



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.*

Fifth Sunday of Easter - 28 April 2024

REFLECTION

Jesus, true vine bearing fruit in us

We are still on the Easter journey. After the three-day roller-coaster of emotions - from Jesus' supper with his disciples, through trial and crucifixion, to the wonder of the women at the empty tomb - we now prepare ourselves to celebrate the coming of the Holy Spirit at Pentecost.

During these fifty days, our journey is steadied and enlightened by the words of the First Letter of St John. It has a central message made clear in today's reading: we are asked to believe in Jesus and love one another. We are then assured that we are not alone in this challenge: "We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us."

The poet Gerard Manley Hopkins echoes this in As Kingfishers Catch Fire:

"For Christ plays in ten thousand places,

Lovely in limbs, and lovely in eyes not his."

This idea of Christ living within us is explored in today's Gospel where Jesus likens himself to the "true vine." He tells us: "Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty."

Through the gifts of the Holy Spirit we can hold Christ within us, not only in our thoughts, our ideas, our actions, but deep within ourselves, in our souls and in our hearts. We are helped by prayer and by reflecting on the words of scripture, maybe meditating on the images, or by spending time with the phrases that we particularly notice. Or we can sit still and simply open our hearts and listen. Jesus says: "If you remain in me and my words remain in you ..."

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

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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
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Friday - 9am-12pm

(CLOSED MONDAYS & THURSDAYS)

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THIS WEEK

Monday 29 April

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

Tuesday 30 April

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel

Wednesday 1 May

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

Thursday 2 May

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel

Friday 3 May

9.00am Mass, St Joseph's

Saturday 4 May

9.00am Mass, Mt Carmel followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

5.00pm Vigil Mass, Mt Carmel

Sunday 5 May

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 MacLachlan, Marta Menjivar, Alba Middleton, Sam Neill, Maria Loc Nguyen, Dan Quickley, Helen Quickley, Rafal Rafalski, 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: Jeanette Coulter, Francis D'Souza, Judith McMahon & Roland Nicholls.

Those whose anniversaries of death occur about this time:

Aldo Craievich, John Joseph Kiernan (Senior), Fr Bob Maguire, Brian Murphy & Carmelites John Scanlon and Robert Power.

IN OUR PARISH

Welcome to our Family

This Sunday, we welcome:



Archie John Lewis
Emmi Violet Lewis
Daisy Frances O'Hanlon

*as they receive the
Sacrament of Baptism at
Our Lady of Mount Carmel.
Please keep the children, their parents,
godparents & families in your prayers.*

FIRST RECONCILIATION

Non Galilee candidates in grade 3 or higher are invited to enrol for the 2024 First Reconciliation Program. The key dates are:

- **Enrolments close:** Monday, 20 May 2024
- **Family Preparation Night:** Wednesday, 29 May 2024 at 7pm at O'Connor- Pilkington Room, Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Cnr Wright & Richardson Sts, Middle Park.
- **Commitment Mass & Rehearsal:** Sunday 23 June 2024 at 10:30am at Our Lady of Mt Carmel.
- **Sacrament:** Wednesday 26 June 2024 at 7pm 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/>.

THANK YOU

for your generosity last weekend

Parish Stewardship Offerings

Envelopes	\$ 505.00
Credit Card	\$ 685.00
Direct Credit	\$ 916.75
Loose Plate	\$ 1,365.65
Tap & Go	\$ 200.00
Total	\$3,672.40



MINISTRIES

4/5 May 2024

6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER

5.00pm Mount Carmel (Vigil)

Commentator: Des Collins
Readers: Kelly McEnhill
Offertory: Janine Brodie
Communion: Kelly McEnhill
Music: Janine Brodie

9.00am St Joseph's

Commentator: Lis Northam
Readers: Tris Tanumihardjo
Offertory: Terry Gurry
Communion: Jacek Glenda
Counters: Brian Harrison & Toni Stuart
Music: Joan Cusack
Hospitality: Cathy Garbellini

10.30am Mount Carmel

Commentator: Denis Churkovich
Reader: Peter Thomas
Offertory: Nina Batsakis
Communion: Kathleen Kiernan
Music: Organist / Cantor
Hospitality: Margaret Blades

Communion to the Sick:

Mary Brady 5-11 May 2024

DONATIONS

Parish QR code

Enter the amount, your name, email address & optionally any comment.

Electronic Funds Transfer

BSB:083-347

Account No: 58 216 8515

Name: Port Melb / Middle Park Parish

Parish Website: www.sj-mc.org.au
using **DONATE** button on Homepage.

THE CARMELITE CENTRE MELBOURNE



The **May 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

- ~ **Carmelite Conversation - Perennial Human Questions - a reflection on suffering and death**, with Bernadette Micallef - Wednesday 1 May, 10.30am on zoom
- ~ **Contemplative Walk (Middle Park)** - Tuesday 7 May, 9:30am
- ~ **Centering Prayer Meditation** in Malone Room - Tuesday 7 May, 1.00pm
- ~ **Post Easter Contemplative Walk, Lilydale to Mt Evelyn** - Saturday 11 May, 9:30am
- ~ **Monthly Gathering** - Friday 24 May, 11:30am in the Library.

OUR LITURGY

PROCESSIONAL HYMN: GATHER YOUR PEOPLE – VERSES 3 & 4

Bob Hurd

Refrain

Gath - er your peo - ple, O Lord. Gath - er your
 peo - ple, O Lord. One bread, one bod - y, one
 spir - it of love. Gath - er your peo - ple, O Lord.

Verses

1. Draw us forth to the ta - ble of life;
2. We are parts of the bod - y of Christ,
3. No more harm on the moun - tain of God;
4. Wash us, Lord, in the wa - ters of life;

1. broth - ers and sis - ters, each of us called to
2. need - ing each oth - er, each of the gifts the
3. swords in - to plow - shares. Free us, O Lord, from
4. wa - ters of mer - cy, wa - ters of hope that

2 to Refrain

1. walk in your light.
2. Spir - it pro - vides.
3. hard - ness of heart.
4. flow from your side.

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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

Acts of the Apostles 9:26-31

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus.

The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

PSALM 22: I WILL PRAISE YOU LORD, IN THE ASSEMBLY OF YOUR PEOPLE.

Response: I will praise you Lord, in the assembly of your people.

I will fulfill my vows before those who fear the LORD.
The lowly shall eat their fill;
they who seek the LORD shall praise him:
"May your hearts live forever!" **Response**

All the ends of the earth
shall remember and turn to the LORD;
all the families of the nations
shall bow down before him. **Response**

To him alone shall bow down
all who sleep in the earth;
before him shall bend
all who go down into the dust. **Response**

And to him my soul shall live;
my descendants shall serve him.
Let the coming generation be told of the LORD
that they may proclaim to a people yet to be born
the justice he has shown. **Response**

SECOND READING

1 John 3:18-24

My children, our love is not to be just words or mere talk, but something real and active; only by this can we be certain that we are the children of the truth and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence, whatever accusations it may raise against us, because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything.

My dear people,
if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants.

His commandments are these:
that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ
and that we love one another as he told us to.
Whoever keeps his commandments
lives in God and God lives in him.

We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has given us.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

GOSPEL

John 15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples:

'I am the true vine,
and my Father is the vinedresser.
Every branch in me that bears no fruit
he cuts away,
and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes
to make it bear even more.
You are pruned already,
by means of the word that I have spoken to you.
Make your home in me, as I make mine in you.
As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself,
but must remain part of the vine,
neither can you unless you remain in me.
I am the vine,
you are the branches.
Whoever remains in me, with me in him,
bears fruit in plenty;
for cut off from me you can do nothing.
Anyone who does not remain in me
is like a branch that has been thrown away
– he withers;
these branches are collected and thrown on the fire,
and they are burnt.
If you remain in me
and my words remain in you,
you may ask what you will
and you shall get it.
It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear
much fruit,
and then you will be my disciples.'



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 - TAKE OUR BREAD

ROBERT KOCHIS

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 standing 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**

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 - CENTRE OF MY LIFE

Paul Inwood

**Refrain O Lord, you are the centre of my life:
 I will always praise you,
 I will always serve you,
 I will always keep you in my sight.**

Keep me safe, O God, I take refuge in you.
 I say to the Lord, "You are my God.
 My happiness lies in you alone;
 my happiness lies in you alone."

I will bless the Lord, who gives me counsel,
 who even at night directs my heart.
 I keep the Lord ever in my sight:
 since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm.

Refrain

Refrain

You will show me the path of life,
 the fullness of joy in your presence,
 at your right hand,
 at your right hand happiness forever.

Refrain

RECESSIONAL HYMN: ALL THE ENDS OF THE EARTH

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
 won-ders he has done in ev-'ry age. D.C.

Verse 2

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

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! D.C.

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Next weekend, 4 & 5 May 2024, is the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal (previously held during the month of August). As the Catholic Church's mission in action, CatholicCare Victoria delivers programs and services to support families, children, young people and individuals to help everyone reach their full potential. The services include counselling and mental health services, specialised support for children and teens, refugee and asylum seeker help, pastoral care, support for separating families, social housing and homelessness support. Donations from our parish community help CatholicCare Victoria support the most vulnerable individuals and families in our community and empower everyone to live life to the full.

Please donate to the CatholicCare Victoria Sunday Appeal. Your support and generosity will help provide caring and compassionate support for struggling individuals and families in our community.

AGATHA *in* VIVALDI'S VENICE

Australian Chamber Choir, directed by Douglas Lawrence

The Scots' Church, corner of Russell and Collins Sts | Sunday 5 May at 3PM



Agatha, born without fingers on her left hand, was given up to a Venetian orphanage. Brought up by the Sisters of Santa Maria, she received an excellent musical education in the orphanage's music school, where she was part of Antonio Vivaldi's famous all-female choir and orchestra. Agatha's Cantata is heard alongside Vivaldi's Magnificat (which was written for the orphans), and other Venetian treasures.

Parishioners of St Josephs and OLOMC get a 10% discount off Regular ticket prices

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