



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.

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

27th February 2022

Hi Everyone,

RICHARD "DICK" O'BRYAN: RIP

Many of you would have known Dick from his years here in the Port and St Kilda areas where he practised as a doctor. His wife, Julianna, died a few years back and both of them were very generous and delightful people. Dick was a very caring doctor who helped many of the "street" people of St Kilda and he was a powerful example of someone who did good for others. He died peacefully and the family are having a private memorial service for him but I would ask that you keep him and his family in your thoughts and prayers. May he rest in peace.

ASH WEDNESDAY: 2 MARCH

Lent begins officially on 2 March this year with the celebration of Ash Wednesday. On that day we will celebrate Mass with ashes at St. Joseph's at 9:00am and Our Lady of Mount Carmel at 7:00pm. All welcome.

LOCKS ON THE GLASS DOORS OF MOUNT CARMEL

If anyone of you have tried to unlock the glass doors at Mount Carmel you would appreciate why we are going to change the locking system so that the doors can be locked and unlocked from inside the Church via a key and magnetic door system. It is the same system we now use for the OC/P rooms. It does mean that the little glassed-in areas will be open because these locks will only be used on the glass doors immediately on the Church walls. My concern is that these areas may become "home" to people who may have some nefarious intentions so each entrance will be brightly lit through a sensor system to deter any occupants during the nights.

MUSIC IN THE PARISH

Thanks for your support for our trial of a new music arrangement for the Churches. Kelly has been instrumental in making things work as seamlessly as possible

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

6.00pm (Sat) Mount Carmel
9.00am Saint Joseph's
10.30am Mount Carmel

Reconciliation

after 9.00am Mass Saturday

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THIS WEEK

Monday 28 February

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

Tuesday 1 March

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel

Wednesday 2 March - ASH WEDNESDAY

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

7.00pm Mass, Mt Carmel

Thursday 3 March

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel

Friday 4 March

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's,

Saturday 5 March

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel

6.00pm Mass, Mt Carmel

Sunday 6 March - 9th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

10.30am Mass, Mt Carmel followed by Baptism

WE REMEMBER

Those who are sick or ill and in need of prayer: Hein Basten, Tommy Bednar, Paul Caghi - Cao, Nawal Cox, Maureen Dickason, Kelly Edwards, Judy Fairhall, Gigi Falckh, Lyn Falckh, Michelle Falckh, Frances Farrugia, Lyn Faul, Rose Fennell, Gary Finn, Maurice Fitzpatrick, Lyn Fleming, Gerard Friary, Ivy Hermence, Chris Kowalski, Marino Mihocic, Felicity Morgan, Marie O'Connor, Sylvia Poliakova, Rafal Rafalski, Michael Ristevski, Lucie Carmen Rodriguez, Dennis Rohan, Lorraine Rohan, Keith Ryder, Sarah Abdel-Said, Teresa Sheehan, Helen Stanley, Jim Sullivan, Maureen Toohey, Troy Vincent, Julie Wain, Sr Barbara Walsh RSG, Vivienne Williams, Tami Yap.

Those whose have died recently: Richard (Dick) O'Bryan OAM, Catherine McLean (Cantor of SJ & OLMC) all those affected by COVID_19 throughout the world.

Those whose anniversaries of death occur about this time. Marie Mulrooney, Fr Pat Negri, SSS, Sarah Tidey, and Carmelites, Paul Knüppel and James O'Sullivan.

IN OUR PARISH

and it will be trial and error for some time. We are in the process of sorting through licensing arrangements for the playing of recorded music, however, we are certainly okay with our printing of the music lyrics through the licensing arrangement which covers us. If you have further suggestions either Kelly or myself would love to hear them.

CATHERINE McLEAN: RIP

Very unexpectedly we received the sad news of the death of Catherine McLean. Catherine was involved with us over many years as one of our cantors: she always had multi-coloured hair and an exuberant personality and in recent years sang in both our churches. She always was a delight to hear and watch. May her good soul rest in peace.

Peace and blessings



Ash Wednesday Masses

We will begin the season of Lent with
Ash Wednesday Mass at

9.00am St Joseph's Port Melbourne

7.00pm Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Middle Park

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER-

England, Wales and Northern Ireland

The World Day of Prayer Liturgy will be held on

Friday 4 March at 10.30am

St Luke's Anglican Church in Dorcas Street,
South Melbourne.

You are warmly invited to attend.

ARCHDIOCESE

5/6 March

**9th Sunday in Ordinary
Time**

6.00pm Mount Carmel (Vigil)

Commentator: Pat Mount

Readers: Des Collins

Eucharistic Ministers: Kathy
Mount

Communion to the Sick: N/A

9.00am St Joseph's

Commentator: William
Kininmonth

Reader: Ron Cassano

Eucharistic Ministers:

Counters: Danielle Craievich

Communion to the Sick:

Frances Galvin

10.30am Mount Carmel

Commentator: Denis
Churkovich

Readers: Peter Thomas

Eucharistic Ministers: Margaret
Fagan

Childrens' Liturgy: N/A

Hospitality: Margaret and Peter
Blades

THANK YOU

for your generosity last Sunday

St Joseph's

*Carmelite and
Parish Offering* \$652.00

Our Lady of Mt Carmel

*Carmelite and
Parish Offering* \$1,100.00

THE CARMELITE CENTRE

**We invite you to join us via zoom for
Centering Prayer Meditation with Kathryn Pile,
Tuesdays at 5.00pm**

Centering Prayer Meditation draws on the Christian tradition of meditation from the heart centre, using themes from spiritual writing and scripture, to help us experience beyond limited intellect, the total mind we call Heart, deepen a way of being in God's Presence.

It is an invitation for all with an open heart who are seeking to bring unity and wholeness into their daily life, whether or not from a Christian background.

Please contact the Carmelite Centre (details below) for further information, to register and to make payment.

**Carmelite Conversations, Interior Prayer of the Heart and Vacare Deo
with Daryl Moresco OCarm,
(Via Zoom) 10.30am - 12noon Wednesday 2 March**

Carmel understands prayer as expressing the deepest longings and desires of the heart. Lent is a special time for Vacare Deo i.e. creating a space where we listen more attentively to the voice of God who is love, mercy, and compassion. It is a deep listening. It is being open to God's transforming love, no matter how it is approaching.

Br Daryl Moresco, O.Carm. is the Managing Director of the Center for Carmelite Studies in Washington, DC. Prior to this, Br Daryl served as Novice Director for the Province of the Most Pure Heart of Mary from 2017- 2020 and Director of Pre-Novitiate Formation from 2007-2017. In 2003, he graduated from the Washington Theological Union with a Certificate in Carmelite Studies and an M.A. in Pastoral Studies. Br Daryl was born in Melbourne Australia and went to the U.S. to study Carmelite Spirituality in 2001. Daryl remains there as a U.S. citizen and member of the Carmelite Province of the Pure Heart of Mary.

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REFLECTION ON THIS WEEK'S READINGS

At Rome, during the 16th Century, the most famous confessor in town was St Philip Neri. Popes and paupers sought his counsel and spiritual direction.

One day a famous Duchess came to him and confessed the sin of gossip. Philip Neri told her to go home and get a feather pillow and return to the steps of the Church. Some time later he met her there and produced a small knife. He told the noblewoman to rip open the pillow. As she did, the swirling wind in the square picked up the loose feathers and they danced around the square and down the lanes.

St Philip and the Duchess watched in silence as the feathers went everywhere. He then turned to her and said, "Now, go and collect all the feathers." To which she protested, "They have gone everywhere, I couldn't possibly find and regather them." "So too with your tongue, Madam," St Philip scolded her, "You have no idea where you gossip goes and you can never unsay it."

In today's Gospel Jesus teaches us that our words reflect the state of our hearts.

Psychologists tell us that there are three main reasons why people habitually gossip, or 'share the news' as Australian men prefer to call it: power, envy and boredom.

To know something about someone else can put us in a more powerful position with friends or colleagues. By being able to share what we have 'just heard', we are seen to be current and interesting. But this type of power is destructive because our friends normally assume that when they are absent they are maltreated in the same way. Gossipers have more alliances than friendships.

The most malicious gossip often comes out of envy. Envious gossip often sees people make things up about others and pass it off as though it were true. The worst of tabloid newspapers, television and radio trades on this destructive vice. There is no place for the 'rumour file' in the Christian life. Sometimes, when a company or person have to deny the false accusations made about them, we get what we want – their reputations are tarnished and even their business can be in danger. No wonder medieval theologians called envy a 'deadly sin'.

Boredom, however, is a modern cause for gossip. Our relationships and the way in which we hold each other's trust and good name to be paramount, are undermined by images from the media about how exciting life should be for everyone. Scene after scene in novels, television programs and films where confidences are betrayed and lives are raked over for comment and intrigue fill in the boredom in our lives with a distorted portrayal of human behaviour. The more we take it in, the more we mirror it in our own conduct.

Jesus does not tell us today that there is no place for criticism, challenge, confrontation and correction in the Christian life. Just that we have the responsibility to very careful about what we say about others and how we criticise and condemn them. Jesus reminds us that most of our condemnation of others, is what we now call, "projection", where we ignore similar failings in ourselves, but roundly condemn them in others.

May this Eucharist, then, help all of us let go of the need to be powerful, the deadly sin of envy and more creative with what we do when we are bored. May it help us make better choices about how we speak, to whom we speak and what we say.

St Philip Neri knew it all too well: most times we cannot know the consequences of what we say and we can never unsay it.

OUR LITURGY

PROCESSIONAL HYMN - SING A NEW SONG UNTO THE LORD

Refrain: ***Sing a new song unto the Lord;
Let your song be sung from mountains high
Sing a new song unto the Lord
Singing alleluia***

Yahweh's people dance for joy
O come before the Lord
And play for him on glad tambourines
And let your trumpet sound

Refrain

Rise, O children, from your sleep;
Your Savior now has come
He has turned your sorrow to joy
And filled your soul with song

Refrain

Glad my soul for I have seen
The glory of the Lord
The trumpet sounds; the dead shall be raised
I know my Savior lives.

Refrain

KYRIE

Kyrie, Eleison Kyrie, Eleison Kyrie, Eleison, Eleison
Christe, Eleison Christe, Eleison Christe, Eleison, Eleison
Kyrie, Eleison Kyrie, Eleison Kyrie, Eleison, Eleison

GLORIA

Response: ***Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest
And on earth, peace on earth
Peace to people of good will.***

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.

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 hand of the Father
Have mercy on us....

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.

Glory to God, Glory to God,
Glory to God in the highest
And on earth, peace on earth
Peace to people of good will

Amen, Amen.

FIRST READING

Ecclesiasticus 27:4-7

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind,
so too the defects of a man appear in his talk.
The kiln tests the work of the potter,
the test of a man is in his conversation.
The orchard where the tree grows is judged on the quality of its fruit,
similarly a man's words betray what he feels.
Do not praise a man before he has spoken,
since this is the test of men.

Psalm 92: 2-3, 13-14, 15-16

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

1 Corinthians 15:54-58

When this perishable nature has put on imperishability, and when this mortal nature has put on immortality, then the words of scripture will come true: Death is swallowed up in victory. Death, where is your victory? Death, where is your sting? Now the sting of death is sin, and sin gets its power from the Law. So let us thank God for giving us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Never give in then, my dear brothers, never admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you cannot be labouring in vain.

GOSPEL

Luke 6:39-45

Jesus told a parable to his disciples, 'Can one blind man guide another? Surely both will fall into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his teacher; the fully trained disciple will always be like his teacher. Why do you observe the splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye.



'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit: people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.'

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.

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

I HAVE LOVED YOU

Refrain: *I have loved you with an everlasting love,
I have called you and you are mine;
I have loved you with an everlasting love,
I have called you and you are mine.*

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him:
He will bring you his light and his peace. **Refrain**

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him:
He will bring you his joy and his hope. **Refrain**

Seek the face of the Lord and long for him:
He will bring you his care and his love. **Refrain**

1

God of day and God of darkness,
 Now we stand before the night;
 As the shadows stretch and deepen,
 Come and make our darkness bright.

All creation still is groaning
 For the dawning of your might,
 When the Sun of peace and justice
 Fills the earth with radiant light.

3

Show us Christ in one another,
 Make us servants strong and true.
 Give us all your love of justice
 So we do what you would do.
 Let us call all people holy,
 Let us pledge our lives anew,
 Make us one with all the lowly,
 Let us all be one in you.

5

Gentle Father, loving Mother, Jesus
 Brother Saviour friend
 Spirit of all grace and power, may we
 praise without end
 Grant us all a peaceful resting,
 Let each mind and body mend,
 So we rise refreshed tomorrow,
 Hearts renewed to Kingdom tend.

2

Still the nations curse the darkness,
 Still the rich oppress the poor;
 Still the earth is bruised and broken
 By the ones who still want more.
 Come and wake us from our sleeping,
 So our hearts cannot ignore
 All your people lost and broken,
 All your children at our door.

4

You shall be the path that guides us,
 You the light that in us burns;
 Shining deep within all people,
 Yours the love that we must learn,
 For our hearts shall wander restless
 'Til they safe to you return;
 Finding you in one another,
 We shall all your face discern.

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