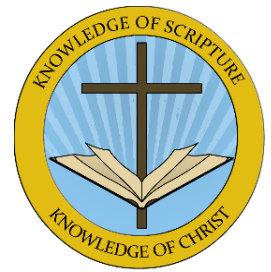


ST JEROME'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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



23rd SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YR A – 6th September

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FIRST READING: *Ezekiel 33:7-9*
The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows, 'Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sins, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent, then he shall die for his sins, but you yourself will have saved your life.'

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Ps 94 R. v8*
R: O that today you would listen to His voice!
Harden not your hearts.

Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before Him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord. **R**

Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us
for He is our God and we
the people who belong to His pasture,
the flock that is led by His hand. **R**

O that today you would listen to His voice!
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put Me to the test;
when they tried Me,
though they saw My work.' **R**

SECOND READING: *St Paul to Romans 13:8-10*
Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command:

You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God**

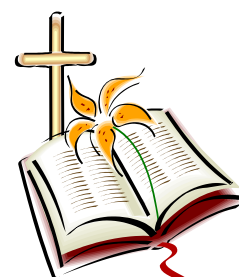
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *2 Cor 5: 19*

Alleluia, Alleluia!
God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to Himself; and the Good News of reconciliation He has entrusted to us.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: *Matthew 18:15-20*

Jesus said to His disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector. 'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven. 'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'

The Gospel of the Lord.
R. Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.



Father's message

WE NEED ONE ANOTHER'S FEEDBACK.

"If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves"
(Matthew 18:15)

I need others' help and care. I do not realise by myself how prone I am to miss the mark, to make choices that perpetuate my present state of affairs. Others need help just as I do. God gave me the insight others need, and He gave them the one I need.

Do I have people, intentional disciples of Jesus, whom I welcome to give me feedback of any kind - encouraging or challenging? A family member, a friend, a neighbour, a colleague, woman or man? Particularly, the healthy tradition of the Church advised that we have a spiritual guide. Someone who is more experienced than I in journeying with the Lord. Someone I choose to meet regularly and frequently, who can act as an honest and active sounding board to make me think and move forward. Do I have anyone who can journey with me as my spiritual guide? If not, why not consider looking for someone? When I listen to this passage of the Gospel, the first thing that springs to mind is the fact that I may have to correct others. This is certainly true, and Jesus gives us indications on how to do that. At the same time, I will do it all the better if I myself seek others' help in my own journey and discernment.

Prayer Focus: God gave us the insight others need, and they have the one we need. We need one another's help.

Action Plan: Seek the feedback of fellow disciples. How about a spiritual guide?

PARISH RENEWAL CORNER

FROM THE INSTRUCTION "THE PASTORAL CONVERSION" - Mission: the guiding principle for renewal

19. Over and above places and reasons for membership, the Parish community is the human context wherein the evangelising work of the Church is carried out, where Sacraments are celebrated and where charity is exercised, all with missionary zeal, which, apart from being an intrinsic part of pastoral action, is a litmus test of its authenticity. In this present age, marked at times by marginalisation and solitude, the Parish community is called to be a living sign of the proximity of Christ through fraternal bonds, ever attentive to new forms of poverty.

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

WEEKEND MASS: Saturday - 6pm Vigil
Sunday - 8am, 10am and
6pm (Youth Mass)

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 10.00 – 11.00am and
5pm -5.30pm
Or on Request at any time

Parish Office Hours: Wednesday & Friday 9am to 2.30pm
Thursdays 9am to 12pm

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Prayer for Father's Day
God, bless all the fathers in the world.
Guide them to be good role models and loving to all their children. Help them to be a father like you are.
Give them grace and patience to handle situations in a loving way.
Amen

PUBLIC MASSES ARE RESUMING FOR A MAXIMUM OF 120 PARTICIPANTS IN THE CHURCH AT THE USUAL TIMES (PLEASE SEE MASS TIMES). IF MORE THAN 120 PARTICIPANTS THEY WILL BE ACCOMMODATED IN THE PARISH HALL WITH LIVE-STREAMING AND COMMUNION. PROTOCOLS AND HYGIENE WILL APPLY AS PER REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND THE ARCHDIOCESE OF PERTH.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT - ST Jerome's Feast Day Celebration

Due to Covid-19 coronavirus and the lifting of Phase 4 restrictions being deferred to October 2020 it is with much sadness and regret that we must advise that the traditional celebratory mass at 10am, followed by lunch in the parish hall has been postponed until further notice. Parishioners are urged to attend their usual mass time on Saturday evening 26th or Sunday 27th September as each mass will be a celebration of St Jerome's feast day. After every mass you are invited to stay for a cup of tea or coffee and cake and fellowship.

This will take place out of doors, near the grotto, in keeping with Government distancing rules. Many thanks and God Bless

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

The First Holy Communion for our children will be celebrated on **12 September at 11.00AM, 03.00PM and On Sunday 12.00PM and 03.00PM**. Due to the COVID-19 restrictions the number of guests per child is restricted. Thank you for your cooperation.

48Hr Rosary Bouquet for Our Lady's Birthday

6pm SATURDAY 5th September to 6pm MONDAY 7th September. Presentation of the scroll of names will be made at the **12.10 pm Mass at St Mary's Cathedral on 8th September 2020**. All information can be found at www.legionofmarywa.org

GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION FOR THE HOLY LAND: 12-13 SEPTEMBER 2020

Every year, the collections on Good Friday go to the support of Christians and places in the Holy Land. This year, Good Friday was held in lockdown. It was therefore indicated that this collection will be held close to the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross, which falls on 14 September every year. It will be held next weekend.

MARRIAGE MATTERS: To listen is to Love

Matthew reminds us of Jesus' promise "...where two or more meet in my name I will be with them". In all the practical ways we look after each other, we are saying; 'your concerns are my concerns'. Nothing is too small or insignificant in our marriage, and my beloved is beside me to call me back to our life together. *Excerpts from The New Jerusalem Bible, copyright 1966 by Darton, Longman & Todd Ltd, and Doubleday, a division of Random House Inc. Reprinted by permission.*

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Matilda De Santos, Sister Renee Quadros, Salvatore Lazzara, Alessio De Souza, John Alvarez, Marina & Rita Papalia, Sid Gaspar, Lucia Merenda, Madeleine Lombardo, Maria Fernandez.

(Please advise the parish office if any of these names need to be removed.)

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 05/09/20	6pm	Soul of Ken Orr Soul of Lauretta Yon Souls of Ivan Ilich & George Pavich & Family Soul of Tom Callaghan Soul of Otello Rossetti Soul of Teresa Correia Soul of Adelaide Abreu Sousa Soul of Jaime Rodrigues	Tues 08/09/20	7am	Souls of Roberto Niere & Paul Ferandez Soul of Teresa Correia
		Soul of Antonio Correio Ascenso Soul of Antonio Rodrigues Loreto		9am	Soul of Sebastiano Barbagianni Soul of Oswald Brice Phillips Int. Jose Anunciada Thanksgiving in hon. of Our Lady on her Birthday.
Sun 06/09/20	8am	Soul of Pasquale Piccoli Soul of John Basilio Soul of Jose Francisco Figueira Soul of Vitor Alves (died in East Timor)	Wed 09/09/20	7am	Soul of Kata Basic Int of Freitas & Yukos Families Int. for the Souls in purgatory Int. in hon of St Anthony
	10am	Soul of Fernanda Correia Soul of Ante Curavich Soul of Teresa Correia	Thur 10/09/20	7am	Soul of Anthony John
	6pm	Special Int. John De Sousa Soul of Martin Francisco Soul of Jose Francisco	Fri 11/09/20	9am	Soul of Jakov Fiamengo
Mon 07/09/20	7am		Sat 12/09/20	7am	Soul of Anthony John
	9am	Soul of Jane Soul of Jose Francisco Figueira Int. Beatriz Basilio		9am	Int. of Infant Jesus
				9am	Soul of Gabriel Abreu Int. in thanksgiving for the gift of life

FEAST OF THE BIRTHDAY OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The feast of the Birthday of Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated on **Tuesday 8th September at 6.00pm** with the Holy Mass and the Holy Rosary prayed at the grotto of 'Mary Mother of Orphans.' A barbeque will follow the Rosary to celebrate this feast. Parishioners are encouraged to bring flowers to place at the grotto on this day.

To prepare for this feast, there will be a **novena starting on Sunday 30th August. For 9 days we will pray the Holy Rosary at 7.00pm at the Parish.** The Rosary will be offered for Parish renewal, to end COVID-19 and for private intentions.

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