



# THE CARMELITE

Parish of Port Melbourne and Middle Park  
in the care of the Carmelites since 1882

*We acknowledge the Yaluk-ut Weelam Clan, the traditional owners and custodians of this land. We pay our respects to them.  
May we walk gently here.*

**TWENTY-EIGHTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME - 13 October 2024**

## CARMELITE REFLECTION:

### *Nothing is impossible for God*

In the Jewish tradition, wealth was seen as a blessing from God and the wealthy person as especially favoured by God. Along with the idea of divine blessing and favour came a divine obligation (often ignored) – the care of God's poor.

As the conversation between the rich man and Jesus unfolds, we see that he a good and upright man. The commandments which Jesus spells out are those to do with one's treatment of others. These, the rich man says, he has always kept.

Jesus' love and affection for the man recognises his very genuine efforts to live according to the commandments. This love ushers in the call to discipleship: 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' Jesus wants this man to be a follower of his. He is inviting him to move from a way of life centred on the Torah (Jewish law) to a way of life centred totally on Jesus.

When the man first approaches Jesus he asks what more he must do to inherit eternal life while still maintaining the present direction of his life. What Jesus is inviting him into is the total transformation of his life – to go in a new direction. Jesus is inviting him to an even more radical fulfilment of his obligations to neighbour by selling all he has, giving the proceeds to the poor, and then becoming a follower of Jesus.

Rather sadly, the rich man cannot take this step. He is trapped and controlled by his possessions and cannot let them go in order to enter into joyful and life-giving companionship with Jesus.

When Jesus talks about how hard it is for a rich person to enter the kingdom of God the disciples are astounded. They, too, think of wealth and possessions.

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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

274 Rouse Street  
Port Melbourne Vic 3207

Telephone 03 9681 9600

After Hours Phone Number  
0419 136 030

Email parish@sj-mc.org.au

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)**

### Parish Priest

Fr Paul Cahill, OCarm

### Parish Secretary

Cathy Garbellini

### Pastoral Associate

Kelly McEnhill

### Business Finance Manager

Mark Zanon

### Sacramental Co-Ordinators

Baptism - Vacant  
First Reconciliation - Sally Diserio  
First Eucharist - Aimee Nguyen  
Confirmation - Sally Diserio

### Safeguarding Officer

Frances Correa

### Maintenance Manager

Dave Fletcher

### Galilee Regional Catholic

#### Primary School

Bank Street, South Melbourne 3205  
Telephone 03 9699 2928

## THIS WEEK

### Monday 14 October

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

### Tuesday 15 October

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel

### Wednesday 16 October

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

### Thursday 17 October

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel

### Friday 18 October

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

### Saturday 19 October

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel

5.00pm Vigil Mass, Mt Carmel

### Sunday 20 October

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

10.30am Mass, Mt Carmel

## WE REMEMBER

**Those who are sick or ill and in need of prayer:** Patrick Achiam, Deepa Ariff, Lawrence Bassett, Maurizio Bonizzoni, Dorina Butera, Grace Callaghan, Shirley Callaghan, Rita Colli, Mary Hong Cao, Mary Tam Cao, Shawn Ceasar, Robert Chaminda, Mrs Chan, Josephine Clayton, Daphnie Cramer, Grace Cumming, Mary Dalll, Michael De Nittis, Anthony Dickason, Maureen Dickason, Leonie Dimes, Bernadette Falckh, Gigi Falk, Lyn Falk, Maria Fatima, Rebecca Fernando, Tony Fernandez, Father Des Fitzgerald CSSR, Jill Foster, John Fuller, Gus Gleason, John Goral, Amelia Grace, Evelen Greach, George Grzyb, Nova Hack, Bernardine Hagan, Christine Hall, Shawn Handricks, Lincoln Hanland, Darren Harland, Chin Hsia, Portia Hendrick, Carol Higginson, Jason Ho, Steph Hudson, Marija Jelinic, Sr Martin Jones, Teresa Kwol, Paul Chan Yin Leung, Margaret Lopes, Austin Lorraine, Les Lugowski, Christine Lyell, Coco McMaster, Maria Teresa Marques, Robert Masquiren, Ian MacLachlan, Maggie McKern, Marta Menjivar, Alba Middleton, Maria Loc Nguyen, Paul Nghi Cao Thanh, Caterina Orfanidis, Barry Paff, Dan Quickley, Helen Quickley, Rafal Rafakski, Daphnie Rasika, Shawn Raymond, Jill Ridge, Michael Risteviski, Dennis Rohan, Clara Romeo, Keith Ryder, Chris Silkok, Ailbe Sheehy, Frances Sheehy, Sash Carti Somerset-Beauverie, Dorothea Spencer, Jim Sullivan, Danielle Szeto, Diane Thakur, Angela Trigar, Ria Van Lith, Julieanne Wharton & Tami Yap.

**Those who have died recently:** Vincent Smith

**Those whose anniversaries occur about this time:** Paul Dao, Les Mowat, Anna Nguyen, Natalie Pringle & Carmelite Hilarion Byrne.

## IN OUR PARISH

### Parish Men's Dinner

Date: **Wednesday, 16 October, 2024**

Venue: **O'Connor-Pilkington Room,  
OLMC, Middle Park**

Cost: **\$40.00 pp**

Speaker: Fellow diner, Wil Kininmonth, will give us a scientific perspective on climate change. If you would like more information or to **RSVP**, please contact **Brian Rochford**:

Mobile: 0404 056 542

Email: bfrochford@bigpond.com

### Parish Ladies Dinner

Our next dinner is

**Wednesday, 16 October 2024, 6.00pm**

at **Clare Castle Hotel, Port Melbourne.**

Meal and drinks at each lady's expense.

To RSVP, please contact Margaret Blades via:

SMS to: 0429 933 129

Email: margaretblades@bigpond.com

Numbers are capped at 20; book early to avoid disappointment.

All welcome !

## Working Bee at St Joseph's Church

Our next annual working bee at St. Joseph's Church is on **Saturday, 19 October 2024, 10am.**

Tasks will include :

- \* Cleaning the brass
- \* Washing pews
- \* General dusting & tidy up.

**BYO gloves, bucket and cleaning cloth.**

**All welcome.**

## THANK YOU

for your generosity last weekend

### Parish Stewardship Offerings

Envelopes	\$ 395.00
Credit Card	\$ 695.00
Direct Credit	\$ 2,792.75
Loose Plate	\$ 1,188.75
Tap & Go	\$ 232.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 5,303.50</b>



## MINISTRIES

**19-20 October 2024**

### 29 TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME

### 5.00pm Mount Carmel (Vigil)

Commentator: Kelly McEnhill

Reader: Abramo ierardo

Offertory: Janine Brodie

Communion: Janine Brodie

Music: Kelly McEnhill

Sacristan: Abramo ierardo

### 9.00am St Joseph's

Commentator: Vicki Howell

Reader: Lis Northam

Offertory: Aoife Ling

Communion: Frances Correa

Counters: Ron & Sandra Cassano

Music: Will Kininmonth

Hospitality: Elaine Chaffer

Sacristan: Rob Winduss

### 10.30am Mount Carmel

Commentator: Michael Rudov

Reader: John Molnar

Offertory: Kelly McEnhill

Communion: Peter Thomas

Music: Organist / Cantor

Hospitality: Peter Thomas

Sacristan: Kelly McEnhill

### Communion to the Sick:

Mary Brady : 21-27 Oct

## DONATIONS

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### Electronic Funds Transfer

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Name: Port Melb / Middle Park Parish

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as a sign of God's favour and blessing. Jesus drives home his point by insisting that, 'It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' The disciples are even more astounded and conclude that if rich people can't make it into the kingdom, then what hope do the rest of us have?

Jesus' reply to the disciples tells us clearly that if we rely on human resources and means it is impossible to find salvation. But if we rely on God, then we can be saved - the good and gracious God who gives the Kingdom as pure, unmerited gift.

Sometimes, the very things we love, in which we find our security and in which we place our trust can turn out to be our undoing and stumbling blocks on our journey into the kingdom.

Jesus' reply about God who can do the impossible is also a reassurance that God stands ready to journey with us, to help us find the way to move our hearts from reliance on ourselves and human resources to rely on God's love and companionship.

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

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## NEWS FROM THE SYNOD

This week, the study group looking at the possibility of women being ordained as Deacons, announced they would recommend against it. This follows on from Pope Francis saying, prior to the start of this sitting of the Synod, that he felt the moment "was not yet ripe".

The study group looking into the controversial topics of morality and life issues, will encourage the Church to move beyond "proclaiming and applying abstract doctrinal experiences", and be able to consider peoples lived experiences as part of its teaching.

Both of these groups, will not complete their discussions until next June, when their final recommendations are to be given to Pope Francis.

This final sitting of the Synod features less general plenary sessions and is giving more time to working groups who will share with each other what has emerged during conversations.

## PHOTOS FROM FR. PAUL'S STUDY TRIP



Left: Acropolis of Athens (ref. Acts 17).  
Outside the Parthenon.



Above: Acropolis by night from hotel rooftop



Above: Study Tour Group at the Archeological site of Corinth

## A PRAYER FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST

Lord our God,  
Father of the Lord Jesus Christ,  
and Father of all peoples,  
Who in the cross of Your Son  
and through the gift of His own life,  
at great cost You wished to destroy  
the wall of enmity and hostility  
that separates peoples and makes us enemies:  
Send into our hearts  
the gift of the Holy Spirit,  
that He may purify us from every feeling  
of violence, hatred and revenge,  
enlighten us to understand  
the irrepressible dignity  
of every human person,  
and inflame us to the point of consumption  
for a peaceful and reconciled world  
in truth and justice,  
in love and freedom.

Almighty and eternal God,  
in Your hands are the hopes of men and women  
and the rights of every people:  
Assist with Your wisdom those who govern us,  
so that, with Your help,  
they will become sensitive to the sufferings of the poor  
and of those who suffer the consequences  
of violence and war;  
may they promote the common good and lasting peace  
in our region  
and throughout the earth.

Virgin Mary, Mother of Hope,  
obtain the gift of peace  
for the Holy Land that gave birth to you  
and for the whole world. Amen.

*Composed by the Latin Patriarch of Jerusalem, Cardinal Pizzaballa and  
commended to us by the Archbishop of Melbourne, Most Reverend Peter Comensoli.*

## OUR LITURGY

PROCESSIONAL HYMN:      HOLY GOD, WE PRAISE THY NAME

Holy God, we praise thy name!  
Lord of all, we bow before Thee;  
All on earth your thy sceptre claim,  
All in heaven above adore Thee;  
Infinite Thy vast domain,  
Everlasting is Thy reign.

Hark! the loud celestial hymn  
Angel choirs above are raising;  
Cherubim and Seraphim  
In unceasing chorus praising;  
Fill the heavens with sweet accord;  
Holy, holy, holy Lord!

Holy Father, Holy Son, Holy Spirit,  
Three we name Thee,  
While in essence only One,  
Undivided God we claim Thee,  
And adoring bend the knee,  
While we own the mystery.

GLORIA

DAN SCHUTTE

**Refrain**      **Glory to God, glory to God, Glory to God in the highest  
And on Earth, peace on Earth, Peace to people of goodwill**

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

**Refrain**

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, the right of the Father  
Have mercy on us

**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

**Refrain**

Amen, amen.

FIRST READING

*Wisdom 7:7-11*

I prayed, and understanding was given me;  
I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me.  
I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones;  
compared with her, I held riches as nothing.  
I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer,  
for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand,  
and beside her silver ranks as mud.  
I loved her more than health or beauty,  
preferred her to the light,  
since her radiance never sleeps.  
In her company all good things came to me,  
at her hands riches not to be numbered.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 90 - FILL US WITH YOUR LOVE, O LORD, AND WE WILL SING FOR JOY!

**Response:**      **Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy.  
Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!**

Teach us to number our days aright,  
that we may gain wisdom of heart.  
Return, O LORD! How long?  
Have pity on your servants! **Response**

Fill us at daybreak with your kindness,  
that we may shout for joy and gladness all our days.  
Make us glad, for the days when you afflicted us,  
for the years when we saw evil. **Response**

Let your work be seen by your servants  
and your glory by their children;  
and may the gracious care of the LORD our God be ours;  
prosper the work of our hands for us!  
Prosper the work of our hands! **Response**

SECOND READING

*Hebrews 4:12-13*

The word of God is something alive and active; it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia, Alleluia

*Mark 10:17-27*

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich one to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another, 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For human beings' he said, 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

## 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.



**Refrain:**       **Take our bread, we ask you,  
Take our hearts, we love you,  
Take our lives, oh Father,  
We are yours; we are yours.**

Yours as we stand at the table you set,  
Yours as we eat the bread our hearts can't forget.  
We are the signs of your life with us yet;  
We are yours; we are yours. **Refrain**

Your holy people stand washed in your blood,  
Spirit-filled, yet hungry, we await your food.  
We are poor, but we brought ourselves the best we could.  
We are yours; we are yours. **Refrain**

**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, holy, holy Lord, God of host  
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

We proclaim your Death, O Lord,  
and profess your Resurrection  
until you come again, until you come again.

LAMB OF GOD

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 - VERSES 1 & 2

DAN SCHUTTE

VERSES Majestically

1.I, the Lord of sea and sky, I have heard my peo - ple cry.  
2.I, the Lord of snow and rain, I have borne my peo - ple's pain.  
3.I, the Lord of wind and flame, I will tend the poor and lame.

1.All who dwell in dark and sin my hand will save. I who  
2.I have wept for love of them. They turn a - way. I will  
3.I will set a feast for them. My hand will save. Fin-est

1.make the stars of night, I will make their dark-ness bright.  
2.break their hearts of stone, give them hearts for love a - lone.  
3.bread I will pro-vide till their hearts be sat - is - fied.

1.Who will bear my light to them? Whom shall I send?\_\_\_\_  
2.I will speak my word to them. Whom shall I send?\_\_\_\_  
3.I will give my life to them. Whom shall I send?\_\_\_\_

REFRAIN a tempo

Here I am, Lord.\_\_\_\_ Is it I, Lord?\_\_\_\_ I have heard you

call - ing in the night.\_\_\_\_ I will go, Lord.\_\_\_\_ if you

lead me.\_\_\_\_ I will hold your peo - ple in my heart.\_\_\_\_

Awake from your slumber, arise from your sleep  
 A new day is dawning for all those who weep  
 The people in darkness have seen a great light  
 The Lord of our longing has conquered the night

**Refrain**

**Refrain: Let us build the city of God  
 May our tears be turned into dancing  
 For the Lord, our light and our love  
 Has turned the night into day**

We are sons of the morning; we are daughters of day  
 The one who has loved us has brightened our way

**Refrain**

God is light, in him there is no darkness  
 Let us walk in his light, his children one and all  
 Oh comfort my people, make gentle your words  
 Proclaim to my city, the day of her birth

**Refrain**

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## UPCOMING EVENTS IN OUR PARISH



### “Make your own Christmas Pudding”

**Saturday, 16 November 2024, 2:00 pm - 4:00pm**

**St Joseph’s Parish Hall , 274 Rouse Street, Port Melbourne**  
 Pudding Serves 12-15. All ingredients supplied. Cost \$60  
**BYO Bowl and Mixing Spoon**

Email Sally at [sally.diserio@gmail.com](mailto:sally.diserio@gmail.com) to book your place.



### Parish Christmas Social

**Thursday, 5 December 2024, 6.00pm - 8.30pm**

**St Joseph’s Hall, Port Melbourne**

More details to follow in a future newsletter.



### Advent Reconciliation Services

**St Joseph’s Tuesday, 10 December 2024, 9:00am**

**OLMC Wednesday, 11 December 2024, 7.00pm**



### Food Cupboard

The last Food Cupboard opening for this year will be held on **Friday, 6 December 2024.**

The cupboard will reopen on **Friday, 7 February 2025.**

A huge THANKYOU to all the Volunteers for their efforts each Friday and to all Parishioners and Community donors who have supported the Cupboard throughout the Year.



**Opera Ensembles:  
Puccini, Verdi**

**Soprano: Susan Neilson**

**Soprano: Joanna Thoo**

**Tenor: Salvatore Granata**

**Tenor: Sebastian Giacobello**

**Baritone: David Eckstein**

**Bass: Desmond Lukey**

**Piano: Meredith Talia**

**Director: Dr Joseph Talia**

**Sunday 13 October at 2.00pm**

**Saint Joseph's Church**

**Cnr Rouse & Stokes Streets, Port Melbourne**

The concert will be followed by afternoon tea in  
St Joseph's Hall

Tickets (cash only): \$25.00 (\$20.00 concession/  
seniors) to assist the Carmelites' work in East Timor

More info: <https://youtu.be/IvaUSXMBs44>

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