



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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Monday to Friday
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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

Year of Youth in the Diocese of Darwin



“Another way that you love your enemy is this: when the opportunity presents itself for you to defeat your enemy, that is the time which you must not do it... When you rise to the level of love, of its great beauty and power, you seek only to defeat evil systems. Individuals who happen to be caught up in that system, you love, but you seek to defeat the system... Hate for hate only intensifies the existence of hate and evil in the universe. If I hit you and you hit me and I hit you back and you hit me back and so on, you see, that goes on ad infinitum. It just never ends. Somewhere somebody must have a little sense, and that's the strong person. The strong person is the person who can cut off the chain of hate, the chain of evil... Somebody must have religion enough and morality enough to cut it off and inject within the very structure of the universe that strong and powerful element of love”.

Pope Francis, Ch.4#118, Amoris Laetitia.

Sunday of the Resurrection Year B 1st April 2018

IN THIS CORE LIES THE GERMINATING FORCE

The alleluia resounds again in all churches: praise be to the Lord! OLSH Church bells can ring out their song over Central Australia and beyond. The dark colours of Lent are replaced with white. All lights are lit in the church. For the Lord is truly risen! For forty days we experienced how the grain of wheat was dying. But today it becomes suddenly evident that it brings new life. Darkness and the night have not the last say. On the contrary, precisely, in this darkness and in this night new life germinated. Only then could the germinal force break through.

This is why Easter can never be separated from Good Friday. It is by passing through suffering and death that Jesus was glorified. This is what makes Easter a great feast. Life is not cheap. The depth of life becomes visible only through and beyond the darkness of Good Friday. You and I should never loosen the bonds between the resurrection and the images of Golgotha, where a good man was executed as a criminal. We may never disengage the resurrection from the despair and the disillusionment of the disciples. We have to keep in mind on the one hand their great expectations and on the other hand their disappointment.

Who would not run away from the letdown at Calvary? Yet not everyone had run away. Mary, John and a few women had stayed. Their fidelity is related to Easter. They too had seen the downfall coming, and yet they could not abandon Jesus.

With him they wanted to face all the shame. Somewhere deep in their hearts was a firm portion of faith, hope and love. They knew Jesus very well that they knew his Father was with him. That is the faith that sustained them. In the dark night they kept believing and eventually their faith became as a clear vision of the world, and so on.

We too can remain faithful at the foot of the Cross and then in God's timewho knows, you might be given the last piece of the puzzle – an insight into the empty tomb.

A BLESSED EASTER TO YOU, ALLELUIA.

Frs Raass, Alex & Olivier

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.

Daily Readings: starting 02 April 2018

Mon: Acts 2:14,22-33 Mt 28:8-15
Tues: Acts 2:36-41 Jn 20:11-18
Wed: Acts 3:1-10 Lk 24:13-35
Thu: Acts 3:11-26 Lk 24:35-48
Fri: Acts 4:1-12 Jn 21:1-14
Sat: Acts 4:13-21 Mk 16:9-15
Sun: Acts 4:32-35
1 Jn 5:1-6 Jn 20:19-31

+ Pray & read your Bible every day +

Parish Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adult Policy Statement:



All Clergy, Religious, Diocesan workers, Parish Volunteers, Employees and anyone working directly or indirectly in the name of the Catholic Church in Central Australia are bound by the "Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adult Policy" statement:

"The Catholic Diocese of Darwin, consistent with gospel values and its Mission Statement, follows the example of Jesus in respecting the dignity of each child, young person and vulnerable adult. All members of the diocesan family will work together for the protection of these people and for the prevention of any form of abuse, neglect or exploitation – physical, sexual, emotional or spiritual – within our church communities and organisations"



Please pray for the elderly and those who are sick

Dilushi Fonseka, Gerry Miles, Eric Robinson, Marie Liedwinger, James Harvey, Carmel Leonard, Grace Boog, Coleen Langcake, Carapiet Shafraz, Felisa Sara, Garry Smith, Dwayne Schultz, Rob Dominquez, Betty Rawson, Ellen Gunner, Latai Mailau, Penelope Fleming, Joan Brenton, Pauline Cardoz, Shiroma Bulner, Anne Tobin, Eric Rooke, Margaret McNaught, Thomas Andrew Jackson, Joyce & Duncan Komene, May Shah, Bernadette Dowd, Georgina Gilbert, Clare Lorkin, Rose Almanza, Luigia Sabadin, Lennie, Will Arthur, Zak V.

May the Lord grant them healing



Parish Golden Jubilee Pilgrimage... & Italy

Pilgrimages to the Holy Land are an enduring tradition for the Abrahamic Faith (Islam, Judaism, Christianity) as the place has great significance for them all. For Catholic pilgrimages, the Holy Land holds importance as the place where Jesus' birth, ministry, death and resurrection took place. As a place, Israel is home to a rich, thousand-year-old history. Harvest Pilgrimage is organising the tour and will be complemented by further journey to Rome, Italy, including Assisi.

OLSH Parish has few more seats left for any parishioner desiring to find a new way of understanding Our Lord's life. Our departure date is Monday October 1 2018 for 21-days. Join us for an unforgettable experience. Fr Raass will be the Pilgrimage Chaplain. A deposit of \$1,000 is needed to secure your booking and all payments due by mid-July. Call the parish office, 8952 1049.

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.

Congratulations & warm welcome to **Douglas Baillie** and **Peter Martin** who were fully initiated into the Catholic Church this Easter Vigil. We also welcome **Andrew Degenhart** who received the Sacrament of Confirmation with Douglas and Peter.



Our prayers and best wishes go with them. OLSH Parish thanks Sr Helen FMM (RCIA Directress) and sponsors for their kind presence and spiritual accompaniment.

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

Mothers Praying for Your Children

Contact: Ruth Sexton 0487 860 283

Children's Sunday Liturgy of the Word

Every Sunday from 9:20am

Divine Office - Liturgy of the Hours

Monday to Friday 6:45am

VISIT OF ST VINCENT DE PAUL – PRESIDENT AND EXECUTIVE OFFICER.

Ms Fay Gurr, President of SVDPNT and Ms Edwina Wagland EO will be visiting Alice Springs from Friday 6 April to Sunday 8 April, 2018. This visit follows on from the Reconciliation Team visit last month and it continues the process of Reconciliation for the Society in Alice Springs.

Ms Gurr will speak at Masses over this weekend regarding the reconciliation of the Society in Alice Springs and is wishing to meet with Vincentians and interested parishioners in the Meeting Room of the Parish on Friday and Saturday to listen and to work with those interested in beginning the work of the St Vincent de Paul Society in Alice Springs. My email is nt.president@svdpnt.org.au

Happy Easter everyone!!!

WELCOME TO ALL PARISHIONERS!



To Danika Rose Athalia Smith, daughter of Daniel and Kelly Smith, who will be baptised on Sunday, 1 April.

The Priests and Parish Pastoral Council welcome all parishioners back from their holidays. A special welcome is extended to new parishioners. Please do not be shy to introduce yourself to the priests. May this Year of Youth be a fruitful one and may you be filled with God's blessings.

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Heartfelt gratitude is extended to all those who volunteered countless hours in helping to prepare our Liturgical Celebrations from Lent to Easter. A parish of our size requires a team of dedicated

volunteers who share their love for Jesus and our parish by the giving of their time and talent.

From those who help clean the church each week to those who help transform the liturgical environment with their beautiful voices and musical skills, we are grateful... you are all such a blessing.

We would also like to thank everyone who contributed to the Lenten Sharing Groups, Service of Lament, Palm Sunday and the Holy Week celebrations from Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Altar Servers, OLSH College, Transporters, Food Suppliers, Hospitality Team, Prison Ministry, Liturgy Committee, all Singers and Musicians and of course YOU. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!

Spirituality in the Pub #4



OLSH Parish is constantly aware of the emphasis placed by Pope Francis on the importance of dialogue and conversation with others - not only with members of our own faith tradition but with those who are 'church shy'; or see themselves on the fringe of conventional religious experience; with those from other Christian churches and other faith traditions; with those of no particular religious affiliations at all; with some who do not believe in God... We firmly believe that we have much to learn from each other.

Our Parish Social Justice Awareness Group invites you all to our fourth Spirituality in the PUB (SIP) to take place at the Todd Tavern this coming Friday 6th April. Theme: **Different Religions: Enemy or Friend?** Main Speaker: Fr Nick de Groot SVD, Director of Janssen Spirituality Centre for Interreligious & Intercultural Dialogue, Melbourne. Todd Tavern book 8952 1255 for meal & drinks from 6pm

YEAR OF YOUTH



The Year of Youth Action Team will hold their next meeting on Saturday 7th April at 9:30am at the JP2 Hall. All young people are invited to attend. The Church loves to hear from you.

St Joseph's Flexible Learning Centre



St Joseph's Learning Centre has established a Gospel Spirituality Team to cater for the Catholic Identity and spiritual hunger of young people attending the Centre. Let's give them our full support and prayers.

Readers (Lectors) Preparation



As a way of offering support and ongoing formation for our readers, we will be trialling a weekly process of reading preparation. Readers for the coming weekend are invited to come for reflection on the readings at 6:15pm on Tuesdays in the church. It is anticipated that sessions will be around 30 mins. We will be using the parish copies of Break Open the Word as our resource. So, if you are reading on the coming weekend we would welcome your participation in these sessions.

New Christian Film "Paul, Apostle of Christ"



Rachel Russell from the Alice Springs Cinema has notified us of a new Christian Film "Paul, Apostle of Christ" - to be shown on 7th April at 6:30pm and Sunday 8th April at 12:50pm.

Did You Know?

- The Easter Triduum (which means 'three days'), lasting from Holy Thursday evening to Easter Sunday evening, is the climax of the Church's year.
- Holy Thursday is sometimes known as Maundy Thursday, a corruption of the Latin word for commandment, *mandatum*. This is to commemorate the 'new commandment' that Jesus gave his followers at the Last Supper: Love one another as I have loved you.
- The stories of the Passion, Death and Resurrection of Jesus were the earliest stories told and later recorded by the early Church. The commemoration of the events of the Triduum is the earliest of Church celebrations when the first Christians gathered to break bread together.
- Good Friday and Easter Saturday are the only days of the year on which Mass is not celebrated.

World Day of Prayer 2018 Friday 13 April 7pm hosted by the Uniting Church Alice Springs.

All are invited to join as a world in prayer, sharing the same service around the globe, for the people of the Suriname. If you would like to be involved or find out more, please contact Rita Steller work 89595397 or home 8952 0868.



Roster for weekend of 07 - 08 April 2018

Cleaning: April 07, 2018 **Group 6**
Jo Black, Kate Kelly

Counters: April 08, 2018
Mel & Tinna Buenviaje

Last Week's Collections:
1st Collection: \$1,829.40 (for the presbytery)
2nd Collection: \$1,201.50 (for the parish)
Planned Giving: \$1,335.00

Thank you for your time and kind generosity!

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

	Commentator	Readers	Communion
Sat 6:00pm	Brendan Heenan	Pane Komene Leonie Smith	David Fernandes R Fernandes Anne Chivers
Sun 7:30am	Fred Twohig	P Rademaker Mike Steller	Kath McGargill Greg Gilbert Sue Marshall
Sun 9:30am	Br James Hodge	Mel Buenviaje David Genetti	Mark Bensted Virginia Loy Emil Tabbada
Sun 5:30pm	Myke Ociones	Br D Taberdo Aileen Batimana	Thomas J John Cindy Decosta Debbie Cooke

Sunday of Resurrection Year B
1st April 2018

Entrance Antiphon:

Ps 138:18,5-6

I have risen, and I am with you still, alleluia. You have laid your hand upon me, alleluia. Too wonderful for me, this knowledge, alleluia, alleluia.

The First Reading:

Acts 10:34. 37-43

We have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead.

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: "You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how he began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything he did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed him by hanging him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised him to life and allowed him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses - we have eaten and drunk with him after his resurrection from the dead - and he has ordered us to proclaim this to his people and to tell them that God has appointed him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through his name.'

The word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 117

R/ This is the day the Lord has made; let us rejoice and be glad.

Second Reading

Colossians 3:1-4

Look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is.

Since you have been brought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed - and he is your life - you too will be revealed in all your glory with him.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation:

1 Cor 5:7-8

Alleluia, alleluia! Christ, has become our paschal sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. **Alleluia!**

Gospel:

John 20:1-9

The teaching of scripture is that he must rise from the dead.

It was very early on the first day of the week and still dark, when Mary of Magdala came to the tomb. She saw that the stone had been moved away from the tomb and came running to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one Jesus loved. 'They have taken the Lord out of the tomb' she said 'and we don't know where they have put him.' So Peter set out with the other disciple to go to the tomb. They ran together, but the other disciple, running faster than Peter, reached the tomb first; he bent down and saw the linen cloths lying on the ground, but did not go in. Simon Peter who was following now came up, went right into the tomb, saw the linen cloths on the ground, and also the cloth that had been over his head; this was not with the linen cloths but rolled up in a place by itself. Then the other disciple who had reached the tomb first also went in; he saw and he believed. Till this moment they had failed to understand the teaching of scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayers of the Faithful: Lord, hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon:

1 Cor 5:7-8

Christ our Passover has been sacrificed, alleluia; therefore let us keep the feast with the unleavened bread of purity and truth, alleluia, alleluia.

PASTORAL MINISTRIES & MEETINGS

**Adult Faith & Culture Formation
Prison (Correctional Centre) Ministries**
Tuesdays from 6:00pm-7:30pm & on this
Sunday: 13th May 2018

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

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

Parish Children's Choir
Every 2nd Sunday, 9:30am Mass/Rehearsal
every Tuesday afternoon at 4:30pm

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

Old Timers Aged-Care Ministries
Thursdays from 2:00pm-3:30pm

Jay Creek Aboriginal Mission (20m drive)
3rd Wednesday of the month from 5:30pm-
7:00pm

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

Catholic Youth of Alice Springs
(Re-structuring)

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 5:50pm-6:30pm

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.

Spirituality in the Pub (Todd Tavern)

Every two months, please see SJAG notice
board.

*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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