

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



Father's Message

"Why spend money on what is not bread, your wages on what fails to satisfy?" (Isaiah 55:2).

People around Jesus may not have known who he exactly was. At the same time, they were attracted to him, they longed to listen to him, they wanted to access his healing power. People perceived that Jesus could "satisfy". They went to great lengths to be with him. He responded to their longing. We can perceive Jesus' love through our bodily needs: healing and food. He reached us through those channels that are open to us.

At the same time, Jesus wanted people to find complete satisfaction, which comes from choosing him alone as our Master, not merely as a provider of pleasures and comfort: "Truly, truly, I tell you, it is not because you saw these signs that you are looking for Me, but because you ate the loaves and had your fill. Do not work for food that perishes, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you." (John 6:26-27)

Even as God provides for our needs so that we may have what we need to accomplish his plan in this life, we know that what is material is short-lived. People whom Jesus healed eventually passed away, and those who ate the loaves were hungry again. He alone "endures to eternal life." Instead, "Nothing can come between us and the love of Christ" (Romans 8:35).

"Pastoral conversion is one of the central themes in the "new phase of evangelisation" that the Church is called to foster today, whereby Christian communities be ever more centres conducive to an encounter with Christ.

"A ship in harbor is safe, but that is not what ships are built for." (John Augustus Shedd)

Jesus can multiply our little effort of our parish renewal: 'All we have with us is five loaves and two fish.', our friendship with him, our community of faith, our meaning in goal in life.

ST JEROME'S CATHOLIC PARISH

*Incorporating the Community of the Order of
the Clerics Regular of Somasca – CRS*

**18th SUNDAY OF
ORDINARY TIME YEAR A
2nd August 2020**

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PARISH NEWSLETTER

WEEKDAY MASS TIMETABLE:

Monday to Friday - 7am and 9am

Saturday - 9am

WEEKEND MASS TIMETABLE:

Saturday - 6pm Vigil

Sunday - 8am, 10am and 6pm (Youth Mass)

Saturday -10.00-11.00am & 5pm -5.30pm

Or on Request at any time

RECONCILIATION:

On Saturday, 15th August we celebrate the **SOLEMNITY of the ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**. In Australia this feast is a **HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION**, which means that on that day, like any other Sunday every Catholic is expected to find time to attend Holy Mass. Mass will be celebrated at 9.00am

PARISH RENEWAL: INSTRUCTION FROM THE HOLY SEE This newly issued, relatively short document from the Vatican outlines principles and avenues for parish renewal and evangelisation. It was encouraging to see that our community has already started this journey: it is like hearing an experienced person telling you "you are on the right track, keep going!" Here it is: <http://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/pubblico/2020/07/20/200720a.html>

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC?
RCIA 2020 – 2021**

Our Parish will soon begin the sessions to share with others the Catholic faith and the fellowship of our community. We invite you to know more and develop a deep relationship with God in an open and welcoming environment. The journey will begin in September at St. Jerome's Church.; date and time will be announced soon.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 01/08/20	6pm	Soul of Ken Orr Soul of Lauretta Yon Soul of Anna Fico Soul of Nichola Moss
Sun 02/08/20	8am	Souls of Seno Snr, Jacinta Seno, Lino Seno Snr Soul of Erlinda Anderson Special Int for the Bishop Family Intentions of John Alvarez
	10am	Soul of Giuseppe Sticca Soul of Tony Alvaro (3 rd anniv.) Soul of Conceicao Nascimento Special Int.
	6pm	Soul of Ana De Jesus Rodrigues Soul of Victor Stipcevic Intentions of Daniel Benn
Mon 03/08/20	7am	Special Int. All Souls in Purgatory
	9am	Soul of Sebastiano Catalano Soul of Anna Fico All Souls in Purgatory
Tues 04/08/20	7am	Special Int. Int. Maria Jose Abreu
	9am	Soul of Giuseppe Antonio Merenda & Family Soul of Vicko & Kata Greget Int. Maria Adelaide Basilio
Wed 05/08/20	7am	Special Int. Souls in Purgatory
	9am	B'Day Int Katrina Abreu B'Day Int Gian Franco Biasucci In Hon of Our Lady of Fatima Int. Maria Basilio & All her family. Int. of Freitas and Yukos families
Thur 06/08/20	7am	Special Int.
	9am	Souls of Mate & Katica Jaksac Int. Jose Emmanuel, Joshua, Mila
Fri 07/08/20	7am	Soul of Fr. Martin Kensington Special Int.
	9am	Soul of Miho Greget B'Day of Joshua Catalano
Sat 08/08/20	9am	Soul of Maria De Freitas

CHILD PROTECTION WEEK COMPETITION 2020

Open to all young people 12 – 18 years. Create a 2-minute media clip outlining the importance of 'Putting children's needs first'. First prize \$500 Gift Voucher. Entry forms are available from the back of the church or visit: www.perthcatholic.org.au/safeguarding Entry closes Friday 14th August. The Safeguarding Office in consultation with the Archbishops office will shortlist a number of finalists. On Tuesday 8th September a Showreel featuring these finalists' media clips will be made available on the Safeguarding Website www.perthcatholic.org.au/safeguarding and through some Catholic Secondary Schools . Peers/friends/students are encouraged to watch the showreel and vote for the best clip. The winners will be announced at the 11 am Child Protection Week Mass held at St Mary's Cathedral on Sunday 13th September.

PLANNED GIVING

Annual statements and new boxes of envelopes are available in the church foyer.

Please note that parishioners with planned giving numbers over 150 have been reallocated a new number. **Boxes have been arranged in alphabetical order according to surname.**

Anyone who has opted to contribute via direct debit has not been allocated a box of envelopes. For these direct debit contributors, your receipts have been posted out in the mail.

Should you not find a box of envelopes in your name, please contact the parish office on 9418 1229 during office hours.

1st & 2nd Collection Donations

The 2nd collection donation for our Parish:

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ACC- 237719937

Donations to the Barry Whitely Hall:

Name of Account- R. C Archbishop of Perth -Spearwood Church Hall Building
BSB – 086 006
ACC- 464282210

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

All rosters for cleaning, counting, Readers and Extraordinary ministers will resume. If you cannot attend on date you are rostered, please find another volunteer to take your place. Thank you!

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FIRST READING:*Isaiah 55:1-3*

Thus says the Lord: Oh, come to the water all you who are thirsty;
 though you have no money, come! Buy corn without money, and eat, and, at no cost, wine and milk. Why spend money on what is not bread, your wages on what fails to satisfy? Listen, listen to Me and you will have good things to eat and rich food to enjoy. Pay attention, come to Me; listen, and your soul will live. With you I will make an everlasting covenant out of the favours promised to David.

The Word of the Lord.

R Thanks be to God**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:***Ps 144 R. v.16*

**R: The hand of the Lord feeds us,
 He answers all our needs.**

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**

The eyes of all creatures look to You
 and You give them their food in due time.
 You open wide Your hand,
 grant the desires of all who live. **R**

The Lord is just in all His ways
 and loving in all His deeds.
 He is close to all who call Him,
 call on Him from their hearts. **R**

SECOND READING:*Romans 8:35, 37-39*

Nothing can come between us and the love of Christ, even if we are troubled or worried, or being persecuted, or lacking food or clothes, or being threatened or even attacked. These are the trials through which we triumph, by the power of Him who loved us.

For I am certain of this: neither death nor life, no angel, no prince, nothing that exists, nothing still to come, not any power, or height or depth, nor any created thing, can ever come between us and the love of God made visible in Christ Jesus our Lord.

The Word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:***Mt 4:4***Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**No one lives on bread alone, but on every word
 that comes from the mouth of God.**

Alleluia!**GOSPEL:***Matthew 14:13-21*

When Jesus received the news of John the Baptist's death, He withdrew by boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But the people heard of this and, leaving the towns, went after Him on foot. So as He stepped ashore He saw a large crowd; and He took pity on them and healed their sick.

When evening came, the disciples went to Him and said, 'This is a lonely place, and the time has slipped by; so send the people away, and they can go to the villages to buy themselves some food.' Jesus replied, 'There is no need for them to go: give them something to eat yourselves.' But they answered, 'All we have with us is five loaves and two fish.' 'Bring them here to Me,' He said. He gave orders that the people were to sit down on the grass; then He took the five loaves and the two fish, raised His eyes to heaven and said the blessing. And breaking the loaves He handed them to His disciples who gave them to the crowds. They all ate as much as they wanted, and they collected the scraps remaining, twelve baskets full. Those who ate numbered about five thousand men, to say nothing of women and children.

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**Revised Reconciliation times:****Saturday 10.00-11.00am & 5pm -5.30pm****Or on Request at any time**