

TODAY'S SCRIPTURE: Apostles 2:1-11; Psalm 103:1,24,29-31,34; Romans 8:8-17; John 14:1-16,23-26

NEXT WEEK: Proverbs 8:22-31; Psalm 8:4-9; Romans 5:1-5; John 16:12-15

PURIFIERS: 9th June: Agnes Garcia
16th June: Helen Haggarty

RECENTLY DECEASED: Travis Southby, Richard Peacock, Don Yates, Besing Famatiga.

ANNIVERSARIES: Leonidas Guevara, Leo Guevara, Jane Taylor, Benito Bongiorno, Moli Bukasoquo, Jack Rigby, Dunstant Muller, Daniel McKittrick, Vida Megna, Agnes and John Brennan, Patrick Clarke.

ARE YOU NEW TO OLA PARISH? Please take a copy of our Welcome Kit which includes a copy of our Parish History, then tell us about yourself by completing our new parish census card with all relevant details.

PLEASE FILL IN THE FAMILY BOOK: You are invited to write in the names of those you would like us to include in our prayers. When entering names of deceased loved ones we ask parishioners to please **PRINT**, and add your name and phone number even if the deceased is not a family member.

BAPTISM/WEDDINGS: Baptisms are celebrated at 12.15pm most Sundays of the year with 4/5 weeks' notice required. Any Catholic is very welcome to use OLA Church for their marriage celebration. 95836161.

BAPTISM WELCOME: 6.30pm: Meera Mc Bride, daughter of Sean and Raya. Xavier Webster, son of Craig and Felicity

We, the people of OLA, acknowledge and pay respect to the Boonwurong people of the Kulin Nation, the traditional owners and custodians of the land on which we stand.
May we walk gently here.

LITURGY TIMES:

Monday June 10

9.15 am Communion Service

Tuesday June 11

6.00 pm Mass

Wednesday June 12

9.15 am Mass

10.00 am Mass at Cheltenham Manor

Thursday June 13

9.15 am Communion Service

Friday June 14

9.15 am Mass

Saturday June 15

9.00 am Mass

6.30 pm Mass (Trinity Sunday)

Sunday June 8

9.00 am Mass (Trinity Sunday)

11.00 am Mass (Trinity Sunday)

CONFESSIONS:

Wednesday: 9.45am

Saturday: 9.30am & 6.00pm

PSALM REFLECTION

Lord, send out your Spirit and renew the face of the earth.

Do you need God's Spirit to renew some part of you? How will you co-operate with God in your own renewal?

When the day of Pentecost came, they were all together in one place. Suddenly a sound like the blowing of a violent wind came from heaven and filled the whole house where they were sitting. They saw what seemed to be tongues of fire that separated and came to rest on each of them. All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other tongues as the Spirit enabled them. [Acts 2:1-4](#)



Our Lady of the Assumption Parish Cheltenham

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Pentecost Day June 9, 2019

"They were all filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak foreign languages as the Spirit gave them the gift of speech." That is how the Acts of the Apostles described the immediate aftermath of the Pentecost event. The Lord had promised the disciples to send the Spirit to make them one in him, and one with each other. Yet, despite Pentecost, unity among Christians continues to be a struggle. Even within our world-wide Catholic community there are many divisions based around beliefs, practices, theologies, social responses, etc.. So while there may never be uniformity, there can be a deep degree of unity in diversity.

This week many have remembered in prayer the operations of D-Day, June 6, 1944, that began the concerted push from the beaches of Normandy against the Nazis which culminated in victory, VE day, eleven months later on May 8, 1945. As soon as the War ended in Europe work was under way to establish NATO and the United Nations. The editorial in the London Tablet this weekend noted: "President Trump, in the spirit of the isolationism that goes all the way back to George Washington himself, is known to be frigid in his regard for both these "political" institutions [NATO and the UN]. So he needed a history lesson or two, which were duly provided, with extreme tact, by the Queen and by Theresa May."

I was 4 months old when D-Day came around and a long way from Europe. Now 75 years later a new and final phase of life's journey is about to begin for me. Even though many of you generous people are arranging an official farewell on the last weekend of June I will officially retire on Wednesday, July 17. Different factors have conspired to keep me here through the two weeks of the school holidays. One is that taxation receipts for the 10% of your Thanksgiving Stewardship offerings will have to be signed by the parish priest in that first week of July, and no one has expressed interest in replacing me here as yet. The Personnel Advisory Board meet this coming week to try and work out a few things. There may be more news next week. Also the extra two weeks gives me time to try to pack and move. So even though I will be staying for two weeks beyond June 30 the official farewell will continue as planned for the weekend of June 29, 30.

Fr Peter

ECUMENICAL LITURGY FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY THIS AFTERNOON – This will be held here at OLA (Pentecost Sunday, June 9) at 5 pm. Anyone of any faith is welcome to come. Because of factors affecting some of our sister churches in Cheltenham, and because of the long weekend, the numbers will be fewer than normal but let us who can, come together and pray.

ST VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY, 2018 WINTER APPEAL - 15th/16th June
At each Mass this weekend a member of our OLA Cheltenham Conference will speak briefly on Conference activities. Next weekend, 15th/16th June, we will be asking for donations of cash, blankets & non -perishable food. Thanks to your past generosity our volunteers have been able to provide much appreciated help to the needy in our area. During the last twelve months this amounted to- No. of Home visits - 417 People assisted- 577 adults & 526 children (Note-people visited more than once are counted more than once), Value of assistance provided totalled \$56,200, as follows - Food parcels \$18,500, Supermarket Essentials Cards \$14,300, Education grants \$15,000, Utility bills \$4,100 Furniture \$1000 & on Whitegoods, Transport and other expenses \$3,300. In addition, the Sunday evening bread run made around 1,000 deliveries of donated bread, worth about \$9,400 and our Christmas Hampers included donated toys worth about \$4,400. “

ORGAN CONCERT to be held at St Patrick’s Cathedral on Friday 21 June, 2019 at 6.30pm. This concert will feature renowned French organist Maurice Clerc. Maurice Clerc is considered to be one of the specialists of French organ music and was the Titular Organist of the cathedral in Dijon in France for more than 40 years. Tickets: \$20.00 (no concessions). Children under 15 free.
Bookings: <https://www.trybooking.com/BCUWX> or tickets available at the door.

KINGSTON INTERFAITH NETWORK: Do you want to be part of the interfaith conversation in your community and make new connections? Nominations are currently open for representatives., appointed members will sit for a two-year term. Nomination forms are available at the parish office, or contact Elisabetta Robecchi on 95814783 for more information.

ALIGHT FAMILY FIESTA : Saturday 21 September, St Bede’s College Mentone. At a time when living Christian family life can feel like swimming against the tide, Alight is an event that will strengthen everyone – especially parents – to be renewed in their mission. Fr Leo Patalinghug, a priest and chef, will serve up a creative presentation of faith and food that will have the whole family wanting more. Rides, food and live music will help to make this a joyful celebration for the whole family! To register or for more info, look for the Alight flyers on our noticeboard

ARE YOU CURIOUS ABOUT THE CATHOLIC FAITH? ARE YOU INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC? ARE YOU INTERESTED IN SUPPORTING PEOPLE ON THEIR JOURNEY OF FAITH? Our Parish team is beginning a *Journey of Faith* for any people in our community interested in becoming a Catholic. It is a journey with a group of like-minded people. The ‘process’ is called the RCIA ~ *The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults*. It involves those wishing to be baptised as Catholics, those wanting full communion with the Catholic Church but baptised in other Christian denominations, and any parishioner wishing to deepen their faith. If you are curious or interested in this journey, or wish to be involved in a supportive capacity, please contact the Parish 9583 6161. It would be so supportive to have people from our Parish family available at our different Masses to sit and accompany Inquirers, Catechumens, or Candidates, while they become familiar with ‘what we do’ as Catholics! The date for the first enquiry night is Wednesday July 24 in the parish office.

GENTLE EXERCISE: Wednesdays 10:15-11.30am. Small classes. Call Parish Office on 95836161 or simply turn up.

PAST PUPILS OF DISTINCTION 2019: If you know an outstanding past pupil from Kilbreda College, Kilbreda encourages you to nominate them as a Past Pupil of Distinction. Nominations close 14th June. You can submit nominations at www.kilbreda.vic.edu.au For all other enquiries contact Denise Leonard at denise127@optusnet.com.au

COUNSELLING AND PSYCHOLOGICAL SERVICES: The parish provides free short term counselling to members of the OLA community (parish and school) and their families. Counselling is provided by AnneMaree Eddy, Psychologist. Please contact the parish office for appointments.

KNITTING GROUP:
The knitting group would like to thank everyone who supported and helped them give \$950.00 to Cheltenham’s St Vincent De Paul.

Next knitting day 1-3pm on the 12th June.
ALL WELCOME.

Thank you to all our wonderful volunteers who helped with catering, and served tea and coffee at the Healing Mass on Friday. It was a wonderful turn out.

