

SUPPORTING MINISTRIES

Baptisms:

Second Sunday of the month at 12.00pm
and Fourth Sunday of the month at
10.00(during Mass)

(Sacrament of Baptism)

Please contact Trish Keley – 9841 5890-
email: olobaptisms@gmail.com

Weddings:

By appointment only,

Please contact the Parish Office.

Funerals:

Please contact the Parish Office.

For bereavement support,
please contact

Glenda Haswell on 9841 7765

or Emmy Oakley on 9841 5651 or

Parish Office on 9841 8354

Sacraments 2015

Enquiries can be made to the parish office
at the beginning of term one 2015.

R.C.I.A.:

Enquiries regarding becoming a Catholic
please contact Fr Jerald or Mary Ann
Payne on 9842 6474

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

On Sunday 22nd February RCIA team members, parishioners, family and friends will accompany our Baptised Candidates Magnus and Karolina and their sponsors to Saint Patrick's Cathedral for the Rite of Election of Catechumens and Presentation of Baptised Candidates for Full Communion in the Church. Magnus and Karolina will join with hundreds of Catechumens and Candidates from throughout the Archdiocese to publically express their desire to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Eucharist and enter fully into the life of the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil.

In the way of affirming Magnus and Karolina's readiness to take this next significant step in their Faith journey, a Rite of Sending will take place at the Vigil Mass on Saturday, 21st February when Magnus and Karolina will be formally "sent" to the Cathedral with the assurance of the prayers of our community.

On Tuesday 17th February, Magnus has been asked to meet with Archbishop Denis Hart for afternoon tea and to share his story.

Parishioners who want to find out more about RCIA are encouraged to speak to Father Jerald or Father Peter or contact Mary Ann Payne on 9842 6474.

Miracle helps the secret get out

"This story may be an early version of the story of the ten lepers. However the point is quite different. In this version the leper, far from not thanking Jesus, goes about the land and expresses his gratitude to all who would listen.

"The passage is made even more opaque by Mark's literary device of the 'Messianic Secret' –he builds his gospel around the structure that Jesus was trying to keep who he was a secret, which doesn't seem to be any more than a narrative form.

"Surely, however, Jesus did not want to be known as the kind of military messiah that so many people in his time wanted and expected."

- From a homily on the Gospel by Fr Andrew Greeley

**TRIVIA NIGHT WITH A
DIFFERENCE
FEATURING A LIVE BAND!!!
RESERVE THE DATE
FRIDAY 20TH MARCH
MORE DETAILS NEXT
WEEK**

Our Lady of the Pines Playgroup

Thursdays at 9.30am to 11.30am

in The Meeting Place.

Everyone is Welcome:

BABIES, TODDLERS,

PRE-SCHOOLERS, PARENTS, GRANDPARENTS, CARERS.

Pop in and check us out or phone the
Parish Office on 9841 8354

Painting - Play dough – craft – stories-
sing a longs.



on facebook.

**Our Lady of the Pines
Church**

We pray for Better Health:
Phillip Lazaroo, Gwennie Bartlett and
Julia Fitzsimons .

Anniversaries: Shinta Taylor

Recent Deaths:

Evangelii Gaudium

“Our commitment [to the poor] does not consist exclusively in activities or programmes of promotion and assistance; what the Holy Spirit mobilises is not an unruly activism, but above all an attentiveness which considers the other ‘in a certain sense as one with ourselves.”

Par 199 from *Evangelii Gaudium*, Pope Francis, Nov. 24, 2013

Words of Wisdom –St Clare of Assisi

On November 29, 2013, Pope Francis announced that this year (2015) would be dedicated to consecrated life, specifically its mission and identity. For several editions of Bulletin Notes, we will share some prayers from those who have helped shape communities of people living a consecrated life. This week, it is a prayer to St Clare of Assisi. :

“God of mercy, You inspired St Clare with the love of poverty. By the help of her prayers, may we follow Christ in poverty of spirit and come to the joyful vision of Your glory in the Kingdom of Heaven. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God. Forever and ever. Amen.”

REST, PRAY AND RECREATE

WEEKENDS (Monthly on second weekend) Friday 13 to Sunday 15 March

Pallotti College, McNamaras Rd, Millgrove
The Pallotti retreat team invites you to a great opportunity to enjoy the awesome beauty of the Yarra Valley. Come away and relax, unwind and replenish your spirit. The informal weekend also provides time for spiritual conversation and communal prayer. Cost: \$180 (includes all meals and refreshments)

Contact: Denis Nichols on 0427 449 434

More info: www.pallotticollege.com.au

SHORT COURSE IN JESUS' PASSION, DEATH AND RESURRECTION

Wednesdays 25 February, 4 March, 11 March and 18 March 2015, 6.30–8pm

Christ Lecture Theatre, Australian Catholic University, 115 Victoria Pde, Fitzroy

What is the meaning of the Last Supper? Why did Jesus suffer and die? What does it mean that Jesus descended into hell? What does the Resurrection actually mean? This short course offered by the Australian Catholic University (ACU) for the public in 2015 is an opportunity to explore the most important topics of Christian faith during the season of Lent. Delivered by ACU theologians, including Rev Prof Anthony Kelly CSsR and Rev Prof Francis Moloney SDB. The course will follow the events of the Triduum (Holy Thursday, Good Friday, Holy Saturday and Easter Sunday), as they are stated in the Apostles' Creed. Refreshments provided from 6pm. Registration is essential and closes Friday 20 February.
Register: <http://www.acu.edu.au/686192>
Contact: Dr Joel Hodge at joel.hodge@acu.edu.au.



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- Friday 13 February 9.00 – 10.30 am
- Tuesday 24 February 4.30 – 6.00pm **Twilight Tour**

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**Rosters for Next Weekend
21st and 22nd of February**

HOSPITALITY TEAMS

McAuliffe, Nolan and McDonald

READERS

Sat 6.00pm Natalie Van der Sluys and
Vince Taranto

Sun 10.00am Joanne Ng and Liam Deady

ALTAR SERVERS

Sat 6.00pm Adrian Zuccala

Sun 10.00am Cassandra Jurkic and
Ella Kay

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

Sun 10.00am Rosanne Croker and
Claire Baird

MASS DRIVERS Carmen Agius

PROJECTOR OPERATORS

Sat 6.00pm Rita Latimour and Jean Rive

Sun 10.00am Josh K and Julian P

COUNTERS Geoff Mullane, David Sowersby,
Anna Basa and Claire Davies

LIBRARY

Sat : Carlos Cordeiro

Sun : Teresina Yung

PARISH PRIEST

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Mon, Wed and Fri 8.45a.m.-4.00pm

MASS TIMES:

Saturday 6.00 pm (Vigil)

Sunday 10.00 am

Weekdays 12.15 pm Wed

9.00 am Thurs-Sat

RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 10.00am - 11.00am or Appointment

**Year B- 1st Sunday of Lent
22nd February 2015**

GOSPEL

Mark 1,12-15

The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for 40 days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him. After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come,' he said, 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent and believe the Good News.'

- How do you experience 'the wilderness' in your life? What are the 'wild beasts' for you in this place? Who or what looks after you?
- Many catechumens are on the final approach to saying "the time has come." How do you feel about 'the Kingdom of God being close at hand 'for you'?
- What extra steps can you take to prepare for full entry into the Church?

DI D YOU KNOW?

- Lent lasts for 40 days in imitation of Jesus' 40 days in the wilderness. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday and ends on Holy Thursday.
- There is evidence of Lenten preparation for Easter very early in the Church's history but its practices became more regularised after the Council of Nicaea (325).
- Each Lent, all the baptised are expected to adopt the three Lenten disciplines of Prayer, Fasting and Alms giving to those in need.
- In years gone by, Catholics did not eat meat on any Friday, and later, on Fridays in Lent. Today there are two days of the year when Catholics are expected to not eat meat-Ash Wednesday and Good Friday-but all of the Fridays of Lent are still days when we should 'fast'.
- This scene in the Gospel has been traditionally associated with the Judean wilderness, an unforgiving desert landscape in the south of the country.

PRAYE R AT HOME

The response to today's Psalm makes a wonderful prayer for this week.-Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth, to those who keep your covenant.

SYMBOLS AND IMAGES

The image of the desert evokes thoughts of confronting life in all its rawness. The starkness of the landscape of the Judean wilderness is almost overwhelming. In the desert, it is easier to identify what is really important in our lives. Lent symbolically invites us into the desert, to reflect on what is really important and to live more simply in closer union with God.

MAKI NG CONNECTIONS

What comforts and distractions make it difficult for you to follow Jesus' way? Can you dispense with these for the 40 days of Lent? Can you, instead, take on additional tasks or disciplines to assist you in walking with God?