



Mass Times

Saturday 6pm

Sunday 10am

ST CARTHAGE'S NEWSLETTER

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Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C 15/16 February 2025

For full readings click [HERE](#), or visit www.stcarthagesparkville.org.au/sixth-sunday-in-ordinary-time-year-c-16-feb-2025/



First Reading: [Jeremiah 17:5-8](#). Blessed are they who trust in the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm: Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Second Reading: [1 Corinthians 15:12, 16-20](#). Christ is raised, the first fruits.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven. Alleluia!

Gospel: [Luke 6:17, 20-26](#). The beginning of the Sermon on the Plain (Mount).

Congratulations to parishioner Margaret Rush who reaches her 90th milestone of life. May the Lord bless her with many more years ahead, and keep her ever "still full of sap, still green..." (psalm 92:14)

Parish Forum this Sunday to be held in the Church.

What is this Sunday's Parish Forum about?

Using the Spiritual Conversation structure, we will pray together and listen to each other to discern God's plan for us. Beginning with Luke's Gospel about the Beatitudes, we share what we hear the Holy Spirit saying to us and our community. This is not a definitive or decision-making meeting. However, in this prayer we will apply this Gospel's call to the topics that are front of mind for you.

Why is St Carthage's Parish important to me?

What might the future for our parish look like?

What role could we play among our neighbouring parishes?

Alongside St Mary's College, Newman College and John Paul II house what might we contribute to the University of Melbourne?

How do we serve our medical precinct, its medicos and allied health workers, the patients and their families?

How can we meet the temporal needs of our neighbours?

How could we fund such a vision?

What makes us unique compared to other parish communities?

Whatever else may be important to you?

In reflecting on these aspirations for our community we will plant the seeds that may sprout at our **Annual General Meeting on 23rd March**.



Interest sorted. Have memories of pre-Vatican II Catholic Victoria?

Dr Patrick McGrath (University of Melbourne) is conducting an oral history project on pre-Vatican II Catholicism in the greater Melbourne area. Participants would be interviewed about various aspects of Catholic life in Melbourne and Victoria, including spirituality, family life, education, relations with non-Catholics, and the dramatic changes introduced by the Second Vatican Council (1962-1965).

The project is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Melbourne, Newman College, and the University of Melbourne.

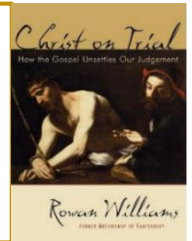
Interested in participating? Please contact Patrick at 0435660851 or patrick.mcgrath@unimelb.edu.au
For more information, please click on the link or visit St Carthage's website at www.stcarthagesparkville.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2022/05/Oral-History-Project-Overview_Extended.pdf

The Synod and the Australian Church - where to now? 19 February 2025 7.30pm

Learn from two Synod participants (Bishop Shane Mackinlay and Dr Sandie Cornish. Presentations and discussion will highlight key issues such as the role of women in the Church, the diversity of opinions across the global Church and the scope for local autonomy. A key question is how the Australian Church will implement the results of the Synod and address unresolved issues.

Register here: <https://www.trybooking.com/CYOTK>. See also: <https://www.senseofthefaithful.org.au>

St Mark's Uniting Church Parkville has invited parishioners at St Carthage's to join participate in a series of **Lenten reflections** by zoom around an excellent little book, Rowan Williams' *Christ on Trial: How the Gospel Unsettles our Judgement* (Eerdmans 2003), available through Amazon at \$30. Two online (Zoom) groups are planned from **Wednesday 5 March (7.45pm)** and **Friday March 7 (1.30PM)**, for six weeks (one week per chapter). Interested parishioners are encouraged to obtain this book in advance and to register online at [HERE](#)



Supporting St Carthage's: We now has a tap & go machine to compliment the traditional collection baskets for donations during mass. It's easy to do.

1. Select your desired amount or custom amount,
2. Tap your card or phone payment screen,
3. 3. The confirmation screen will appear...
Tap "New Donation" for the next donor to start their donation.

Alternatively, click on scan code and follow the prompt.

Your ongoing support to sustain St Carthage's parish is recognised and very much appreciated.



From your Pastoral Council: If you are interested in helping them out our volunteers with just a little time or expertise to the parish in any of a number of areas, contact the parish office (parkville@cam.org.au) or the Pastoral Council chair (Constant.Mews@monash.edu). These areas include: preparing the church for services; reading; hospitality; pastoral outreach; music; IT/media; maintenance and upkeep; post-communion reflection, sacramental preparation, etc. If you don't know many people in the parish community, this is a wonderful way to make new friends.

Are you new parishioner or just visiting St Carthage's? If so, please forward your email address to Leanne at Parkville@cam.org.au, so we can stay in touch and provide you our newsletter and special notices via email. New parishioners are always welcome at St Carthage's.



St Carthage's University Parish is committed to the safety and well-being of all vulnerable people. Just a friendly reminder to observe the signs on Church grounds; all Children must always be accompanied by an adult. We respectfully acknowledge that we are on the traditional territory of the Wurundjeri People. We offer our gratitude to the First Nations for their care for, and teachings about, our earth and our relations. May we honour those teachings. Please visit Wurundjeri Woi Wurrung Cultural Heritage Aboriginal Corporation. For a full overview please visit our website or [HERE](#). Please visit St Carthage's Website for news and events: www.stcarthagesparkville.org.au