# ST JEROME'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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

# EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD YrB – 4<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2021

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# FIRST READING:

## Acts 10:34.37-43

Peter addressed Cornelius and his household: 'You must have heard about the recent happenings in Judaea; about Jesus of Nazareth and how He began in Galilee, after John had been preaching baptism. God had anointed Him with the Holy Spirit and with power, and because God was with Him, Jesus went about doing good and curing all who had fallen into the power of the devil. Now I, and those with me, can witness to everything He did throughout the countryside of Judaea and in Jerusalem itself: and also to the fact that they killed Him by hanging Him on a tree, yet three days afterwards God raised Him to life and allowed Him to be seen, not by the whole people but only by certain witnesses God had chosen beforehand. Now we are those witnesses - we have eaten and drunk with Him after His resurrection from the dead - and He has ordered us to proclaim this to His people and to tell them that God has appointed Him to judge everyone, alive or dead. It is to Him that all the prophets bear this witness: that all who believe in Jesus will have their sins forgiven through His Name.'

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

## **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:**

*Ps 117: R. v.24* 

# R: This is the day the Lord has made; Let us rejoice and be glad.

Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, for His love has no end. Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' **R** 

The Lord's right hand has triumphed; his right hand raised me up. I shall not die, I shall live and recount His deeds. **R** 

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, A marvel in our eyes. **R** 

## **SECOND READING:**

## Colossians 3:1-4

Since you have been bought back to true life with Christ, you must look for the things that are in Heaven, where Christ is, sitting at God's right hand. Let your thoughts be on heavenly things, not on the things that are on the earth, because you have died, and now the life you have is hidden with Christ in God. But when Christ is revealed - and He is your life – you too

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will be revealed in all your glory with Him.

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

## SEQUENCE

Christians, to the Paschal Victim offer sacrifice and praise. The sheep are ransomed by the Lamb; And Christ, the undefiled, hath sinners to His Father reconciled. Death with Life contended: combat strangely ended! Life's own Champion slain, yet lives to reign. Tell us, Mary: say what thou didst see upon the way. The tomb the Living did enclose; I saw Christ's glory as He rose! The Angels there attesting; Shroud with grave-clothes resting. Christ, my hope, has risen: He goes before you into Galilee. That Christ is truly risen from the dead we know. Victorious King, Thy mercy show!

# **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

1 Corinthians 5:7-8

# Alleluia, Alleluia! Christ has become our Paschal Sacrifice; let us feast with joy in the Lord. Alleluia!

## **GOSPEL:**

John 20 1-9

Early on the first day of the week, while it was still dark, Mary Magdalene came to the tomb and saw that the stone had been removed from the tomb. 2 So she ran and went to Simon Peter and the other disciple, the one whom Jesus loved, and said to them, "They have taken the Lord out of the tomb, and we do not know where they have laid him." 3 Then Peter and the other disciple set out and went toward the tomb. 4 The two were running together, but the other disciple outran Peter and reached the tomb first. 5 He bent down to look in and saw the linen wrappings lying there, but he did not go in. 6 Then Simon Peter came, following him, and went into the tomb. He saw the linen wrappings lying there, 7 and the cloth that had been on Jesus' head, not lying with the linen wrappings but rolled up in a place by itself. 8 Then the other disciple, who reached the tomb first, also went in, and he saw and believed; 9 for as yet they did not understand the scripture, that he must rise from the dead.

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



# Father's message

# Easter and Baptisms go together from apostolic times.

**Baptism:** "We were therefore buried with him through baptism into death in order that, just as Christ was raised from the dead through the glory of the Father, we too may live a new life." (Romans 6:4). It would make little sense without the resurrection. This year we are again blessed by a few baptisms. For most of us, it is a renewal - and we renew together our baptismal promises. We publicly renew our commitment to be disciples of Jesus in the midst of his church. Baptism is not magic. Sacraments are not magic. When it is performed with the right intention, it is valid. It carries God's power to work in us. It also requires our right disposition to bear fruit. The real requirement for baptism is that one has a vibrant, personal relationship with Jesus. If this is there, everything is joy. If this is not there, the Christian journey is a chore.

# This is a reminder for all of us:

# what makes me a Catholic, a disciple, is my personal relationship with Jesus.

Renewing my baptismal promises means renewing my personal journey with Jesus in the midst of his Church.

# THE FACE CLOTH ROLLED UP IN A PLACE BY ITSELF:

# Why was this detail recorded in the gospel of John?

"It seems probable that the phrase describing the face cloth should be understood to mean it was separated from the other graveclothes in a different place inside the tomb. This seems consistent with the different conclusions reached by Peter and the Beloved Disciple (verses 8-10).

All that the condition of the graveclothes indicated was that the body of Jesus had not been stolen by thieves. Anyone who had come to remove the body (whether the authorities or anyone else) would not have bothered to unwrap it before carrying it off.

And even if one could imagine that they had (perhaps in search of valuables such as rings or jewellery still worn by the corpse) they would certainly not have bothered to take time to roll up the facecloth and leave the other wrappings in an orderly fashion!" (taken from https://bible.org/seriespage/exegetical-commentary-john-20)

HAPPY EASTER AND THANK YOU! I am under the impression that this year we journeyed together in Lent with unusual commitment. Perhaps the fact that we missed celebrating together last year made a difference; I am inclined to think that the real difference was made purely by the fact that many of us simply chose to dig deeper. For this, I AM DEEPLY GRATEFUL. I am also grateful to all those who served our community in some form during this period. Be it in shaping our worship, or in providing the infrastructure that was needed for us to function, or - eminently - in praying intensely so that it may all bear fruit: THANK YOU. I pray that now the joy of Easter may flood every corner of your life, and you may know that the Lord cannot be defeated in generosity.

## DIVINE MERCY NOVENA IN PREPARATION OF THE DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

This Novena will be held at 2.30pm on Good Friday and Holy Saturday. From Easter Sunday 4th April to Saturday 10th April, the Novena will be held from 2:30pm to 3:30pm. On the Feast day Divine Mercy Sunday 11th April at 2:00 to 3:15pm, followed by an afternoon tea.

WEEKDAY MASS:	Monday to Friday - 7am and 9am Saturday - 9am	<b>Religious Co-ordinator</b> Soly Fernandez E: re_coordinator@stjeromesparish.org
WEEKEND MASS: Saturd	ay - 6pm Vigil	
	Sunday - 8am, 10am and 6pm (Youth Mass)	Safeguarding Officers Judy McShane & Anne Strafela E: safeguarding@stjeromesparish.org
RECONCILIATION:	Saturday 10.00 – 11.00am and 5pm -5.30pm Or on Request at any time	Parish Pastoral Council Secretary: Ann Taylor
Parish Office Hours:	Wednesday & Friday 9am to 2.30pm Thursdays 9am to 12pm	E: ppcsecretary@stjeromesparish.org

In an Emergency only (anointing of the sick), when the Parish phone is unattended please call the parish emergency number of 0478 456 079 or send a text to this number. Thank you!

# FR VALERIO FENOGLIO MEMORIAL SERVICE – SATURDAY 10<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2021 AT 9.00AM MASS followed by morning tea. Please bring a plate to share as we pray for the soul of the wonderful Fr Valerio.

# FR. MATTHEW VELLIYAMKANDATHIL FAREWELL MORNING TEA- SUNDAY 11th APRIL 2021

Fr. Matthew led the parish over 9 years as Parish Priest and is now assigned the Parish Priest role at St. Joseph's, Moorebank Sydney. Initially, Fr Matthew went to Sydney on a temporary assignment, but later due to COVID-19 and other unforeseen circumstances, was made permanent as the Parish Priest in Sydney. Due to closure of interstate borders we could not acknowledge his service to our community. Now he is coming to Perth to spend some days with us, so on **Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> April** after 10am mass we will have a celebratory Morning Tea for him in the Hall. If all parishioners could please bring a plate to share for this occasion.

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# EASTER SUNDAY – 4<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2021 Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!

Thank you for supporting us this year as we demonstrate how love and compassion for our global community can transform lives. You have responded to St. Oscar Romero's invitation to "Be More," putting your compassion into action to support some of the world's most vulnerable communities. By aspiring to be more, you have helped change lives.

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2021 Lenten appeal. www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion #projectcompassion 1800 024 413

**VOLUNTEER ROSTERS-** Rosters for cleaning, counting, reading, Extraordinary Ministers and Acolytes have all resumed. To know when you are rostered on please refer to the roster on the notice board or hard copies in the foyer.

# STAINED GLASS WINDOW DONATIONS-

By now, everyone would have seen the beautiful stained-glass window behind the Baptismal Font. The total cost for this window was *\$19,400.00*. Thank you to the parishioners who have generously donated towards this very special addition of our Parish. Any new donations can be made at the Parish office or they can be direct debited into the Parish account. Account details below:

Name of Account- R. C Archbishop of Perth St Jeromes Parish Spearwood BSB – 086 006 ACC- 485592103 REF- STAINWINDOW

**Iona Presentation College** invites you to attend a Senior School Open Morning: **Thursday 29 April 2021 or Friday 30 April 2021 9.30am – 11.00am,** Palmerston St, Mosman Park Bookings are essential: www.iona.wa.edu.au/openmornings

#### **EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY AT CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF PERTH – PARISH RENEWAL TEAM** ADMINISTRATION ASSISTANT (12 MONTH, FIXED TERM POSITION - 3 DAYS/12 HOURS PER WEEK)

FIELD WORKER (12 MONTH, CASUAL POSITION)

Please see notice board for details. Applications close Monday 12 April 2021. To receive the Job Description and apply for this position please email: **agency.support@perthcatholic.org.au** 

**CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF PERTH – ARCHIVES OFFICE TEAM** SENIOR INFORMATION OFFICER (12 MONTH, FULL-TIME, FIXED TERM, CONTRACT)

"COUPLES FOR CHRIST" South Chapter invites you to a spiritual journey, through our Christian Life Program which will start on April 18, 2pm at St. Vincent's Parish Church in Kwinana. For more information, please contact the following: Ronald Eguia - 0432 474 658 Aileen Eguia - 0423 578 059 Robert Sistena 0451 799 090 Jane Sistena 0451 988 154 "YOUR FAMILY HAS A PLACE IN COUPLES FOR CHRIST"



APPARITION DATE TIME Wednesday April 7 6:00 pm Friday July 16 6:00 pm

# SAFEGUARDING UPDATE- FOR ANYONE HAVING ANY ROLE IN THE PARISH

This programme is a very high priority of our Archbishop and is MANDATORY for anyone in any role of the church, not just people who work with children, as the programme includes vulnerable adults. To facilitate everyone to attend there are two sessions that is held at OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH HALL, ROCKINGHAM **ON TUESDAY, 18 MAY 2021.** 

First session is 1.00pm - 3.00pm, and second session is 7.00 - 9.00pm. Andrea Musulin, the Director of Safeguarding, will be delivering the sessions. Please make it a point to attend one of these sessions. Other sessions are available at other locations. Please see the notice board for details. To register, send an email to safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au.

	PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUF	R PARISH:
Jim Hill, Matilda De Santos, Sister Renee	e Quadros, Salvatore Lazzara, Alessio Madeleine Lombardo, Maria Fern	o De Souza, Marina & Rita Papalia, Lucia Merenda nandez.
(Please advise t	he parish office if any of these nam	nes need to be removed.)
	MASS TIMES AND INTENT	IONS
Sat 03/04/21 6pm NO INTENTIONS EASTER SATURDAY Sun 04/04/21 8am NO INTENTIONS – EAS 10am NO INTENTIONS 6pm NO INTENTIONS Mon 05/04/21 7am Special Int. 9am Int. for Manuel Soul of Henry Phillips		<ul> <li>7am Special Int. Soul of Joseph Quit</li> <li>9am Int. of Freitas &amp; Yukos families Soul of Carmine Romano Soul of Jose Manuel Figueira</li> <li>7am Special Int. Soul of Fernando Do Rego (1<sup>st</sup> anni)</li> <li>9am Soul of Fernando Do Rego (1<sup>st</sup> anni) Soul of Jose Manuel Figueira</li> </ul>
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