

# Our Lady of the Southern Cross

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Masses and Devotions 23 <sup>rd</sup> – 29 <sup>th</sup> April 2018		
Monday		
Tuesday	No Mass	
Wednesday	9.30am	ANZAC Mass
Thursday	9.00am	Mass
Friday	9.00am	Mass
Saturday	6.00pm	Mass
Sunday	8.00am	Mass

PLEASE PRAY FOR
Betty Peaker, Ellen Robinson, Saba Rose Button, Tracy Trew, Robert Clements, Helen Miller

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter, Year B</b>
Acts: 9: 26-31 I John 3: 18-24 John 15: 1-8

CHURCH COLLECTIONS
Total for 14 <sup>th</sup> and 15 <sup>th</sup> April 2018
1 <sup>st</sup> Collection: \$325.90 2 <sup>nd</sup> Collection \$180.10 Planned \$120.00

## From Fr. Ian

I warmly welcome you to this Mass which celebrates Good Shepherd Sunday, it is a joy to have you here. As we note the changing of the season, with the days becoming shorter and the temperature dropping, we also note the changing of the liturgical season. This is a beautiful time of joyful reflection as we remember how great is God's love for us and what a wonderful companion we have in His son Jesus. This season of Eastertide will continue until Sunday, the 6<sup>th</sup> of May. The church then in succeeding Sundays, invites us to focus on the return of Jesus to the Father in the solemnity of the Ascension, the coming of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles, with Pentecost Sunday, the celebration of the reality of the Trinity with Trinity Sunday and the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, Corpus Christi. All the above come to us in the space of four weeks. The Holy Mother Church, as if recognising all of the above, then gives us pause as we then move into the ordinary Sundays of the year.

I am deeply appreciative of the kindness of David Smith who came from Bunbury to speak at our Saturday evening Mass, last Saturday and then made the journey from Bunbury to speak at our Mass of Sunday morning. David spoke in an encouraging manner about an important event, a Diocesan Synod that will be held in 2019. A particular point that David made was that we all give encouragement to friends or family members who no longer attend Mass on a regular basis, to become involved in the Synod process, either through attendance at the preparatory meetings, or by writing directly to the Bishop. The purpose would be that their important views be able to be heard and help shape the Synod process. Would all kindly note our first Synod Process meeting will take place at Our Lady of the Bay Church, Busselton on Sunday the 29<sup>th</sup> at 2pm.

Would all Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist kindly note the very important gathering at Our Lady of the Bay Church, Busselton on the 5<sup>th</sup> of May, getting underway at 9am. If you are considering attending either one or both of the above would you kindly give Rebecca a call at the Diocesan Office, so that numbers may be established.

Our nation will celebrate ANZAC Day this Wednesday, the 25<sup>th</sup> of April. It is a national day of remembrance of sacrifices made, for so many it was the ultimate sacrifice, their life, and a moment to give thanks as individuals and as a nation. As a parish family, our Mass will be at 9.30am and as a community our ANZAC Service will be at 11am, with the march forming up at 10.30am. "Lest we Forget".

God willing I will commence my annual holiday on the 1<sup>st</sup> of May, returning on the 31<sup>st</sup> of May. During my time away, Fr. John Finlayson has kindly accepted the invitation to care for our parish. He will celebrate the Masses of each weekend, beginning the 5-6<sup>th</sup> of May, concluding on the weekend of the 26-27<sup>th</sup> of May. Where possible, John will say Mass of a Wednesday.

There has been a wonderful transformation at Our Lady's grotto, thanks to the great work of Michael and Dixie O'Sullivan. Michael used a high pressure water cleaner to clean the bricks and Dixie has transformed the garden. Well done and thank you, Michael and Dixie

## Mark your Calendar

Please forward dates to Parish Office or [olotsc@westnet.com.au](mailto:olotsc@westnet.com.au) for inclusion in the calendar

Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	9.00am Rosary 10.30am – Prayer Group
Thursday	
Friday	
Saturday	May 5 <sup>th</sup> – 9am – 1pm EMOHC and Acolyte ongoing formation day, Busselton
Sunday	April 29 <sup>th</sup> – Synod - Busselton

## EMOHC AND ACOLYTE ONGOING FORMATION DAY

As part of the ongoing formation requirement for all Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Acolytes, the Pastoral Office will present five half day seminars around the diocese.

The focus for this year's seminar will be Pope Francis' Call to Holiness in daily life and how this relates to liturgical ministry.

In addition, basic and practical issues in the exercise of these ministries will be addressed during the day.

Attendance at one of these seminars will fulfil the minister's ongoing formation obligation for one calendar year. Attendees will receive a certificate acknowledging their commitment to formation within their ministry.

Presented by Fr Tony Chiera,  
the seminar will be held at:

**Our Lady of the Bay Parish Hall, BUSSELTON**  
**Saturday, May 5<sup>th</sup> 2018**  
**9.00am – 1.00pm**

Registrations are essential and can be made with  
 Rebecca Ward on 9721 0518 or  
[rebecca.ward@bunburycatholic.org.au](mailto:rebecca.ward@bunburycatholic.org.au)  
 Registrations close one week prior to each event.

## Mother's Day - Advance Notice - May 13<sup>th</sup>



## ROSTER 21<sup>st</sup> and 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2018

	Saturday	Sunday
Commentator	Judy	Alicia
Readers	Robyne and Denise	Moira and Trish
Ministers of Communion	Lilli and Kath	Doris and Ruth
Music		
Acolyte		
Collection Counting		Jim and Felicity

## 'Music for Toddlers'

Volunteers needed to help with 'Music for Toddlers' Thursday mornings 9.30 - 11 am during school terms

No music abilities required, just a will to do something in our community.

See Irene Hughes, Sue Merry or Fr. Ian



## After School Programme

The after school programme is for Children from Government Schools who may wish to receive the Sacraments of Reconciliation, Communion and Confirmation. This will commence after Easter. Please contact Ruth 9756 8816, or Father Ian 9755 3944.

## Conversations with the Bishop

These conversations are for parishioners who are concerned about how to encourage their children and grandchildren to return to celebrations of the Eucharist. The conversations will be about different practical ways this might be done.

The bishop will outline steps followed from the times of the Apostles and the conversations will be about how those concerned might apply these to today.

All concerned about anyone who no longer practices the faith are welcome.

Our Lady of the Bay, Busselton  
**Saturday, May 19<sup>th</sup> 9.30am – 3.30pm**