

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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Monday to Friday
8:30 am - 12 noon
Saturday and Sunday—Closed

Parish Priest:

Fr Asaeli Raass SVD

Assistant Parish Priests:

Fr Prakash Menezes SVD
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Resident Priest:

Fr. Jim Knight SVD

Parish Council Chairman

Mr Manfred Casseeram

Liturgy Coordinator

Sr. Anne Surtees OSU

Sacristan

Ms Sue Bain

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Sr. Helen Kennedy FMM

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Mel Buenviaje

Safety & Health Officer

Mr Fred Twohig

Parish Treasurer

Mr Kevin Hickmott

OLSH College Principal

Br. Matthew Green, FMS

St. Joseph Flexible Centre

Mr. Ben Ebert

Community Liaison Coordinator

Ms Michele Castagna

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

1st, 3rd, 4th (and 5th) Sundays of the month
- 11am *Aboriginally Community Mass* at
South Terrace. 2nd Sunday of the month—
11 am *Aboriginal Community Mass* at
Amoonguna, Southeast of Alice Springs,
off the Ross Highway.

Reconciliation:

Saturday 11:30 am & 5:30 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.



rich variety?

Jubilee Year of Mercy

“Merciful like the Father”

“How many wars take place within the people of God and in our communities? In our neighbourhoods and in the workplace, how many wars are caused by envy and jealousy, even among Christians! Some are even no longer content to live as part of the greater Church community but stoke a spirit of exclusivity, creating an “inner circle”. *Pope Francis*, *The Joy of the Gospel*, **Question: How is your sense of belonging to the local Church and all its**

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21st – 22nd May 2016

THANK YOU GOD THE FATHER, THE SON AND THE HOLY SPIRIT

We thank you God the Father, that we can live and love, that we can call you *Abba* Father. We thank you, God our Father, that you have made use in your image; We thank you that you have given us the freedom to grow in our lives and to develop your creation. I thank you God our Father for your faithfulness when we were unfaithful, for your strength in adversity and pain, for your patience with us, that you are our Father in everything and deeply. Thank you for this beautiful world you created for all races, cultures and languages.

You came among us as a human being. At times we feel too little and vulnerable to face you God, a bit like Adam and Eve in Eden after the fall. At times we feel ashamed before You our Maker who wants to be everything in us. In these moments we are drawn closer to your Son Jesus Christ. He does not dazzle and blind us. It is as if Jesus who became the Incarnate Word tempers and mitigates your Fathers' infinity.

We thank you Jesus when you said “*Anyone who sees me sees the Father*,”. Jesus you are our friend, at the same time purely human and vulnerable. You give us the Gospel to see what matters most in our lives on earth. You also help us to see what these words mean. You heal us from our paralysis and bitter loneliness. You never condemn us You remain our friend even when we have sinned. You, Jesus, and all our brothers and sisters, we know what it means to be human, how we dream of love and many times collide with evil. There are moments when we feel abandoned by God and yet we keep reminding us o believing that God remains our *Abba* whom we can trust. Yes you are the most human way between God our Father and all of humanity.

Thank you, Holy Spirit of holiness and love, Spirit of wisdom and understanding, Spirit of Jesus and the Father. You animate us with your fire. You purify us and make us tender. You stimulate our faith, hope and love. Your help me to drive away the tendency to speak evil of others and help the poor in our midst. Holy Spirit of compassion and mercy, may we ever find space to recognise our movements within us, in the environment and events of our lives. We are truly sorry for the many times we fail to acknowledge your presence in the Church and beyond the confines of the Church. Make us realize that we are one body in Christ. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in us the fire of your love.

Fr Raass 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.

Daily Readings: starting 23 May 2016

Mon: 1 Pet 1:3-9	Mk 10:17-27
Tues: Gen 3:9-12-15 Eph 3:14-29	Lk 8:19-21
Wed: 1 Pet 1:18-25	Mk 10:32-45
Thur: 1 Pet 2:2-5,9-12	Mk 10:46-52
Fri: 1 Pet 4:7-13	Mk 11:11-26
Sat: Jude 17:20-25	Mk 11:27-33
Sun: Gen 14:18-20 1 Cor 11:23-26	Lk 9:11-17

+ Pray & read your Bible every day +



Please pray for the elderly and those who are sick

Vera De Silva, May Shah, Bernadette Dowd, Clare Edwards, Mary Dick, Colleen Matson, Georgina Gilbert, Kathy Golotta, Gesu Golotta, Eufelia Canta and Helena Monaghan.

May the Lord grant them healing.

REALITY EVENT WITH WILL GRAHAM



Will Graham, grandson of Dr Billy Graham, is an evangelist who is going to share the Gospel in partnership with local churches and believers at the "Reality" event in Alice Springs in this upcoming weekend of May 2016 at Blatherskite Park. *Events include: Family Event: Saturday 7:00 pm; Combined Church: Sunday 10 am & Finale: Sunday 7:00 pm.* More pamphlets at the back of the church and try at least one session.

Start and end each day with a Sign of the Cross this week. Contemplate the meaning of this action and live each day 'in God's name'.

Devotional Practices:

Prayers of the Holy Rosary
Monday to Thursday 5pm

Saint Joseph's Devotion
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
Thursday night at 6:15pm - 7:15pm

Divine Office—Liturgy of the Hours
Monday to Friday 6:45am

Adult Faith & Culture Discussion
Mondays only from 6:30pm: *06 June start*

Fr Brian Healy's Memorial Mass



Father Brian Healy, Missionary of the Sacred Heart, after an extended period of declining health, died on Saturday evening at Kensington in Sydney. He was 79 years of age. Brian served as a priest of the Darwin diocese in a wide range of capacities for 45 years. Brian was born at Hamilton in the Western District of Victoria in 1936, the third in line of six brothers. In 1952 he commenced his formation as a Missionary of the Sacred Heart and pronounced his First Vows on February 26, 1956. He was ordained a priest on July 21, 1962. Father Brian was appointed to the Darwin diocese the following year and proved very active in parish ministry, being based at St Mary's Cathedral for the next 10 years, by which time he was the Administrator of the Cathedral parish. Thereafter he served successively and for varying periods as priest in charge at Katherine, Wadeye, Santa Teresa, Gove, Nightcliff and seventeen years at Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, Alice Springs. Our Parish Priest Fr Raass, Ms Beatrice Williams Rose Sabadin and Mary Dick attended the Funeral Mass at Kensington led by Bishop Eugene and later buried at his final resting place, Douglas Park, NSW.

OLSH Parish will hold a Memorial Mass on **Friday, 27th May at the 5:30pm.** ALL ARE INVITED to celebrate his life and honour his contributions to OLSH Parish. Rest well Fr Brian.

Spiritual Direction Available in the Parish

Spiritual Direction is part of our Christian formation practised by the early Fathers and continues on today. OLSH Parish is happy to announce that we have five trained Spiritual Directors available. Please take a brochure at the back of the church and call one of the directors of your choice. We can only get better.

OLSH College Founder's Day Mass

This coming **Friday 27th of May, OLSH College** will be celebrating the Founders' Day Mass, an opportunity to thank God for the spirit of the Marist and Chavelier traditions. Feel free to attend the Holy Mass at 9:30am, Sadadeen College. By the way '*Why do we have Catholic Schools?*

"Catholic schools: contribute to the Church's mission to proclaim the Good News of Jesus Christ; offer the Catholic community and the people of Australia an educational foundation for life to the full, meaning the full development of the person - intellectually, spiritually, physically, morally and emotionally; fulfill parents' rights in a democratic, free society to choose the schooling for their children which reflects their own values, beliefs and hopes as Australians; and have proven over successive generations that they contribute significantly to the development of the Australian communities...", OLSH College Website.

Child Protection Law Education, OLSH Parish



Did you know that your child is not your property? Are parents allowed to give corporal punishment to their children in Australia as a disciplinary measure? What constitutes child abuse in Australia? What is this thing about mandatory reporting? If you have just arrived in Australia from overseas and unsure of your parental responsibilities and child's rights, then here is your free workshop for all parents, caregivers or anyone interested. What is legal in your country might be illegal here in Australia! Please do not wait until the cookie breaks! It is an expensive exercise if you are caught. It will be held at the **JP2 Hall on Saturday June 4th from 3-4pm.**

Sr Mary's Diamond Jubilee

Help is needed from parishioners to donate home cooking to celebrate Sr Mary's 60 years in religious life on **Saturday 28th May at 11:00am.** There is a sign-up sheet at the back of the Church. Fr Malcolm Fyfe MSC and Vicar General of the Diocese will be the main celebrant. A special lunch will follow at 12:30pm specially prepared by the parish Hospitality Team.

**Year of Mercy Adult Workshops & Retreats,
OLSH Parish**

Saturday, 27th August, 9am-4pm

Workshop & Seminar: **What is the Mission of the Church Today in this Jubilee Year of Mercy?** *All invited* at St Francis Centre (*Donations only*) by Professor (Fr) Roger Schroeder PhD, SVD, Professor of Intercultural Studies, Chicago, USA.

Friday 7th October (pm)

Saturday 8th to Sunday 9th (midday)

Spiritual Retreat: **Parish Retreat In this Year of Mercy:**

To be facilitated by Sr Anne Surtees OSU, Spiritual Director, Provincial Ursuline Sisters Leadership Team, Former Director of Center Care Pastoral Ministries, Brisbane. *Venue and Costs: TBA*



**L'Arche Community in Alice Springs
– God's calling?**

Do you have experience of a L'Arche community, wish to know more about this movement or would like to help establish a Friends of L'Arche here in Alice Springs??

We are meeting together for a discussion and planning this Tuesday MAY 17 in presbytery courtyard from 4:30- 6:00. Contact Carol Muir carolmcke@hotmail.com or via text 0425484821

Communion Minister's Workshop

As part of your on-going formation, OLSH parish is putting on another workshop for all new & experienced Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion. This is also an opportunity for renewal for all experienced ministers. Please come on **Monday, 6th June at 5:30pm at St Francis**. Please contact Sr Anne for any queries.

New Readers and Experienced Readers Workshop

New readers are highly encouraged not to read from the pulpit on Sundays or Weekdays unless you have gone through some training and your name is registered. This is a very important ministry in the life of the Church. All new readers and experienced readers are again invited to attend a workshop on **Wednesday June 1st, 5:30pm at St Francis**. Please contact Sr Anne for any queries.

Social Justice Awareness Group

Our monthly meeting and exploration fall this Sunday 22nd May at 3:00pm, JP2 Hall. **ALL WELCOME**

Cleaning: 28 May 2016 **Group 6**
Jo Black, Colleen Thomas, Kate Kelly

Counters: 29 May 2016
Mike & Rita Steller, John Lillecrapp

Last Week's Collections:
1st Collection: \$1,758.20 (for the presbytery)
2nd Collection: \$1,209.30 (for the parish)
Planned Giving: \$1,212.00

Thank you for your generosity!

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

**New OLSH Parish Adult Faith
& Culture Discussion Group**

The Parish Pastoral Council has endorsed a weekly Monday Adult formation to discuss issues of faith and culture and how they affect our lives today. The Social Justice Awareness Group will kick off from June 06 June for an hour from 6:30pm-7:30pm at the JP2 Hall focusing on Pope Francis "Laudato Si" or "**Care for our Common Home**" culminating with a workshop by Dr Jacqui Remond, National Director for Catholic Earthcare Australia. All parishioners are invited. The programme is:

THEME	DATE
Venue: JP2 Hall	
What is happening to our common Home?	Monday 6 th June, 6:30 – 8:00pm
The Gospel of Creation	Monday 13 th June, 6:30 – 8:00pm
The Human Roots of the Ecological Crisis	Monday 20 th June, 6:30 – 8:00pm
Integral Ecology	Monday 27 th June, 6:30 – 8:00pm
Lines of Approach and Action	Monday 4 th July, 6:30 – 8:00pm
Ecological Education and Spirituality	Monday 11 th July, 6:30 – 8:00pm
SJAG & PPC Workshop with Dr Jacqui Remond followed by dinner	Monday 18 th July, 4:30 – 6:00pm
Talk by Dr Jacqui Remond to all parishioners & ecumenical fellowship groups	Tuesday 19 th July, 7:00 – 8:00pm
Sharing by Dr Jacqui Remond at Campfire in the Heart	Wednesday 20 th July, 7:00 – 9:00pm 6:00pm shared pot luck meal

Facilitators: Mr Chris Hawke, Fun First Change Consultant & Fr Raass

ADMISSION TO EACH SESSION: a dollar coin only. TO REGISTER INTEREST, OR FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT OLSH PRESBYTERY BY TELEPHONE ON 8952 1049 OR EMAIL olsh_parity_asp@bigpond.com

Roster for weekend of 28 - 29 May 2016

	Commentator	Readers	Ministers
Sat 6:00 pm	Greg Gilbert	Sr Jennifer Farrell Leonie Smith	Rose Sabadin Bryan Weir Anne Chivers
Sun 7:30 am	Jenny Montefiore	Pushpa Vida Ruth Sexton	John Lillecrapp Fred Twohig Rita Steller
Sun 9:30 am	Pauline Otieno	Aileen Batimano Lillian Labastida	Cristy Genetti M Lillecrapp H Casseeram
Sun 5:30 pm	Mel Buenviaje	Tinna Buenviaje Sue Bain	Thomas J John Sammy Nobleza Marieta Ives

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Entrance Antiphon:

Blest be God the Father, and Only Begotten Son of God, and also the Holy Spirit, for he has shown us his merciful love.

First Reading:

Proverbs 8:22-31

Wisdom was born before the earth was made.

The Wisdom of God cries aloud: The Lord created me when his purpose first unfolded, before the oldest of his works. From everlasting I was firmly set, from the beginning, before the earth came into being. The deep was not, when I was born, there were no springs to gush with water. Before the mountains were settled, before the hills, I came to birth; before he made the earth, the countryside, or the first grains of the world's dust. When he fixed the heavens firm, I was there, when he drew a ring on the surface of the deep, when he thickened the clouds above, when he fixed fast the springs of the deep, when he assigned the sea its boundaries - and the waters will not invade the shore - when he laid down the foundations of the earth, I was by his side, a master craftsman, delighting him day after day, ever at play in his presence, at play everywhere in his world, delighting to be with the sons of men.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 8

R/ O Lord our God, how wonderful your name in all the earth!

Second Reading:

Romans 5:1-5

To God through Christ in the love which is poured out through the Spirit.

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, by faith we are judges righteous and at peace with God, since it is by faith and through Jesus that we have entered this state of grace in which we can boast about looking forward to God's glory. But that is not all we can boast about; we can boast about our sufferings. These sufferings bring patience, as we know, and patience brings perseverance, and perseverance brings hope, and this hope is not deceptive, because the love of God has been poured into our hearts by the Holy Spirit which has been given us.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit: to God who is, who was, and who is to come. **Alleluia!**

GOSPEL:

John 16:12-15

Whatever the Father has is mine. The Spirit will receive what I give and tell you about it.

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I still have many things to say to you but they would be too much for you now. But when the Spirit of truth comes he will lead you to the complete truth, since he will not be speaking as from himself but will say only what he has learnt; and he will glorify me since all he tells you will be taken from what is mine. Everything the Father has is mine; that is why I said: All he tells you will be taken from what is mine.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Prayers of the Faithful: Lord, hear our prayer

Communion Antiphon:

Acts 2:4, 11

Since you are children of God, God has sent into your hearts the Spirit of his Son, the Spirit who cries out: Abba, Father.