HOLY NAME OF MARY PARISH HUNTERS HILL
ST PETER CHANEL WOOLWICH

We acknowledge the Walumatagal people — the first custodians of this place

October 2020

Calendar

NOVEMBER

3	**Grief Group Meeting** Parish House 7.30pm
6	**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament** HNM 7.30am
6	**Tweedle Muff Making** Chapter Hall 9.30am
8	**Annual Memorial Mass for the deceased** HNM 10.00am
10	**Baptism Prep** Chapter Hall 7.30pm
14	**Annual Mass of the Little Angels** HNM 8.00am
14	**Marist Laity** Chapter Hall 9am—11am

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BEING MARRIED

Holding another person's heart in your hands, promising to care for this special one for the rest of your life, must be the most precious privilege, deep comfort and the greatest of challenges. Being married means that there is somewhere you belong and that this will always be there no matter how many times you change addresses!

Here is the place where you can express your love in the most intimate ways, share your fears without fear of rejection and even unleash your anger knowing that love will be waiting for you when your ranting is done.

You have the possibility of bringing new life into the world and overseeing and protecting new generations as they emerge. In time the joy that grandchildren bring you will serve to deepen your married love with thankfulness. Being married, you make present the face of God. Here in the depth of your home, you share God's passionate love and mercy. These then spill over into the lives of your children and in the lives of all others who share your life. You speak with or without words of God's faithful love for us all and for this we owe you great thanks.

In your marriage you provide the solid foundation for our whole society. Without you and your enduring love, society would surely lose direction, identity, and would fall apart. Your Sacrament is the sacred gift that sustains you and all of us as we toil our way through the challenges of life. It's no wonder then that in the Church we say that marriage is for keeps and that its sacred bond must not be broken. Maintaining this bond through thick and thin needs the best of your courage and faith. In your marriage you are a Sacrament, a revealing of God's self-emptying love.

It's probably true to say that in most families somewhere, we have a marriage or two that has not survived. Separation, divorce, suffering and re-building have impacted most of us. Perhaps there have been betrayal, health issues or personal limitations which meant that marriages simply could not survive. Sometimes great courage is required in order to take the step towards separation for the good of all concerned.

Our hearts go out to those we love who face these fractured times and we learn to love them with perhaps new understanding and compassion. Somewhere in this time of suffering and separation, God's faithful love also plays its part, sustaining, healing and teaching us all. No human circumstance is beyond the reach of God's mercy and this mercy we surely owe each other. In your marriage you have the unique opportunity to make this mercy present in your home, your wider family and beyond.

This is easy to talk and write about, but in real life it involves taking the hard yards, doing the heavy lifting, releasing ourselves from rigid ideas and practices and from the many temptations that wounded egos put in our way. You sacrifice much for your other half, your children and grand-children. When love is at the centre of your relationships with them, you don't count the cost even though you are often aware of the burden and the cost involved.

In a society which values the quick fix, the easy way out and the needs of one's self above all, the witness of a selfless, joyful, faith-fuelled marriage is a prophetic and joyful challenge to us all.

When work, church, sport, economics or other distractions come between you and your marriage, warning signals sound and alert you to what is of most enduring value and what it is that needs protecting.

May God bless you in your marriages with all the courage, patience and selflessness that you need. May you continue to show the face of God's faithful loving through your joys and your struggles. In turn, relying on God's love for you, know you are in good hands.

Father Kevin

What's on?

HOW WELL DO YOU KNOW YOUR PARISH?

See if anyone in your pew knows the name of this winsome parishioner. Her name next week. Last week's photo: Ann & Mark Curtin

BOOKING IN FOR MASS

Because of social distancing requirements we are limited to 90 people at Holy Name of Mary and 75 at St Peter Chanel.

If you wish to attend, you will still need to book in at the parish office.

You can also book in through Trybooking on:
https://www.trybooking.com/BJUKE

Parish office: **Ph: 9817 5325**
Masks are recommended.

FIRST COMMUNION COMMITMENT MASSES

On the weekend of 24-25 October, children preparing for First Communion and their parents will be participating in the parish Masses. This means that bookings will be a bit more limited than usual Therefore we advise you to get your own bookings in early.

CHILD SAFETY— OUR SPECIAL PRIORITY

JESUIT REFUGEE FOOD APPEAL

Collection point: **Parish office on Wednesdays 9am to 11am**.

RESEARCH STUDY ON WORSHIP PRACTICES DURING COVID 19 PANDEMIC

Monash University is inviting practicing Catholics aged over 18 across Australia to participate in a research study on religious practice before and after COVID-19 lockdowns.
The anonymous study is exploring possible relationships between religious orientation, worship choices and post-pandemic spiritual wellbeing.
If you would like to participate in the study, you'll find more information here:
https://monash.az1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_43f3xmKUt1xa0S1

SAVE THE DATE! PARISH LENTEN RETREAT 6-15 March

Fr Richard Leonard sj will be our main presenter. More detailed program available in due course.

MASS OF THE LITTLE ANGELS

The annual Mass of the Little Angels will be held at Holy Name of Mary on Saturday 14 November at 8.00am.

At this Mass we pray with those families who have lost children before or around the time of birth in whatever circumstances. All Welcome.

MEMORIAL MASS

Our annual Memorial Mass for all those whose funerals have been held in the parish is at the 10.00 am Mass on 8 November. Families of the deceased are invited so seating may be more limited than usual.

CONGRATULATIONS JACK RYAN

Congratulations to Jack, son of Deb and Stephen, who has been elected as a School Captain at St Aloysius College for the coming year.

ALERT FOR ALTAR SERVERS

With the Covid-19 situation it is difficult to arrange regular training sessions.

On the parish website there is an excellent training video and we ask that all servers view this video to refresh heir memories of what is required for serving Mass.

Just go to the parish website, www.hnom.com.au, click on the Liturgy tab and then the tab for Altar servers and you'll find the video.

IT'S IN THE GENES!

Father Kevin's 95-year-old Auntie Noella and one of his great-nephews, 2-year-old Henry, entering into the spirit of AFL Grand Final Week!

READERS MINISTRY

We currently need a reader to fill a vacancy for the 6pm Sunday mass at HNOM. This involves a commitment to read on a seven week cycle, but with flexibility available. If you would like more details please contact Barry Buffier on 0439034629

MENS LONG DINNER

The men's long dinner will be held on the 6th of December, 2020 11:30am for 12pm on the Lawn near the Parish Hall

Numbers are limited to 30 (60 sqm)

RSVP :Gerardo D'Angelo 0418 294 063

Clinton McDonald: 0419 646 311

Cost : $20

Well Done...*CONGRATS AND WELCOME ZONE*

Congratulations and a very warm welcome to: **Theordore Mackman, Charlie Mallyon, Razma Ghalib Hobbs** who will be baptized into our Christian community this weekend.

TAMARA LAZARUS

We welcome and congratulate Tamara Lazarus who will be baptized into our community and also receive her 1st Holy Communion this Sunday.

POINT TO PONDER

"If something should rightly disturb us and trouble our consciences, it is the fact that so many of our brothers and sisters are living without the strength, light and consolation born of friendship with Jesus Christ, without a community of faith to support them, without meaning and a goal in life. More than by fear of going astray, my hope is that we will be moved by the fear of remaining shut up within structures which give us a false sense of security, within rules which make us harsh judges, within habits which make us feel safe, while at our door people are starving and Jesus does not tire of saying to us: "Give them something to eat" (Mk 6:37)

Pope Francis: Apostolic Exhortation Evangelii Gaudium (24 November 2013),

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Pray for... *PRAYER ZONE*

Please pray for all those who are sick or in special need in our community:
Janet Muscat, Judy Craig, Andrew & Lina Gullotta, Suzanne Traill, Frank Lloyd, Winifred Wall, Madge Mullen, Jill Caldwell, Valerie Grant, Ron Hill, Catherine Keating, (Pauline Dowling's Mother,) and Eddie Carmel Walsh (Ann Curtin's parents,) & Michelle Makin.

Fr PAUL'S FATHER

Please keep Father Paul Pearce's father in your prayers. He is seriously ill in an Adelaide hospital and Fr. Paul is heading over there to be by his side. We pray for his family.

JUDY SHARP

We pray for Judy Sharp , mother of our **Sue Edwards**, who is very close to death as we go to print. We keep her, Sue, Paul her husband and her sister Robyn and all the family in our prayers as they journey with their mother in these precious days.

GREG KNOBLANCHE

We pray for Greg who is recovering from significant structural surgery. We know the surgery has gone well. Recovery will take some time. For Mary Anne and all the family we pray during this challenging time of recovery.

COMING SOON

Annual Memorial Mass & Mass of the Little Angels

The Sacrament of Confirmation

This Week... *Scripture Zone*

First Reading: Exodus 22:20-26

How are the people of Israel to live? They are to be mindful of the poor and needy in their midst, neither molesting, oppressing, ill-treating, or harassing them. In this the chosen people are to remember that the compassionate God is the champion of the poor, and they themselves were once aliens.

Response

I love you, Lord, my strength.

Second Reading: 1 Thessalonians 1:5c-10

Paul blesses the Thessalonian community for the way it has taken up the life of faith. He remarks on the way the members welcome the word, adhere to the example of their teachers, and themselves have become an example to other communities and Churches.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia!

Gospel Reading Matthew 22:34-40

As Jesus continues to be tested the questions get harder. The Pharisees, who see in the law a spirituality of God and a path to life in the divine, now ask which of all the laws is the most superior. Jesus response that it is love — of God and neighbour — is both simple and sublime.

First Reading : Revelations 7:2-4,9-14
Second Reading : 1 John 3:1-3
Gospel Reading : Matthew 5:1-12a

A PARISH OF THE MARIST FATHERS

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SUNDAY MASS TIMES
Holy Name of Mary:
Sat.6.00pm
Sun.8.00am, 10.00am, 6.00pm.
St. Peter Chanel: Sunday – 9.00am.
WEEKDAY EUCHARIST
Holy Name of Mary:
Monday to Friday –9.00am.
Saturday – 8.00am.
St Peter Chanel: Wednesday 12.15pm
RECONCILIATON:
Holy Name of Mary: Saturday
5.15pm-5.45pm or by request.

PARISH TEAM:
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John Worthington SM, Paul Pidcock SM, OAM, Paul Pearce SM, JP
Parish Secretary: Catherine Byrne
Associate Secretary: Maggie Mullane

New or Returning Parishioners…
Please come along to the Parish Office for a warm welcome and to pick up a Parish Information Kit .

Sacramental Coordinator: Rosalia Foley
fft@hnom.com.au 0409 608 979
Parish Safeguarding Support Officers:
Caitlin Pfafflin & Kathleen Lee:
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BAPTISM:
By arrangement. Parents please contact the presbytery to book & arrange to attend the Baptism Prep Program
BAPTISM PREPARATION EVENINGS:
Tuesday 10 Nov, 8 Dec, 2 Feb, 2 March
Chapter Hall @ 7.30pm

MARRIAGE:
At least six months notice must be given. The parish clergy will officiate primarily for parishioners. Others will generally need to arrange their own Priest or Deacon.

PARISH PASTORAL GROUPS AND CONTACTS

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Villa Play Group: Tues 9:30-11:30am
Parish Hall. Mercedes Simola 0414 625 384
www.hnom.com.au/children
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Meditation Group: Gabrielle Woodcock, 9817 0097
Youth Group: Luana: 0426845053 or Danielle: 0400 871 423
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Cecilia Brungs: 0412 284 028
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OUR PARISH PRAYER

Loving God,
you are the home for our hearts' deepest longings.
We find our way as families and as individuals only in you, through our brother Jesus,
encouraged by the breath of your Spirit.
We thank you for all the blessings we enjoy in our parish family.
May we continue to share our gifts of life and love with glad and generous hearts.
May our world be somehow more alive because we have passed this way.
May Mary our parish patron continue to inspire us as we give new birth to your Word in our turn.
We make our prayer in Jesus' Name. Amen.