

Dear Parishioners,

Alpha

We were privileged to have Lorraine McCarthy with us to give us a taste of Alpha at the *'Come and See'* on 13 February. We were impressed and energised by what we experienced. The relaxed mood created by the shared meal, followed by the excellent talk on video and the follow up open discussions showed us how Alpha works. Lorraine will be back to lead a training day on Saturday 14 April for those who would like to be part of our Alpha team.

Alpha is about creating the right environment for people to relax and reflect on their lives and then to be open to an encounter with Jesus Christ. It is an approach to evangelisation that works for people in our world today. If you would like to help make Jesus known and to spread the Gospel please consider becoming involved in our team.

Involvement in Alpha

There are several different ways of being involved in Alpha:

First off, we need a leader who cares about evangelisation, who can plan and communicate well and who is unafraid to delegate.

Then we need an administrator who is well organised and able to liaise with others, delegate, have computer skills and social media skills.

We need to get as many volunteers as possible to make Alpha work. Most importantly we need ordinary people who are friendly, non-judgemental people who are comfortable with open discussions to be the small group hosts so that our guests feel welcome and can relax. So, we need people who are 'normal' and can have fun. We don't need people with an agenda to push but people who can "listen and hear" others.

An indispensable part of the group is the behind-the-scenes task force who are responsible for getting the hall ready and create a comfortable welcoming environment, who will greet people when they arrive, cook or arrange the food, serve the meal, look after the tea and coffee and desserts and then clear up and pack the equipment away.

Finally, we need a prayer team to accompany all that is happening. We need the Holy Spirit to guide us and so we need to ensure that Alpha is accompanied by prayer.

If you are interested, please speak to either Fr Greg or Fr John or call the Parish Office.—*Blessings, Greg*

Message from Archbishop

The Archbishop Costelloe has asked that on the Fourth Sunday of Lent this year, we make the healing of survivors of sexual abused in the Church a special focus of our prayer and be united on this Sunday in earnest prayer for the healing of those who have suffered so much.

A Prayer for Healing

Gracious and loving Father,
Since your mercy has been revealed
In the tenderness of your Son Jesus
Christ, who said to his disciples:

"Let the little children come to me",

We pray that your Church may be a secure home
where all children and vulnerable adults
Are brought closer to your Beloved Son.

May all those who have been abused
Physically, emotionally and sexually by your ministers
Be respected and accompanied
by tangible gestures of justice and reparation
So that they may feel healed with the balm of your compassion.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR LENT

- **WEDNESDAYS** at 7.30pm in the Church
- **FRIDAYS** at 2pm in the Church



PLEASE NOTE: *The Perpetual Novena to Our Lady of Mt Carmel will not be held during Lent. It will be replaced by Stations of the Cross.*

LETTER BOX DROP

There are many invitations left to our Palm Sunday and Holy Week celebrations in the foyer. Please help bring our brothers and sisters back to Mass this Easter by a letter-box drop in your area. Check with the map in the foyer if you are not sure where the boundaries are. Also, remember to mark off the streets you will deliver to, so that we do not have any doubling-up. This is such a simple way for us to spread the Good News. If you have not joined in the letterbox drop in the past, why not do it this year?



Parish Busy Bee for Easter Saturday 24th March 9am - 2pm

We need many hands to help make our parish grounds and centre clean and fresh for our celebrations at Easter. There will be gardening, cleaning and small maintenance jobs to be done. Children are very welcome to come with their parents to help. Morning tea and a sausage sizzle lunch will be provided to all workers. Lists will be in the foyer detailing the jobs that need to be done and the equipment required for each task. If you can bring your own equipment, that would be a help, but the parish will provide equipment if you do not have your own. It would be great to see some new faces! High School students are welcome to use this opportunity to complete their Christian service hours. Please call Billie in the parish office to put your name down.



CHOIRS FOR EASTER TRIDUUM Do you like to sing?

You are invited to come along and join the 'combined choir' for any/all of our Easter Triduum liturgies:

- Holy Thursday (29 March – 7.30pm)
- Good Friday (30 March – 3pm)
- Easter Vigil (31 March – 7.30pm)

There is a Swedish proverb which says: 'Those who wish to sing, always find a song' or to quote our Saint Augustine: 'The person who sings, prays twice'

You do not have to be a regular member of a choir – just come along and sing with us. You will be made to feel very welcome. Please contact Linda D'Cruz for further information regarding practices on: 0402 120 978 or lindad-cruz@gmail.com





WHAT'S HAPPENING



Parish prayer concerns

Recently Deceased: Margaret Simpson, Dori Sumich and Domenica Tonizzo;

Deceased: Cecil Parnell, Salvatore Biagio, Domenica Fortunato, Atineta Marvelli, Jason Lo Chun Khiong, Paula Useche, Juan Manuel Garcia and Rebecca Yap;

Anniversaries: Silvio Bezgovsek and Dylan Sharpe;

The Sick of the Parish: Luigi Di Fava, Lucas Bendotti; Peg Brown, Bernard Spears, Denise Bendotti, Ossie Gonsalves, Trudy Berhuber and all the sick who are in need of our prayers.

"The Lord is kind and merciful"



PILGRIM STATUE: This week in the home of Mrs F Savvy; 36a Lingfield Way, Morley. Ph: 9275 3288

CALENDAR OF SAINTS

17 March - St Patrick, Bishop

YOUTH GROUP



24:7 Morley youth group on Friday night had 21 young people in attendance continuing our momentum of growth as we progress through term 1.

We had a great time relating to each other, playing volleyball, and some card games. This was followed by Roger presenting a talk focusing on Lent, and why pretzels can be seen as a symbol of Lent. After gaining some understanding on this we then broke into smaller groups and began the pretzel-making process!

It was a lot of fun making the dough, and it was great to see each group helping one another form the pretzel shape and working as a team to make the best pretzels! Whilst the cooking process was underway we continued our time of getting to know each other and then had a heap of fun eating the fruit of our labour.

For more info, please contact 24:7 Youth Ministers www.247youthministry.org - Roger 0434 988 711 Stephanie 0499 547 066.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2018—CONFIRMATION

A gentle reminder that the enrolment form submission is now overdue. Please complete and return your child's enrolment form along with the necessary attachments as soon as possible. Thank you.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

Commitment Masses—Saturday 17 March at 6pm or Sunday 18 March 9.30am or Sunday 18 March at 6pm

Parents Night—Monday 7 May at 7.00 pm

Parent and Child night—Monday, 21 May at 7.00 pm

Retreat, Visitation and Final Practice—Thursday, 7 June at 9am

Confirmation Masses—Saturday, 9 June at 12pm and at 3pm

Invitation From Archbishop Timothy Costelloe To the Annual Chrism Mass

I invite you to attend the Chrism Mass which I will concelebrate with the Priests of the Archdiocese of Perth at St Mary's Cathedral on **Tuesday 27 March at 7pm.**

During this Mass the Holy Oils will be blessed and the oil of Chrism consecrated. The priests will also renew their Ordination commitment. The Laity are invited to renew their commitment to holiness of life and to service of the Church and society.

Fourth Sunday of Lent

Project Compassion boxes /envelopes are still available from the Church foyer or by visiting www.caritas.org.au/ projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

Tiles and Tiler Needed

If you have any plain wall tiles at home which you no longer need, we require 1-2 square metres to complete the surround of a new sink in the parish center's kitchen. If you could help, please call the parish office to speak to the maintenance manager, John Cogdon.

We would also be very grateful if someone would offer to lay the tiles for us. The parish office number is 9276 8500. Thank you so much.

In our church

Morning Prayer of the Church: Mon-Fri, 6.40am; Sat 8.00am

Morning Mass: Mon-Fri: 7am & 9am, Sat and Public Holidays: 8.30am

Sunday Masses: 6pm (Saturday), 7.30am, 9.30am (Children's Liturgy during school terms), 11.30am (Italian), 6pm (Youth Mass 2nd Sundays)

Reconciliation: Saturday 10 - 11am and 5pm - 5.30pm

Perpetual Novena in Honour of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel:

Wednesday 7.00pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday 9.30 - 10.30am & 7 - 8pm

Baptisms, Weddings & Sacraments: Please contact the Parish Office.

Our parish team

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