OUR PARISH VISION: "To be an active faith community centred on Jesus Christ, which unites everyone to build a better world"

Father's Message

This passage follows straight after Jesus' praise of John's faith and mission, and his rebuke of the towns where he had performed many miracles, and yet they did not believe. He then proceeds to rejoice for those who believed: not the learned and the clever (like the scribes and the Pharisees), but mere children (infants, simple-minded and immature persons). This is how he portrayed his disciples, whom he wanted to be childlike. Ancient philosophers were aware that the greatest wisdom was to know that we do not know. Then we are open to learn. This is a disciple. This is how the Father works. Jesus' pain over those who do not open up to his love is abundantly made up by his joy over those who do. I want to be among these. I want to give joy to Jesus - if not through my holiness, at least through my repentance. The power of God is best manifested upon our weakness - so does St. Paul "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness" (2 Cor 12:9). Knowing God should start from the heart, the place of the will, not from the head. Like children. If I start from the head, I think I know better, I need not learn from anyone.

Jesus speaks of Yoke which is a tool to harness the powerful strength of an ox - a very strong animal, and yet very submissive - the master can use all his strength to perform a useful work. The Yoke is used for two purposes; firstly, to plough together, it makes it easy. Secondly an instrument to train the oxen. Today Jesus is offering his shoulder to carry our burdens and learn from him.

We have started to speak about Parish Renewal. Do I know now where I am going? Hardly. We are "further away from the shore than we have ever been" (Fr. James Mallon). I would suppose that even an experienced parish priest would find himself out of his element at the present stage of our parish. Most of what we do, right now, is uncharted. The Lord will continue to guide us. We need not to be afraid. This is a powerful encouragement Jesus is giving us today in our work to reach out to one another and beyond. We do not have to be learned and clever. The weaker, the better: God's power can work. The humbler, the better: seeds can grow.

Prayer focus: "My yoke is easy and my burden light."

Action Plan: Reach out without fear!

WEEKDAY MASS TIMETABLE: Monday to Friday - 7am and 9am

Saturday - 9am

WEEKEND MASS TIMETABLE: Saturday - 6pm

RECONCILIATION:

Sunday - 8am, 10am and 6pm (Youth Mass) Saturday 9.30am–10.30am & 5pm -5.30pm

Or on Request at any time



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Weekday Masses

(Monday – Friday)

7.00am & 9.00am

Saturday

9.00am

Weekend Masses

Saturday Vigil 6.00pm Sunday Mass

8.00am, 10.00am & 6.00pm

A SNAPSHOT OF YOUR PARISH (2016)

Total Population: 20,125

Catholic Population: 8,462

Catholics make up 42.0 per cent of the total population

Median age of Catholics is 42 years

Total Catholic families: 3,061

621 Catholics live alone

3,036 Catholics were born overseas

421 Catholics do not speak English well

496 Catholics need assistance with core activities

2,466 Catholics have changed address since 2011

https://ncpr.catholic.org.au/2016-Parish-Social-Profiles/23-Perth/Spearwood.pdf

1st & 2nd Collections

We have had a number of queries from parishioners who usually donate cash to the 1st & 2nd Collections, asking how to continue this.

For those of you who would still like to contribute during this time the 2nd collection can be made by EFT or directly deposited into:

St Jeromes Parish (2nd Collection)

Name of Account- R. C Archbishop of Perth St Jeromes Parish Spearwood

BSB - 086 006 ACC- 485592103

The 1st collection donations can be made by EFT or directly deposited into:

Name of Account- R. C Archbishop of Perth St Jeromes Parish Spearwood Presbytery

BSB - 086 006 ACC- 237719937

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Name of Account- R. C Archbishop of Perth Spearwood Church Hall Building

BSB – 086 006 ACC- 464282210

If you choose to do this, please do so on a MONTHLY basis if possible and be sure to put your NAME or PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPE NUMBER as a reference.

Thank you and God Bless!

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 04/07/20 6pm Soul of Ken Orr

Soul of Lauretta Yon Soul of Doloras Freiats Soul of Marie Sanders

Sun 05/07/20 8am Souls of Jelica Bacich & Marko Donjerkovich

Soul of Joseph Radich & family members

Soul of Petar Gavranic

Special Int for the Bishop Family Intentions of John Alvarez

10am B'Day Int. Tracey Pesich

Special Int.

6pm B'day Int. Troy Coelho

Mon 06/07/20 7am Special Int.

9am Soul of Isaias de Jesus

Int. Maria Isabel Delgado Special Int. Christina (surgery) Int. in hon of Saint Maria Goretti

Tues 07/07/20 7am Soul of Anthony John

Int. Liliana Moniz Special Int.

9am

Wed 08/07/20 7am Soul of John Basilio

Int. of Manuel Special Int.

9am Int. of Freitas and Yukos families

Thur 09/07/20 7am Special Int.

9am For all souls

Fri 10/07/20 7am Special Int.

9am Soul Jonathan De Jesus

Sat 11/07/20 9am Special Int.

PLANNED GIVING



Direct Debit Planned Giving

If any of our generous parishioners would like to change from envelope donations to direct debit or any new planned giving members would like to regularly donate please call the Parish office on 9418 1229 and we would happily post out the form to do so otherwise, the direct debit forms are in the Church foyer if you wish to take one, fill in and return to the parish.

Thank you







Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB Calls on Catholic Community to respond to Parliamentary Inquiry

The Western Australian government are going to amend the Children and Community Services Act 2004 to implement recommendations of the Final Report of the Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse and a statutory review of the Act. This means, that any information disclosed to a priest during the course of Confession which leads the priest to believe that a minor is being sexually abused must be reported to the authorities, irrespective of the wishes of the penitent. Failure to do so will constitute a criminal offence under the proposed amendment.

For further information, Please see the details on our website and the Archdiocese website.

http://www.perthcatholic.org.au/Our_Archdiocese-Archbishop-Latest_News-2020-Pastoral Letter from the Most Rev Timothy Costelloe SDB.htm

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FIRST READING: Zechariah 9:9-10

The Lord says this:
'Rejoice heart and soul, daughter of Zion!
Shout with gladness, daughter of Jerusalem!
See now, your king comes to you;
he is victorious, he is triumphant,
humble and riding on a donkey,
on a colt, the foal of a donkey.
He will banish chariots from Ephraim
and horses from Jerusalem;
the bow of war will be banished.
He will proclaim peace for the nations.
His empire shall stretch from sea to sea,
from the River to the ends of the earth.'

The Word of the Lord. R Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 144 R. v.1

R: I will praise Your Name forever, my King and my God.

I will give You glory, O God my King, I will bless Your Name for ever.
I will bless You day after day and praise Your Name for ever. **R**

The Lord is kind and full of compassion, slow to anger, abounding in love. How good is the Lord to all, compassionate to all His creatures. **R**

All Your creatures shall thank You, O Lord, and your friends shall repeat their blessing. They shall speak of the glory of your reign and declare your might, O God. **R**

The Lord is faithful in all his words and loving in all his deeds.

The Lord supports all who fall and raises all who are bowed down. **R**

SECOND READING: St Paul to Romans 8:9.11-13

Your interests are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him, and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

So then, my brothers, there is no necessity for us to obey our unspiritual selves or to live unspiritual lives. If you do live in that way, you are doomed to die; but if by the Spirit you put an end to the misdeeds of the body you will live.

The Word of the Lord. R Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Matthew 11:25

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!

GOSPEL: *Matthew 11:25-30*

Jesus exclaimed, 'I bless you, Father, Lord of heaven and of earth, for hiding these things from the learned and the clever and revealing them to mere children. Yes, Father, for that is what it pleased you to do. Everything has been entrusted to me by My Father; and no one knows the Son except the Father, just as no one knows the Father except the Son and those to whom the Son chooses to reveal Him.

'Come to Me, all you who labour and are overburdened, and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from Me, for I am gentle and humble in heart, and you will find rest for your souls. Yes, my yoke is easy and My burden light.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

