

# 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.

THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST YEAR B - 2 june 2024

Dear sisters and brothers,

Today is a day of double celebration. On this Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, not only do we celebrate in a special way the wonderful gift of the Eucharist, but as a local parish community we also celebrate the wonderful news announced by the Carmelite Provincial, Fr Bruce Clark, earlier in the week that our much loved former Pastor, Fr Hugh Brown, has been cleared, by both civil and church authorities, of the allegations which have dogged him since December 2022 and prevented him from engaging in any public ministry. Not only is Fr Hugh much relieved that this horrible episode has now run its course as far as any personal accusations go, but the Carmelite Community shares in this sense of relief - and the joy that accompanies it as do Fr Hugh's many friends and supporters, including parishioners of St Joseph's and Our Lady of Mount Carmel parish. Fr Hugh is now free to settle into the retirement he anticipated from January 2023 but which has been so cruelly overshadowed by the awful allegations made against him. We will be arranging a suitable opportunity, as a parish, to formally acknowledge and thank Fr Hugh for his nine years of dedicated service as Parish Priest of Port Melbourne-Middle Park and to wish him well in his retirement. Stand by for details.

The formal "Information Release", concerning Fr Hugh's situation, by the Carmelite Provincial can be accessed on the parish website (www.sj-mc.org.au).

Along with the Carmelite Community, Fr Hugh is extremely grateful for the personal and prayerful support of parishioners during his "trial" over the past seventeen months and he has penned the following expression of gratitude:

My dear Friends,

The past 17 months have been a personal nightmare, and I acknowledge that it has also caused immense distress for so many others.

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.

To them, I am incredibly sorry for the impact that they have experienced.

When you face something like this, your life is turned upside down, and despite the confusion, depression and anger that I have felt, there is a positive side to it all.

I have rediscovered the joy of gratitude and the immense love and appreciation of so many people.

Carmelites, family, friends, and parishioners have been extraordinarily loving and supportive throughout this journey. I could not have asked for more, and my gratitude for each one is extraordinary.

Every one of you knows who you are and what you have done for me, and I can only offer a simple but heartfelt, thank you.

There is so much suffering in our world, and my pain is an insignificant part of it all.

We must fight for a world where compassion, kindness, truth-telling and loving support replace the venom and hatred displayed on so many fronts.

Please continue to pray for me as I do for you and if I don't see you soon, I'll see you in heaven.

Every blessing.

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As we celebrate and honour the **Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ** today, the Gospel reading from Mark recalls the Last Supper when Jesus gathered with his disciples to celebrate the great Jewish feast of Passover. This celebration took the form of a ritualized meal that recalled the "passing over" of the Jewish children in the general slaughter of children in Egypt that would result in the Jews been freed from their slavery. This "passover" occurred because the blood of a sacrificed lamb or goat was sprinkled on the doorposts and lintel of Jewish homes as a sign to the slaughtering angel to "pass over" their house. Meanwhile, the family ate the roasted animal (the paschal lamb).

It was in the context of the meal in which Jews celebrated annually their "Passover" – and their freedom from slavery – that Jesus gave new meaning

to this ritual on the night before he died (and foreshadowing his death on the Cross). Jesus gave new significance to the bread and wine of this ritual meal when he shared it among his disciples. Henceforth, whenever the disciples of Jesus gathered and ritually shared bread and wine in memory of him, i.e. celebrated the Eucharist, they would be eating his body and drinking his blood. He was the new paschal lamb who liberated his disciples eternally from the slavery of sin to enjoy the freedom of the sons and daughters of God.

As we celebrate this feast of the Body and Blood of Christ – and each time we celebrate Eucharist, we are united with one another in him and his sacrifice on the Cross and empowered to be his presence in the world today through our love, self-sacrifice and service of others.

As National Reconciliation Week draws to a close tomorrow (Monday), we might continue our prayer:

Lord, open our hearts so that we may hear the message you teach of a world in which a reconciled people walk and talk together sharing stories; a world in which all burn with the desire to have your peace and justice reign. We ask this in Jesus' name.

If you receive a text that looks like it is from me requesting funds in the form of Amazon gift cards, please ignore it as it is a scam.

Blessings.



# SAVE THE DATE

- Mass for Feast of Our Lady of Mount Carmel Sunday 14 July 2024 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.
- Br Anacleto's Diaconate Ordination Saturday 20 July 2024, 5pm at Our Lady of Mt Carmel, followed by refreshments in the O'Connor-Pilkington Room.
- Parish Meeting Thursday, 1 August 2024, 7pm at St Joseph's Hall.

# DUR 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

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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 - Angela Cox First Reconciliation - Sally Diserio First Eucharist - Aimee Nguyen **Confirmation - Sally Diserio** Safeguarding Officer Frances Correa Maintenance Manager Dave Fletcher Galilee Regional Catholic

## Primarv School

Bank Street, South Melbourne 3205 Telephone 03 9699 2928

# THIS WEEK

Monday 27 May 9.00am Mass, St Joseph's Tuesday 28 May 9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel Wednesday 29 May 9.00am Mass, St Joseph's Thursday 30 May 9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel Friday 31 May 9.00am Mass, St Joseph's Saturday 1 June 9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 5.00pm Vigil Mass, Mt Carmel Sunday 2 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 Ceasar, 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 Margues, Robert Masguiren, 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: Juan Bonizzoni, Maureen Gurrv

#### Those whose anniversaries of death occur about this time: Ivy Frances Lever, Suzie Lingford, Dr Joseph Rodrigo, Ray Smith.

# IN OUR PARISH



Next meeting will be held on Tuesday 11 June 2024 at 7.30pm in Boardroom at the Parish Office, 274 Rouse Street, Melbourne (next to St Joseph's Church). New members are welcome.

Should you wish to contact a Vinnies representative, please call Pauline Semmens 0425 854 691 or Joan Cusack 0478 224 624.

## **Melbourne Corpus Christi Procession**

#### Sunday 2 June 2024

Mass at Sacred Heart Church, 1pm: Rathdowne & Pelham Streets, Carlton 2.30pm: Procession begins from Sacred Heart Church towards St Patrick's Cathedral Arrive at St Patrick's Cathedral for 4pm: Vespers and Benediction

All are welcome

# THANK YOU

for your generosity last weekend		
Parish Stewardship Offerings		
Envelopes	\$ 400.00	
Credit Card	\$ 555.00	
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Loose Plate	\$ 1,037.70	
Tap & Go	\$ 220.00	
Total	\$2,863.65	



8/9 June 2024 **10TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME** 

## 5.00pm Mount Carmel (Vigil)

Commentator: Tris Tanumihardjo Reader: Pat Mount **Offertory:** Kathy Mount Communion: Kathy Mount Sacristan: Tris Tanumihardjo Music: Tris Tanumihardjo

### 9.00am St Joseph's

Commentator: Rob Lever Reader: Ron Cassano Offertory: Terry Gurry Communion: Cathy Garbellini Counters: Ron & Sandra Cassano Music: Kelly Mc Enhill Hospitality: Cathy Garbellini Sacristan: Rob Winduss

## 10.30am Mount Carmel

Commentator: Kathleen Kiernman Reader: Mary Brady Offertory: Jackie & John Tidey Communion: Kathleen Kiernman Music: Choir Hospitality: Jackie & John Tidey Sacristan: Kelly McEnhill

Communion to the Sick: Marlene Carlin: 10-16 Jun

# DONATIONS

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# THE CARMELITE CENTRE MELBOURNE

The June 2024 Newsletter is available via the following website link: https://www.thecarmelitecentremelbourne.org/

Some upcoming Carmelite Centre events that are available in person or online include:

#### WEEKLY

- ~ Prayer Meditation every Tuesday 5pm on zoom
- ~ Meditation every Thursday 7pm in the Malone room
- ~ Lectio Divina every Friday 10am on zoom

#### MONTHLY

- ~ Contemplative Walk (Middle Park) Tuesday 4 June, 9.30am
- ~ Centering Prayer Meditation in Malone Room Tuesday 4 June, 1.00pm
- ~ Carmelite Conversation on zoom Wednesday 5 June, 10.30am 12.00pm Creating a Synodal Parish with Paul Cahill, OCarm.
- ~ Monthly Gathering Friday 28 June, 11.30am 1.00pm in the Library.



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# **<u>REFLECTION</u>** Body & Blood - The real presence of Jesus in us

Today's feast celebrates the enduring sign of Christ's presence with us in the Bread and Wine of the Eucharist.

The Church always uses celebrations not simply to commemorate something in the past, but as a lens to look at the meaning of the celebration in the present. That is part of the 'incarnational' pattern of the Church – enfleshing the mysteries we celebrate.

Our feast today also celebrates Christ's presence with us in the community of the Church. The Eucharist is our sacrament of communion, not only with Christ and God, but also with all those called into the Christian community. Our communion binds us to one another in a sacred union of mind and heart with Jesus.

The word 'communion' means to share in common. In Holy Communion what we share in common with God and each other is Jesus Christ present in the Bread and the Wine. Another meaning of 'communion' is to be of one mind and heart. It is the Holy Spirit who keeps us in communion of mind and heart with God, with Christ and with each other.

We are very used to talking about the Real Presence of Jesus being in the Blessed Sacrament. But the real presence of Christ is also in the community when it gathers in his name to feast on the Word of Scripture, to recall what Jesus said and did at the Last Supper (not only the words over bread and wine, but also the washing of the feet), when it shares the food of the Eucharist together, when it goes out and continues to break and pour out that food in acts of loving kindness, in soothing and nourishing words which brings others to life.

The Eucharist is not an object to be looked at, but an action to be done so that the living presence of Jesus continues to touch and heal.

Maybe we need to think more deeply about the real presence of Jesus being in real, living human beings. Bread and Wine have no eyes to gaze with love, no face with which to smile, no mouth to speak soothing words, no arms to hold the grieving and the sick, or to lend a hand, no ears to hear the pain. But we do.

We are nourished and fed with the life of Christ so that we may be Christ in the world. Together we become the Body of Christ alive and active in our world. That is what energises us to work to transform the injustices and limitations of the world around us. We transform them with the vision (mind) and love (heart) of God so that every person may live, breathe, eat and drink of all the good things God gives us: nature, knowledge, understanding, technology, food, medicine, compassion, justice, goodness, love, peace, forgiveness, encouragement and hope.

So we become the Eucharist that feeds those around us with the nourishment of respect, love, breadth of heart and vision, compassion, hope and forgiveness which enables them to grow in their likeness of God and live their human lives well.

'May we become what we receive' – (St Augustine)

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

# OUR LITURGY

# 10:30am Live Music Mass: MUSIC WILL BE ON A SEPARATE SHEET.PROCESSIONAL HYMN: Alleluia Sing to JesusVerses 1 and 3



GLORIA

## 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 *Exodus 24:3-8*

Moses went and told the people all the commands of the Lord and all the ordinances. In answer, all the people said with one voice, 'We will observe all the commands that the Lord has decreed.' Moses put all the commands of the Lord into writing, and early next morning he built an altar at the foot of the mountain, with twelve standing-stones for the twelve tribes of Israel. Then he directed certain young Israelites to offer holocausts and to immolate bullocks to the Lord as communion sacrifices. Half of the blood Moses took up and put into basins, the other half he cast on the altar. And taking the Book of the Covenant he read it to the listening people, and they said, 'We will observe all that the Lord has decreed; we will obey.' Then Moses took the blood and cast it towards the people. 'This' he said 'is the blood of the Covenant that the Lord has made with you, containing all these rules.'

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 116: I WILL TAKE THE CUP OF SALVATION, AND CALL ON THE NAME OF THE LORD.

## Response: I will take the cup of salvation, and call on the name of the Lord.

How shall I make a return to the LORD for all the good he has done for me? The cup of salvation I will take up, and I will call upon the name of the LORD.	Response
Precious in the eyes of the LORD is the death of his faithful ones. I am your servant, the son of your handmaid; you have loosed my bonds.	Response
To you will I offer sacrifice of thanksgiving, and I will call upon the name of the LORD. My vows to the LORD I will pay in the presence of all his people.	Response

## SECOND READING

## Hebrews 9:11-15

Now Christ has come, as the high priest of all the blessings which were to come. He has passed through the greater, the more perfect tent, which is better than one made by people's hands because it is not of this created order; and he has entered the sanctuary once and for all, taking with him not the blood of goats and bull calves, but his own blood, having won an eternal redemption for us. The blood of goats and bulls and the ashes of a heifer are sprinkled on those who have incurred defilement and they restore the holiness of their outward lives; how much more effectively the blood of Christ, who offered himself as the perfect sacrifice to God through the eternal Spirit, can purify our inner self from dead actions so that we do our service to the living God.

He brings a new covenant, as the mediator, only so that the people who were called to an eternal inheritance may actually receive what was promised: his death took place to cancel the sins that infringed the earlier covenant.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

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## Mark 14:12-16, 22-26

On the first day of Unleavened Bread, when the Passover lamb was sacrificed, his disciples said to Jesus, 'Where do you want us to go and make the preparations for you to eat the passover?' So he sent two of his disciples, saying to them, 'Go into the city and you will meet a man carrying a pitcher of water. Follow him, and say to the owner of the house which he enters, "The Master says: Where is my dining room in which I can eat the passover with my disciples?" He will show you a large upper room furnished with couches, all prepared. Make the preparations for us there.' The disciples set out and went to the city and found everything as he had told them, and prepared the Passover.



And as they were eating he took some bread, and when he had said the blessing he broke it and gave it to them. 'Take it,' he said 'this is my body.' Then he took a cup, and when he had returned thanks he gave it to them, and all drank from it, and he said to them, 'This is my blood, the blood of the covenant, which is to be poured out for many. I tell you solemnly, I shall not drink any more wine until the day I drink the new wine in the kingdom of God.'

After psalms had been sung they left for the Mount of Olives.

## 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 - PEACE IS FLOWING LIKE A RIVER

Peace is flowing like a river, Flowing out of you and me; Flowing out into the desert, Setting all the captives free.

Joy is flowing like a river, Flowing out of you and me; Flowing out into the desert, Setting all the captives free.

Faith is flowing like a river, Flowing out of you and me; Flowing out into the desert, Setting all the captives free.

Hope is flowing like a river, Flowing out of you and me; Flowing out into the desert, Setting all the captives free.

Love is flowing like a river, Flowing out of you and me; Flowing out into the desert, Setting all the captives free.

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.

## **RECESSIONAL HYMN: SING TO THE MOUNTAINS**





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