



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



“Then there are those personal crises that affect the life of couples, often involving finances, problems in the workplace, emotional, social and spiritual difficulties. In resolving sincerely to forgive the other, each has to ask quietly and humbly if he or she has not somehow created the conditions that led to the other’s mistakes. To know how to forgive and to feel forgiven is a basic experience in family life”. The arduous art of reconciliation, which requires the support of grace, needs the generous cooperation of relatives and friends, and sometimes even outside help and professional assistance”.

Pope Francis *A/Laetitia*, Chap.6/236



29th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C
19th - 20th October, 2019



REFLECTION

Jesus said to his disciples and says to us, ‘Pray continually and never lose heart.’ Some people do not see the value of regular prayer. They think it is enough to pray when and as they feel inspired to. For such, I found a very interesting story.

There was a small town which had all the municipal institutions: a bathhouse, a cemetery, a hospital, and a law court; as well as all sorts of craftspeople tailors, dressmakers, shoemakers, carpenters, masons and so on. One trade, however, was lacking: there was no watchmaker.

Now as the years went by many of the clocks became so inaccurate that their owners just decided to let them run down, and ignored them altogether. There were others, however, who maintained that as long as the clocks ran, they should not be abandoned. So they wound their clocks day after day even though they knew they were not accurate.

One day the news spread through the town that a watchmaker had arrived, and everyone rushed to him with their clocks. But the only ones he could repair were the ones that had been kept running. The abandoned clocks had grown so full of rust that he could do nothing with them.

Why is prayer important? What does it do? Prayer clarifies our hope and our intentions. It helps us to discern between the important and the trivial. It helps us to discover our true aspirations, the pangs we ignore, the longings we forget. It is an act of self purification.

Prayer teaches us what to aspire to. It helps to implant in us the ideals we ought to cherish.

Prayer is no substitute for action. It is, rather, helps us to go forward, it encourages us to act.

Is not an escape from life but a journey into the heart of life. We learn to stand on our own feet before God and the world and to accept full responsibility for our lives.

Its main purpose is to foster our relationship with God. This, and not our work, is the most important thing of all. This is the anchor of our spiritual lives. The spiritual life is not an extra. It is the life of the real self. It is not a matter of merely saying prayers.

Prayer is not a stratagem for occasional use, a refuge to resort to when things are bad. It is an established residence for the innermost self. Prayer is not asking things of God, but receiving what he wants to give us.

Prayer is its own reward. It enriches us. It enables us to live not only more spiritually, but more deeply, more fully, more authentically.

Fr. Alex

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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.

+ PLEASE TAKE YOUR BULLETIN HOME +

Daily Readings: starting 21 October 2019

Mon: Rom 4:20-25 Lk 12:13-21
Tues: Rom 5:12,15,17-21 Lk 12:35-38
Wed: Rom 6:12-28 Lk 12:39-48
Thur: Rom 6:19-23 Lk 12:49-53
Fri: Rom 7:18-25 Lk 12:54-59
Sat: Rom 8:1-11 Lk 13:1-9
Sun: Sirach 35:12-14,16-19
2 Tim 4:6-8,16-18 Lk 18:9-14

+ Pray & read your Bible every day +



Please pray for the elderly and those who are sick

Maria Price, Harry Buckley, 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, JamesHarvey, 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

Death Anniversaries

Giacomo Gubinelli 8/10/2019

Guiseppe Antonelli 17/10/2019

May their souls rest in peace

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

Parish Annual Retreat

The retreat this year will provide opportunities for prayerful reflection on Care for our Common Home as integral to our Catholic faith. It will also provide opportunities for prayerful reflection on key aspects of Pope Francis' encyclical, Laudato Si': On Care for our Common Home, and to better understand this very important encyclical in the development of Catholic Social Teaching.

The retreat will be facilitated by Rev Douglas Jones (the father of one of our parishioners). It will take place at Campfire in the Heart on Ragonesi Road from 9am-4pm on Saturday, 9 November and from 9:00am-midday on Sunday, 10 November.

Information will also be posted on the OLSH parish Facebook page. **Please sign up at the back of the church, or send an email to commonhomecarersalicesprings@gmail.com**

Charismatic Reflection

Mr Gigimon from Melbourne will be delivering a charismatic reflection this Sunday 27/10 from 2:00pm - 4:30pm. He is part of the Charismatic group based in Melbourne. Venue: Small Chapel, Presbytery.

All welcome.

REMINDER!

There will be no Mass on Friday, 25 October due to unavailability of a clergy.

Instead, there will be communion service for the 7:00am and 5:30pm Masses on this day

SVD CLERGY MOVEMENTS

◆ **Fr Raass:** 14 Oct- 4 Nov, NSW. In his absence Fr Alex will be the acting Parish Priest assisted by Fr Olivier and visiting SVD clergy Fr Gideon.

◆ **Fr Alex & Fr Olivier:** 21-26 Oct, Darwin, Clergy Retreat.

(Fr Gideon will be celebrating the weekly Masses whilst the priests are in Darwin except on Friday, 25 October).

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On behalf of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish, I would like to give my heartfelt thanks to everybody who came to celebrate our Golden Jubilee last Sunday.

It was a huge success!

All glory and honour to our God and King!

Fr Asaeli Raass

WELCOME!

To SAVIONA SOLEIL QUILINGIN, daughter of Charlie and Silahis Quilingin and MARCUS ANTONIUS DIEGO HEARN, son of Damien Victor and Ivy Hearn, who will be baptised on Sunday, October 20, at the 9:30am Mass



proposed
**OLSH PARISH
SPIRITUAL MARIAN
PILGRIMAGE**

As part of the post-Golden Jubilee celebrations of OLSH Church and in thanksgiving to God for Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, some parishioners are contemplating going on a traditional 18-Day Marian Pilgrimage, covering five countries in Europe departing on 4 October 2020.

The proposed Base Program is as follows:

- 4 nights - Medjugorje (Bosnia & Herzegovina)
- 1 night - Dubrovnik (Croatia)
- 1 night - Lisbon (Portugal)
- 3 nights - Fatima (Portugal)
- 2 nights - Avila (Spain)
- 2 nights - Garabandal (Spain)
- 3 nights - Lourdes (France)
- 2 nights - Paris (France)

Indicative Costing: Based on 15-19 paying =AUD\$10,250.00 per person / twin share. Single Supplement: AUD\$1,890.00 per person.

It is a lot of money, so talk to Jesus and Mary about it if you are seriously interested, and feel free to discuss with Fr Raass.

Thanksgiving and Farewell Mass

The parish is planning a thanksgiving and farewell Mass for Fr Raass. It will be celebrated by Bishop Charles on 15 December at the 9:30am Mass.

After the Mass, there will be a small get-together in JPII Hall. All parishioners are encouraged to bring a plate to share.

Thank you - PPC

DID YOU KNOW

- In ancient Israel, according to the Law, justice should have been available to all who sought it, not only to the rich or powerful. Judges were appointed and they sat 'at the city gate' making themselves available to any who needed a judgment. The prophets often criticised the corruption that was sometimes associated with this office. Judgment would go in favour of those who could pay a bribe!
- Under Jewish Law, there was a special requirement to look after the widow and the orphan, who did not have a man to speak for them.
- Luke's Gospel was written at a time when believers were suffering for their faith. They too may have been wondering if God heard their prayers.

Cleaning: October 26, 2019 **Group 3**
Fred & Lyn Twohig

Counters: October 27, 2019
John & Margaret Healy

Last Week's Collections:
1st Collection: \$1,616.80 (for the presbytery)
2nd Collection: \$1,044.20 (for the parish)
Planned Giving: \$872.00

Thank you for your time and kind generosity!

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

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 26th October

Parish Annual Spiritual Retreat
Retreat Director: Rev Douglas Jones
Theme: Laudato Si

Sat 9th Nov (9-4) — Sun 10th Nov (9-midday)

Seniors Pre-Xmas Lunch

Saturday 7th December
12:00nn - 3:30pm

Thanksgiving and Farewell Mass

15th December
9:30am Mass



Friendly Reminder: Please observe the use of the disabled parking bays around OLSH Church and refrain from using these if you do not carry a badge or permit.

Fr Raass

SACRED SILENCE, as part of the celebration, is to be observed at the designated times. Its nature, however, depends on the moment when it occurs in the different parts of the celebration.

- For in the penitential Act and again after the invitation to pray, individuals recollect themselves;
- whereas after a reading or after the homily, all meditate briefly on what they have heard;
- then after Communion, they praise God in their hearts and pray to him.

Even before the celebration itself, it is a praiseworthy practice for silence to be observed ... so that all may dispose themselves to carry out the sacred celebration in a devout and fitting manner.

GIRM 45

FRIDAY PENANCE. Friday is a traditional day of penance and should be marked by:

- **prayer** - participating in the Eucharist, family prayer, visiting a church, reading the scriptures,
- **self-denial** - abstaining from meat, sweets or dessert, giving up entertainment to spend time with the family, limiting food and drink in support of the poor;
- **helping others** - giving special attention to someone who is poor, sick, elderly, lonely, overburdened.

Roster for weekend of October 26 - 27, 2019

	Commentator	Readers	Communion Ministers
Sat 6:00pm	Brendan Heenan	Sr Mary Wicks Sr Anne Surtees	Rose Sabadin Thelma Bowen Marian Maddocks
Sun 7:30am	Jenny Montefiore	M McNaught Julie Permezal	Greg Gilbert Fred Twohig John Lillecrapp
Sun 9:30am	Jooby Mani	Elfy Jooby Hilda Reeder	Dan Cortez Sue Marshall M Lillecrapp
Sun 5:30pm	Debbie Cooke	Pauline Otieno Mel Buenviaje	Cindy Decosta Thomas J John Marieta Ives

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Entrance Antiphon:

To you I call; for you will surely heed me, O God; turn your ear to me; hear my words. Guard me as the apple of your eye; in the shadow of your wings protect me. cf. Ps 16:6, 8

First Reading:

Exodus 17:8-13

As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage.

The Amalekites came and attacked Israel at Rephidim. Moses said to Joshua, 'Pick out men for yourself, and tomorrow morning march out to engage Amalek. I, meanwhile, will stand on the hilltop, the staff of God in my hand.' Joshua did as Moses told him and marched out to engage Amalek, while Moses and Aaron and Hur went up to the top of the hill. As long as Moses kept his arms raised, Israel had the advantage; when he let his arms fall, the advantage went to Amalek. But Moses' arms grew heavy, so they took a stone and put it one on one side, one on the other; and his arms remained firm till sunset. With the edge of the sword Joshua cut down Amalek and his people.

The word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 120

R/ Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

Second Reading:

Timothy 3:14 - 4:2

This is how the people of God become equipped and ready for every good work.

You must keep to what you have been taught and know to be true; remember who your teachers were, and how, ever since you were a child, you have known the holy scriptures – from these you can learn the wisdom that leads to salvation through faith in Christ Jesus. All scripture is inspired by God and can profitably be used for teaching, for refuting error, for guiding people's lives and teaching them to be holy. This is how the man who is dedicated to God becomes fully equipped and ready for any good work. Before God and before Christ Jesus who is to be judge of the living and the dead, I put this duty to you, in the name of his Appearing and of his kingdom: proclaim the message and, welcome or unwelcome, insist on it. Refute falsehood, correct error, call to obedience – but do all with patience and with the intention of teaching.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation:

Heb 4:12

Alleluia, alleluia! The word of God is living and active; it probes the thoughts and motives of our heart. **Alleluia!**

Gospel:

Luke 18:1-8

God will see those who cry to him vindicated.

Jesus told his disciples a parable about the need to pray continually and never lose heart. 'There was a judge in a certain town' he said 'who had neither fear of God nor respect for man. In the same town there was a widow who kept on coming to him and saying, "I want justice from you against my enemy!" For a long time he refused, but at last he said to himself, "Maybe I have neither fear of God nor respect for man, but since she keeps pestering me I must give this widow her just rights, or she will persist in coming and worry me to death." ' And the Lord said, 'You notice what the unjust judge has to say? Now will not God see justice done to his chosen who cry to him day and night even when he delays to help them? I promise you, he will see justice done to them, and done speedily. But when the Son of Man comes, will he find any faith on earth?'

The Gospel of the Lord

Prayers of the Faithful: Lord, hear our prayer

Communion Antiphon:

cf. Ps 32:18-19

Behold, the eyes of the Lord are on those who fear him, who hope in his merciful love, to rescue their souls from death, to keep them alive in famine.

PASTORAL MINISTRIES & MEETINGS

Adult Faith & Culture Formation :

TBA

Prison (Correctional Centre) Ministries

Tuesdays from 6:30pm-7:30pm

Sunday: November 10, 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