

COMMUNION HYMN: HERE I AM LORD

DAN SCHUTTE

I, the Lord of sea and sky,
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
My hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night,
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

**Refrain: Here I am, Lord.
Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord,
if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.**

I, the Lord of snow and rain,
I have borne my people's pain.
I have wept for love of them.
They turn away.
I will break their hearts of stone,
Give them hearts for love alone.
I will speak my word to them.
Whom shall I send? **Refrain**

RECESSIONAL HYMN: GLORY AND PRAISE TO OUR GOD

DAN SCHUTTE

**Refrain: Glory and praise to our God
Who alone gives light to our days
Many are the blessings He bears
To those who trust in His ways**

We the daughters and sons of Him
Who built the valleys and plains
Praise the wonders our God has done
In every heart that sings. **Refrain**

In His wisdom He strengthens us
Like gold that's tested in fire
Though the power of sin prevails
Our God is there to save. **Refrain**

God has watered our barren land
And spent His merciful rain
Now our rivers of life run full
For anyone to drink. **Refrain**

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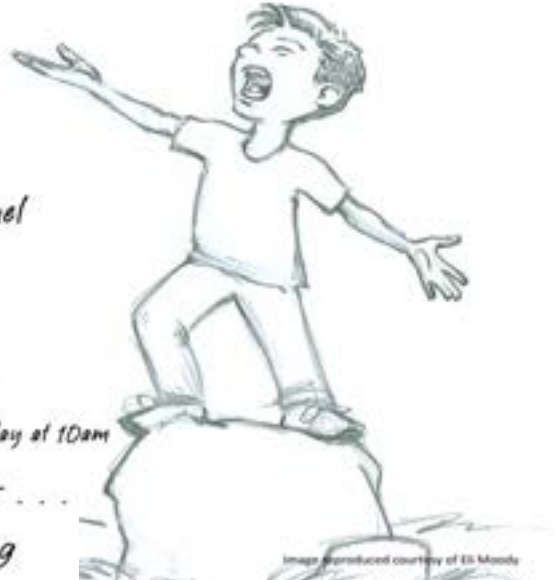
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