



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.*

ELEVENTH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIMES - YEAR B - 16 June 2024

Dear sisters and brothers,

One can be understandably discouraged when thinking about the state of the world or our own shortcomings and limitations or the sickness and suffering of ourselves or others we love or for a hundred and one other reasons that suggest our life, in particular, or society, in general, is not thriving or developing in the positive way for which we've prayed or worked and hoped.

I think that the 1st Reading, the Responsorial Psalm and the Gospel today all address, in their own way and circumstances, this same sort of reality. In the 1st Reading, the Prophet Ezekiel is addressing the Israelite community that is exiled in Babylon because of its failures in fidelity to God. Yet Ezekiel is offering them hope that, through God's mercy and compassion, they will be delivered from exile and will prosper in a new reality of peace and justice. Of course, they expected this to be a mighty, powerful and victorious political kingdom even though we know now that that is not the kingdom that Jesus has established through his death and resurrection. Using the imagery of nature - of mountains and trees and fruit, of birds and plants – Ezekiel encourages the besieged people to have hope in God's love and mercy and power.

The Psalmist, too, in the Responsorial Psalm, offers reassurance that *The just will flourish like the palm-tree and grow like a Lebanon cedar* (symbols of rich life and prosperity) and that *Planted in the house of the Lord, they will flourish in the courts of our God, still bearing fruit when they are old, still full of sap, still green, to proclaim that the Lord is just.* Even in our twilight years, then, we can still give witness, by the manner in which we accept our reality and interact lovingly with others, to the joy and love, mercy and compassion of God.

In the Gospel, we find Mark reassuring his embattled community that, whilst their efforts to live as disciples of Jesus don't seem to be doing much as far as

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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)

Parish Priest

Fr Paul Cahill, OCarm

Parish Secretary

Cathy Garbellini

Pastoral Associate

Kelly McEnhill

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THIS WEEK

Monday 17 June

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

Tuesday 18 June

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel

Wednesday 19 June

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

Thursday 20 June

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel

Friday 21 June

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

Saturday 22 June

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel

5.00pm Vigil Mass, Mt Carmel

Sunday 23 June

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, Grace Callaghan, Rita Colli, Mary Hong Cao, Mary Tam Cao, Shawn Caesar, Robert Chaminda, Mrs Chan, Josephine Clayton, Daphnie Cramer, Grace Cumming, Mary Dalli, 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, Amelia Grace, Evelen Greach, Brendan Gurry, George Grzyb, Nova Hack, Bernardine Hagan, Christine Hall, Shawn Handricks, Darren Harland, Chin Hsia, Portia Hendrick, Carol Higginson, Jason Ho, Marija Jelinic, Sr Martin Jones, Teresa Kwol, Paul Chan Yin Leung, Margaret Lopes, Austin Lorraine, Les Lugowski, Christine Lyell, Maria Teresa Marques, Robert Masquiren, Ian MacLachlan, Maggie McKern, Marta Menjivar, Alba Middleton, Sam Neill, Maria Loc Nguyen, Dan Quickley, Helen Quickley, Rafal Rafakski, Daphnie Rasika, Shawn Raymond, Dennis Rohan, Jill Ridge, Michael Risteviski, Keith Ryder, Chris Silkok, Ailbe Sheehy, Frankie Sheeby, 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: Father Brendan Michael Dillon, Anne Marie Schropp

Those whose anniversaries of death occur about this time: Grazia Capuano, Salvatore Capuano, Lillian Smith, Hartley Stephens.

IN OUR PARISH



Welcome to our Family

This Sunday, we welcome:

Darcy William Edwards

as he receives the

Sacrament of Baptism at
St Joseph's.

Please keep Darcy, his parents,
godparents & family in your prayers.

Parish Men's Dinner

Date: Wednesday, 19 June 2024

Time: 6.45pm

Venue: O'Connor-Pilkington Room, Middle Park

Cost: \$40.00 pp

Speaker: Our speaker will be fellow diner, Des Powell, who is a Director, Ports Victoria.

Des will talk on "Getting ships safely through the Heads, up the bay and under the West Gate Bridge!!!"

To RSVP, please contact **Mick Leonard** on:

Email: michael.leonard5@bigpond.com

Mobile: 0409 777 339

Parish Ladies Dinner

The next dinner is **Wednesday, 19 June 2024, 6.00pm** at

Clare Castle Hotel, Port Melbourne.

Meal and drinks at each lady's expense.

To RSVP, please contact Cathy Garbellini via:

Email: cathy@sj-mc.org.au OR text to: **0448 307 865**

Numbers are capped at 20;

book early to avoid disappointment.

THANK YOU

for your generosity last weekend

Parish Stewardship Offerings

Envelopes	\$ 365.00
Credit Card	\$ 915.00
Direct Credit	\$ 1,841.95
Loose Plate	\$ 940.45
Tap & Go	\$ 280.00
Total	\$4,342.40



MINISTRIES

22/23 June 2024

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

5.00pm Mount Carmel (Vigil)

Commentator: Pat Mount

Reader: Mark Leonard

Offertory: Kathy Mount

Communion: Kathy Mount

Sacristan: Abramo Ierardo

Music: Abramo Ierardo

9.00am St Joseph's

Commentator: Brian Harrison

Reader: Ron Cassano

Offertory: Aoife Ling

Communion: Cathy Garbellini

Counters: Brian Harrison & Toni Stuart

Music: Elaine Chaffer

Hospitality: Eden Rzepisko & Cora

Galutera

Sacristan: Rob Winduss

10.30am Mount Carmel

Commentator: Peter Thomas

Reader: Nina Batsakis

Offertory: Sally Diserio

Communion: Sr. Reba Woodwiss

Music: Choir

Hospitality: Kathleen Kiernan

Sacristan: Kelly McEnhill

Communion to the Sick:

Kathy Mount: 24-30 Jun

DONATIONS

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the transformation of their world goes, nonetheless they should persevere in hope. He also draws on analogies from nature, referencing the seed that grows imperceptibly whilst life seems to go on as normal and the bush which seems insignificant, nonetheless in time growing and making its mark and providing support and protection and life for other creatures.

The Word of God to us today, then, encourages us to appreciate the life we're given and to persevere in faith and hope in our efforts to follow the way of Jesus, as ultimately his ways of justice and peace, mercy and compassion, forgiveness and love will prevail.

Blessings.



SAVE THE DATE

- **Sunday 14 July 2024 - Mass for Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel - at 10:30am at Our Lady of Mount Camel Church** followed by a **Mid Year Parish Social 12pm** at St Joseph's Hall, Port Melbourne.
- **Saturday 20 July 2024 - Br Anacleto's Diaconate Ordination - , 5pm at Our Lady of Mt Carmel**, followed by refreshments in the O'Connor-Pilkington Room.
- **Thursday, 1 August 2024 Parish Meeting - , 7pm at St Joseph's Hall.**

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Confirmation - Non Galilee candidates in Grade 4 or higher are invited to enrol in the 2024 Confirmation Program.

Enrolments close:	Monday, 15 July 2024
Family Preparation Night:	Thursday 18 July 2024 at 7pm at O'Connor- Pilkington Room, Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Cnr Wright & Richardson Sts, Middle Park.
Rehearsal:	Thursday 8 August, 7pm at Our Lady of Mt Carmel.
Sacrament:	Sunday 11 August, 2pm at Our Lady of Mt Carmel.

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

Luncheon for Our Lady of Mt Carmel Feast Day

Date: Sunday 14 July 2024
Time: 12:00pm
Venue: St Joseph's Hall, Port Melbourne
Cost: \$25.00 per person



Come along and join us for a 2-Course Spit Roast Lunch to celebrate the **Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel**. This is a great mid-year event to celebrate this special occasion with the Carmelites and our parish community.

The two course sit-down lunch includes Roast Beef, Pork or Lamb and accompanying condiments, jacket potatoes and vegetables, followed by dessert, tea and coffee. This event is BYO. Vegetarian options will be available.

To book select one of the following methods:

- contact Cathy at the Parish Office (9681-9600 or cathy@sj-mc.org.au) & pay using the DONATE button on the Home page of the parish website (www.sj-mc.org.au)... be sure to select **LUNCH FEAST OLMC** and specify your **First name** and **Last name**.
- see **Carmel Collins** after the 5.00pm Mass at Mt Carmel.
- see **Brian Harrison** after the 9.00am Mass at St Joseph's
- see **Sally Diserio** after the 10.30am Mass at Mt Carmel

*For catering purposes, payment MUST be made by **Sunday 30 June 2024**.*

Your legacy can create a future of Possibilities

Leaving a **Gift** in your Will is a personal choice of great importance. It's a generous gesture that will reflect your faith, beliefs and values well into the future.

By leaving a **gift to The Carmelites** or the Parish in your Will, your legacy can create a future of possibilities. Whether it is training young men to become priests and equipping them to become leaders of their communities, providing young Timorese people with hope for a better future through education, or supporting the ongoing mission of our Parish here in Port Melbourne-Middle Park, your gift will sustain our work and transform lives.

To find out more about leaving a gift in your Will contact the Carmelites on 9690 8822 or philanthropy@carmelites.org.au or pickup a booklet in the back of the church.

To find out more about leaving a **gift to The Parish** in your Will, contact the Parish Office (**9681 9600; parish@sj-mc.org.au**).

REFLECTION

What is the Kingdom of God like ?

Parables are meant to leave the hearers wondering. They are not straight-forward answers to questions. They are food for thought.

In the Gospels Jesus is rarely concerned about facts and figures, dates and times. By using parables Jesus is trying to engage his listeners at a deeper level. He wants his teaching to seize their hearts. He wants them to discover the truth of what he is saying for themselves. It is part of the business of conversion - coming to see with new eyes.

It is wonderful to see Jesus, again and again, looking at life and at what's happening around him, for things and images that might help the people to detect and to experience the presence of the Kingdom.

In Mark's Gospel the Kingdom is not something yet to come, it is a present reality. It is the presence and action (reign) of God among his people. That may not always been readily seen, but it is there none the less. It may seem to have humble beginnings (like the small seed in the second parable), but the experience of it grows into something all-consuming.

The story of the seed that grows all on its own

The farmer who plants the seed knows the process: first the seed, then the green shoot, the leaf, the ear and the grain. The farmer knows how to wait and will not cut the stalk before it is time, but he does not know from where the power comes for the soil, the rain, the sun and the seed to make a seed turn into fruit. That's what the Kingdom of God is like. It's a process. There are stages and points of growth. It takes time and happens in time. The fruit comes at the right time but no one can explain its mysterious power.

The story of the tiny mustard seed that turns into something very big

The mustard seed is small, but it grows, to the point where the birds can make their nests in its branches. That's what the Kingdom is like. It begins as something very small, it grows and spreads its branches providing shelter and shade where new life grows. (From Lectio Divina, June 2021 - www.ocarm.org)

Thinking about the Kingdom today sets a context for our continued listening to Mark's Gospel and a reminder that God is at work in the world.

Jesus' proclamation of the Kingdom is central and fundamental – the work of uncovering the often-hidden reign of God and returning humanity to God's original plan for his family.

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

OUR LITURGY

PROCESSIONAL HYMN:

PRAISE TO YOU, O CHRIST OUR SAVIOUR

VERSES 1 & 4

Bernadette Farrell

REFRAIN



Praise to you, O Christ, our Sav-ior, Word of the Fa-ther, call-ing us to life;
Son_ of God who leads us to free-dom: glo-ry to you, Lord Je-susChrist!

VERSES



1.You are the Word who calls us out of dark-ness; you are the
2.You are the one whom proph-ets hoped and longed for; you are the
3.You are the Word who calls us to be ser-vants; you are the
4.You are the Word who binds us and u-nites us; you are the



1.Word who leads us in-to light; you are the Word who
2.one who speaks to us to-day; you are the one who
3.Word whose on-ly law is love; you are the Word-mado-
4.Word who calls us to be one; you are the Word who



to Refrain

1.brings us through the de-sert: glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ!
2.leads us to our fu-ture: glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ!
3.flesh who lives a-mong us: glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ!
4.teach-es us for-give-ness: glo-ry to you, Lord Je-sus Christ!

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

Ezekiel 17:22-24

The Lord says this:

‘From the top of the cedar,
from the highest branch I will take a shoot
and plant it myself on a very high mountain.
I will plant it on the high mountain of Israel.
It will sprout branches and bear fruit,
and become a noble cedar.
Every kind of bird will live beneath it,
every winged creature rest in the shade of its branches.
And every tree of the field will learn that I, the Lord, am the one
who stunts tall trees and makes the low ones grow,
who withers green trees and makes the withered green.
I, the Lord, have spoken, and I will do it.’

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 92 - LORD, IT IS GOOD TO GIVE THANKS TO YOU

Response: Lord, it is good; Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

It is good to give thanks to the LORD,
to sing praise to your name, Most High,
To proclaim your kindness at dawn
and your faithfulness throughout the night.

Response

The just one shall flourish like the palm tree,
like a cedar of Lebanon shall he grow.
They that are planted in the house of the LORD
shall flourish in the courts of our God.

Response

They shall bear fruit even in old age;
vigorous and sturdy shall they be,
Declaring how just is the LORD,
my rock, in whom there is no wrong.

Response

SECOND READING

2 Corinthians 5:6-10

We are always full of confidence when we remember that to live in the body means to be exiled from the Lord, going as we do by faith and not by sight – we are full of confidence, I say, and actually want to be exiled from the body and make our home with the Lord. Whether we are living in the body or exiled from it, we are intent on pleasing him. For all the truth about us will be brought out in the law court of Christ, and each of us will get what we deserve for the things we did in the body, good or bad.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL

Mark 4:26-34

Jesus said to the crowds, 'This is what the kingdom of God is like. A man throws seed on the land. Night and day, while he sleeps, when he is awake, the seed is sprouting and growing; how, he does not know. Of its own accord the land produces first the shoot, then the ear, then the full grain in the ear. And when the crop is ready, he loses no time; he starts to reap because the harvest has come.'

He also said, 'What can we say the kingdom of God is like? What parable can we find for it? It is like a mustard seed which at the time of its sowing in the soil is the smallest of all the seeds on earth; yet once it is sown it grows into the biggest shrub of them all and puts out big branches so that the birds of the air can shelter in its shade.'

Using many parables like these, he spoke the word to them, so far as they were capable of understanding it. He would not speak to them except in parables, but he explained everything to his disciples when they were alone.



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 - THE LORD IS MY SHEPHERD

PAUL GURR

The Lord is my Shepherd, and I want to follow,
wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.
Over the mountains, the waters and by-ways,
valleys and highways he's waiting for me.

Refrain:

**I want to go to meet him there, to lay myself down in his love.
The Lord is my shepherd, and I want to follow,
wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.**

And while on the journey to where we are going,
he promised to be there to help us along.
And over the mountains we'll walk on together,
to know all the wonders he's given to me.

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 Hosts.

Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest.

Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

When we eat this Bread and drink this Cup,

we proclaim your Death, O Lord,

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: TASTE AND SEE

JAMES E. MOORE

**Refrain: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord,
The goodness of the Lord.**

I will bless the Lord at all times

God's grace ever in my mouth

Glory in the Lord forever

And the lowly will hear and be glad. **Refrain**

Glory in the Lord with me

Let us together extol God's name

I sought the Lord who answered me.

And delivered from all my fears. **Refrain**

Look to God, that you might be radiant with joy

And your faces, free from all shame

The Lord hears the suffering souls

And saves them from all distress. **Refrain**

Refrain

All the ends of the earth, all you crea-tures of the sea, lift up your
eyes to the won-ders of the Lord. For the Lord of the earth, the
Mas-ter of the sea, has come with jus-tice for the world.

Verse 1

1. Break in-to song at the deeds of the Lord, the
wonder he has done in ev-'ry age.

Verse 2

2. Heav-en and earth shall re-joice in his might: ev-'ry heart,
ev-'ry na-tion call him Lord.

Verse 3

3. The Lord has made sal-va-tion known, faith-ful to the prom-
is-es of old. Let the ends of the earth, let the
sea and all it holds make mu-sic be-fore our King!

Text: Psalm 98, Bob Dufford, Ed. 1, 1943
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Australian Chamber Choir

The International Tour Program takes place at **Our Lady of Mount Carmel** at **3PM** on **Sunday 16 June**, just before the choir depart for Europe!

This program, directed by Douglas Lawrence, features the Bach Motet, Sing unto the Lord a New Song, Palestrina's Keys to Heaven and Gabrieli's Psalm 100. As an encore, to commemorate the 200th Anniversary of Beethoven's Ninth, we'll sing a new arrangement of his Ode to Joy.

Bookings and info are at www.auschoir.org

OLOMC parishioners and folk from the other church in South Melbourne can get a 10% discount off Regular seat prices using the discount code OLOMC.



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IS COMMITTED TO THE SAFETY,
WELLBEING AND DIGNITY OF ALL CHILDREN,
YOUNG PEOPLE AND VULNERABLE ADULTS.**



2024 Propagation of the Faith Appeal 15 & 16 June 2024



Donations of \$2.00 or more are tax deductible.

This week, you're invited to partner with the Church in Mongolia to help deliver essential services to people who need it most. Lack of access and social stigma mean that some of the most vulnerable people are not getting the support they require.

The House of Mercy will provide a haven for many people, including those affected by homelessness and domestic violence. Without your partnership, people in need will go without the assistance they require.

This week, we are called to "Invite others to the banquet", and we will invite you to share the warmth of God's love with our brothers and sisters who need it most in Mongolia. You can support this work by using the **appeal envelope**, going **online at catholicmission.org.au/Mongolia**, or **scanning the QR code**. Your gift will also assist many other Church programs around the world.

PLEASE GIVE IF YOU CAN