



# 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.*

**THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 19 November 2023**

## *Growing the Kingdom*

Continuing the theme of last week's parable about the wise and the foolish women, this parable also concentrates on wisdom. The wise servants fulfil the bond of trust placed in them by the master by being productive with an enormous amount of money entrusted to them. Like the perfect wife in the first reading, they are industrious in contrast to the third servant who uses fear as an excuse for doing nothing.

Like last Sunday, today's Gospel is another 'meantime' parable - how do we live as disciples of Christ in the meantime as we wait for his return?

The master entrusts his property to his servants and goes away. On his return, he asks for an accounting of what they have done with his property. The servants who have been industrious and productive are praised. The servant who did nothing is condemned.

Christ has entrusted us with the Kingdom of God. We are called to work industriously and productively with the Spirit so that the Kingdom, the Reign of God's grace, may be seen and experienced through us, and that others also may come to believe. The Kingdom gifts of love, justice, mercy, compassion and forgiveness are multiplied. The Kingdom grows.

Both the first reading and the Gospel today praise busy, energetic people - those who produce much from what has been given to them. In these readings we find an image of how to wait in this 'in between time' for the final coming of Christ. The Christian disciple is called to watch and wait, not in a lazy or self-indulgent way, but eagerly doing the work of the Kingdom and producing its fruits of justice, mercy, peace, hope and love as we go about our daily tasks.

It is the ideal of responsible stewardship which is proclaimed in the Gospel. We have been entrusted with the very life of God. What are we doing/will we do with it?

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

**Both our Churches are fitted with a hearing induction loop. Please use the 'T' or other appropriate switch on your hearing aid. Please tell us if you experience any difficulty.**

## 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 Assistant

Kelly McEnhill

### Business Finance Manager

Mark Zanon

### Sacramental Co-Ordinator

Baptism - Angela Cox

First Reconciliation - Angela Cox

First Eucharist - Aimee Nguyen

Confirmation - Sally Diserio

### Safeguarding Officer

Frances Correa

### Facilities Manager

Dave Fletcher

### Galilee Regional Catholic Primary School

Bank Street, South Melbourne 3205

Telephone 03 9699 2928

## THIS WEEK

### Monday 20 November

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

### Tuesday 21 November

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel

### Wednesday 22 November

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

### Thursday 23 November

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel

### Friday 24 November

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

### Saturday 25 November

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel

5.00pm Mass, Mt Carmel

### Sunday 26 November

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

10.30am Mass, Mt Carmel

## WE REMEMBER

**Those who are sick or ill and in need of prayer:** Victor Acciarito, Deepa Ariff, Lawrence Bassett, Grace Callaghan, Mary Hong Cao, Mary Tam Cao, Shawn Ceasar, Robert Chaminda, Mrs Chan, Josephine Clayton, Paul Cox, Daphnie Cramer, Mary Dalli, Michael De Nittis, Maureen Dickason, Leonie Dimes, Bernadette Falckh, Gigi Falk, Lyn Falk, Maria Fatima, Rebecca Fernando, Tony Fernandez, Father Des Fitzgerald CSSR, Jill Foster, Gus Gleason, Amelia Grace, Evelyn Greach, Brendan Gurry, Michael Gurry, George Grzyb, Nova Hack, Christine Hall, Shawn Handricks, Portia Hendrick, Carol Higginson, Jason Ho, Marija Jelinic, Sr Martin Jones, Mary Loc, Christine Lyell, Maria Teresa Marques, Robert Masquiren, Sean McPhee, Sharon Beverly Mendes, Marta Menjivar, Baby Alba Middleton, Sam Neill, Mary Nguyen-Loc, Mary Paradise, Dan Quickley, Helen Quickley, Rafal Rafakski, Daphnie Rasika, Shawn Raymond, Jill Ridge, Elise Rimmington, Michael Risteviski, Keith Ryder, Sharmini Senanayeke, Chris Silkok, Ailbe Sheehy, Sash Somerset Beauverie, Dorothea Spencer, Jim Sullivan, Danielle Szeto, Angela Trigar & Tami Yap.

**Those who have died recently:** Mayimo Claudio, Andrew Derrington, Emma Galutera & Gerard Miniapen.

**Those whose anniversaries of death occur about this time:** Marcia D'Vecak, Margaret Ferrigno, Neil Ferrigno, Darrel Hill, Rose Matilda Hill, Ellen Maloney, Pat Scurry & Carmelites Thomas Kelly and Peter Davies.

## IN OUR PARISH



**Parish Christmas Social**  
**Thursday, 7 December 2023,**  
**6.00pm - 8.30pm**  
**St Joseph's Hall, Port Melbourne**

See Back page for more details



The **Parish Craft Group** will be holding a **STALL** at the **Parish Christmas Social** on 7 December, selling various items that have been lovingly hand knitted throughout the year. Cash preferred.

Thankyou to all the ladies for their contributions.



## Advent Reconciliation Services

St Joseph's - Tues, 12 Dec 2023, 9:00am

OLMC - Wed, 13 Dec 2023, 7.00pm

## Food Cupboard

The last Food Cupboard opening for this year will be held on **Friday, 17 December 2023.**

The cupboard will reopen on **Friday, 3 February 2024.**

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.

**25/26 November 2023**

**CHRIST THE KING**  
**5.00pm Mount Carmel (Vigil)**

Commentator: Tris Tanumihardjo

Reader: Pat Mount

Offertory: Kathy Mount

Communion: Kathy Mount

Music: Janine Brodie

**9.00am St Joseph's**

Commentator: William Kininmonth

Reader: Lis Northam

Offertory: Aoife Ling

Communion: Br Anacleto

Counters: Ron & Sandra Cassano

Music: Margaret Smith

Hospitality: TBD

**10.30am Mount Carmel**

Commentator: Marlene Halim

Reader: John Molnar

Offertory: Sr. Reba Woodwiss

Communion: Sr. Reba Woodwiss

Music: Peter Russo

Hospitality: Denis Churkovich

**Communion to the Sick:**

Denis Passalent : 27 Nov - 2 Dec 2023

## THANK YOU

for your generosity last weekend

### Parish Stewardship Offerings

Envelopes	\$ 675.00
Credit Card	\$ 280.00
Direct Credit	\$ 480.00
Loose Plate	\$ 982.40
Tap & Go	\$ 150.00
Quarterly	\$ 650.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$3,217.40</b>

BSB: 083-347

Account Number : 58 216 8515

Name: Port Melb / Middle Park Parish



**PORT MELBOURNE/MIDDLE PARK  
PARISH  
CHRISTMAS 2023**

Christmas Eve - Sunday 24 Dec 2023	Family Mass	Mt Carmel 5.00pm
	Mass	St Joseph's 7.00pm
Christmas Day - Monday 25 Dec 2023	Mass	St Joseph's 9.00am
	Mass	Mt Carmel 10.30am
New Year's Day Monday 1 Jan 2024	Mass	St Joseph's 9.00am
	Mass	Mt Carmel 9.00am

The Parish Office will:  
CLOSE on Friday 22 December 2023, 12.00pm  
REOPEN on Tuesday 23 January 2023, 9.00am.

For emergencies, please call Father Paul Cahill on 0419 136 030

Parish Email: [parish@sj-mc.org.au](mailto:parish@sj-mc.org.au)  
Parish website: [www.sj-mc.org.au](http://www.sj-mc.org.au)

## OUR LITURGY

### 10:30am Mass Only:

**LIVE MUSIC MASS - PLEASE NOTE, ALL THE MUSIC FOR THE 10:30AM MASS WILL BE ON A SEPARATE SHEET.**

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: BE THOU MY VISION

Be Thou my vision, O Lord of my heart;  
be naught be all else to me, save that Thou art;  
be thou my best thought, in the day and the night;  
on waking or sleeping, Thy presence my light.

Be Thou my Wisdom, be Thou my true Word;  
be Thou ever with me and I with Thee, Lord;  
be Thou my great Father, and I Thy true son,  
be Thou in me dwelling, and I with Thee one.

Be Thou my Breastplate, my Sword for the fight;  
be Thou my whole Armor, be Thou my true Might;  
be Thou my soul's Shelter, be Thou my strong Tower,  
O raise Thou me heavenward, great Power of my power.

Riches I heed not, nor man's empty praise,  
be Thou mine inheritance, now and always;  
be Thou and Thou only the first in my heart,  
O High King of heaven, my Treasure Thou art.

High King of heaven, Thou heaven's bright Sun,  
O grant me its joys, after victory is won;  
Great Heart of my own heart, whatever befall,  
still be Thou my Vision, O Ruler of all.

GLORIA

Mass of Renewal  
Curtis Stephan

Glo-ry to God in the high - est, and on earth peace to peo-ple  
of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we a -  
dore you, we glo-ri-fy you, we give you  
thanks for your great glo - ry, Lord God, heav-en - ly  
King. O God, al-might-y Fa - ther.  
Lord Je - sus Christ, On - ly Be - got - ten Son, Lord God,  
Lamb of God, Son of the Fa - ther, you take a -  
way the sins of the world, have mer - cy on us; you take a -  
way the sins of the world, re - ceive our prayer; you are seat - ed  
at the right hand of the Fa - ther, have mer -  
cy, have mer - cy on us. For you a - lone are the  
Ho - ly One, you a - lone are the Lord, you a - lone are the  
Most High, Je - sus Christ, with the Ho - ly Spir - it,

in the glo-ry of God the Fa-ther. A - men, a - men.

FIRST READING

*Proverbs 31:10-13. 19-20. 30-31*

A perfect wife – who can find her?  
She is far beyond the price of pearls.  
Her husband’s heart has confidence in her,  
from her he will derive no little profit.  
Advantage and not hurt she brings him  
all the days of her life.  
She is always busy with wool and with flax,  
she does her work with eager hands.  
She sets her hands to the distaff,  
her fingers grasp the spindle.  
She holds out her hand to the poor,  
she opens her arms to the needy.  
Charm is deceitful, and beauty empty;  
the woman who is wise is the one to praise.  
Give her a share in what her hands have worked for,  
and let her works tell her praises at the city gates.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 128: HAPPY ARE THOSE WHO FEAR THE LORD.

**Response: Blessed, blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.**

Blessed is everyone who fears the LORD, who walks in his ways!  
For you shall eat the fruit of your handiwork, blessed shall you be,  
and favoured. **Response**

Your wife shall be like a fruitful vine in the recesses of your home;  
your children like olive plants around your table. **Response**

**Response: Blessed, blessed are those who fear the Lord and walk in his ways.**

Behold, thus is the man blessed who fears the LORD.  
The LORD bless you from Zion:  
may you see the prosperity of Jerusalem all the days of your life. **Response**

## SECOND READING

### *1 Thessalonians 5:1-6*

You will not be expecting us to write anything to you, brothers, about 'times and seasons'; since you know very well that the Day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night. It is when people are saying, 'How quiet and peaceful it is' that the worst suddenly happens, as suddenly as labour pains come on a pregnant woman; and there will be no way for anybody to evade it.

But it is not as if you live in the dark, my sisters and brothers, for that Day to overtake you like a thief. No, you are all children of light and children of the day: we do not belong to the night or to darkness, so we should not go on sleeping, as everyone else does, but stay wide awake and sober.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mass of Renewal  
Curtis Stephan

Al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia, al - le - lu - ia.

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## GOSPEL

### *Matthew 25:14-30*

Jesus spoke this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a man on his way abroad who summoned his servants and entrusted his property to them. To one he gave five talents, to another two, to a third one; each in proportion to his ability. Then he set out. The man who had received the five talents promptly went and traded with them and made five more. The man who had received two made two more in the same way. But the man who had received one went off and dug a hole in the ground and hid his master's money. Now a long time after, the master of those servants came back and went through his accounts with them. The man who had received the five talents came forward bringing five more. "Sir", he said "you entrusted me with five talents; here are five more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." Next the man with the two talents came forward. "Sir," he said "you entrusted me with two talents; here are two more that I have made." His master said to him, "Well done, good and faithful servant; you have shown you can be faithful in small things, I will trust you with greater; come and join in your master's happiness." Last came forward the man who had the one talent. "Sir," said he "I had heard you were a hard man, reaping where you have not sown and gathering where you have not scattered; so I was afraid, and I went off and hid your talent in the ground. Here it is; it was yours, you have it back." But his master answered him, "You wicked and lazy servant! So you knew that I reap where I have not sown and gather where I have not scattered? Well then, you should have deposited my money with the bankers, and on my return I would have recovered my capital with interest. So now, take the talent from him and give it to the man who has the five talents. For to everyone who has will be given more, and he will have more than enough; but from the man who has not, even what he has will be taken away. As for this good-for-nothing servant, throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth."



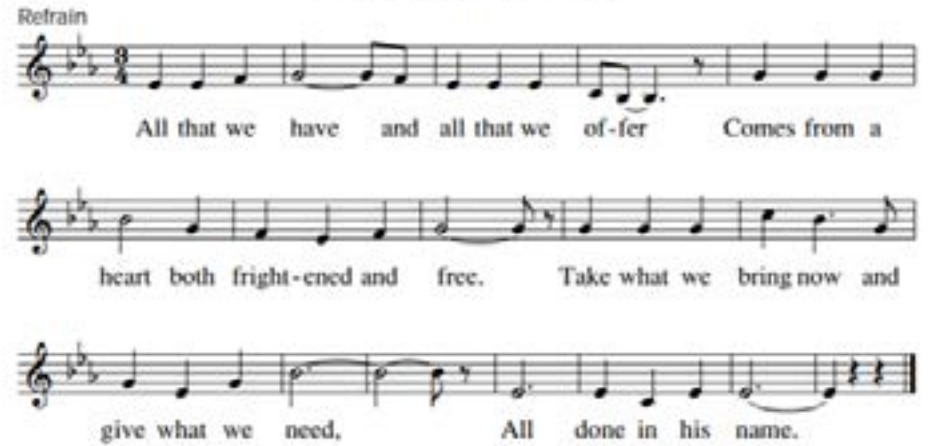
# APOSTLES CREED

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 - ALL THAT WE HAVE

# VERSE 1 AND 2

Refrain



All that we have and all that we of-fer Comes from a  
 heart both fright-ened and free. Take what we bring now and  
 give what we need, All done in his name.

Verses



1. Some would re-ly on their pow-er,  
 2. Some-times the road may be lone-some,  
 3. Some-times when trou-bles are man-y.



Oth-ers put trust in their gold,  
 Of-ten we may lose our way;  
 Life can seem emp-ty, it's true,



Some have on-ly their Sav-ior,  
 Take cour-age and al-ways re-mem-ber  
 But look at the life of the Mas-ter,



Whose faith-ful-ness nev-er grows old,  
 Love is-n't just for a day,  
 Who lov-ing-ly suf-fered for you.

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HOLY

Mass of Renewal  
Curtis Stephan

Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord God of hosts. Heav-en and  
 earth are full of your glo - ry. Ho-san-na in the high - est.  
 Bless-ed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Ho-  
 san-na in the high-est. Ho-san-na in the high - est.

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MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

We pro-claim your Death, O Lord, and pro-fess your  
 Res - ur - rec-tion un - til you come a - gain.

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LAMB OF GOD

Mass of Renewal  
Curtis Stephan

Lamb of God, you take a-way the sins of the world, have mer - cy,  
 have mer - cy on us. world, grant us, grant us peace.

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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 - TAKE OUR BREAD

**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**

Bob Dufford

**ANTIPHON**




Sing to the moun-tains, sing to the sea. Raise your voic - es, lift your hearts.




This is the day the Lord has made. Let all the earth re- joice.

**VERSE 1**

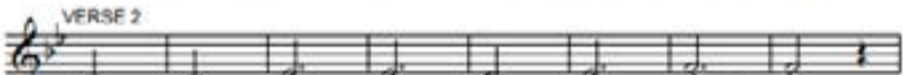


1. I will give thanks to you, my Lord. You have an- swered my plea.



1. You have saved my soul from death. You are my strength and my song.

**VERSE 2**



2. Ho - ly, Ho - ly, Ho - ly Lord.

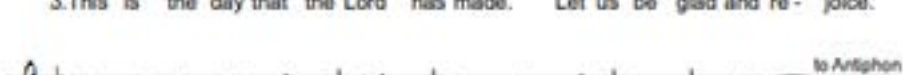


2. Heav - en and earth are full of your glo - ry.

**VERSE 3**



3. This is the day that the Lord has made. Let us be glad and re- joice.



3. He has turned all death to life. Sing of the glo-ry of God.

## NOTICEBOARD

# You are invited

7pm St Patrick's Cathedral Melbourne Wednesday 22 November



**Night of the Witnesses** is an evening of **testimony, prayer, song, adoration** and **reflection** to honour the witness of **modern-day Christian martyrs** and to stand in solidarity with Christians around the world who are **suffering persecution for their faith in Jesus Christ**.



His Beatitude, Patriarch Joseph Absi

President:  
**Archbishop Peter Comensoli**



Mr Xavier Bisits

Guest speakers:  
His Beatitude, Patriarch Joseph Absi of the Melkite Greek Catholic Church, Patriarch of Antioch, Alexandria, Jerusalem, and all the East  
Mr Xavier Bisits, ACN Head of Projects, Lebanon, Syria and Egypt  
Sr Majella Dogonyaro OP Dominican Sister, Northern Nigeria



Sr Majella Dogonyaro OP



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# PARISH CHRISTMAS SOCIAL

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**Thursday 7th December 2023**  
**6.00pm - 8.30pm**  
**St Joseph's Hall, Port Melbourne**  
**Cost : \$40.00 per person**

Come along for a great night and take the opportunity to get to know other parishioners. Cost includes savoury & sweet Finger Food, Beer, Wine, Bubbles, Soft Drinks, Coffee/ Tea & a ticket to all the prizes:

- one **Raffle** ticket \*
- one **Lucky Door Prize** ticket
- one **Lucky \$50 Note** ticket

\* Everyone will receive **ONE RAFFLE** ticket to ensure prizes are distributed more evenly amongst all guests.

We need **PRIZES** for our raffle ! If you are able to donate a prize, please contact Cathy on 9681 9600 or leave it at the parish office.

To book select one of the following methods:

- contact Cathy at the Parish Office (9681-9600 or [cathy@sj-mc.org.au](mailto:cathy@sj-mc.org.au)) & pay using the **DONATE** button on the Home page of the parish website ([www.sj-mc.org.au](http://www.sj-mc.org.au))... be sure to select **Christmas Social** and specify your **First name** and **Last name**.
- see **Marlene Carlin** after the 5.00pm Mass at Mt Carmel.
- see **Ann Rochford** 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 26 November 2023**.



**THE PARISH OF PORT MELBOURNE AND MIDDLE PARK**  
**IS COMMITTED TO THE SAFETY,**  
**WELLBEING AND DIGNITY OF ALL CHILDREN,**  
**YOUNG PEOPLE AND VULNERABLE ADULTS.**