



Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish

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Guided by the Holy Spirit, OLSH Parish in Central Australia is a family of God actively engaging in Jesus' love bringing justice, compassion and charity to all creation.



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Parish Office Hours:

Monday to Friday

8:30 am - 12 noon

Saturday and Sunday - Closed



"Children, once born, begin to receive, along with nourishment and care, the spiritual gift of knowing with certainty that they are loved. This love is shown to them through the gift of their personal name, the sharing of language, looks of love and the brightness of a smile. In this way, they learn that the beauty of human relationships touches our soul, seeks our freedom, accepts the difference of others, recognizes and respects them as a partner in dialogue... Such is love, and it contains a spark of God's love!" Every child has a right to receive love from a mother and a father; both are necessary for a child's integral and harmonious development".

Pope Francis, Amoris Laetitia, Chap.5/172



8th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C
2nd - 3rd March 2019



Parish Priest:

Fr Asaeli Raass SVD

Assistant Parish Priests:

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Syro-Malabar Chaplain

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Liturgy Coordinator

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Parish Treasurer

Mr Kevin Hickmott

OLSH College Principal

Br Tony Caddy FMS

St. Joseph's Flexible Centre

Mrs Sitinder Bahia

Sunday School Catechists

Holroyd-Decosta, Knight

Hospitality Coordinators

Losana Hay and Ruth Sexton

Safeguarding Officers:

Mr George Tetteh, Ms Pane Komene

& Mr Manfred Casseeram

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Smart-Loving Ministry

Mr & Mrs Emil Tabadda

Parish Mass Schedule

Monday to Friday: 7am & 5:30pm; Saturday 11am & (Sun Vigil) 6 pm, Sunday 7:30am, 9:30am & 5:30 pm;

Ngkarte Mikwekenhe Community

11am Indigenous Community Mass

Syro-Malabar Rite Mass

Every 3rd Sunday of the month

MESSAGE FROM BISHOP CHARLES VICTOR GAUCI Bishop of Darwin

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

It has been a very difficult time for us in the last few days. We acknowledge of course the pain we experience would be small compared to what victims have endured and still endure. There is a real rage in the media and in society about the case concerning Cardinal George Pell. As we know the case will be appealed and we wait for the legal system to take its course.

I am very conscious that as bishops, priests, religious and deacons we are at the forefront of church ministry and life. I am also conscious that these events can be very painful and stressful for all of us. I want to assure you of my prayerful and loving support as your Bishop.

We keep our gaze on Jesus our Way, Truth and Life, and on Mary, Mother of Priests.

Please feel free to contact me if ever you need to.

Your brother in Christ,

Bishop Charles+

1 March 2019

MESSAGE FROM ARCHBISHOP MARK COLERIDGE, PRESIDENT OF THE AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC BISHOPS CONFERENCE

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The news of Cardinal George Pell's conviction on historical child sexual abuse charges has shocked many across Australia and around the world, including the Catholic Bishops of Australia. The Bishops agree that everyone should be equal under the law, and we respect the Australian legal system. The same legal system that delivered the verdict will consider the appeal that the Cardinal's legal team has lodged. Our hope, always, is that through this process, justice will be served. In the meantime, we pray for all those who have been abused and their loved ones, and we commit ourselves anew to doing everything possible to ensure that the Church is a safe place for all, especially the young and the vulnerable.

Archbishop Mark Coleridge+

26 February 2019

We acknowledge the original custodians of this land and pay our respects to the Elders both past, present and future for they hold the memories, the traditions, the culture and hopes of Indigenous Australia. As we share our faith within our Catholic family we also acknowledge those that paved the way to give us our Church and Parish and welcome all into our community.

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Daily Readings: starting 4 March 2019

Mon: Sirach 17:24-29 Mk 10:17-27
Tues: Sirach 35:1-12 Mk 10:28-31
Wed: Joel 2:12-18; 2 Cor 5:20-6:2 Mt 6:1-6,16-18
Thu: Deut 30:15-20 Lk 9:22-25
Fri: Is 58:1-9 Mt 9:14-15
Sat: Is 58:9-14 Lk 5:27-32
Sun: Deut 26:4-10
Rom 10:8-13 Lk 4:1-13

+ Pray & read your Bible every day +



**Please pray for the elderly
and those who are sick**

Jenny Leahy, Poppy Lindbeck, Kathy Golotta, Kwerralya Quall, Virgie Gomugda Golfo, Tom Wyatt, Tricia Wormald, Eric Robinson, Marie Liedwinger, James Harvey, Grace Boog, Coleen Langcake, Felisa Sara, Rob Dominquez, Betty Rawson, Ellen Gunner, Latai Mailau, Penelope Fleming, Joan Brenton, Pauline Cardoz, Shiroma Bulner, Anne Tobin, Margaret McNaught, Thomas Andrew Jackson, Joyce & Duncan Komene, Bernadette Dowd, Georgina Gilbert, Clare Lorkin, Luigia Sabadin

May the Lord grant them healing

Reconciliation:

Saturday 11:30 am & 5:15 pm

Baptism: By appointment, one month's notice required. Formation of parents falls on the 1st Monday of the month, 7:00 pm -8:00 pm

Marriage:

By appointment only, 12 months' notice required for divorced requiring annulment, otherwise 6 months for free-to-marry Catholics.

Devotional Practices:**Prayers of the Holy Rosary**

Monday to Thursday 5pm

Prayers of Devotion to St. Joseph

First Wednesday of the month 9am

Contact: Cathy Golotta 8952 1991

Syro-Malayalam (Indian) Fellowship

Sunday 7:00 pm - 8:30 pm (Home Based)

Eucharistic Adoration

Every Friday from 6-7pm; every second Saturday of the month from 3-4 pm at Missionaries of Charity Convent, 12 Standley Crescent.

Christian Meditation (Presbytery Chapel)

Thursday 12:00 - 12:30pm

Weekly Bible Sharing

Wednesdays 6:15pm -7:00pm

Children's Sunday Liturgy of the Word

Every Sunday from 9:20am

Charismatic Prayer Group

Every Thursdays 6:15pm - 7:15pm

Divine Office - Liturgy of the Hours

Monday to Friday 6:45am

LENTEN SHARING GROUPS

OLSH Parish invites all parishioners to attend one of the three Lenten Sharing Groups starting this week and lasts approximately 90 minutes. This year's Lenten Programme Compassion from the Archdiocese of Brisbane. It will only cost you something in effort and commitment. But then you will also discover some wonderful truths about 'clothing yourself with compassion' (Col 3:12).

Please sign your name at the back for the facilitator's preparation.

GROUP FACILITATOR	ADDRESS	Date & TIME	REMARKS
Sr Helen Kennedy FMM	St Francis Centre, corner of Memorial & Adamson Avenue.	Start Tuesday, 5 th March @ 5pm & every Tuesdays till Holy Week	FULL
Jeremy & Tanya Jones		Start Monday 4 th March @ 7:30pm & every Mondays till Holy Week	MORE SPACES LEFT
Sr Anne Surtees OSU	@ the Presbytery Chapel, 4 Hartley Street	Start Saturday, 9 th March @ 9am & every Saturdays till Holy Week	MORE SPACES LEFT

Blessed 50th Jubilee Year & 90 Years of Catholic Presence

The official celebrations of the 50th Golden Jubilee of the OLSH Parish Church Building and 90 Years of Catholic Presence in Central Australian will fall on **Friday 11th, Saturday 12th & Sunday 13th October 2019.**

PROPOSED FUNDRAISING & SPECIAL EVENTS ARE PROGRESSING & WILL SOON TAKE PLACE AND PRESENTED AT ALL MASSES. OUR TARGET IS \$50,000 BEFORE OCTOBER. THE FUNDRAISING IDEAS SO FAR FOR OLSH CHURCH ARE:

- A CUPPA FOR THE 50TH
- FUN/WALK RUN
- ONE-OFF FUNDRAISING DINNER & MULTICULTURAL DANCES
- CAR RALLY
- POST CARDS
- MAILER FOR DONATIONS
- NT GOVT GRANTS

WHAT FOR?

- * Internal & External Ramps
- * Change old Sanctuary Lights to LED
- * Repair Boxed Flower Beds
- * Arrernte Painting of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, *a new exciting project*
- * Solar Renewable Energy, *new project*
- * Re-polish Main Tabernacle

WHAT'S BEING DONE??

- ♦ Changed old fluorescent lights in Church to LED -Done
- ♦ Changed Confessional doors from timber to glass -Done
- ♦ External Ramps – near completion
- ♦ Rejuvenate all 32 Church Pews – Ongoing.
- ♦ Arrernte Painting of Our Lady - progressing

PARISH COUNCIL 2019

A special invitation to all the Parish Councillors from 2018 to please attend our PPC meeting on Thursday 7th March at 6:15pm. Parishioners who have something to say please contact: chairpersonppc@gmail.com

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Ecumenical Lenten Services in 2019

7pm on Wednesday evenings.

Ash Wednesday 6 th March	services in our own churches
Wednesday 13th March	Anglican Church, 18 Bath St
Wednesday 20th March	Campfire in the Heart, Lot 8204 Ragonesi Rd. (This follows a shared meal at 6.30pm)
Wednesday 27th March	Catholic Church, 4 Hartley St
Wednesday 3rd April	Uniting Church, Todd Mall
Wednesday 10th April	Lutheran Church, 49 Gap Rd

2019 World Day of Prayer 8th March

The Catholic Church will be hosting this year's World Day of Prayer on Friday evening **8th March at 7:00pm**. Please join us in support of this wonderful event as the world prays for the people of Slovenia. If you have ties to Slovenia or any of the surrounding Balkan countries, or know of someone that does, we would like to invite you/them to participate in the service and bring a personal touch to this event. Even without a connection to the country, your help and support is always welcome and appreciated. Please contact Rita Steller to discuss further detail. 0439 508 180.

PROJECT COMPASSION

GIVE LENT 100%! Project Compassion is Catholic Caritas Australia's annual Lenten fundraising and awareness-raising appeal. Millions of Australians come together in solidarity with the world's poor to help end poverty, promote justice and uphold dignity. Please take a Project Compassion Box at the back of the Church for your family or workplace. Your kind donation goes a long way for millions of people to have clean drinking water. Bring it back during Holy Week and place it in the Collection Box as part of your offering or before 31 May 2019. Monies raised will go directly to Caritas Australis.

A BIG THANK YOU TO THE TWENTY-THREE PARISHIONERS WHO TOOK PART IN THE PARISH-MINI ASSEMBLY TODAY (SATURDAY 2ND). YOUR HUMBLE RESPONSES TO THE PLENARY 2020 COUNCIL PREPARATIONS ARE HIGHLY APPRECIATED. IT IS NEVER TOO LATE IF YOU HAVE NOT CONTRIBUTED. LOG ONTO <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/> AND say something.

SPEAK YOUR TRUTH NOW!

Cleaning: March 09, 2019 **Group 5**

Bernie O'Loughlin, Rita Steller

Counters: March 10, 2019

Eric & Kath McGargill

Last Week's Collections:

1st Collection: \$1,513.15 (for the presbytery)

2nd Collection: \$923.75 (for the parish)

Planned Giving: \$1,213.00

Thank you for your time and kind generosity!

Groups please remember to keep the Bulletin Team informed if you change your days/times etc.

TWENTY-ONE REFLECTION POINTS FROM THE RECENT MEETING OF POPE FRANCIS WITH LEADERS OF ALL PRESIDENTS OF CATHOLIC BISHOPS' CONFERENCES



Holy See Press Feb 2019, Vatican City

1. To prepare a practical handbook indicating the steps to be taken by authorities at key moments when a case emerges.
2. To equip oneself with listening structures that include trained and expert people who can initially discern the cases of the alleged victims.
3. Establish the criteria for the direct involvement of the Bishop or of the Religious Superior.
4. Implement shared procedures for the examination of the charges, the protection of the victims and the right of defence of the accused.
5. Inform the civil authorities and the higher ecclesiastical authorities in compliance with civil and canonical norms.
6. Make a periodic review of protocols and norms to safeguard a protected environment for minors in all pastoral structures: protocols and norms based on the integrated principles of justice and charity so that the action of the Church in this matter is in conformity with her mission.

(TO BE CONTINUED NEXT WEEK)

Catechists Needed

Volunteers are needed to help at the St Francis Centre with the Religious Education classes for the students from the public schools who are wanting to make their Sacraments. It is only for an hour a week between mid March to mid August and not during the school holidays.

Please contact the Parish Priest or Parish office if you can help.

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Roster for weekend of March 09 - 10, 2019

	Commentator	Readers	Communion
Sat 6:00pm	Brendan Heenan	Cindy Decosta Losana Hay	H Casseeram Greg Gilbert Darryl Smith
Sun 7:30am	Kath McGargill	Julie Permezel Mike Steller	John Lillecrapp Kath McGargill Rita Steller
Sun 9:30am	Br Tony Caddy	R Tabbada Jeremy Jones	Sue Marshall Br James Hodge Mark Bensted
Sun 5:30pm	Myke Ociones	Aileen Batimana Tinna Buenviaje	Thomas J John Mel Buenviaje Goury Nair

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Entrance Antiphon:

Ps 17:19-20

The Lord became my protector. He brought me out to a place of freedom; he saved me because he delighted in me.

First Reading:

Sirach 27:4-7

Do not praise someone before they have spoken

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 a 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.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 91:2-3,13-16

R/ Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

Second Reading:

1 Cor 15: 54-58

Victory has been given to us through Jesus Christ

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.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation:

Phil 2:15-16

Alleluia, alleluia! Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life. **Alleluia!**

Gospel:

Luke 6:39-45

A person speaks from what is in his heart

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.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Prayers of the Faithful: Lord, hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon:

Ps 12:6

I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me, sing psalms to the name of the Lord Most High.

PASTORAL MINISTRIES & MEETINGS

Adult Faith & Culture Formation :
TBA

Prison (Correctional Centre) Ministries
Tuesdays from 6:00pm-7:00pm
Sunday: March 10, 2019

Ministers' Ecumenical Fellowship
1st Tuesday of the month from 8:30am-9:30am

Bread Delivery to Town Camps
Wednesdays from 7:00pm-7:30pm

Yuendumu Aboriginal Mission (5hrs drive)
2nd Wednesday of the month

Children's Sunday School
Every Sunday from 9:20am except on school holidays

Jay Creek Aboriginal Mission (20m drive)
3rd Wednesday of the month from 5:30pm-

7:00pm

Old Timers Aged-Care Ministries

Thursdays from 2:00pm-3:30pm, 2nd Thurs of the Month

Parish Council Meetings

1st Thursday of the month from 5:00pm-7:00pm

Catholic Youth of Alice Springs

TBA

Hetti Perkins Aboriginal Ministry

3rd Friday of the month from 10:30am-11:30am

Harts Range Aboriginal Mission (3hrs drive)

4th Friday of the month

Finance Team Ministry

1st Saturday of the month from 8:30am-9:30am

CAAAPU (Drugs & Alcohol Rehabilitation)

Sundays from 4:00pm—5:00pm

Social Justice Awareness Group: 4th Sunday of the month from 3:00pm-4:30pm

Sunday Mass Pick-Up: Every Sunday if you can help those who wish to attend Mass at the main Church.

Hospitality Ministry: After every 9:30am Sunday Mass and during major events of the parish.

Is God calling you to any of the above ministries and more? Call the presbytery and participate in God's Mission.

Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, "Whom shall I send? And who will go for us?" And I said, "Here am I. Send me! Isaiah 6:8

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