



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 Office Hours:

Monday to Friday

8:30 am - 12 noon

Saturday and Sunday - Closed



"The life of every family is marked by all kinds of crises, yet these are also part of its dramatic beauty. Couples should be helped to realize that surmounting a crisis need not weaken their relationship; instead, it can improve, settle and mature the wine of their union. Life together should not diminish but increase their contentment; every new step along the way can help couples find new ways to happiness. Each crisis becomes an apprenticeship in growing closer together or learning a little more about what it means to be married. There is no need for couples to resign themselves to an inevitable down-ward spiral or a tolerable mediocrity. On the contrary, when marriage is seen as a challenge that involves overcoming obstacles, each crisis becomes an opportunity to let the wine of their relationship age and improve".

Pope Francis, Amoris Laetitia, Chap.6/232



22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C
31st August 2019 - 1st September, 2019



Parish Priest:

Fr Asaeli Raass SVD

Assistant Parish Priest:

Fr Alejandro de la Sotta SVD

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Mr & Mrs Emil Tabadda

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Father Asaeli Raass SVD

Parish Priest

Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Catholic Parish

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Dear Father Raass,

I would like to offer my sincerest congratulations for the success of the Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Golden Jubilee Fundraising Dinner. This event was held in tremendous spirit by all guests and volunteers involved, and it was a privilege to share and celebrate with more than 700 attendees.

I thank you for your tireless efforts in driving this event and acknowledging 50 Years of OLSH Church at Hartley St and 90 Years of Catholic presence in Central Australia.

I would also like to pay tribute to the Fundraising Team, Jenny Montefiore, Ruth Sexton, Patricia Rademaker, Losana Hay and her Hospitality committee, all the cultural groups and volunteers who gave their time and energy. This success is a great testament to the team who no doubt spent many hours making it happen.

OLSH is a strong, thriving and diverse parish that contributes so much to Alice Springs and the wider Central Australian community. The sense of community, celebration and joy that I experienced at the dinner certainly demonstrated to me the strength of the congregation.

I wish you all the best for 2019 and the years beyond. Once again, I thank you and the entire OLSH Parish for your commitment and passion, and wonderful contribution to our community.

Yours sincerely,

Dale Wakefield MLA

Parish Mass Schedule

Monday to Friday: 7am & 5:30pm; Saturday 11am & 6 pm; Sunday 7:30am, 9:30am & 5:30 pm;

Ngkarte Mikwekenhe Community

11am Indigenous Community Mass except

2nd Sunday of the Month

Syro-Malabar Rite Mass

Every 3rd Sunday of the month

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 2 September 2019

Mon: 1 Thess 4:13-18 Lk 4:16-30
Tues: 1 Thess 5:1-6, 9-11 Lk 4:31-37
Wed: Col 1:1-8 Lk 4:38-44
Thu: Col 1:9-14 Lk 5:1-11
Fri: Col 1:15-20 Lk 5:33-39
Sat: Col 1:21-23 Lk 6:1-5
Sun: Wis 9:13-18
 Philemon 9-10, 12-17 Lk 14:25-33
+ Pray & read your Bible every day +



Please pray for the elderly and those who are sick

Ethel Jean Candaroma Peter Strachan, Leonie Palmer, Mike & Judy Bowden, Jim Brown, Nod Rioux, Kersley Dabeesing, May Shah, Jenny Leahy, Poppy Lindbeck, Kathy Golotta, Kwerralya Quall, Virgie Gomugda Golfo, Tricia Wormald, Eric Robinson, Marie Liedwinger, James Harvey, Grace Boog, Coleen Langcake, Felisa Sara, Rob Dominquez, Betty Rawson, Ellen Gunner, Latai Mailau, Penelope Fleming, Joan Brenton, Pauline Cardoz, Shiroma Bulner, Anne Tobin, Margaret McNaught, Thomas Andrew Jackson, Joyce & Duncan Komene, Bernadette Dowd, Georgina Gilbert, Clare Lorkin, Luigia Sabadin

May the Lord grant them healing
 Recent Death - Ron Nevorski RIP

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

THE SEASON OF CREATION – 2019

Today, September 1, in many parts of the world Christian churches are celebrating "Creation Day." At this point in history, it is crucial that people motivated by religious faith develop a deep appreciation for the fragility of mother earth, life-systems and take steps to defend the Earth. Lets offer prayers and supplications to the Maker of all, both as thanksgiving for the great gift of creation and as petition for its protection and salvation.

On all five Sundays in the month of September ending on the Feast of St Francis October 4th, OLSH Parish will conduct a special prayer service at **4:00pm every Sunday in the Courtyard**, focusing on all the five domains of creation (ocean, fauna and flora, storm, cosmos and animals).

September 1	1 st Sunday in Creation	Ocean Sunday
September 8	2 nd Sunday in Creation	Fauna & Flora Sunday
September 15	3 rd Sunday in Creation	Storm Sunday
September 22	4 th Sunday in Creation	Cosmos Sunday
September 29	5 th Sunday in Creation	Animal & Birds Sunday
October 4	St Francis of Assisi Day	Blessing of Pets

National Child Protection Week 2019
September 1-7

Protecting children is everyone's business. "Child abuse and neglect is preventable. If we all work together as a community, we can create an Australia where all children can grow up safe and well. What role can you play in supporting children and their families." *-Richard Cooke, CEO NAPCAN.* Please find more information at the back of the church and talk to one of the safeguarding officers of the parish.

Important Notice: 1 Mass only on Sunday 13th October at 10:00am.

OLSH PARISH AUDIT COMPLETED

An employee of the National Catholic Professional Standards Limited conducted an audit of the parish on Friday (30/08). Present were Fr Raass, Mel Buenviaje and the key safeguarding personnel namely, Pane Komene, George Tetteh and Manfred Casseeram. The audit was comprehensive and covered all areas of compliance, risk-assessment, parish volunteer check-list, document review, testing of processes, policies and procedures. CPSL will discuss audit observations and report back to OLSH Parish on their preliminary findings, any outstanding management actions and target dates for remediation. We sincerely thank our hard-working Safe-Guarding volunteers for all they have initiated to making sure OLSH Parish is Child-Safe.

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL 1st COMMUNICANTS

We are so grateful for the whole First Holy Communion team that prepared the children for this most august Sacrament and made their big day possible last Sunday: our REC at Bath Street Campus, Rebecca Scollen and her team, Br James fms; Fr Alex, Br Tony fms OLSH Principal, Missionaries of Charity, Sr Helen Kennedy, our musicians and 9:30am Choir, parents and those who helped with coordinating the weekday meetings and social along with a host of other helpers. You have all done well. Thank you. *Fr Raass*

PARISH SOCIAL MEDIA COORDINATOR—Help!

OLSH Parish is looking for someone to take on the role of Parish Social Media Coordinator. This is a voluntary role on behalf of the Church. The person will be in charge of our Facebook page, parish website and other online communication tools. Please see Fr Raass if you are interested.

<p>PLENARY COUNCIL 2020: Ignatian Communal Discernment Workshops at OLSH Parish <i>Let your voice be heard ...</i> How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is: <i>is open to renewal, conversion and reform.</i> (2 more to go) Venue: St Francis Centre, (corner of Adamson & Memorial, Alice Springs) Time: 10am—2pm, Lunch provided, Date: 5 October Facilitator: Fr Raass</p>			<p>Season of Creation Prayer. Theme: Ocean Sunday, 1 September 4:00pm</p>	<p>Season of Creation Prayer. Theme: Fauna & Flora Sunday, 8 September 4:00pm</p>
<p>SEPTEMBER Diocesan Special Collections <i>Blue buckets will be stationed at the Church entrance</i></p>			<p>OLSH COLLEGE FETE Friday 13 September 5pm-9pm</p>	<p>Season of Creation Prayer. Theme: Storm Sunday, 15 September 4:00pm</p>
<p>Immigration Fund 31 Aug/ 1 Sept</p>	<p>These funds are used by the Australian Catholic Church in support of migrants and refugees.</p>	<p>Police Remembrance Day (Organised by the Emergency Services Department, Alice Springs) Friday 27th September 10:00am, OLSH Church</p>		
<p><i>Illuminare</i> Fund 14/15 Sept</p>	<p>These funds are used for catechetics to assist in the teaching the Good News to the students in government schools.</p>	<p>CHARISMATIC WEEKEND RETREAT Facilitated by MGL's & St Martin de Porres Community, Darwin Friday 27 Sept start @ 5:30pm Mass & reflection, St Francis Full day 28 Saturday and Sunday 29 Sept</p>		
<p>St Vincent de Paul 28/29 Sept</p>	<p>These funds are used to assist in the sponsorship of overseas students to study in their own country.</p>	<p>Season of Creation Prayer. Theme: Animals & Birds Sunday, 29 September 4:00pm</p>		
<p>A WONDERFUL NIGHT, THANK YOU Fr Raass & the Parish Pastoral Council sincerely thank the Fundraising & Hospitality Team, all cultural groups, volunteers, OLSH College, Master of Ceremony, DJ's, dancers, servers, cooks, businesses & the many individuals who contributed to last Saturday's memorable Golden Jubilee Fundraising Dinner. A special appreciation goes to those who stayed behind to clean up on Saturday evening and Sunday morning. Thank you to the 700+ guests who rocked up. TO GOD BE THE GLORY!</p>			<p>Feast of St Francis Mass & Blessing of Animals/Pets Friday October 4th 5:30pm Presbytery Courtyard</p>	<p>Working Group on theme: How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is open to renewal, conversion and reform. DISCERNMENT 5 St Francis Centre @ 10am-2am. Saturday 5 October</p>
<p>Feast Day of Saint Teresa of Calcutta The Missionaries of Charity in Central Australia invites all parishioners to celebrate with them the feast day of their foundress Saint Teresa of Calcutta on Thursday, September 5 at the 5:30pm Mass. Light refreshment will follow.</p>			<p>Unveiling of the new "Missionaries of the Sacred Heart and Daughters of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Memorial Window". Bishop Charles & Arrernte Elders Saturday 12 October, 11:00am, No Mass but a Marian Liturgy of Thanksgiving</p>	<p>GOLDEN JUBILEE MASS Bishop Charles: Main Celebrant Sunday 13 October, 10:00am Mass, Lunch & Cultural Entertainment</p>
<p>Movie - "Unplanned" "You are a baby from the moment of conception" In Alice Springs Cinema on 9th of October 2019 at 7:30pm. Unplanned is a true-to-life movie which depicts the reality of abortion. You may purchase the ticket in the link below: https://fan-force.com/screenings/unplanned-alice-springs-cinema/. It's \$22. So far 19 tickets have been sold and we need 36 more. Get your young people interested before reality sets in or anyone considering abortion.</p>			<p>Feast of Our Lady of the Rosary Sunday 6th October 3:00pm, Rosary & Benediction in main Church</p>	<p>Working Group on theme: How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church that is Joy-filled, Hope-filled & Servant Community DISCERNMENT 6 St Francis Centre @ 10am-2am. Saturday 26 October</p>
<p>Cleaning: September 7, 2019 Group 3 Fred & Lyn Twohig Counters: September 08, 2019 Darryl & Leonie Smith Last Week's Collections: 1st Collection: \$1,562.80 (for the presbytery) 2nd Collection: \$828.70 (for the parish) Planned Giving: \$690.00 Thank you for your kind generosity!</p>			<p>Parish Annual Spiritual Retreat Retreat Director: Rev Douglas Jones Theme: Laudato Si Sat 9th Nov (9-4) — Sun 10th Nov (9-midday)</p>	<p>Seniors Pre-Xmas Lunch Saturday 7th December 12:00nn - 3:30pm</p>
<p>Roster for weekend of Sept 07 - 08, 2019</p>				
	Commentator	Readers	Communion Ministers	
Sat 6:00pm	Brendan Heenan	Cindy Decosta Alg Goody	Heather Buescher Thelma Bowen Helena Casseeram	
Sun 7:30am	Fred Twohig	M McNaught Julie Permezel	Greg Gilbert Christine Shibly Fred Twohig	
Sun 9:30am	Br Tony Caddy	Precy Taylor Jeremy Jones	Sue Marshall Mark Bensted Br James Hodge	
Sun 5:30pm	Mel Buenviaje	Lennie Sumang Tinna Buenviaje	Thomas J John Mel Buenviaje Marieta Ives	
<p>Groups please remember to keep the Bulletin Team informed if you change your days/times etc.</p>				

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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C
31st August - 1st September, 2019

Entrance Antiphon:

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you. Ps 85:3,5

First Reading:

Ecclesiasticus 3:17-20, 28-29

Humble yourself and you will find favour with the Lord.

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business, and you will be better loved than a lavish giver. The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly, and then you will find favour with the Lord; for great though the power of the Lord is, he accepts the homage of the humble. There is no cure for the proud man's malady, since an evil growth has taken root in him. The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables, an attentive ear is the sage's dream.

The word of the Lord
Ps 67:4-7,10-11

Responsorial Psalm:

R/ God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

Second Reading:

Hebrews 12:18-19, 22-24

You have come to Mount Zion and to the city of the living God.

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them. But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'first-born son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! Take my yoke upon you; learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart. **Alleluia!**

Mt 11:29

Gospel:

Luke 14:1, 7-14

All who exalt themselves shall be humbled and all who humble themselves shall be exalted.

On a sabbath day Jesus had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He then told the guests a parable, because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say, "Give up your place to this man." And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher." In that way, everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.' Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Prayers of the Faithful: Lord, hear our prayer

Communion Antiphon:

How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

Ps 30:20

PASTORAL MINISTRIES & MEETINGS

Adult Faith & Culture Formation :

TBA

Prison (Correctional Centre) Ministries

Tuesdays from 6:30pm-7:30pm

Sunday: September 22, 2019

Ministers' Ecumenical Fellowship

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

Bread Delivery to Town Camps (facilitated by OLSH College)

Wednesdays from 5:30pm-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, Mass on the 2nd Thurs of the Month

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

Parish Council Meetings

1st Thursday of the month from 6:15pm-

8:00pm

Finance Team Ministry

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

Catholic Youth of Alice Springs

1st & 3rd Friday of the month, 6pm at JP2 Hall.

Arrenrte Catholic Elders Bible Study: Every Thursdays from 10-12midday, lunch provided.

CAAAPU (Drugs & Alcohol Rehabilitation)

Sundays from 4:00pm—5:00pm

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 in the main Church.

Hospitality Ministry: After every 9:30am Sunday Mass and during major events of the parish.

Children's Choir: Every Saturday's at 1:00pm in the main Church

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

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