



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 Priest:

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Smart-Loving Ministry

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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

"All the same, the rejection of distortions of sexuality and eroticism should never lead us to a disparagement or neglect of sexuality and eros in themselves. The ideal of marriage cannot be seen purely as generous donation and self-sacrifice, where each spouse renounces all personal needs and seeks only the other's good without concern for personal satisfaction. We need to remember that authentic love also needs to be able to receive the other, to accept one's own vulnerability and needs, and to welcome with sincere and joyful gratitude the physical expressions of love found in a caress, an embrace, a kiss and sexual union. Benedict XVI stated this very clearly: "Should man aspire to be pure spirit and to reject the flesh as pertaining to his animal nature alone, then spirit and body would both lose their dignity". For this reason, "man cannot live by oblation, descending love alone. He cannot always give, he must also receive. Anyone who wishes to give love must also receive love as a gift". Still, we must never forget that our human equilibrium is fragile; there is a part of us that resists real human growth, and any moment it can unleash the most primitive and selfish tendencies.

Pope Francis, Ch.4#157, Amoris Laetitia)

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B
22nd - 23rd September 2018

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF DARWIN

18 September 2018

My Dear Friends,

As I approach the last weekend as bishop of this diocese, I want to share with you a few random thoughts.

Firstly, I thank God for the blessing He has showered me during my whole life, but especially with the family I have had. I have had great joy in life as priest and bishop.

My eleven years here as bishop have been an incredible privilege and the source of real joy.

Much of the joy I have experienced during this time comes from my relationships with you, both personally, professionally and by way of your families. I am so grateful for the way I have been accepted and supported.

I am especially indebted to my brother priests and Religious. Thank you so much for your kindness to me.

I'm very proud of our Catholic Education system and our CatholicCare agency. They are in many ways the 'face of the church' to the wider community people. They bring the touch of Jesus to all in their care.

As I reflect, I am aware of the wonderful sense of family that exists throughout our vast diocese.

It is a great blessing to have such great numbers of families at each of our Masses, whereby we make sense of referring to the family as the 'domestic church'.

One third of our diocese is Aboriginal. This community is part of the sacred uniqueness of our diocesan family. It has been a profound privilege for me to have been so graciously accepted and supported by them.

Our new bishop has asked if I would stay in Darwin and work with him. I am very happy to do that and to help in any way I can.

Thank you to everyone for everything. I promise to continue to pray for you and I ask that you pray for me. Together let us pray for this wonderful diocese.

In Christ,

+Eugene Hurley

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 24 September 2018

Mon: Prov 3:27-34	Lk 8:16-18
Tues: Prov 21:1-6,10-13	Lk 8:19-21
Wed: Prov 30:5-9	Lk 9:1-6
Thu: Eccl 1:2-11	Lk 9:7-9
Fri: Eccl 3:1-11	Lk 9:18-22
Sat: Dan 7:9-10,13-14	Jn 1:47-51
Sun: Num 11:25-29	
James 5:1-6	Mk 9:38-43,45,47-48

+ Pray & read your Bible every day +



Please pray for the elderly and those who are sick

Arlyn Rumball, Tricia Wormald, Dilushi Fonseka, Gerry Miles, Eric Robinson, Marie Liedwinger, James Harvey, Grace Boog, Coleen Langcake, Carapiet Shafraz, Felisa Sara, Garry Smith, 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, Luigia Sabadin

May the Lord grant them healing



WELCOME Fr Nick De Groot SVD

Fr Nick will arrive on 4 October 2018 and will stay in the parish until 11 Feb 2019 whilst Fr Raass is away on the parish pilgrimage and home leave. Fr Nick will assist Frs Alex, Olivier and the Parish Council in the overall leadership and direction of OLSH Parish.

Fr Nick was the Director of Janssen Spirituality Centre in Melbourne. He was born in The Hague in The Netherlands in 1943. His family migrated to Australia in 1953. He studied philosophy and theology in Chicago and returned to Australia in 1969 for his ordination in Brisbane. He then returned to Europe and graduated with a Licentiate degree in Moral Theology from the Alfonsianum University in Rome in 1972. His first assignment was to teach theology at the Major Seminary in Port Moresby, Papua New Guinea. In 1987 he went to Tagaytay in the Philippines to teach Moral Theology in the major seminary. In 1990, Fr Nick was asked if he would be willing to return to Papua New Guinea to join the Melanesian Institute. (The Melanesian Institute (MI) was established in 1970 to do research and promotion of the traditional cultures of PNG. The MI is an ecumenical Institution with the staff coming from the Anglican, Lutheran, United and Catholic Church. He was the Director of the Institute for 12 years. As for many other priests everywhere, one hardly ever wears only one hat. During his time at the MI, he was chosen to be the Director of the PNG Pontifical Mission Societies for 6 years and Chairman of the Board of Word Publishing Company for 10 years. Fortunately for him, not all these appointments were simultaneous. In 2006, after 16 years at the Melanesian Institute, Fr Nick became the General Secretary for the Catholic Bishops Conference in PNG. Welcome.



To all new parishioners and visitors to Central Australia.

PLENARY 2020: START NOW

The PPC invites all individual Catholics to log onto <http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/> to WATCH, LISTEN, READ AND HAVE YOUR SAY. This is an opportunity to write a response to this question: **“What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?”** and **“What question do you have for the Catholic Church in Australia today?”**



Please submit your thoughts directly to the National Plenary Planning Team. If you are unable to access internet, please write your response(s) to the above question after some time of prayer and listening to your inner voice, place your response in the special box at the back of the church. The priests will email your response(s) directly to the top. This individual approach will be rolled out for a few weeks until we start working and consulting all parish service and pastoral groups.

PLEASE GET INVOLVED & BE PART OF THE CHURCH YOU WISH FOR!

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

Bridge for Peace International

The Founders of Bridge for Peace International will be arriving next weekend to conduct healing service on Friday, 28 September at 6:15pm and after every Mass on Sundays. Feel free to avail yourself.

WELCOME!

To **AMELIA LIMA LILICRAP** daughter of Anthony John Lillicrap and Anne Kelly Lima, who will be baptised on Saturday, 22 Sept and **BELLA MIA BEATON** daughter of Wade Beaton and Renee DeMarco, who will be baptised on Sunday, 23 September.

OLSH Priests' Movements

Fr Raass: 25 Sept - 27 Sept: Darwin, Bishop Charles' Ordination
1 Oct - 21 Oct: Holy Land & Italy Pilgrimage;
22 Oct - 26 Oct: Clergy Retreat, Darwin
11 Nov - 11 Feb 2019: Home Leave, Fiji

Fr Alex: 25 Sept - 27 Sept: Darwin for Bishop Charles' Ordination.
22 Oct - 26 Oct: Darwin, Clergy Retreat

During Fr Raass' absence, Fr Alex will be the Acting Parish Priest and assisted by Fr Nick de Groot SVD & Fr Olivier SVD.

Parish Approved Retreats/Workshops & Healing Services

International Bridge for Peace <i>Healing Services</i>	28th-30th Sept Fri 6:15pm/Sun after all Masses and Aboriginal communities	Annette and Ed Eckart (USA) ‘Healing the Nations Through Jesus Christ’
Parish Annual Spiritual Retreat “Claiming Your Inner Voice”	Saturday, 10 th , November, full day to Sun morning – midday Venue: St Francis Centre. Suggested Donation to cover costs—\$25-\$30	Retreat Directors: Dr Michele Connelly, RSJ & Sr Anne



Ordination of Bishop-Elect Fr Charles Gauci

The Episcopal Ordination of Father Charles Gauci as the new Bishop of Darwin, will take place on **Wednesday, September 26, at 7 pm at St Mary’s Cathedral, Darwin.** Father Charles has asked Bishop Eugene Hurley to be Principal Consecrator, with Bishop Greg O’Kelly SJ (Apostolic Administrator of Adelaide and Bishop of Port Pirie) and Bishop Donald Sproxton, (Auxiliary for the Perth Archdiocese) as co-consecrators. The Apostolic Nuncio, His Excellency Archbishop Adolfo Tito Yllana, will preside.



OLSH PARISH GOLDEN JUBILEE PILGRIMS DEPART

Twelve parishioners and pilgrims will depart Olsh Parish on Monday, 1 Oct, bound for Holy Land and Italy for 21 days. They will be commissioned next Sunday at the 9:30am Mass. Please remember them in your prayers as they too will be praying for you at sacred places during the pilgrimage.



National Police Remembrance Day this coming Friday, 28 September from 9:00am-12:00pm at the OLSH Church.

OLSH Family Bike Ride

The annual OLSH Family Bike Ride this year will be held on the 29th of September. This is the first day of the school holidays and is also the AFL Grand Final. What a day to get out with the family in the morning and kick back to watch the G.F. in the afternoon.

The ride will depart from Flynn’s Grave at 0800 and proceed at your own pace along the picturesque Simpsons Gap Bike Path, where we will share good companionship and a cooked breakfast together. The distance is 16km. Assistance can be provided to return riders back to Flynn’s Grave if required. This year, all proceeds will go to the Australian Melanoma Institute, in memory of our good friend Marie Litvensky - Joachim. The cost will be \$20.00 per adult, children free. Get you chain oiled, your tires pumped up and stay tuned. Call Fred Twohig on 0437778819 for further information. Registration is now open on the link below.

<https://melanomainstituteau2016.gofundraise.com.au/page/OLSHparishMarie>

Catholic Mission Immersion Groups

OLSH Parish welcomes Sienna College and Gilroy College this week and the next. For your information, Olsh Parish is working in partnership with Catholic Mission Australia to provide relevant Immersion programmes for Catholic Schools in the country. Santa Teresa Parish is offering similar programmes.

The function of **proclaiming the readings** is by tradition not presidential but ministerial. Therefore the readings are to be read by a reader, but the Gospel by the deacon or, in his absence, but another priest.
GIRM 59

Cleaning: September 29, 2018 Group 3

Fred & Lyn Twohig

Counters: September 30, 2018

Mel & Tinna Buenviaje

Last Week’s Collections:

1st Collection: \$1,702.60 (for the presbytery)

2nd Collection: \$1,049.00 (for the parish)

Planned Giving: \$1,061.00

Thank you for your time and kind generosity!

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

Some of the greatest people of the Church are those who are remembered for their service to others.

LAUDATO SI PLEDGE

During this Season of Creation, our Social Justice Awareness Team invites all parishioners to make a pledge to 1. Live More Simply 2. Advocate for Mother Earth 3. Pray for and with Creation. Please remember this is to do with whole of the environment, not just climate change, our moral obligation not just science, focusing on holistic human development but not devoid of good science.

Parish Soup Van and Vinnies – Call for New Volunteers

The Parish Soup Van is feeding the hungry people of Alice Springs each Thursday evening. We are calling for more volunteers in the following areas:

- Soup preparation
- Soup delivery
- Drivers (LR licence required)

Vinnies is also in need of people over the age of 14 to volunteer at their shop at Railway Terrace. Contact Peta Baillie on 0429021564, or email peta.steller@gmail.com or speak to Fr Raass if you have any questions. *“The moral test of a society is how it treats its most vulnerable members...”*

Church Funeral Coming Up

Tuesday 25 Sept, 10:00am: David Gerard O'Connor, R.I.P.

Roster for weekend of September 29 - 30, 2018

	Commentator	Readers	Communion
Sat 6:00pm	Greg Gilbert	Cindy Decosta Losana Hay	Marian Maddocks Rose Sabadin Thelma Bowen
Sun 7:30am	Jenny Montefiore	Pushpa Vida Denise Simon	Ruth Sexton John Lillecrapp Rita Steller
Sun 9:30am	Jooby Mani	Mary McPhee Elfy Joobi	Cristy Genetti Richelle Tabbada Emil Tabbada
Sun 5:30pm	Mel Buenviaje	Pauline Otieno Debbie Cooke	Sammy Nobleza Pauline Otieno Thomas J John



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Entrance Antiphon:

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord. Should they cry to me in distress, I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

First Reading:

Wisdom 2:12, 17-20

Let us condemn him to a most shameful death.

The godless say to themselves, 'Let us lie in wait for the virtuous man, since he annoys us and opposes our way of life, reproaches us for our breaches of the law and accuses us of playing false to our upbringing. Let us see if what he says is true, let us observe what kind of end he himself will have. If the virtuous man is God's son, God will take his part and rescue him from the clutches of his enemies: Let us test him with cruelty and with torture, and thus explore this gentleness of his and put his endurance to the proof. Let us condemn him to a shameful death since he will be looked after - we have his word for it.'

The word of the Lord
Ps 53:3-6,8

Responsorial Psalm:

R/ The Lord upholds my life.

Second Reading:

St James 3:16 - 4:3

Justice is the harvest of peacemakers from seeds sown in a spirit of peace.

Wherever you find jealousy and ambition, you find disharmony, and wicked things of every kind being done; whereas the wisdom that comes down from above is essentially something pure; it also makes for peace, and is kindly and considerate; it is full of compassion and shows itself by doing good; nor is there any trace of partiality or hypocrisy in it. Peacemakers, when they work for peace, sow the seeds which will bear fruit in holiness. Where do these wars and battles between yourselves first start? Isn't it precisely in the desires fighting inside your own selves? You want something and you haven't got it; so you are prepared to kill. You have an ambition that you cannot satisfy; so you fight to get your way by force. Why you don't have what you want is because you don't pray for it; when you do pray and don't get it, it is because you have not prayed properly, you have prayed for something to indulge your own desires.

The word of the Lord.
2 Thess 2:14

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ. **Alleluia!**

Gospel:

Mark 9:30-37

*The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of humanity ...
 All who wish to be first must make themselves the servants of all.*

After leaving the mountain Jesus and his disciples made their way through Galilee; and he did not want anyone to know, because he was instructing his disciples; he was telling them, 'The Son of Man will be delivered into the hands of men; they will put him to death; and three days after he has been put to death he will rise again.' But they did not understand what he said and were afraid to ask him. They came to Capernaum, and when he was in the house he asked them, 'What were you arguing about on the road?' They said nothing because they had been arguing which of them was the greatest. So he sat down, called the Twelve to him and said, 'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all.' He then took a little child, set him in front of them, put his arms round him, and said to them, 'Anyone who welcomes one of these little children in my name, welcomes me; and anyone who welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayer of the Faithful: Lord, hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon:

Ps 118:4-5

You have laid down the precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

PASTORAL MINISTRIES & MEETINGS

Adult Faith & Culture Formation

TBA

Prison (Correctional Centre) Ministries

Tuesdays from 6:00pm-7:30pm

Sunday: October 07, 2018

Ministers' Ecumenical Fellowship

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

Bread Delivery to Town Camps

Wednesdays from 6:45pm-7:30pm

Parish Children's Choir

TBA

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 dr)

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

(15-18s) 4th Friday, 6:30pm, JP2 Hall

Hetti Perkins Aboriginal Ministry

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

Harts Range Aboriginal Mission (3hrs)

4th Friday of the month

Finance Team Ministry

1st Saturday from 8:00am-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

Parish Soup Van Ministry

Thursdays at 6:15pm depart from presbytery

Is God calling you to any of the above ministries and more?

"Here am I. Send me!" Isaiah 6:8

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