St Paul tells us in no uncertain terms what it means to live well. Make our contribution to the world. Work hard. Do our bit. Take our responsibilities seriously. Entitlement is out. Living practice of service is in.

Of course, we say. We know this to be true. Even when things are not going so well. Even when things are going catastrophically wrong.

And there are some pretty disturbing things happening in the world right now.

There is an increasing reliance on superficially constructed, so-called beliefs, bandwagons, and a distrust or dismissal of rich knowledge and cultural integrity. Repeat a clearly false message loudly enough and often enough and the followers will flock around.

Knowledge and compassion are seen to be at odds with free-mindedness.

There is the objectification of our sacred humanity evidenced in the proliferation of sexting, the scourge of pornography, domestic violence, discrimination.

Doubt is adopted as some sort of right to question even those things that have been proven through rigorous research and authentically validated process. This doubt feeds our fear.

And so there is the demonization of the other – the other religion, the other ethnicity, the other perspective. It’s as if our differences give us a licence to be suspicious, to catastrophize, to see ourselves as separate and entitled.

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**Parish Mass Times**

**Weekends:**
- Saturday Vigil: 6pm
- Sunday: 8.30am & 5.30pm

**Weekdays:** Monday to Saturday 9am

A Mass of Anointing is held on the first Wednesday of every month at 10am followed by morning tea.

**Reconciliation:**

Saturdays 9.30am – 10am

**Rosary:** Mondays – after 9am Mass

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**Invitation**

Dear Parishioners

All are invited to celebrate the **25th Jubilee of Priestly Ordination** of Bishop Tony Randazzo and Fr Morgan Batt.

Jubilee Mass at St Stephens Cathedral, City

**Tuesday 29th November at 7pm**

Supper to be held after in the Francis Rush Centre.

This parish was significant in the ministry life of both priests and they invite you personally to the celebration.

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**Next Sunday’s Readings:**

20th Nov (Solemnity of Christ the King)

- 2 Sam 5:1-3; Col 1:12-20;
- Lk 23:35-43

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**Reflection (cont’d)**

It has become almost counter-cultural to proclaim a message of goodness, kindness and unshakeable hope.

This is not good enough for St Paul and it is not good enough for us. We are not to live cocooned from the realities of the world. We are to do our bit by working hard for the greater good. It is what Jesus did and it is what we must do.

All three readings make unequivocally clear the imperative to stay true to our faith. To live and act with hope and persistence for our world which will surely be made anew.

*Christine Clarke, Parishioner.*

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We congratulate our Carmelite brother **Januario Pinto** who will ordained to the Deaconate on Saturday 19th November at Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Middle Park in Melbourne.

Januario has visited Coorparoo during his time of studies for the Priesthood.

Januario will be Ordained to the Priesthood sometime next year in his home village in Timor Leste.

We pray that he may generously serve the people of God with an open heart and a willing spirit.

Congratulations Januario from all your friends at Mt Carmel Coorparoo.

*Fr.Wayne*
Christmas Hamper Appeal

The Mt Carmel Parish St Vincent de Paul Society is running a Christmas Hamper Appeal. We are requesting donations of non-perishable festive food items to create Hampers which will be delivered locally, and which will help to make Christmas Day different from every other day and just that little bit more special. Suggested items include: Christmas Cakes, plum puddings, chips, pretzels, nuts, chocolates, sweet or savoury biscuits, softdrinks, antipasto (olives/tapenades etc) other non-perishable festive food items.

This is not a general food drive and it is in addition to the toys/gifts appeal run by the school.

We understand that the school community is asked to support many worthy causes throughout the year, so if you are able to help, even in a small way, all donations will be very much appreciated and we thank you in anticipation of your generosity.

Boxes have been placed in each classroom for donations which can be made up until Tuesday 22nd November. There will also be baskets at the entrances to the church for the following two weekends.

Contact - Margaret Land on 0422 011 945 or mland@tpg.com.au

An appeal to all:

If YOU OPEN IT - PLEASE CLOSE IT (doors and windows!)

If IT IS YOUR RUBBISH - PLEASE TAKE IT WITH YOU.

If YOU ARE RETURNING IT - PLEASE RETURN TO THE APPROPRIATE PERSON OR PLACE.

Thank you to everyone for your cooperation and for sharing in the care of our environment!

Fr. Wayne

BAPTISMS

This weekend we welcome
Harvey Jones, Scottie Coucill
Penelope Fisher & Franklyn Carroll
into our Catholic Community

The Friends of Zumalai are holding their annual Christmas stall with Raffle on the weekend of 26th/27th November at Saturday 6pm Mass & Sunday 8.30 Mass.

Raffle tickets will also be sold on the weekend of 19th/20th November.

Any donations of baked goods, cakes, or sweet items greatly appreciated and accepted. Please drop them off after 3pm on Saturday 26th November, or before 8.30am Mass on Sunday 27th November.

All funds raised go to education projects in the parish of Zumalai, East Timor.

Now available in the St Vincent de Paul stall
Christmas Cards -$3.00 for a pack of 8
2017 Columban Calendars - $9.00
Mass Intentions
Recently Deceased:
Peter Origlasso, Jennifer Dwyer, John Clark, Tom Conroy, Patricia O'Brien
Eternal Rest grant unto them O Lord, may they Rest in God's Peace.
Anniversaries and Memorials:
John Waldron, Fr Basil Nugent O.Carm

We pray for our sick...
Uncle Roloff, Sandra Hart, Mary Hannah, David Isaacs, Clare Kinross, Sue Fennell-Ivas, Liliana Erceq, Kathleen Horne, Ladi Fudali and any of our unwell parishioners.

There are envelopes at the back of the Church for your Mass intentions. These can be given to one of the Priests.

Next Week's Rosters - 19/20 Nov

Ministers of the Word
6.00pm:  T Laing & J Wallis
8.30am:  P Woods & J Tracey
5.30pm:  B Egan & T Sim
(Facilitator: Tricia Ryan)

Ministers of Communion
6.00pm:  G Brown, L Capra, S Capra, M Moore, G Pandy
8.30am:  N Ansell, M Dell, A Sim, A Thomas, P Weatherley, G Woodard, L Woods
5.30pm:  D Austin, C Bach, J Godwin, L Murphy, L Pertnikovs, C Turvey, B Wright

Communion to the Sick
Trish Sim

Children's Liturgy of the Word
C Anderson, L Thompson, M McInerney

Reflection
Tricia Ryan

Musicians
6pm:  Tricia Ryan & John Clarke
8:30am:  Mick, Rita, Joan, John P
5:30pm:  Garry, Mark, Vanessa

Data Projection:
6pm:  Paul Heffernan
8:30am:  Ben England
5:30pm:  John Stuart

Flowers:
Kelly R, Julia B, Sarah H, S Cotter

Mass Welcoming
6:00pm:  Rachael Houston Family
8:30am:  Matthew Schuh Family
5:30pm:  Gaye Bahlman & Teresa Pitman1