

# ST JEROME'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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



**14<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME Yr B – 3/4 July 2021**

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**FIRST READING:** *Ezekiel 2:2-5*

The spirit came into me and made me stand up, and I heard the Lord speaking to me. He said, 'Son of man, I am sending you to the Israelites, to the rebels who have turned against Me. Till now they and their ancestors have been in revolt against Me. The sons are defiant and obstinate; I am sending you to them, to say, "The Lord says this." Whether they listen or not, this set of rebels shall know there is a prophet among them.'

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** *Ps 122: R. v. 2*

**R: Our eyes are fixed on the Lord,  
pleading for his mercy.**

To You I have lifted up my eyes,  
You who dwell in the heavens:  
my eyes, like the eyes of slaves  
on the hands of their lords. **R**

Like the eyes of a servant  
on the hand of her mistress,  
so our eyes are on the Lord our God  
till He shows us His mercy. **R**

Have mercy on us, Lord, have mercy.  
We are filled with contempt.  
Indeed, all too full is our soul  
with the scorn of the rich,  
with the proud man's disdain. **R**

**SECOND READING:** *2 Corinthians 12:7-10*

In view of the extraordinary nature of these revelations, to stop me from getting too proud I was given a thorn in the flesh, an angel of Satan to beat me and stop me from getting too proud! About this thing, I have pleaded with the Lord three times for it to leave me, but He has said, 'My grace is enough for you: My power is at its best in weakness.' So, I shall be very happy to make my weaknesses my special boast so that the power of Christ may stay over me, and that is why I am quite content with my weaknesses, and with insults, hardships, persecutions, and the agonies I go through for Christ's sake. For it is when I am weak that I am strong.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** *Luke 4:18*

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**The Spirit of the Lord is upon me:  
He sent me to bring Good News to the poor. Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL:** *Mark 6:1-6*

Jesus went to His hometown and His disciples accompanied Him. With the coming of the Sabbath, He began teaching in the synagogue and most of them were astonished when they heard Him. They said, 'Where did the man get all this? What is this wisdom that has been granted Him, and these miracles that are worked through Him? This is the carpenter, surely, the son of Mary, the brother of James and Joset and Jude and Simon? His sisters, too, are they not here with us?' And they would not accept Him. And Jesus said to them, 'A prophet is only despised in his own country among his own relations and in his own house'; and He could work no miracle there, though He cured a few sick people by laying His hands on them. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**R. Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.**



*Heal Country*

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday 4 July 2021

Visit [www.natsicc.org.au](http://www.natsicc.org.au) to access a variety of resources



**MESSAGE –14th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME. Do I take people, and Jesus, for granted?**

**Jesus went to his hometown. (Mark 6:1)**

I clearly recall a number of priests in the community of my religious Order who were greatly appreciated by outsiders, and yet they were not as valued within the Order.

Like everyone else, they had their weaknesses, too. People in general appreciated their strengths. Those who were familiar with them were rather inclined to look at the shadows - and largely missed the gifts they were bearing. I myself was not innocent of this mistake.

Perhaps this is part of what is at work in this event of Jesus' life.

The people of Nazareth were very familiar with him - and missed the gift he was bearing.

Are we missing the gift that anyone is bearing in our life, because we are too familiar with them? Are we missing what Jesus has to offer us through that person or experience?

**Do I take anyone for granted?**

**Am I missing a gift Jesus is offering me?**

**This week, let us give a second thought to what happens to us, like Mary.**

**We do not want to miss out.**

**INTERESTED IN BECOMING A CATHOLIC? - RCIA 2021 – 2022**

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 RCIA journey will begin on Thursday 22nd July 2021 at St. Jerome's Church at 7.00pm.**

**EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY - SENIOR BOOKKEEPER**

Please see the notice board for details. Applications close 11 July 2021.

**AGENDA PUBLISHED FOR PLENARY COUNCIL**

The Council agenda was published on June 18. It will shape the program of the Council's assemblies – the first of which opens on October 3 this year.

The agenda has been developed in the form of posing questions, with 16 questions falling under six themes: Conversion; Prayer; Formation; Structures; Governance; and Institutions.

"The agenda asks us a number of difficult questions, but without asking those difficult questions, we won't be entering into the depth of our hearts to consider how we become that missionary, Christ-centred Church we need today." (Archbishop Costelloe, president of the Council).

The agenda can be accessed here: <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>.

**PASTORAL LETTER OF ARCHBISHOP TIMOTHY ON VOLUNTARY ASSISTED DYING**

Here is the beginning of the letter, which can be found under "Archbishop's latest" at [perthcatholic.org.au](http://perthcatholic.org.au).

*On Thursday, 1 July 2021, legislation passed by the Western Australian State Parliament in relation to "Voluntary Assisted Dying" (VAD) will be enacted. Put simply this legislation will permit a person, under certain specified conditions, to access medication which is designed to cause that person's death. The legislation will also permit other people, again under certain specified conditions, to provide assistance to those who without such assistance would be unable to administer the medication to themselves.*

*At this important time for our society, and for the Catholic community which seeks to be a vibrant and engaged part of the wider community, I have decided to share with you some perspectives which I hope will help you to reflect on the significance of this moment.*

**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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**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!**

### **SAFEGUARDING JUNE 2021**

#### **TO ANYONE HAVING ANY ROLE IN THE PARISH - SAFEGUARDING UPDATE FOR ALL CHURCH WORKERS**

The following opportunities are available in areas close to us. Please consider taking part to one of these updates - it is really important to ALL, NOT ONLY to those who need a Working with Children card.

**Baldivis Parish: Tuesday 29th June from 1.00pm – 3.00pm**

**Yangebup Parish: Tuesday 29th June from 7.00pm – 9.00pm**

**Kwinana Parish: Monday 5th July from 6.00pm – 8.00pm**

Registration is required online at: <http://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training-calendar-church-workers/>

**Divine Mercy devotion will be held on 04 July 2021 (on every First Sunday) at 2.15pm**

Parish Pastoral Council will be held on 6th July 2021 at 7.00pm. If you any matters to be considered please write to Ann Taylor (Parish Pastoral Council Secretary) [ppcsecretary@stjeromesparish.org](mailto:ppcsecretary@stjeromesparish.org) or to me

#### **TRANSFER OF FR. PIERANGELO BORALI**

Fr. Pierangelo Borali, the assistant parish Priest has been transferred to Sri Lanka by our Provincial Superior to take up the responsibility of formation of seminarians. He has been serving our parish community for the last four years. A morning tea has been organised on Saturday, 17th July 2021 after the 9.00am Mass to appreciate and acknowledge his service to our parish community. Please bring a plate to share.

Fr. Vijay, CRS

#### **SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY AND STATEMENT 2021-2022**

We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on the 29th of August. The Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement, Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor, invites us to join in responding to Pope Francis' invitation to take a seven-year journey towards total ecological sustainability guided by seven Laudato Si' Goals.

The Statement provides theological foundations to ground and inspire our efforts to care for creation while responding to the needs of the disadvantaged and excluded.

More information: ACBC Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace, [www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au](http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au) or Tel (02) 6201 9845.

#### **PILGRIM STATUE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY**

Our Parish has a tradition of the Pilgrim statue of the Blessed Virgin Mary, that travels the homes of our parishioners. If anyone would like to have a turn of the statue in your home for 2 weeks, please contact Lynette Odegaard on 0420 589 410 to be placed on the roster.

## IONA COLLEGE - Presentation Sisters' Scholarships for Year 4 General Excellence in 2022

To find out more on how to apply, please visit [www.iona.wa.edu.au/scholarships](http://www.iona.wa.edu.au/scholarships) or contact College Registrar, Theresa Loughnan [theresa.loughnan@iona.wa.edu.au](mailto:theresa.loughnan@iona.wa.edu.au) or 9285 5298

**APPLICATIONS CLOSE 4.00pm Friday 16 July 2021**

## 4 JULY - ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY 2021

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics number over 130,000 and growing strongly.

This Sunday is an opportunity to acknowledge that God has been walking with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, making His Presence known through a continuous living culture over many thousands of

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Jim Hill, Matilda De Santos, Sister Renee Quadros, Salvatore Lazzara, Marina & Rita Papalia, Lucia Merenda, Madeleine Lombardo, Maria Fernandez.

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

#### Recently Deceased

Mr Giovanni Pizzo, Dianna Smith

### MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 03/07/ 6pm Soul of Ken Orr  
Soul of Lauretta yon  
Souls of Juan & Maria Canada

Wed 07/07/ 7am Special Int  
Soul of Nathan De Abreu  
9am Int. of Freitas & Yukos families

Sun 04/07/ 8am Int. Joao Manuel Jardim  
B'Day Int. Bernadette Therese Catalano  
For the Forgotten Souls in purgatory  
Special Int  
10am Soul of Nathan De Abreu  
Soul of Guisepe Antonio Merenda & Family  
06pm

Thurs 08/07/ 7am Special Int  
Soul of Nathan De Abreu  
9am

Mon 05/07/ 7am Special Int  
Soul of Nathan De Abreu  
9am

Fri 10/7/ 7am Special Int  
Soul of Nathan De Abreu  
9am

Tues 06/07/ 7am Special Int.  
Soul of Nathan De Abreu  
9am

Sat 10/07/ 9am Special Int  
Soul of Nathan De Abreu  
Soul of Delores Da Silva

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