

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 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 Aboriginal Community Mass

Syro-Malabar Rite Mass

Every 3rd Sunday of the month



Year of the Family in the Diocese of Darwin based on Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation

Amoris Laetitia: on Love in the Family

“The Synod Fathers expressed concern about the current “spread of pornography and the commercialisation of the body, fostered also by the misuse of the internet, and about those “reprehensible situations where people are forced into prostitution.” In this context, “couples are often uncertain, hesitant and struggling to find ways to grow. Many tend to remain in the early stages of their affective and sexual life. A crisis may lead to separation and divorce without the courage to have patience and reflect, to make sacrifices and to forgive one another.” *Amoris Laetitia*, Ch.2, #41. **Question: New civil unions, new marriages and new relationships often surface after a breakdown in marital relationship and could become problematic for the Christian life. How is this true for many marriages today?**

Pentecost Sunday Year A

3rd - 4th June 2017

THE SPIRIT OF CREATIVITY & SURPRISE

The Holy Spirit is the spirit of creativity and surprise. Look at the symbols associated with the coming of the Spirit – breath, rushing air, and fire --- are all archetypes of transformation. At least two of them are also archetypes of painful, wrenching, difficult transformation.

At Pentecost the apostles found themselves filled with the kind of passionate enthusiasm which essentially transforms the apostles and subsequently affects others. The early church began out of transformation of the recipient of the Holy Spirit and then the church starts to reform herself. As Catholics we need to be reminded that the health of Catholicism requires neither rigid conformity nor blind unanimity. It does require that



you and me, priests, bishops, Pope Francis be connected to the source of power in the world today. We are referring to the free will of the Holy Spirit. And she is not the possession of the Catholic Church. Anyone willing to follow Christ must follow the Spirit's lead with enthusiasm, courage, and with confidence.

The Holy Spirit literally sets the apostles aflame by activating an unknown potential which they had not realized they had. It is a temptation to think of the tongues of fire as divine fire descending into the disciples. However, it is at least equally plausible that the Spirit provided the spark which lit their potential spiritual energy the way a match lights a gas jet. It activated whatever was most courageous and most enthusiastic in those it touched. Allow the Holy Spirit to spark your true potential!

Shall we say, what took place on Pentecost Sunday was a spiritual awakening of an entire community. The Holy Spirit had inspired them to hear each other and hence sets forth the stage for a universal human community, grounded not in static identity but dynamic diversity.

Peaceful pluralism and multiculturalism are possible through the Holy Spirit of Jesus and the Creator God. In a way, the Holy Spirit serves as a universal translator who permits everyone to communicate with everyone else in the common universal language of love while respecting differences.

If the world we love is getting ‘smaller’, then we need the Holy Spirit's guidance to connect all the living dots together.

‘Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of all your faithful at OLSH Parish and enkindle in them the fire of your love. Breathe on us your Spirit to liberate us from all paralyzing fears and make us serve your people with joy,’ Amen.

Fr Raass

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.

+ PLEASE TAKE YOUR BULLETIN HOME +

Daily Readings: starting 05 June 2017

Mon: Tobit 1:2:1-8 Mk 12:1-12
Tues: Tobit 2:9-14 Mk 12:13-17
Wed: Tobit 3:1-11,16-17 Mk 12:18-27
Thu: Tobit 6:10-11,7:1,9-14,8:4-9 Mk12:28-34
Fri: Tobit 11:5-17 Mk 12:35-37
Sat: Tobit 12:1,5-15,20 Mk 12:38-44
Sun: Ex 34:4-6,8- Jn 3:16-18
2 Cor 13:11-13

+ Pray & read your Bible every day +

Please pray for the elderly and those who are sick

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 Cardozo, Shiroma Bulner, Anne Tobin, Eric Rooke, Margaret McNaught, Thomas Andrew Jackson, Joyce Komene, Vera De Silva, May Shah, Bernadette Dowd, Mary Dick, Georgina Gilbert, Cathy Golotta, Gesu Golotta, Clare Lorkin, Rose Almanza, Luigia Sabadin, Barbara Palmer, Mona Irwin.

May the Lord grant them healing

World Environment Day Dinner

Repower Alice Springs is inviting people in Alice Springs to celebrate World Environment Day at the Gapview Hotel at 7pm Monday 05 June.

Reconciliation:

Saturday 11:30 am & 5:15 pm

Baptism: By appointment: one month's notice required.

2nd Sunday of the month. 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.

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 Fridays from 6-7pm and 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 -7:30pm

Mothers Praying for Your Children

1st and 3rd Wednesday night at 5:30pm - 6:30pm

Children's Sunday Liturgy of the Word

Every Sunday from 9:20am

Divine Office - Liturgy of the Hours

Monday to Friday 6:45am



LAUNCH OF CATHOLIC EASTERN/CENTRAL ARRENTE BIBLE

After 25 years of hard work and perseverance by many Arrernte Catholic elders at Ltyentye Apurte (Santa Teresa) and Ngkarte Mikwekenhe Catholic Community (40 south terrace, Alice Springs) in cooperation with the Australian Society for Indigenous Languages (AuSIL), the Wycliffe Bible Translators and the Catholic Diocese of Darwin, the project of translating the entire twenty-seven books of the New Testament and three books of the Old Testament into eastern/central Arrernte has been completed.

OLSH Parish will officially launch this 1st edition of the eastern/central Arrernte Bible on 2nd July at the 11:00am Mass. It will also be the parish's NATSICC Sunday & NAIDOC celebrations. Special dignitaries will be present on this special occasion. This is an important milestone for our Arrernte Catholics and something to thank God for!! More details later.



SPIRITUALITY IN THE PUB, a NEW Ministry

On this Pentecost Sunday, OLSH Catholic Parish, through our Social Justice Awareness Group and supported by the PPC, will soon establish a forum for conversation out in the market-place: "Spirituality in the Pub" (SIP) within the context but not restricted to the teachings of the Catholic Church. We hope SIP Alice Springs will not be overly spiritual nor too religious either but with enough substance to make people reflect on their lives. The general aim of course is to encourage open exchanges among all peoples from all walks of life, among believers and non-believers, mindful of the diversity of various expressions of faith in contemporary Australia. This ministry is directly in line with the teachings of Vatican 2 "*Let there be unity in what is necessary, freedom in what is unsettled and charity in any case*", (Gaudium et Spes, n.29). In our attempt to maintain our Catholic identity and missionary zeal, let's not forget the value of all peoples, their daily struggles and human relationships.

Welcome people of Alice Springs to "Spirituality in the Pub" which has been running over 40 years in Australia. Various breadth of topics will be explored every month including a range of speakers but the aim is simple: *a good conversation* – and allow the Holy Spirit of God to move freely and, with a delicious meal and a glass of vino!!

Todd Tavern Management has given permission to use a room in their hotel and they get the benefit of the extra patronage. So it's important that you book in for a meal. Please call Todd Tavern and book a place for you ASAP on Friday June 23rd at 6:30 at the room pre-arranged for SIP.



Couples for Christ

In this Year of the Family, the PPC has given a green light to the "Couples for Christ" to come and talk to the parish next weekend 10th/11th June at all Masses. It's because we value marriage.

This community traces its origin way back to Manila, Philippines. It was established in 1981 by the charismatic community *Ang Ligaya ng Panginoon* (LNP; Filipino for "The Joy of the Lord") as its outreach to evangelize married couples. The approach and strategy were to invite prospective couples to a private home and bring them to a personal relationship with Jesus Christ through a series of weekly informal discussions of the gospel in a social environment.

The organization is affiliated with the Vatican recognition from the Pontifical Council for the Laity. The community is made up of family ministries, social arms, and a pro-life ministry.

CFC will run a whole day workshop on Saturday July 1st from 9:30am – 3:00pm at St Francis' Centre. All married couples are invited to the CFC workshop and see whether this is an opportunity to recharge your relationship batteries and more deeply explore the precious nature of your relationship.

Important Parish & Diocesan Dates, June & July	
OLSH Parish Golden Jubilee Pilgrimage Meeting	Saturday 10th June 9:30am @ JP2 Hall
Home Carers Group, SJAG, RePOWER, Religious	Saturday 17th June, 9:30am @ JP2 Hall
Spirituality in the Pub	Friday 23rd June, 6:30pm @ Todd Tavern. Please call Todd Tavern & book for a meal at the SIP room.
Launch of Eastern/Central Arrenrte Bible	NATSICC/NAIDOC Sunday Mass, 2nd July 11:00am @ main church
Youth Breakaway Camp Retreat,	29th June 29 – 4 th July 2017, Riyala. Contact Maria or Fr Prakash
Aboriginal Diocesan Pastoral Council	26th June 26 th – 30 th June, Darwin
Diocesan Leadership Conference	18th July – 20 th July Darwin



4TH Parish Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes, June

- Approved the creation of a new Committee to look at parish policies on church harassment, bullying and other interpersonal headaches in the Church & Catholic Precinct;
- Golden Jubilee Priority One: Re-Endorsed and approved to construct a Ramp and Hand Rails for altar access for the disabled. Consultation with parish body, liturgical architects, Disability Council and Bishop will now begin;
- All interior Fluro lights in Church to be fixed and changed to LED lights;
- Confirmed OLSH Parish & FMM's draft residential contract;
- 38 replies have been received for involvement in parish ministries. Parish Ministry coordinators will be advised of the names of those who expressed interest in each group.
- Preparation for Parish Assembly – ongoing.



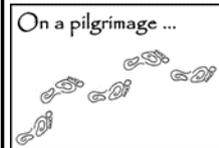
"Hi, it's Midge. Nice to meet you too! I am still a symbol of grace and poise. These days I am getting really tired of eating cat food out of can, fish, turkey, chicken & lamb meat—but not mouse meat, which is probably all I want!". Do you know what my French favourite pudding is? Chocolate mousse!

Cleaning: June 10, 2017 **Group 5**
Rita Steller, Bernie O'Loughlin
Counters: June 11, 2017
Margaret McNaught
Last Week's Collections:
1st Collection: \$1,338.45 (for the presbytery)
2nd Collection: \$1,300.05 (for the parish)
Planned Giving: \$785.00

Thank you for your time and kind generosity!

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

OLSH PARISH UPCOMING WORKSHOPS			
YEAR OF THE FAMILY PARISH WORKSHOPS & RETREATS			
FACILITATOR	DATE & TIME	TOPIC	VENUE
Fr Raass & Participants	Mondays 19 & 26 June; 3, 10, 17, 31 July; 14, 21, 28 Aug; 4 Sep	The Joy of Love <i>Amoris Laetitia</i> 7:00pm— 8:30pm	JP2 Hall
Sr Laurie Brink OP, PhD.	Monday 7th August 5-8pm	The Bible Today, Archaeological Research and Biblical Exegesis	St Francis
Sr Helen Kennedy FMM (& Family Team)	Friday 18 th – Sunday 20 th , August	ANNUAL PARISH SPIRITUAL RETREAT	St Francis



OLSH PARISH PILGRIMAGE, 50TH Golden Jubilee

So far more than ten parishioners have expressed their desire to be part of this spiritual pilgrimage in October 2018 to the Holy Land, Rome & Assisi for 21 days. A general invitation is extended to all potential pilgrims to a meeting on Saturday June 10th, 9:30am @ the JP2 Hall.

Parish Adult Formation Workshop

Sr Lorraine Victorsen, PhD. Sr Lorraine is a Good Samaritan Sister and comes with a wealth of international experience working in the context of inter-religious dialogue especially in the Iranian city of Qom, the largest centre for Shi'a scholarship in the world. Don't miss this one! Saturday June 17th, 12:30pm – 2:30pm at JP2 Hall.



Subject: **Inter-Religious & Inter-Church Dialogue.** Starts with light lunch. Bring a plate. Come and be affirmed and challenged in your Catholic faith to have greater reverence and respect for other religions.

Roster for weekend of 10 - 11 June 2017

	Commentator	Readers	Ministers
Sat 6:00pm	Greg Gilbert	Sr Mary Wicks Sr Anne Surtees	M Maddocks Rose Sabadin Thelma Bowen
Sun 7:30am	Mike Steller	Kath McGargill Bill Rainnie	Sherin Anthony John Lillecrapp Greg Gilbhart
Sun 9:30am	Kevin Hickmott	Precy Taylor Richelle Tabbada	Br M Green Bruce Were Virginia Loy
Sun 5:30pm	Mel Buenviaje	Emil Tabbada Sneha Nair	Thomas J John Marieta Ives Sammy Nobleza

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Entrance Antiphon:

Wis 1:7

The Spirit of the Lord has filled the whole world and that which contains all things understands what is said, alleluia.

First Reading:

Acts of the Apostles 2:1-11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak different languages.

When Pentecost day came round, the apostles had all met in one room, when suddenly they heard what sounded like a powerful wind from heaven, the noise of which filled the entire house in which they were sitting; and something appeared to them that seemed like tongues of fire; these separated and came to rest on the head of each of them. They were all filled with the Holy Spirit, and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech. Now there were devout men living in Jerusalem from every nation under heaven, and at this sound they all assembled, each one bewildered to hear these men speaking his own language. They were amazed and astonished. 'Surely' they said 'all these men speaking are Galileans? How does it happen that each of us hears them in his own native language? Parthians, Medes and Elamites; peoples from Mesopotamia, Judaea and Cappadocia, Pontus and Asia, Phrygia and Pamphylia, Egypt and the parts of Libya round Cyrene; as well as visitors from Rome-Jews and proselytes alike – Cretans and Arabs; we hear them preaching in our own language about the marvels of God.'

The word of the Lord.

Ps 103:1,24,29-31,34

Responsorial Psalm:

R/ Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Second Reading:

Corinthians 12:3-7, 12-13

In the one Spirit we were all baptised, making one body.

No one can say, 'Jesus is Lord' unless he is under the influence of the Holy Spirit. There is a variety of gifts but always the same Spirit; there are all sorts of service to be done, but always to the same Lord; working in all sorts of different ways in different people, it is the same God who is working in all of them. The particular way in which the Spirit is given to each person is for a good purpose. Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts, is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink.

The word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. **Alleluia!**

Gospel:

John 20:19-23

As the father sent me, so I send you. Receive the Holy Spirit.

In the evening of the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again. 'Peace be with you.' 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit, For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Prayers of the Faithful: Lord, hear our prayer

Communion Antiphon:

Acts 2:4, 11

They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and spoke of the marvels of God, alleluia.

PASTORAL MINISTRIES & MEETINGS

Adult Faith & Culture Formation (Mondays)
See inner page.

Prison (Correctional Centre) Ministries
Tuesdays from 6:00pm-7:30pm & on these
Sundays: 11th June, 2017, 30th July, 2017

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

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

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

Catholic Youth of Alice Springs
Fridays from 6:30pm at JP2 Hall

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)
2nd & 4th Sundays from 6:00pm-6:45pm

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 40
South Terrace and the main Church.

*Is God calling you to any of the above
ministries and more? Call the presbytery and partici-
pate 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*