



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.

Fourth Sunday of Easter - 21 April 2024

Dear sisters and brothers,

In today's Gospel Reading, we hear Jesus describe himself as the "Good Shepherd", the one who lays down his life for his sheep. He goes on to say: "I know my own and my own know me ... and I lay down my life for my sheep". He then adds: "And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well". Jesus is saying that he is for everyone, those who identify as his followers, but everyone else as well. If we are true to our call to follow Jesus, then we, like him, need to reach out in love to others, irrespective of who they are or what they do or don't believe. By implication, we are called to resist, like Jesus, those forces which seek to divide rather than unite people and establish hierarchies among people rather than acknowledge that we are all equal as daughters and sons of God and sisters and brothers of each other.

Recently I received a request from a regular parishioner to inform us of an Event being organised by a group of Australian Christian people who stand firmly against Antisemitism – hatred of Jewish people. I think the Gospel impels us to do this, along with all forms of racism, sexism and discrimination. The Event is organised by NAIN (Never Again Is Now) and it will take place on 19 May in Melbourne CBD from 1:30 to 4:00pm.

The Event does NOT promote any political Agenda in the context of the current war in the Holy Land. On examining NAIN's website, www.neveragainisnow.com.au, I found the following statement: *We know that the history and politics of the Middle East is complicated and contested. However, we firmly believe that there is never an excuse for antisemitism ... We believe that decent, peace loving Australians oppose antisemitism, and want a safe, inclusive, and cohesive society for all. We look forward to working with anyone of any religious, or non-religious, background who wishes to join us in this stand.*

In light of the Gospel, therefore, and not in any sense wanting to promote a political Agenda, I am happy to draw this Event to your attention for your consideration. I see it as part of a broader stand against racism towards anyone. I recommend you consult NAIN's website for further information.

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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

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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 22 April

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

Tuesday 23 April - No daily mass

Wednesday 24 April - No daily mass

Thursday 25 April - ANZAC DAY

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel

Friday 26 April - No daily mass

Saturday 27 April

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel

5.00pm Vigil Mass, Mt Carmel

Sunday 28 April

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, 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, 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, Maureen 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, Paul Chan Yin Leung, Margaret Lopes, Les Lugowski, Christine Lyell, Maria Teresa Marques, Robert Masquieren, Ian McLachlan, 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, Sash Carti Somerset-Beauverie, Dorothea Spencer, Jim Sullivan, Danielle Szeto, Angela Trigar, Julieanne Wharton & Tami Yap.

Those who have died recently: Paul Cox, Patricia Nicholson, Jim Schropp.

Those whose anniversaries of death occur about this time: Domenic Francis Kiernan, Teresa Miletic & Sam Wilson.

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As recently announced, at the 10:30am Mass this Sunday, we will receive Tony Noble, a baptized Anglican, well known to a number of parishioners, into Full Communion with the Catholic Church. Tony will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation as part of the ceremony. We congratulate Tony on his decision, made after long and prayerful discernment, and welcome him warmly, officially and formally into our community.

As noted elsewhere in this Newsletter, the Carmelites are celebrating a **Provincial Assembly** this week. Consequently, there will be **NO 9am MORNING MASS at St Joseph's on Wednesday and Friday (24 & 26 April) nor at Our Lady of Mount Carmel on Tuesday 23rd.**

However, Mass will be celebrated at 9am at Our Lady of Mount Carmel on Thursday 25th, ANZAC DAY. Mass will be celebrated, as usual, on Monday 22nd at St Joseph's and on Saturday 27th at Our Lady of Mount Carmel.

Blessings for the weeks ahead.

IN OUR PARISH



Welcome to our Family

This Sunday, we welcome:

Matilda Jillian Moore

as she receives the

Sacrament of Baptism at

St Joseph's, Port Melbourne.

Please keep Matilda, her parents, godparents & family in your prayers.

THANK YOU

for your generosity last weekend

Parish Stewardship Offerings

Envelopes	\$ 270.00
Credit Card	\$ 195.00
Direct Credit	\$ 1,766.75
Loose Plate	\$ 860.20
Tap & Go	\$ 440.00
Total	\$3,531,95



MINISTRIES

27/28 April 2024

5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

5.00pm Mount Carmel (Vigil)

Commentator: Tris Tanumihardjo

Readers: Des Collins

Offertory: Tris Tanumihardjo

Communion: Tris Tanumihardjo

Music: Abramo Ierardo

9.00am St Joseph's

Commentator: Ron Cassano

Readers: Bro Anacleto

Offertory: Robert Lever

Communion: Frances Correa

Counters: Frances Moore & Mary Li

Music: Cathy Garbellini

Hospitality: Helen Lezala

10.30am Mount Carmel

Commentator: Peter Thomas

Reader: Marlene Halim

Offertory: Sally Diserio

Communion: Sally Diserio

Music: Choir

Hospitality: Peter Thomas

Communion to the Sick:

Denis Passalent: 28 Apr - 4 May

DONATIONS

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CARMELITE ASSEMBLY

The Carmelite Provincial Assembly is taking place next week. This meeting occurs every three years as a time for prayer, discussion, discernment and community in the life of the Carmelite Family of Australia and Timor Leste.

Along with all Carmelite ministries, our parish will be represented to participate in friendly dialogue and will be invited to share the experience of life in the Carmelite Family. This listening to diverse and creative work being undertaken in the Province will help the Carmelites be mindful of the movement of the Spirit in discerning possibilities and priorities for the future.

The delegates have also been asked to bring a symbol to remind all present of the places and people with whom we live and minister. This symbol will form part of our Assembly opening prayer.

The Parish Leadership Group recently reflected on what this symbol should be and decided to present 2 symbols:

1. The Message Stick present at liturgies each week to represent the diversity and welcome our community offers. This Aboriginal symbol enriches the liturgy by linking the Gospel message to this land – Australia. And to remind us that the message of love, hope, forgiveness and peace in the Gospel needs to be handed on.
2. A card with an image of Mary sketched by Sally Diserio. Mary as our model and sister in faith, reminds us of the value of women in our Carmelite family and a feeling of being at home and embraced just as we are.

Damien Peile and Irene Hayes will attend as our parish delegates on Monday and Tuesday of this week.

Please join us in prayer for this Assembly.

CARMELITE ASSEMBLY - PRAYER

*Lord Jesus Christ,
we ask you to guide & direct us
toward our 2024 Provincial Assembly
with a spirit of love, enthusiasm, inclusivity & creativity.*

*May we be inspired by a shared hope
to journey together in communion, participation & mission.*

*Lead us in friendly & spiritual conversation,
sharing from our living experiences,
and walking in your footsteps with
Mary, our sister in faith &
Elijah, our brother prophet.*

*In our zeal, reveal & transform our strengths & weaknesses,
making us true disciples, who proclaim your gospel of life.*

*Through our Assembly,
encourage us to find time to be still,
to trust in your presence,
and to discern the right direction for our future
as your disciples who walk together as brothers & sisters in Carmel.*

SYNODALITY

Launched by Pope Francis at Pentecost 2021 the Synod on Synodality has been termed the largest consultation process in human history. In order to determine the way forward in the 3rd millennium, submissions are being gathered from dioceses from every continent around the world and will be fed into the Synod meeting in Rome in October this year.

At the meeting of our Parish Leadership & Exploration Group last Tuesday night, we began the process of understanding what Synodality means for us, our Church and our Parish.

The literal meaning of Synodality is "Journeying Together" and the outcomes that Pope Francis hopes it will achieve are 'communion, participation and mission'.

Around the table, the group contributed and discussed various points we felt might be encompassed in this 'path forward'. Among them are:

Listening and becoming aware
Having a Voice
Speaking our Truth
Accepting Change
Forming Connections
Room for all People
Welcoming
Conversation and Discernment
Prayer
Calling on the gifts of Baptism

In the coming months we hope to share with the Parish our understanding of these points and to offer the opportunity for wider education and for receiving your feedback. In the meantime, we encourage you to think about what the future of our Church might look like and to engage in conversation with members of this group or the people around you.

Sally Diserio

SYNOD SYMBOL



A large, majestic tree, full of wisdom and light, reaches for the sky. A sign of deep vitality and hope which expresses the cross of Christ. It carries the Eucharist, which shines like the sun. The horizontal branches, opened like hands or wings, suggest, at the same time, the Holy Spirit.

The people of God are not static: they are on the move, in direct reference to the etymology of the word synod, which means "journeying together". The people are united by the same common dynamic that this Tree of Life breathes into them, from which they begin their walk.

These 15 silhouettes sum up our entire humanity in its diversity of life situations of generations and origins. This aspect is reinforced by the multiplicity of bright colours which are themselves signs of joy. There is no hierarchy between these people who are all on the same footing: young, old, men, women, teenagers, children, lay people, religious, parents, couples, singles; the bishop and the nun are not in front of them, but among them. Quite naturally, children and then adolescents open their walk, in reference to these words of Jesus in the Gospel: "I praise you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, because you have hidden these things from the wise and learned and revealed them to little children". (Mt 11:25)

The horizontal baseline: "For a synodal Church: communion, participation and mission" runs from left to right in the direction of this march, underlining and strengthening it, to end with the title "Synod 2021 - 2024", the high point that synthesizes the whole.

REFLECTION

Jesus, true Shepherd

The Fourth Sunday of Easter is often called "Good Shepherd Sunday" because no matter what reading cycle we are in, the Gospel always focusses on the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd.

This year, the Gospel reading talks about Jesus as a true shepherd prepared to lay down his life for his sheep. He is not like the hired man who runs away when danger appears. He knows his sheep and one day will gather them all into one flock.

Jesus acts towards us like a good shepherd: feeding, nurturing, defending and even laying down his life for us. Our Good Shepherd is deeply concerned about us, the flock and there is a deep sense of warmth and intimacy in the realisation that Jesus knows each one of us by name. Like a good shepherd Jesus is the source of life, nourishment, and safety for the sheep.

Any reflection about Jesus as the Good Shepherd also serves as a reminder that shepherding each other in Jesus' name is part of the vocation of every disciple. We are very used to thinking about Jesus as the Good Shepherd, but we also need to think about being/becoming good shepherds to each other.

One of the very encouraging things about the pandemic was the number of people who became good shepherds to others, providing safety and security to vulnerable people, supporting health workers, providing meals and companionship.

That is what it means to lay down our lives for each other.



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

OUR LITURGY

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: JESUS CHRIST IS RISEN TODAY

VERSES 1 - 3

1. Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia!
Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!
Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia!
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!
2. Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!
Unto Christ, our Heavenly King, Alleluia!
Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!
Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!
3. Sing we to our God above, Alleluia!
Praise eternal as his love; Alleluia!
Praise him, now his might confess, Alleluia!
Father, Son and Spirit blest. Alleluia!

GLORIA - 5PM & 9AM ONLY (10:30AM - CANTOR TO LEAD)

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

Acts: 4:8-12

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

RESPONSORIAL PSALM - PSALM 117

Response: The stone rejected by the builder has become the cornerstone.

SECOND READING

1 John 3:1-2

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us,
by letting us be called God's children;
and that is what we are.
Because the world refused to acknowledge him,
therefore it does not acknowledge us.
My dear people, we are already the children of God
but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed;
all we know is, that when it is revealed
we shall be like him
because we shall see him as he really is.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL

John 10:11-18

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd:
the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep.
The hired man, since he is not the shepherd
and the sheep do not belong to him,
abandons the sheep and runs away
as soon as he sees a wolf coming,
and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep;
this is because he is only a hired man
and has no concern for the sheep.
I am the good shepherd;
I know my own
and my own know me,
just as the Father knows me
and I know the Father;
and I lay down my life for my sheep.
And there are other sheep I have
that are not of this fold,
and these I have to lead as well.
They too will listen to my voice,
and there will be only one flock
and one shepherd.
The Father loves me,
because I lay down my life
in order to take it up again.
No one takes it from me;
I lay it down of my own free will,
and as it is in my power to lay it down,
so it is in my power to take it up again;
and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'



NICENE CREED

I believe in one God,
the Father almighty,
maker of heaven and earth,
of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,
the Only Begotten Son of God,
born of the Father before all ages.
God from God, Light from Light,
true God from true God,
begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father;
through him all things were made.
For us men and for our salvation
he came down from heaven,
and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary,
and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate,
he suffered death and was buried,
and rose again on the third day
in accordance with the Scriptures.
He ascended into heaven
and is seated at the right hand of the Father.
He will come again in glory
to judge the living and the dead
and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life,
who proceeds from the Father and the Son,
who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified,
who has spoken through the prophets.
I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.
I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins
and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead
and the life of the world to come. Amen.

HOLY GOD, WE PRAISE THY NAME

1. Holy God, we praise thy name!
Lord of all, we bow before Thee;
All on earth your power proclaim,
All in heaven above adore Thee;
Infinite Thy vast domain,
Everlasting is Thy reign.
2. 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!
3. 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.

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

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

5:00PM & 9AM ON EAGLES WINGS

MICHAEL JONCAS

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord
Who abide in His shadow for life
Say to the Lord, "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

**Refrain: And He will raise you up on eagles' wings
 Bear you on the breath of dawn
 Make you to shine like the sun
 And hold you in the palm of His hand.**

For to His angels He's given a command
To guard you in all of your ways
Upon their hands they will bear you up
Lest you dash your foot against a stone.

Refrain

10:30AM

PANIS ANGELICUS

RECESSIONAL HYMN: ALL CREATURES OF OUR GOD AND KING

1. All creatures of our God and King, lift up your voice and with us sing
Alleluia! Alleluia! O burning sun with golden beam
And silver moon with softer gleam,

**Refrain: O praise Him, O praise Him
 Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!**

(Verse 2 for 5pm and 9am MASSES ONLY)

2. Thou rushing wind that art so strong, Ye clouds that sail in heaven along,
O praise Him! Alleluia!
Thou rising moon, in praise rejoice, Ye lights of evening, find a voice!

Refrain

3. Pure flowing water, cold and clear, make music for your Lord to hear,
Alleluia! Alleluia!
And fire so masterful and bright, you give us both your warmth and light,

Refrain

4. Dear mother earth, each passing day, you give us blessings on our way,
O praise Him, Alleluia!
Fair flowers and fruits that in you grow, His glory let them also show,

Refrain

5. Let all things their Creator bless, and worship Him in humbleness,
O praise Him, Alleluia!
Praise, praise the Father, praise the Son, and praise the Spirit, Three in One,

Refrain

NOTICEBOARD

A graphic showing a world map with a rosary chain draped across it. The rosary is divided into colored sections: red for Africa, yellow for Asia, blue for Europe, and green for the Americas. Text on the map includes 'THE WORLD MISSION ROSARY' and 'Open hands in faith - Open hearts in solidarity'.

Join Catholic Mission online to honour Mother Mary during the month of May through praying the Rosary.

THE WORLD MISSION ROSARY
Open hands in faith - Open hearts in solidarity

World Mission
May Rosary Prayers

Mon - Fri
Time: 2pm Brisbane / Melbourne time
12pm Perth time
Join Zoom Meeting:
<https://tinyurl.com/cmprayer>
Meeting ID:
893 8798 2280
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**THE PARISH OF PORT MELBOURNE AND MIDDLE PARK
IS COMMITTED TO THE SAFETY,
WELLBEING AND DIGNITY OF ALL CHILDREN,
YOUNG PEOPLE AND VULNERABLE ADULTS.**