



# Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish

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*Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish, strengthened by the Word of God, is united by our Sacramental Life into a Covenant to make Jesus the Christ known and loved in Central Australia.*

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Wednesday 5 p.m.

**Parish Office Hours:**  
Monday to Friday  
9 am - 12 noon & 4 pm - 5 pm  
Saturday: 9:30 am - 10:30 am

## Parish Team

**Parish Priest:**  
Fr Asaeli Raass SVD  
**Assistant Parish Priests:**  
Fr Prakash Menezes SVD  
Fr Olivier Noclam SVD  
**Resident Priests:**  
Fr. Vincent Mai SVD  
Fr. Jim Knight SVD  
**Syro-Malabar Chaplain**  
Fr. Binesh Naramattathil CST  
**Liturgy Coordinator**  
Sr. Mary Bennett RSM  
**RCIA Director**  
Sr. Helen Kennedy FMM  
**Parish Secretary:**  
Mel Buenviaje  
**Parish Past. Council Chairman**  
Mr Fred Twohig  
**Parish Treasurer**  
Mr Kevin Hickmott  
**OLSH College Principal**  
Br. Matthew Green, FMS

## Parish Mass Schedule:

Monday to Friday: 7 am & 5:30 pm  
Saturday 11 am & (Sun Vigil) 6 pm  
Sunday 7:30am, 9:30 am & 5:30 pm  
**Ngkarte Mikwekenhe Community**  
1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup> (and 5<sup>th</sup>) Sundays of the  
month - 11am *Aboriginal*  
*Community Mass at South Terrace.*  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month—11 am  
*Aboriginal Community Mass at*  
*Amoonguna, Southeast of Alice*  
*Springs, off the Ross Highway.*

## Sacraments:

**Reconciliation:**  
Saturday 11:30 am & 5:30 pm  
**Baptism:** By appointment: one  
month's notice required.  
2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month. Formation  
of parents falls on the 1<sup>st</sup> Monday of  
the month. 7:00 pm—8:00 pm  
**Marriage:**  
By appointment only, 6 months'  
notice required.

## 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 20th - 21st June 2015

### 'Quiet now! Be calm!'

Each Sunday we profess our belief in the Creed, which begins: "We believe in one God, the Father all-powerful..." If we truly believe that God is our Father (that we are his beloved children), and that he is all-powerful, why would we ever give in to fear? Why would we ever doubt that following his will, as difficult as it may sometimes be, is the surest path to happiness and fulfillment? If we truly believed that, no storm would shake our confidence. Unfortunately, we, like the apostles, often become anxious, nervous, doubtful, and even just plain scared. And sometimes, unlike the apostles on the ship this fear and doubt lead us to abandon ship, to put our trust in someone else (usually ourselves).

We still doubt too: when we hesitate to follow a particular Church teaching; when we hesitate to obey the voice of conscience or look for expert advice to clarify a foggy moral issue; when we delay going to confession; when we make excuses to avoid the duties of our state in life or the commitments of our Christian discipleship; when we let frustration and anxiety carry us away in the face of difficulties... In these ways and in many others, we show that we don't know Christ as well as we should, that we don't trust him as we ought to.

The lesson Christ teaches us on this Refugee Sunday and Mark 4, both with his words and with his actions, is simple: **when he is with us, we are safe. Everyone is safe.** Christ is always with each one of us to bring us safely through the most trying times. Yes although sometimes he seems to be asleep in our boat while our lives are swirling in a hurricane of struggles and confusion, Jesus is truly there. And when we go to him, when we put our faith in him, he will always come through for us – **always but in God's time.**

Please pray with me *'Lord, you are in my boat; you are in my heart. As I stumble through life, trying to live out my responsibilities as you would have me, trying to discover your will in every storm, you are with me. I believe it, Lord, but help my weak faith! I won't say "Don't you care?" because I know you do care. But I will say: Convince my heart that you care, so I can be free to love as you love...Amen'.*

Fr Raass SVD  
Parish Priest

On Wednesday, 24 June, we celebrate the Solemnity of the Nativity of St John the Baptist. In the liturgical calendar of the Church, only three birthdays are celebrated as solemnities/feast: Nativity of the Lord, Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary and Nativity of St John the Baptist.

### Evangelii Gaudium

"The dignity of the human person and the common good rank higher than the comfort of those who refuse to renounce their privileges."

Par.218 from Evangelii Gaudium, Pope Francis, Nov. 24, 2013

**Daily Readings: starting 22 June**

**Mon:** Gen12:1-9 Mt 7:1-5  
**Tues:** Gen 13:2,5-18 Mt 7:6,12-14  
**Wed:** Is 49:1-6  
Acts 13:22-26 Lk 1:57-66,80  
**Thur:** Gen 16:1-12,15-16 Mt 7:21-29  
**Fri:** Gen 17:1,9-10,15-22 Mt 8:1-4  
**Sat:** Gen 18:1-15 Mt 8:5-17  
**Sun:** Wis 1:13-15, 2:2324  
2 Cor 8:7,9,13-15 Mk 5:21-43

**+ Pray & read your Bible every day +**

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

Tilde Cabantog, Brian Woods, Anthony Minh, Kathy Abbott, Christine Newman, Pat Kruger, Fiona Poarkes, Patrick Kopp, Richard Kopp, Robert Kopp, Margie Heffernan, Helena Monaghan, Lafi Sa'anga, Carmen Felix Dela Cruz, Bodhi Allen, Jamie Hampton (Melbourne), Sr. Don Maria, Thimas, May Lee Shah, Herman and Benedicta Turkey, Philip Ponodo, Loraine Gory, Do Quyen, Sunil Menon, Ben Pereira, Mary Dick, Alice Costa, Sean Heenan, Eileen Madden, Ruth Barney, Edna Madden, Mary Hessling, Georgina Gilbert, Alfredo Agbayani, Sylvia Xccall, Muriel L'Aiguille, Fay Hawkins, Colleen Matson, Collen Langcake, Hilla Casseeram, Nod & Harold Rioux, Br Dan fms, Imelda Palmer

*May the Lord grant them healing.*

**Recent Death:** Jaime Posadas (17 June 2015)

*May his soul and the souls of our dearly departed rest in peace. Amen*

**Devotional Practices:**

**Prayers of the Holy Rosary**

Monday to Thursday 5pm

**Saint Joseph Devotion**

First Wednesday of the month 9am

Contact: Cathy Golotta 8952 1991

**Malayalam (Indian) Fellowship**

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

**Eucharistic Adoration**

Adoration every Friday from 6-7pm at OLSH Church and every second Saturday of the month from 3-4 pm at Missionaries of Charity Convent, 12 Standley Crescent.

**Prayer Fellowship**

Tuesdays from 6:15 pm - 7:15 pm

**Christian Meditation (Presbytery Chapel)**

Thursday 12:00 - 12:30 pm

**Legion of Mary**

Mondays from 6:15pm - 7:15pm

**Divine Office—Liturgy of the Hours**

Monday to Friday 6:45am

**Pope Francis' New Encyclical: "LAUDATO SI', mi' Signore"**

**"Praise be to you, my Lord".**

Pope Francis's groundbreaking encyclical letter on care for creation made its anticipated debut Thursday morning, and once again, the Bishop of Rome has delivered a masterpiece. The document will play a key role in United Nations Paris Climate Change Conference this November. So what exactly does the pope address in this letter? Here are some 10 top points in what Pope Francis describes as a "dialogue with all people about our common home."

1. All Creation sings God's praise, but people are silencing it.
2. Climate Change is Real and its Getting Worse
3. Human Beings are a major contributor to climate Change
4. Climate Change Disproportionately Affects the Poor
5. We can and must make things better
6. Individuals can help but politicians must lead the charge.
7. Rich Nations to Pay Debt to the Poor
8. UN Talks have Failed to Achieve Much
9. Consumption is a bigger problem than population
10. iPhones & gadgets may be getting in the way of our relationship with Nature

"(13)The urgent challenge to protect our common home includes a concern to bring the whole human family together to seek a sustainable and integral development, for we know that things can change. The Creator does not abandon us; he never forsakes his loving plan or repents of having created us. Humanity still has the ability to work together in building our common home. Here I want to recognize, encourage and thank all those striving in countless ways to guarantee the protection of the home which we share. Particular appreciation is owed to those who tirelessly seek to resolve the tragic effects of environmental degradation on the lives of the world's poorest. Young people demand change. They wonder how anyone can claim to be building a better future without thinking of the environmental crisis and the sufferings of the excluded" – Pope Francis.

But you have to read all about it. Download for Free on <http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/papa-francesco>

**World Refugee Sunday & OLSH Social Justice Open Forum**

This Sunday is World Refugee Day. Pope Francis spoke on World Refugee Day 2014 " Remember Jesus was a refugee; he and Mary and Joseph had to go to Egypt to save his life...Pray to Mary who knows the pain of being a refugee.....Let us be close to them (refugees), sharing their fears, and their uncertainty about the future and concretely alleviating their suffering."

On Sunday afternoon all Parishioners are invited to join the Social Justice Awareness Group in the John Paul II Room at 2 pm. Jimmy Cocking from the Arid Lands Environment Centre is coming to meet with the SJAG and Parishioners to speak about Fracking and related issues for Alice Springs.

A light afternoon tea will be provided.

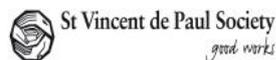
**Sacred Scripture is of the greatest importance in the celebration of the liturgy.**

♥ **Saints of the Week - St John Fisher & St Thomas More (June 22)** ♥

**WELCOME!**

OLSH Parish WELCOMES all new parishioners and their families. Please do not hesitate to introduce yourself to any of the priests or members of the Parish Council. We hope you will enjoy your stay with us and contribute to the reign of God in Central Australia.

<b>Workshop Speaker &amp; Facilitator</b>	<b>Theme</b>	<b>Date &amp; Venue</b>
Fr Noel Connolly SSC (Head of Mission Studies, Columban Mission Institute, Sydney, NSW)	'The Joy of the Gospel', Pope Francis' Theology and Leadership	18 July at St Francis, 9:00am – 3:30pm



**BLUE BUCKET WINTER  
APPEAL THANK YOU**

Sincere thanks to everyone who supported the annual Winter Appeal. This year the generous amount of \$1,361.00 was raised and it will contribute to the purchase of blankets and street swags to assist those in need in the community.

**Marriage, Divorce and Tribunal Cases**

Mrs Trish Tranter from the Adelaide/Darwin Marriage Tribunal has arrived and to stay from the 15th -30th June as advertised. Any individuals and couples wishing to talk about marriage, divorce or annulments procedures are welcome to see her.

Please call the presbytery to make your appointment. She will give a brief presentation at this week's Masses, 20/21st. OLSH Parish has also scheduled a **Q & A session with her on Wednesday 24th June from 6:15pm – 7:30pm** at the presbytery. Come with your questions and let's debunk some long held myths!

**OLSH Parish Young Adult Group**

The Young Adults of the Parish are highly encouraged to join the newly formed Youth Group which meets every Friday at 6:30 pm in the JPII Hall. Please come along and let us work together to "make a difference."

**DID YOU KNOW?**

- 'The other side' refers to the eastern shore of the Sea of Galilee. This was known as pagan territory, the region of Decapolis or the 'Ten Cities', which were not part of the traditional lands of Israel.
- The Sea of Galilee was (and still is) notorious for storms which could blow up very quickly and be tempestuous.
- In Genesis 1, God brought order to the watery chaos at creation purely through his command. Here, Jesus does the same simply by verbal command.
- In Mark's gospel, the disciples are often portrayed as missing the point and failing to recognise who Jesus is!

**Parish Notice Board**

**A humble reminder to please ask for permission from the Parish Priest before you place any posters, pamphlets or advertisement on the Parish Notice Board or on the tables. Thank you.**

**Roster for weekend of 27-28 June 2015**

	Commentator	Readers	Special Ministers
<b>Sat 6:00 pm</b>	John Appleby	Sue Bain Ruth Sexton	Marian Maddocks Rose Sabadin Darryl Smith
<b>Sun 7:30 am</b>	Mike Steller	Jo Molin Kath McGargill	John Lillecrapp Greg Gilbert Fred Twohig
<b>Sun 9:30 am</b>	Kevin Hickmott	Precy Taylor Bridget Knight	Helena Casseeram Margaret Lillecrapp Bruce Were
<b>Sun 5:30 pm</b>	Miguel Ociones	Cristina Buenviaje Andrzej Skrzypiec	Thomas J John Mel Buenviaje Marieta Ives

**Diocesan Youth Ministry Appeal – 20th/21st June**

The Diocesan Youth Appeal will take place this weekend. The money will go into continuing the support we give throughout the diocese in the ongoing formation of our young people. Please give generously but give from the heart. Two parishioners will be at the back of the church after every Mass to collect your donation. Thank you.

**School Holidays**

We wish all our OLSH College and St Joseph's staff and students a good rest and happy holidays. Take care and return refreshed.

**OLSH PARISH SIMPSON GAP SOCIAL RIDE**

**WHEN:** Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> of July  
**SCHEDULE:** 8:30am gather at Flynn's Grave  
9:00am commence ride  
10:00am brunch at Simpsons Gap  
11:00am return to Flynn's Grave.  
To register email Fred Twohig – ftwohig@bigpond.net.au

**National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council (NATSICC)**

The National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council Assembly will take place in the **Diocese of Darwin from the 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> July 2015**. NATSICC National Assemblies attract over 200 participants from a diverse range of backgrounds. The event is an opportunity for Indigenous (and those working with Indigenous people) to come together and discuss faith, culture and spirituality in contemporary Australia.

The event theme is '**The Heart of Jesus beats within us all**', which calls for us to look within ourselves and work together as a strong, faith based people. OLSH Parish is calling for parishioners who could financially sponsor some Aboriginal Catholics from the town camps to go to Darwin in July.

Please contact one of the priests if you can help.

**Cleaning:** 27 June **Group 5**  
Bernie O'Loughlin, Rita Steller

**Counters:** 28 June 2015  
Eric & Kath McGargill

**Last Week's Collections:**  
1<sup>st</sup> Collection: \$1,299.20 (for the presbytery)  
2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: \$2,195.70 (for the parish)  
Special Collection: \$1,361.00 (SVDP winter appeal)

*Thank you for your generosity!*

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

## 12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B

20th - 21st June 2015

### Entrance Antiphon:

Ps 27:8-9

The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge or the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

### First Reading:

Job38:1,8-11

*Here I have set the boundaries of the sea.*

From the heart of the tempest the Lord gave Job his answer. He said: Who pent up the sea behind closed doors when it leapt tumultuous out of the womb, when I wrapped it in a robe of mist and made black clouds its swaddling bands; when I marked the bounds it was not to cross and made it fast with a bolted gate? Come thus far, I said, and no farther: here your proud waves shall break.

The word of the Lord.

### Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 106:23-26,28-31

R/ Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

### Second Reading:

2 Corinthians 5:14-17

*All things are made new*

The love of Christ overwhelms us when we reflect that if one man has died for all, then all men should be dead; and the reason he died for all was so that living men should live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised to life for them. From now onwards, therefore, we do not judge anyone by the standards of the flesh. Even if we did once know Christ in the flesh, that is not how we know him now. And for anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here.

The word of the Lord.

### Gospel Acclamation:

Lk 7:16

**Alleluia, alleluia!** A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. **Alleluia!**

### Gospel:

Mark 4:35-41

*Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.*

With the coming of evening, Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let us cross over to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind they took him, just as he was, in the boat; and there were other boats with him. Then it began to blow a gale and the waves were breaking into the boat so that it was almost swamped. But he was in the stern, his head on the cushion, asleep. They woke him and said to him, 'Master, do you not care? We are going down!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, 'Quiet now! Be calm!' And the wind dropped, and all was calm again. Then he said to them, 'Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?' They were filled with awe and said to one another, 'Who can this be? Even the wind and sea obey him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

**Prayers of the Faithful:** Lord, hear our prayer.

### Communion Antiphon:

Ps 144:15

The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and give them their food in due season.