



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: 8:30am -12 noon
 Saturday and Sunday: Closed



Year of the Youth in the Diocese of Darwin Amoris Laetitia

The ability to say what one is thinking without offending the other person is important. Words should be carefully chosen so as not to offend, especially when discussing difficult issues. Making a point should never involve venting anger and in inflicting hurt. A patronizing tone only serves to hurt, ridicule, accuse and offend others. Many disagreements between couples are not about important things. Mostly they are about trivial matters. What alters the mood, however, is the way things are said or the attitude with which they are said.

Pope Francis, Amoris Laetitia

The BAPTISM of the LORD Year C 12th-13th January 2019

Parish Priest:
Fr Asaeli Raass SVD

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Sunday School Catechists
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Smart-Loving Ministry
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Daily Readings: starting 14 January 2019

Mon: Heb 1:1-6 Mk 1:14-20
Tues: Heb 2:5-12 Mk 1:21-28
Wed: Heb 2:14-18 Mk 1:29-39
Thu: Heb 3:7-14 Mk 1:40-45
Fri: Heb 4:1-5,11 Mk 2:1-12
Sat: Heb 4:12-16 Mk 2:13-17
Sun: Is 62:1-5
 1 Cor 12:4-11 Jn 2:1-11

+ Pray & read your Bible every day +

Did you know?

- This feast and the wedding at Cana miracle (next week's gospel) were originally celebrated on the same day as the feast of the Epiphany because they are also considered to be manifestations of the Christ.
- The word baptism comes from a Greek word meaning 'to plunge'.
- The first Christians were baptised by being plunged into running streams or rivers, following the practice of John. Later, large fonts were built in churches, and baptism of the faithful, usually adults, was by full immersion.
- The mainstream Christian churches: Catholic, Orthodox, Protestant and Anglican - recognise the same baptism. If a person is baptised into one of these churches, it is not repeated, even if they move to worshiping in another church.
- Jesus is clearly attracted by the preaching of the Baptist and submits to his baptism of repentance. Scholars believe that Jesus may have spent some time as a disciple of John the Baptist before embarking on his own public ministry.



Please pray for the elderly and those who are sick

Maria McDonald, Kathy Golotta Kwerralya Quall, Virgie Gomugda Golfo, Tom Wyatt, Tricia Wormald, 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, Bernadette Dowd, Georgina Gilbert, Clare Lorkin, Luigia Sabadin

May the Lord grant them healing

Cleaning: January 19, 2019 **Group 5**
Bernie O'Loughlin, Rita Steller

Counters: January 20, 2019
Mike & Rita Steller, John Lillecrapp

Last Week's Collections:
 1st Collection: \$1,314.45 (for the presbytery)
 2nd Collection: \$1,081.25 (for the parish)
 Planned Giving: \$717.00
 Christmas Offering Envelope: \$25.00

Thank you for your time and kind generosity!

In the readings, the table of God's Word is spread before the faithful, and the riches of the Bible are opened to them..

Reconciliation:
Saturday 11:30 am & 5:15 pm

Baptism: By appointment: one month's notice required. Formation of parents 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.

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
 3rd Sunday of every 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 +

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Entrance Antiphon:

After the Lord was baptized, the heavens were opened, and the Spirit descended upon him like a dove, and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased.

First Reading:

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

The glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all people shall see it.

'Console my people, console them,' says your God. 'Speak to the heart of Jerusalem and call to her that her time of service is ended, that her sin is atoned for, that, she has received from the hand of the Lord double punishment for all her crimes.' A voice cries, 'Prepare in the wilderness a way for the Lord. Make a straight highway for our God across the desert. Let every valley be filled in, every mountain and hill be laid low, let every cliff become a plain, the ridges a valley; then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed and all mankind shall see it; for the mouth of the Lord has spoken.' Go up on a high mountain, joyful messenger to Zion. Shout with a loud voice, joyful messenger to Jerusalem. Shout without fear, say to the towns of Judah, 'Here is your God.' Here is the Lord coming with power, his arm subduing all things to him, his trophies all go before him. He is like a shepherd feeding his flock, gathering lambs in his arms, holding them against his breast and leading to their rest the mother ewes.

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm:

Ps 103:1-2,3-4,24-25,27-30

R/ Oh, bless the Lord, my Soul!

Second Reading:

Titus 2:11-14, 3:4-7

He saved us through the water of rebirth and renewal in the Holy Spirit.

God's grace has been revealed, and it has made salvation possible for the whole human race and taught us that what we have to do is give up everything that does not lead to God, and all our worldly ambitions; we must be self-restrained and live good and religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in hope for the blessing which will come with the Appearing of the glory of our great God and Saviour Christ Jesus. He sacrificed himself for us in order to set us free from all wickedness and to purify a people so that it could be his very own and would have no ambition except to do good. When the kindness and love of God our Saviour for mankind were revealed, it was not because he was concerned with any righteous actions we might have done ourselves; it was for no reason except his own compassion that he saved us, by means of the cleansing water of rebirth and by renewing us with the Holy Spirit which he has so generously poured over us through Jesus Christ our savior. He did this so that we should be justified by his grace, to become heirs looking forward to inheriting eternal life.

The word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation:

Lk 3:16

Alleluia, alleluia! John said: He who is to come is mightier than I; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.

Alleluia!

Gospel:

Luke 3:15-16,21-22

*When Jesus had been baptised and had been praying, the heavens were opened
and the Holy Spirit came upon him.*

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John declared before them all, 'I baptise you with water, but someone is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am not fit to undo the strap of his sandals; he will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and fire.' Now when all the people had been baptised and while Jesus after his own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened and the Holy Spirit descended on him in bodily shape, like a dove. And a voice came from heaven, 'You are my Son, the Beloved; my favour rests on you.'

The Gospel of the Lord

Prayer of the Faithful: Lord, hear our prayer.

Communion Antiphon:

Jn 1:32,34

Behold the One of whom John said: I have seen and testified that this is the Son of God.

PASTORAL MINISTRIES & MEETINGS

Adult Faith & Culture Formation :
(to continue February 2019)

Prison (Correctional Centre) Ministries
Tuesdays from 6:00pm-7:00pm
Sunday: January 20, 2019

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)
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 at 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*