



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

8:30 am - 12 noon

Saturday and Sunday - Closed

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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



Reading from *Laudato Si'*

"For you love all things that exist, and detest none of the things that you have made; for you would not have made anything if you had hated it" (Wis 11:24). Every creature is thus the object of the Father's tenderness, who gives it its place in the world. Even the fleeting life of the least of beings is the object of his love, and in its few seconds of existence, God enfolds it with his affection." "Each creature possesses its own particular goodness and perfection... Each of the various creatures, willed in its own being, reflects in its own way a ray of God's infinite wisdom and goodness." (LS nn.77, 69)

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B
13th - 14th October 2018

It doesn't take long to look at something and then drop it –as Jesus's story shows us.

Obviously the young man who came to Jesus did so because he admired Jesus – he called him 'Good master'. It's easy to gain admirers, but difficult to find people willing to make sacrifices. When Jesus asked him to give up his wealth and become his disciple, it proved too big a sacrifice for him. He went away sad. Why sad? Because the challenge Jesus issued to him caused a vision of true greatness to flare up in his young mind. He found this vision exciting but too costly. He knew that in turning his back on Jesus, he was turning his back on this vision too. So he went away sad.

And Jesus let him go. He respected his freedom. There is no point in forcing people to make sacrifices. If you take things away from them, they are impoverished. But if you can get them to give them up freely, they are enriched. People are essentially good. But this goodness has to be awakened and called forth if they are to enter the kingdom of love.

It is not what we receive that makes us great but what we give away. It is by giving that we grow. There is a danger that religion can become too easy. All the great religions teach that there is no reward without renunciation, without paying the price.

A questionnaire was once sent around a Santiago de Chile high school which asked, 'What would you like to be?' Two thirds of the students replied, 'A celebrity.' They had no idea of having to give of themselves in order to achieve something.

Deep down we all have a longing for goodness. We have a dream of doing something really worthwhile with our lives. We know that to follow that dream would involve sacrifice but would bring great joy too. It was God who put this longing in our hearts.

Jesus promised an earthly reward too to those who follow him –the reward of friendships, and of a life of purpose and meaning. Paradoxically, it's not an easy life but rather a life of sacrifice, that leads to fulfilment and joy.

I wish you all a beautiful week,
Fr. Alex, SVD

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 15 October 2018

Mon: Gal 4:22-24,26-27,31-5:1 Lk 11:29-32
Tues: Gal 5:1-6 Lk 11:37-41
Wed: Gal 5:18-25 Lk 11:42-46
Thu: 2 Tim 4:10-17 Lk 10:1-9
Fri: Eph 1:11-14 Lk 12:1-7
Sat: Eph 1:15-23 Lk 12:8-12
Sun: Is 53:10-11
Heb 4:14-16 Mk 10:35-45
+ Pray & read your Bible every day +



Please pray for the elderly and those who are sick

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

When the Sacred Scriptures are read in the Church, God himself speaks to his people, and Christ, present in his word, proclaims the Gospel.

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

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

The Value and Dignity of Creation

Reflection

The relation of creation to God primarily determines its intrinsic value and dignity. If human beings and other-than-human beings are the self-expression and a mode of presence of the divine Creator and receive their individual goodness from Him, then they must be valuable and possess dignity that corresponds to their nature. Determination of their inherent value and dignity resides in their relation to the Creator who sees them as 'very good..'

Our personal worth and dignity as human begins, and that of other Earthly creatures, do not come from other members of the Earth-human community. It is not assigned to us by anyone who himself has received them. The value and dignity commensurate to individual creatures are conferred by the Creator who has willed that we all share in his goodness. They are inherent to our very existence and conferred 'goodness'. In his Summa, Saint Thomas Aquinas wrote that creation represents divine goodness and that goodness is communicated to all creatures (I, 47,1). For this reason, **"Respect for life and for the dignity of the human person must extend also to the rest of creation, which is called to join man in praising God"** (Saint John Paul II). **Our inherent value and dignity are inextricably linked to our existence and distinct goodness.** They remain in us and cannot be taken away because they are maintained and held by the love of the creator God. However, they can be violated, trampled and abused by indifference, greed and selfishness. Once transgressed, creation is reduced to a collection of objects to be used and exploited. This is carried out only in the absence of love, when God is out of the picture.

Eco-Actions

The current ecological crisis, the injustices towards others, and the suffering of the poor are, indeed, a clear indication of the violation of the dignity of humans and other nonhuman creatures. Respect for the human person, regardless of status in life, goes with the respect for other-than-human members of the Earth community. The ecological problem demands that we respect all creatures. Being in the family, begin in the home, and extend it at work and to the local community.

Prayer

Blessed are You, Lord
God of all creation.
For through Your goodness,
You conferred all members of the Earth
Community with dignity and value.
May we be mindful and
respectful of the dignity and value
of creation so that, like Saint Francis,
we can call each creature
a 'sister' or a 'brother'.
Amen

This one from the book "Living Laudato Si" by Manny Bautista

Parish Approved Retreats/Workshops & Healing Services

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
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DID YOU KNOW?

- At the time of Jesus, being a wealthy person was seen as a sign of God's favour; a reward for being a righteous person. Jesus' teaching here is a challenge to that attitude.
- In the early Church it was the practice that wealth and goods were shared in common (Acts 2:44-47). No-one should be in need. The Church upholds the right to own private property, but his right comes with a responsibility to share our wealth with those who do not have the basic necessities of life.

The Rt Rev Dr Abraham Mar Paulos Episcopa of the Malankara Mar Thoma Syrian Church will be visiting Alice Springs, presiding over a Holy Communion Service on **Monday 15 October, 6.30pm** at OLSH Parish, to be followed by dinner and discussion. This would be a great opportunity for Christians of all denominations to greet and welcome him.

Resource for Readers

BREAK OPEN THE WORD 2019 Year C, the Book for Readers, gives the readings and psalms for each Sunday with a commentary designed to provide not only background to the text but assistance on how to read it. A pronunciation guide is included.

The parish will be forwarding the an order for parish copies on October 25. If anyone would like to order a personal copy please send an email to Sr. Anne at surteesa@iinet.net.au before 24th October. Thank you.

Liturgy Corner

Liturgy of the Word with Communion was instituted by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference in response to the declining number of priests and as a way to enable the continuance of a community's Sunday worship.

Cleaning: October 20, 2018 **Group 6**
Jo Black, Kate Kelly
Counters: October 21, 2018
Eric & Kath McGargill
Last Week's Collections:
1st Collection: \$ 1,497.75 (for the presbytery)
2nd Collection: \$ 1,020.80 (for the parish)
Planned Giving: \$ 662.00

Thank you for your time and kind generosity!

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

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!

FROM THE POPE'S TWITTER

- Praying is not like using a magic wand. Prayer requires commitment, constancy and determination.
- Spend time before the Lord in contemplation, and do everything possible for the Lord at the service of others. Contemplation and service: this is our path of life.
- Each of us is the wounded man, and the Good Samaritan is Jesus, who approached us and took care of us.

WELCOME!

 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.

Roster for weekend of October 20 - 21, 2018

	Commentator	Readers	Communion
Sat 6:00pm	Greg Gilbert	Sue Bain Alf Goody	Darryl Smith Marian Maddocks Cindy Decosta
Sun 7:30am	Kath McGargill	Pushpa Vida Jo Molin	Kath McGargill Mike Steller John Lillecrapp
Sun 9:30am	Br. Tony Caddy	May McPhee David Genetti	Cristy Genetti Oria Chiwariro M Lillecrapp
Sun 5:30pm	Br Dean Taberdo	Lennie Sumang Jenny Dietrich	Marieta Ives Sammy Nobleza Thomas J John



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Entrance Antiphon:

Ps 129:3-4

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

First Reading:

Wisdom 7:7-11

In compassion to wisdom, I held riches as nothing.

I prayed, and understanding was given me; I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me. I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing. I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand, and beside her silver ranks as mud. I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps. In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 89:12-17

R/ Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy.

Second Reading:

Hebrews 4:12-13

The word of God discerns the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation:

Mt 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia! Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! **Alleluia!**

Gospel:

Mark 10:17-30

Go and sell whatever you have and come follow me.

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth. Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.' Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land - not without persecutions - now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Prayers of the Faithful: Lord, hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon:

Ps 33:11

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

PASTORAL MINISTRIES & MEETINGS

Adult Faith & Culture Formation

TBA

Prison (Correctional Centre) Ministries

Tuesdays from 6:00pm-7:30pm

Sunday: December 02, 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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