



**Our Lady of  
Mount Carmel**  
Wentworthville

## **Carmel Bulletin**

**Sunday 20 October 2024**

**29<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B**



### **Reflections:**

**Mk 10:35-45**

#### **In glory**

To James and John, Jesus says, "Can you drink the cup that I drink?" This is the cup that Jesus prayed might pass from him. It is his crucifixion. So James and John have the right idea of glory. They are not asking for thrones in heaven, as the other apostles think they are.

They are asking whether they might be crucified with Jesus, on either side of him. And here is the most powerful thing to notice in this story. Jesus does not rebuke James and John for their request. He grants it. They will drink his cup with him.

But Jesus denies them their request to be beside him in his glory. That gift is already prepared by God for others, Jesus says. And which others? Well, for those two thieves, crucified on either side of Jesus. Who else?

God gave that great gift that James and John wanted, not to any of the apostles, including James and John, but to two unknown, low-down, petty criminals.

And what happened?

One of those thieves wasted the gift. The other one was glorious, wasn't he?

Eleonore Stump

## **Parish News**

### **Welcome to our community**

This Saturday, we will celebrate the sacrament of baptism for little Emma. Her parents, Simone and William, along with her siblings, Ilia, Isabel and Sarah, will celebrate this wonderful occasion after Ilia's first Holy Communion.

We also welcome Helena into the Community of the Faithful, and we bless Helena's parents, Elizabeth and Nicholas, along with big brother, Brock, for supporting her in this journey of faith.

### **Wedding congratulations**

Please keep Briahna Schae-Out and Chad Massih in your prayers as they celebrate their wedding this Sunday in our parish. And congratulations to Cathy Rossiter's son, Edwin, who marries his bride, Jessica Surkitt, in Melbourne this Friday. May our loving Father bless you with good communication, friendship and a sense of humour all the days of your life.

### **Banns of Marriage**

This third and final proclamation is to state that the marriage of Moira Peter from the Catholic parish of Wentworthville and Santhosh Kumar Sankar from Holy Redeemer's R.C. Church, Bhavanisagar are, to the best of our knowledge, free to celebrate the Sacrament of Matrimony on 14 December 2024.

### **Parish Sacramental Process update**

#### **FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

CONGRATULATIONS to all the parish children who celebrate their first sacrament of Holy Communion at 11am this Saturday and next.

Preparation to receive this sacrament for the first time began long before this weekend; in every meal that was prepared for them, in every way that their parents, grandparents and teachers taught them how to welcome others, to say *thank you*, to listen to stories from their past, to talk to Jesus, to participate in a community.

We pray and hope that the children receiving their first sacrament of Holy Communion remember that the simple beauty of Holy Communion is based on the everydayness of their own domestic church; their family. We pray that their second, third and subsequent Holy Communion is just as special as their first, and we pray that their families continue to support them in their journey of faith.

### **Catholic Mission Appeal**

This World Mission Month, we invite you to extend your generosity to help enhance these vital services. Your support can make a significant difference to the lives of many, offering hope and tangible assistance to individuals like Chuluunbaatar.

## Follow Mass on your device



**Joining us for Sunday Mass? Access our guide on your phone.** From the responses and prayers, to where to find things, our guide has what you need. **Scan the QR code or visit [olmcwenty.org.au/church](http://olmcwenty.org.au/church)**

*We ask you to set your phone to 'do not disturb' or silent mode to help everyone focus on prayer*

## From the Suggestion Box

Thank you to those who have contributed with their ideas and comments in the Suggestion Box. We especially appreciate the thoughtfulness of your suggestions, and how you have engaged with the spirit of the Suggestion Box. Here are some of our responses:

- **Can we keep the church open all day on Sunday?** We would LOVE to keep the church open all day every day but, unfortunately, for the safety of staff, parishioners and visitors, we cannot keep the church open between celebrations. However, if you would like to come in and pray when the church is closed, please ring the Priors doorbell and we'd be happy to open the church for you. We just ask that you do not light any naked flames while you are in there.
- **Can we provide free rosaries?** This is a great suggestion and we are hoping that parishioners will be able to assist us with this. If you are able to donate clean rosaries in good condition, we can place them in the Parish Centre for those who need them.
- **Can we make the music melodies easier?** If you would please provide us with the details of the Mass you are referring to, we can contact the Music Minister and discuss this with them as a Liturgy Committee. Song titles would also be very helpful.

## Prayer for the Middle East

O God of Mercy and Tender Compassion,  
We cry out to you in this time of crisis.  
Hear the cries of the people of the Middle East.  
Bring healing to those suffering from violence  
and comfort to those mourning the dead.  
O God of Hope,  
sustain those who labour for peaceful and just solutions.  
Inspire leaders and decision makers to choose the way of  
peace over the way of violence.  
Deliver all your children from the threat of war  
and teach us to encounter one another with reverence  
and love.  
We pray in the name of Jesus Christ  
Who came to bring to peace on earth  
And who abides with you and the Holy Spirit, now and  
forever.

- Sr. Deborah Harmeling, O.S.B.

## Prayers for HSC and End-of-Year Exams

*Loving Father,  
We pray for all those sitting their HSC or End-of-Year exams.  
We ask you to settle their anxiety and grant their hearts peace,  
Silence their doubts and quieten their fears,  
Assure them of their value as unique creations,  
Bless them the certainty of your abiding love,  
And grant them the creativity to anticipate a future with goodness, love and acceptance.*

Our prayers include:

Mary Anne Jalyn Acol	Adrian Lim
Roselyn Asirit	Conrad Lopez
Christian Atra	Lauren Lubrano
Rihana Atra	Taylor MacRaye
Layla Ayuban	Jared Marasigan
Dalton Bailey	Luke Masiello
Joseph Baini	Hamish McGlinn
Mark Arnold Bantog	Chanel Moussawer
Joshua Bigeni	Rachelle Ann Munoz
Rihana Boulous	Alexander George Nohra
Jean Paul Boutrous	Eoin O'Sullivan
Alyssa Calderon	Luca Odello
Amelia Camilleri	Noah Pearse
Amelia Chadzinow	Declan Pereira
Ann Maria Clivin	Daniel Pinto
Ann Sapna Clivin	Joel Raju
Dwayne D'Souza	Noah Roque Talato
Montana De Celis	Ashton Roukos
Adian DeFavero	Sienna Rowe
Piper Dening	Ghina Sader
Ann Imman Joe Dennison	Medha Saha
Lauren Dharandas	Mohim Saha
Alannah Dore	Jonathan Sarayar
Nevathitha Durai	Joachim Sathi
Madisen Eldebs	Ashwell Starr
Annalise Elias	Annabel Scuibia
Ayden Elias	Sheana Mutthumani
Jemma Farah	Silvestre
Jonah Fenech	Ava Smith
Grace Galea	Hannah Stazynski
Gibin Geo Joseph	Jade Stazynski
Daniel Gordon	Hugo Stewart
Tyon Halpenny	Jacob Tamaro
Will Hanna	Samantha Torrens
Jaida Issa	Elizabeth Touma
Robyn Jones	Sienna Volante
Raymond Khadi	Jonathan Webb
Sanika Kulkarni	Christian Worsley
Jayden Lawrence	Elena Xibberas
Charli Leafe	Annabelle
Jonas Lee	Rita

## Feast of All Souls Day

This year, we celebrate the Feast of All Souls at the 9am Mass on Saturday 2 November. After Mass, we will go to the Memorial Garden and bless the plaques. Please bring along some Morning Tea to share with other friends and parishioners as we recall and remember those we have lost, especially throughout this past year.

Please note that we will not be celebrating the Sacrament of Reconciliation after the 9am Mass, on this date.

## Please pray for

**Those who are sick**, especially Ngoc Tran, Antoinette De Silva, Lina Galpin, Lucy & Rosine, Rita Ientile, Vivian Sultana, Roseline Fernandez, Yolanda Gonzales, Edwin Macwan, Sharon Dolan.

**Recently deceased**, especially Ruth McDonald, José Frappier, Laurell Caspersz, Doris Borg, John Weaver, Massimina 'Mina' Brattoni, Francis D'Souza, Josephine Tabone, Bernadette Stevens, Rob McMenamin, Paul Crollick, Jennifer Kelberg, Charmaine Kelberg, Baby Egan, Rachael Sumagui, Matthew Spiteri, Tony Campton, Thea Flynn, Joanne Tabone, Charlie Bonnici, Duyen Tran.

**Our special intentions**, especially Casimier Nicholapillai, Hannah Touma (Birthday), Judy Junkeer, Leonardo Close, Michael Perez, Stella Galea, Elizabeth Perez, Agnes Patacsil, Adrian Fernandez (Birthday), Duyen Tran, Joseph, Louis, Mary & Frank Teuma, Joyce, Carmel, Tony & Antonia Cini, Rose Titian, Doreen, Mary & Frank Camilleri, Joe & Maria Vella, Sonia Spittle, Jesse & Kevin McManus, Skelly-Lewcowicz Family, Clivin family, Norman De Luca, Charlie Zammit, Charlie Sultana, Holy Souls in Purgatory, Thanksgiving to Our Lady, to the Immaculate and Sacred Heart of Jesus, to the Holy Infant of Prague, for the Church in Australia, and in honour of St Anthony and St Christopher.

## Mass Intentions throughout November

During the month of November, we remember all our deceased loved ones. A memorial book is placed at the front of the church with a list of the names we are asked to pray for. If you would like the name of your deceased family or friends to be added to this memorial book, please use the November Mass envelopes which are available in the parish centre. Please print the names CLEARLY.

Since we pray at Mass for all those who have passed away and whose names are submitted for remembrance in November, we do not accept Mass Intentions specifically for deceased people during this month. However, Mass Intentions for the living, or those who have died recently, are still accepted.

## Parish Finances

### Thank you for your generosity

**Last week's donation to the Parish: \$2762**

**Planned Giving (cash):** \$702

**Planned Giving (credit cards):** \$

**Loose cash:** \$790

**Direct Deposits:** \$425

**Tap & Go:** \$845

**Parish Online Banking:** If you would like to pay fees or are able to make a donation, our online banking details are:

**BSB:** 067 950

**Account Number:** 000 00602

**Account Name:** Wentworthville Catholic Church

**Reference:** [YourSurname]DONATION NAME

## Around the Diocese and beyond

**Wedding Anniversary Mass:** Bishop Vincent will celebrate this annual Mass at 11am on Sunday 27 October. To register you names, years married and number of people attending, please visit [parracatholic.org/weddingmass](http://parracatholic.org/weddingmass). Family and friends welcome.

### Positions Vacant with the Diocese of Parramatta:

- Finance Administrator – Applications close 18 October
- Administrative Support, Risk, Governance & Compliance — Applications close 30 October
- Administration Assistant, Holy Spirit Parish, St Clair – Applications close 31 October.
- Accountant – Catholic Care Western Sydney and the Blue Mountains.

More details at: [parracatholic.org/about/jobs/](http://parracatholic.org/about/jobs/)

## Coming events

**24 October:** SVdP meeting in the Parish Centre at 10am

## Rosters for 26 and 27 October 2024

MASS	ROLE	VOLUNTEER
6pm (Vigil)	Reader 1 Reader 2 Communion	Trish Maldigri Angela Carlino Caz Learmonth
8am	Reader 1 Reader 2 Communion	Cat Paulo Cecilia Cotter Ron Aquilina (Assembly) Pauline Cassar
10am	Reader 1 Reader 2 Communion	Clyde Fernandes Fiona Bylsma Marina Peter (Assembly) Moiria Peter
6pm	Reader 1 Reader 2 Communion	Isa Urbano Volunteer needed Isa Urbano

## Next week's readings

**26 & 27 October - 30<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B**

**First Reading:** Jer 31:7-9

**Second Reading:** Heb 5:1-6

**Gospel:** Mk 10:46-52





## Our Lady of Mount Carmel Wentworthville

### in the care of the Carmelite Friars

*We acknowledge the Darug people as the original custodians of this land and pay our respects to their elders; past, present and emerging.*

*Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish, together with the Diocese of Parramatta and the Carmelite Friars, are committed to safeguarding children, young people and vulnerable adults in our care and ensuring that they feel and are safe.*

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#### Parish Office

Open Monday to Thursday, 8:30am to 4:30pm  
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**Parish Priest:** Fr. Januario Pinto, O.Carm

**Assistant Priest:** Fr. Albino Dos Santos, O.Carm

**In Community:** Fr. Anthony Scerri, O.Carm,  
Fr. Paul Gurr, O.Carm (Carmelite Prior),  
Fr. Wayne Stanhope, O.Carm (at Jamberoo),  
Fr. John Powell, O.Carm (in Aged Care)

**Parish Secretary:** Paola Yévenes

**Finance Officer:** Gennie Cosgrove

#### Our Lady of Mt Carmel Primary School

**Principal:** Olimpia Pirovic

**Phone:** 8832 1100

### Liturgy times

#### Sunday Masses

Saturday: 6pm (Vigil)

Sunday: 8am, 10am, 6pm

#### Weekday Masses

Monday - Thursday and Saturday: 9am

Friday: 9:15am (except on the first Friday of the month)

#### Reconciliation

Saturday: after the 9am Mass

#### Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday: 8am

#### Rosary Group

Monday - Friday: 8am

Saturday: after the 9am Mass

#### Anointing within Mass

First Friday of the month at 9am Mass followed by a shared Morning Tea

#### Baptisms, Weddings and Funerals

On request

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