

We Remember those in God's Care



- ❖ *all who have died recently;*
- ❖ James Donovan, Peter Marshall, *and all whose anniversaries occur now.*

We Pray for

- ❖ Fr Noel Kierce, Pat Ryan, Joan Meehan, Margaret Nance, Leo Caffery, Tim O'Neill, *and all our sick.*

Remember Me – Lenten groups

Announcing a new program to nourish and deepen our spiritual life and remember God's abiding love for each one of us. Remember me is a discussion program for the six weeks of Lent which explores what is meant by a prayerful life; a life in which nothing is done, said or understood independently of God. Prepare for Easter and get to know people in the parish at the same time.

The program will commence on Monday 15 February and there will be enrolments 13 & 14 February. If you have any questions please contact Emanuela at parish office 33971587

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**YOUR GENEROSITY
can live on!**

**THINKING OF MAKING
OR RENEWING
YOUR WILL?**



Please think of us.

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5th Sunday in Ordinary Time 7 February 2010

Good things most certainly do come in threes. Fans of the Brisbane Lions need look no further than 2001 to 2003 to confirm this. Then there's triple-choc ice cream and of course The Hitchhiker's Guide to the Galaxy Trilogy (in five parts). Today's readings (of which there are three) are no exception. To me, they use different settings and content to issue a similar challenge in three parts: listen, reflect and act.

I find all these individually challenging, let alone trying to tackle them in sequence. For example, how often do we *really* listen to people and to God? Really listening to the people around us might be paying attention to more than the words that are spoken, but rather, trying to put ourselves in others' shoes to really understand how they feel. Or it could be asking return questions and listening to the answers. The disciples in today's gospel are great examples for us – after a long day's work they still listened to their teacher preach, then listened to His request to re-cast their nets, then listened to His call to follow.

After listening for the first couple of times, the disciples seemed to have reflected on what they heard and saw (albeit pretty quickly), to the point of realising their shortcomings and the need to move forward. The same is mirrored in the first reading – forgiveness is sought following listening and reflection.

To me then, the message today is that the first two steps are important, but in some ways they are not enough. It seems to me that the example set by the disciples would be fairly hollow if after asking for forgiveness they decided to wish Jesus all the best on His vocation and see Him on His way, politely pointing Him to the nearest bus stop. On the contrary, the example they give us highlights that the ultimate goal of listening and reflecting is to then act. The first reading too has its climax in the last line: "Here I am: send me!" Acting might not necessarily be in a form as emphatic and speedy as that of the disciples - action could just as easily be a commitment to gradual and incremental change. In both readings though, action seems to be the end game.

Of course, I find this all very much easier to say than do, and herein lies a challenge. But it also seems that life would be dull if it was as easy as 1 2 3.

Michael Barry Parishioner

PARISH MASS TIMES

Weekends:

Saturday Vigil – 6 pm;

Sunday - 7.30 am, 9.30 am & 5.30 pm

Weekdays *this week*:

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,
Thursday, Friday & Saturday - 9 am

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays 9.30 am – 10 am

MEDITATION

Wednesdays 6.30 am – 7 am

BAPTISMS & WEDDINGS

by appointment

This week at Mt Carmel

Today is 7 February

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Isaiah 6:1-8

Corinthians 15:3-8.11

Luke 5:1-11

Monday 8 February

Rosary after 9 am Mass

Tuesday 9 February

Finance Council Meeting in Carmel
Community Room, 7.30 pm

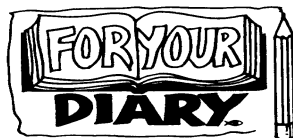
Wednesday 10 February

World Day of Prayer meeting in
Carmel Community Room, 10 am

RCIA meeting in Carmel Community
Room, 7.30 pm

Thursday 11 February

Readers Preparation in Sacristy, 7.30pm



Sunday 14 February

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jeremiah 17:5-8

Corinthians 15:12. 16-20

Luke 6:17. 20-26

Baptism Sunday

Cuppa after 9.30 am Mass

Lenten Programme Enrolments and
Project Compassion commencement

Monday 15 February

Remember me Lenten program in
Carmel Community Room, 9.45am

St Vincent de Paul meeting in Carmel
Community Room, 7.30 pm

Wednesday 17 February

Ash Wednesday

9 am & 7.30 pm Masses

Thursday 18 February

Mt Carmel Social Club Annual
meeting in Carmel Community Room,
9.30 am

Readers Preparation in Sacristy, 7.30pm

Rosters

Rosters for Ministers of the
Word for the month of
February & March are
available in the foyer of the
church. Please remember to
collect. Thank you

Children's Liturgy of the Word

CLOW provides the opportunity for children [from Pre school to Yr 3] to celebrate the Liturgy of the Word at their level at Sunday 9.30 am Mass. As happens some of our ministers are moving on as their children are older now so we are looking for new people interested assisting in this ministry please contact Leisa Crew on 3847 5033 or 0418 187 536 or leisa.crew@gmail.com or Emanuela 3397 1587

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FRIDAY 5 MARCH AT 10 AM

The churchwomen of Cameroon have chosen the theme

“LET EVERYTHING THAT HAS BREATH PRAISE GOD”

for this year's World day of prayer service. They invite us, their sisters and brothers in Christ, to join them in worship as we praise God with all our being. Although their country experiences times of drought, natural disasters and social unrest they are always ready to praise God with every breath during all the difficulties which they face. In Australia we have so much for which to be thankful so let us join our Christian brothers and sisters worldwide in this time of worship.

As Mt Carmel will be hosting this event we are asking for volunteers to make sandwiches, slices, cakes etc.

Please contact parish office 33971587 if you are able to assist.

Family Prayer Time – Lent to Easter

A family resource which have the scripture stories for the Sundays of Lent, Holy Thursday and Easter Sunday, adult reflections, simple family prayers and rituals, discussion points, fun activities, guided meditations and prayer journal. Booklets, CD and Prayer cards will be available after masses 13 & 14 February for those interested. More details are displayed in noticeboard in foyer of church

Little Black Books for the season of Lent are available from St Vincent de Paul stall in the foyer of the church. Cost \$4