



# Ministries

at

## Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish

### Coorparoo

# WELCOME

### *We would love to hear from you*

For parishioners who are already involved in parish ministry, the giving of your time and talents is very much appreciated and we welcome your further involvement over the next twelve months. **(You are not required to fill out a new form if you are continuing on our roster.)**

For others who are not yet involved, we would ask that you consider directing your talents in helping maintain the ministries that are in place in our parish.

We all have gifts – please consider the ministries in this brochure and offer your support where you feel your talents could be directed.

If you are interested in participating in a ministry, please complete the **RESPONSE SHEET** and forward to the parish office, by scanning and emailing to [mtcarmel@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:mtcarmel@bne.catholic.net.au) or dropping it into the post box on Norfolk Street.

If you would like further information on our parish ministries, please contact the parish office.

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## **Ministers of the Word and Facilitators of Readers' Preparation**

If you would like to consider joining other readers who enjoy proclaiming The Word each month at the Mass of your choice, you will be required to attend the Thursday night preparation sessions during the week preceding your rostered Sunday. Here, facilitators who have a love and knowledge of scripture encourage readers to confidently proclaim The Word.

## **Ministers of Communion**

Each Sunday we gather together to recognise and be fed by Christ's presence in the bread we break and eat, and in the wine we pour and drink. At the Sunday masses seven Eucharistic Ministers are needed. There is an introduction prior to beginning in this ministry and new ministers are rostered with experienced ministers.

## **Communion to the Sick**

We welcome volunteers to undertake this richly rewarding ministry of taking Communion to the sick and housebound in our parish on Sundays.

- \*Ministers are rostered on a monthly basis;
- \*All visits are within the local Mt Carmel Parish;
- \*An experienced minister accompanies new ministers on the first few visitations.

## **Children's Liturgy of the Word**

CLOW provides the opportunity for children to hear the Word of God at their own level. A large number of children attend the program at the 8.30am Mass each Sunday (with the exception of school holidays). We are always looking for new ministers to assist with this vital ministry to the children of our parish.

## **St Vincent de Paul**

St Vincent de Paul is a community of lay people animated by the desire to serve the poor. Members visit people who are in need and sometimes provide food, clothing, furniture and the basics of living. Members also organise the presentation of gifts and the collection at Sunday Masses.

## ***Music/Data Projector Ministries***

These ministries help the community to attend to prayerful liturgy through music and song. This dedicated group who provide music each week are in need of more members. We would love to hear from organists, pianists and singers. Data Projector operators offer support to the music ministry at all our weekend liturgies.

## ***Mass of Anointing***

On the first Wednesday of each month at 10am we celebrate within Mass, the Rite of Healing and Strengthening. We would welcome your participation by reading at Mass, helping with morning tea, or transport.

## ***Baptismal Preparation Team***

Parents who have recently experienced Baptism are invited to join a team to welcome and help families preparing for their baptismal celebration. An important part of this ministry is the welcome and friendship extended to other young families in the parish. Preparation sessions take place monthly, with each team required once or twice per year.

## ***Lay Carmelites***

Lay Carmelites are men and women who freely commit themselves to live out the Carmelite way of life in the ordinary circumstances of family, working, and social life and as such are an integral part of the Carmelite family. The *Lay Carmelites* meet on the third Sunday of each month in the Carmel Community Room after 8.30am Mass.

## ***RCJA* (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)**

The RCIA team oversees the RCIA at Mount Carmel and provides pastoral support for all involved, especially candidates, sponsors and catechists. The program begins in September each year and runs through until Easter. We would love to hear from parishioners open to being a sponsor, team member or catechist.

## **Hospitality**

There are many ways we extend a welcome to each other and create moments of warmth and hospitality through welcoming people before weekend Masses, helping with refreshments at functions after Mass and being a part of special celebrations.

## **Church Cleaning**

Parishioners attend to the sweeping of passage ways, foyer, outside sacristy and the dusting of pews and window ledges in the church..

## **Church Grounds**

Mowing, pruning and tidying grounds on a roster basis, supports the parish in a practical way.

## **Arrangement of Flowers**

Parishioners attend to the arrangement of flowers for parish liturgies when required.

## **Social Club**

Many social activities are enjoyed by this club including day trips and lunches. Meetings are held on the third Thursday of each month at 9.30am in the Carmel Community Room where members meet in a spirit of friendship after attending the 9am Mass.

## **Friends of Zumalai-East Timor**

This parish group exists to create a living bridge between the community of Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Coorparoo, Queensland and the community of Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Zumalai, East Timor, through the support of projects which will enhance the education, health and resources of the East Timorese people especially those in Zumalai.

**Carmel Cellars** is the parish wine-tasting group which meets on the last Thursday of each month in the Carmel Community Room at 7.30pm. A selection of wines and cheese, together with expert commentary and score sheets are available at each meeting.

**Family Groups** help develop a sense of belonging to the Mount Carmel Community and provide a network of support, friendship and social activities for members. There some well-established family groups in the parish and we are looking for families to form a new set of family groups.