

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 B 4th/5th September 2021

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FIRST READING:

Isaiah 35:4-7

Say to all faint hearts,
'Courage! Do not be afraid.
'Look, your God is coming,
vengeance is coming,
the retribution of God;
He is coming to save you.'
Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,
the ears of the deaf unsealed,
then the lame shall leap like a deer
and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy;
for water gushes in the desert,
streams in the wasteland,
the scorched earth becomes a lake,
the parched land springs of water.

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 145 R. v. 1

R: Praise the Lord, my soul!

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,
who is just to those who are oppressed.
It is He who gives bread to the hungry,
the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **R.**

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,
who raises up those who are bowed down,
the Lord who loves the just,
the Lord, who protects the stranger. **R.**

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan,
but thwarts the path of the wicked.
The Lord will reign for ever,
Zion's God from age to age. **R.**

SECOND READING:

James 2:1-5

My brothers do not try to combine faith in Jesus Christ, our glorified Lord, with the making of distinctions between classes of people. Now suppose a man comes into your synagogue, beautifully dressed

and with a gold ring on, and at the same time a poor man comes in, in shabby clothes, and you take notice of the well-dressed man, and say, 'Come this way to the best seats'; then you tell the poor man, 'Stand over there' or 'You can sit on the floor by my foot-rest.' Can't you see that you have used two different standards in your mind, and turned yourselves into judges, and corrupt judges at that?

Listen, my dear brothers: it was those who are poor according to the world that God chose, to be rich in faith and to be the heirs to the kingdom which He promised to those who love Him.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION :

Mt 4: 23

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the Kingdom and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

Mark 7:31-37

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region. And they brought Him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked Him to lay His hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put His fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven He sighed; and He said to him, 'Ephphatha', that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened, and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more He insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded, 'He has done all things well,' they said, 'He makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.

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: Tuesday to Friday 9am to 2.30pm

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MESSAGE: Messianic Encounter: “He took him aside in private” (Mk 7:33)

Do we listen? Are our ears open? Do we speak the word of the Lord? These are the questions that can be seen in the readings today. We are invited to have our ears opened and to learn to speak God’s own words.

‘Ephphatha’ (Mark 7:34) (Jesus)

The deaf and dumb man was brought by others who knew Jesus. There must be someone who brings you to Jesus. That is why we invite people to church, to Mass, to Rosary, Youth group, other devotions, to the men’s group, etc.

Jesus pulled the man aside from the crowd. He wants a one-on-one relationship, individually. That is where we are changed. That is where we can see, hear, speak, walk. One on one with Jesus - after our friends helped us to get there.

“Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened and the ears of the deaf unstopped; then the lame shall leap like a deer, and the tongue of the speechless sing for joy. For waters shall break forth in the wilderness, and streams in the desert; the burning sand shall become a pool, and the thirsty ground springs of water”. Is 35 5-7

‘Ephphatha’ (Mark 7:34) (Baptism)

This sign is used at baptism because it makes visible the ability of a disciple to hear and share the Good News. Disciples can see what others cannot see, even when it is right in their face.

We need our ears to be opened and our tongue loosened and help others in the same way.

Would I consider taking at least one formation programme?



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

SAVE THE DATE – 26TH SEPTEMBER 2021 @ 10AM

St Jerome's Feast Day- 1600th Anniversary Celebration

Last year we were unable to proceed with our planned celebration for the 1600th anniversary of our Patron Saint - St Jerome. On Sunday 26th September at the 10am mass we would like to celebrate the feast of our patron with holy Mass followed by lunch in the hall.

Soon there will be a planning meeting and we ask all parishioners to pray for a successful, prayerful and joyous feast day celebration.

Parish Pastoral Council

Madonna Della Salute Feast - Tuesday 7th September 2021 at 7.00pm – Mass celebrated by Fr Oscar

FEAST OF THE BIRTHDAY OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

The feast of the Birthday of Blessed Virgin Mary will be celebrated on **Wednesday 8th September at 6pm** with Holy Mass and the Holy Rosary prayed at the grotto of 'Mary Mother of Orphans.' Parishioners are encouraged to bring flowers to place at the grotto on this day.

The novena and Holy rosary started on Monday, 30th August at 7.00pm. The Rosary will be offered for Parish renewal, for the end to COVID-19 and for private intentions.

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY - 12 SEPTEMBER 2021

The Parish of St. Jerome's Spearwood and the Archdiocese of Perth are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people, and people at risk in our community. May our message be that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday

CATHOLIC HOMESCHOOLING CONFERENCE - Saturday 9th October

Are you interested in home-schooling? Just started or a veteran? There is something for everyone at the Catholic Home-school Conference, to be held at the University of Notre Dame (Fremantle) on the 9th of October, starting at 9am. The day long programme includes speakers, educational resources, expo sales and even a free book stall. For more details and to book tickets (\$40 single, \$60 couple) visit the Conference website: <https://www.catholichsc.com>

ANANIAS TRAINING: WALKING WITH OTHERS THE DISCIPLESHIP PATH

Whoever chooses to follow Jesus needs someone a bit more experienced who can assist them on their journey.

Whoever chooses to follow Jesus can assist someone else, too.

The Ananias Training equips people with no prior experience to listen from the heart, recognise the stage of the journey, discreetly ask relevant questions, and at times share parts of one's journey as impacted by the story of Jesus.

Having people with this skill is crucial to the strengthening and development of our parish. The Training also produces a great deal of awareness of one's one journey of discipleship and can deepen one's personal relationship with Jesus.

- Wed 13 October 2021, 6 to 8 pm, session 1: Ananias for one another
- Sat 16 October 2021, 9 am to 1 pm, session 2: No two journeys the same
- Wed 20 October 2021, 6 to 8 pm, session 3: Do chat part 1
- Wed 27 October 2021, 6 to 8 pm, session 4: Do chat part 2
- Sat 30 October 2021, 9 am to 3 pm, session 5: The Great Story of Jesus
- Wed 3 November 2021, 6 to 8 pm, session 6: Do tell: sharing your story
- Wed 10 November 2021, 6 to 8 pm, session 7: OPTIONAL: Small group leaders

A contribution of \$30 is welcome to meet expenses.

The use of a device like a laptop, a tablet or an iPad is ideal.

Please contact the parish office to register

I WANT TO BE MORE INVOLVED IN MY PARISH! I WANT TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE!

There are many roles and tasks that need to be filled to ensure the smooth-running of our parish. Roles, that if filled by many, will lighten the burden on the few. Would you like to help with cleaning or maintaining the Church/Hall grounds, greet people as they come to Mass, help at morning teas, teach Catechism, arrange flowers, decorate the church, etc.

If you are inspired to answer this call for help, please complete one of the blue forms in the foyer and place it in the box provided.

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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Ellen Breen, 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.)

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 04/09/21	6pm	Soul of Ken Orr
		Soul of Lairetta Yon
		Souls of Juan & Maria Canada
		Soul of Manuel Canada
		Soul of Tom Callaghan
		Soul of Albert Giglia
		Souls of Sam & Ignatues Said
Sun 05/09/21	8am	Special Int
		For the Forgotten Souls in purgatory
	Soul of Perpetua Da Conceicao	
	Soul of Abel Homagio Rodrigues	
	Souls of Aubrey Benn & Robert Little	
	Soul of Jose Manuel Figueira	
	Soul of Antonio Maciel Coelho	
	Soul of Jose De Sousa	
	10am	Soul of Robert Wagenhauser
		Soul of Romolo Viti
Soul of Ante Curavich		
6pm	Souls of Antonio Loreto, Jaime Rodrigues & Antonio Correia Ascenso	
	Soul of Sidonia De Abreu	
	Souls of Jelica Bacich & Marko Donjerkovich	
Mon 06/09/21	7am	Special Int
	9am	Soul of Perpetua Da Conceicao
Tues 07/09/21	7am	Special Int
	9am	Soul of Perpetua Da Conceicao
Wed 08/09/21	7am	Special Int.
	9am	Soul of Perpetua Da Conceicao
Thurs 09/09/21	7am	Int. of Freitas & Yukos families
	9am	Thanksgiving Int. in hon of Our lady on her birthday
Fri 10/09/21	7am	Soul of Robert Wagenhauser
	9am	Soul of Oswald Brice Phillips
Sat 11/09/21	7am	Soul of Sebastiano Barbagiovanni
	9am	Int. In hon of Our blessed virgin Mary
Thurs 09/09/21	7am	Special Int.
	9am	Soul of Perpetua Da Conceicao
Fri 10/09/21	7am	Soul of Robert Wagenhauser
	9am	Holy souls in purgatory
Sat 11/09/21	7am	Special Int
	9am	Soul of Perpetua Da Conceicao
Sun 12/09/21	7am	Soul of Robert Wagenhauser
	9am	Soul of Delores Da Silva
Sat 11/09/21	9am	Special Int.
		Soul of Perpetua Da Conceicao
		Soul of Robert Wagenhauser

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