

ST JEROME'S CATHOLIC PARISH

Incorporating the Community of the Order of the Clerics Regular of Somasca - CRS

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



3rd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year C – 22nd & 23rd January 2022

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FIRST READING:

Nehemiah 8:2-6. 8-10

Ezra the priest brought the Law before the assembly, consisting of men, women, and children old enough to understand. This was the first day of the seventh month. On the square before the Water Gate, in the presence of the men and women, and children old enough to understand, he read from the book from early morning till noon; all the people listened attentively to the Book of the Law.

Ezra the scribe stood on a wooden dais erected for the purpose. In full view of the people – since he stood higher than all the people – Ezra opened the book; and when he opened it all the people stood up. Then Ezra blessed the Lord, the Great God, and all the people raised their hands and answered, 'Amen! Amen!'; then they bowed down and, face to the ground, prostrated themselves before the Lord. And Ezra read from the Law of God, translating and giving the sense, so that the people understood what was read.

Then Nehemiah – His Excellency – and Ezra, priest and scribe (and the Levites who were instructing the people) said to all the people, 'This day is sacred to the Lord your God. Do not be mournful, do not weep.' For the people were all in tears as they listened to the words of the Law.

He then said, 'Go, eat the fat, drink the sweet wine, and send a portion to the man who has nothing prepared ready. For this day is sacred to our Lord. Do not be sad: the joy of the Lord is your stronghold.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Ps 18 R. Jn 6:63*

R: Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

The Law of the Lord is perfect,
It revives the soul.

The rule of the Lord is to be trusted,
It gives wisdom to the simple. **R**

The precepts of the Lord are right,
They gladden the heart.

The command of the Lord is clear,
It gives light to the eyes. **R**

The fear of the Lord is holy,
abiding forever.

The decrees of the Lord are truth
and all of them just. **R**

May the spoken words of my mouth,
the thoughts of my heart,
win favour in your sight, O Lord,
my rescuer, my rock! **R**

SECOND READING (Shorter Form): *1 Corinthians 12:12-30*

Just as a human body, though it is made up of many parts is a single unit because all these parts, though many, make one body, so it is with Christ. In the one Spirit we were all baptised, Jews as well as Greeks, slaves as well as citizens, and one Spirit was given to us all to drink. Nor is the body to be identified with any one of its many parts.

Now you together are Christ's body, but each of you is a different part of it.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Lk 4:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Seeing that many others have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who from the outset were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, I in my turn, after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you, Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received.

Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in Him, returned to Galilee; and His reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogues, and everyone praised Him.

He came to Nazareth, where He had been brought up, and went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day as He usually did. He stood up to read, and they handed Him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll, He found the place where it is written:

'The Spirit of the Lord has been given to me,
for He has anointed me.

He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives

and to the blind new sight,

to set the downtrodden free,

to proclaim the Lord's year of favour.'

He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on Him.

Then He began to speak to them,

'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.'

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

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

Parish Secretary:
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Father's Message

After the sequence of the manifestations, Jesus begins his public Ministry.

“Jesus with the power of the Spirit in him, Returned Galilee”

The Spirit of the Lord transforms us and make us active members in the community when we permit him to act on our lives. The Holy Spirit gives us the understanding of the Scriptures.

The readings of today focuses on the power of the Word of God. Both of the readings show us people who are willing to give their lives for their belief that God is present in these Holy Scriptures.

We must ask ourselves today about our own beliefs. Sunday after Sunday or even day after day we hear the Sacred Scriptures or we read them on our own. Do we allow these Scriptures to have any power in our lives at all? How do we read the Scriptures? How do we listen to them? Do we read the Scriptures at all?

We have to ask ourselves: Why do I participate in a Church? Is it out of fear? Is it because that is the way that I was brought up? Or has it become truly a part of my personal belief and so I participate in a Church for the glory of God.

Secondly, ***“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,”***

The Spirit of the Lord is working in our community. We can see the fruits.

We are all anointed ones for a particular mission to evangelise and bring Good News to those who are in despair and hopelessness. Why did the Lord give us His Spirit at Pentecost?

It is now our time to permit the power of the Holy Spirit to unleash.

Give time to know the strength of God's presence in His Word read to us!

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Mass, Novena & Benediction- Celebrant: Fr Ted Miller - on Thursday 27th January 2022 at 6.00pm

THE PARISH A.G.M. will take place on **Tuesday, 1st February 2022 at 7pm**, in the Parish Hall and ALL ACTIVE GROUPS in the parish are invited to submit their annual reports for tabling at this meeting. All parishioners are invited to participate in the AGM, which is to be considered an important opportunity for the evaluation and planning of our parish life. We will be electing new members for the Council and nomination forms are available in the foyer. Please note that nominees should be active members of the parish.

Church Cleaners Roster:

29th January 2022 – Group 3: L Kingsley, M Palmer, L Odegaard, M De Gois, T Fasolo, A & T Allison-Forest

5th February 2022 – Group 4: R Palos, G Taag, A Abalos, L Dumapit, J Mercado & M Monzon

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2022 FOR NON-CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOLS

The Sacramental Programme 2022 for children in public schools in Years 3 to 6 will commence in early February.

Enrolment forms are available on the parish website: www.stjeromesparish.org .

Please submit the completed enrolment form at the parish office from Tuesday 8th to Friday 11th of February, 3:30 to 4:30pm. There is a fee of \$40.00. Children who are enrolling for the first time will need to bring a copy of their Baptism certificate. Please inform your friends and relatives who have children in primary schools. More details will be on the Parish website.

Compulsory Safeguarding workshop at St Jerome's Parish Hall



Due to the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference broadening of safeguarding requirements to include vulnerable adults, it is now mandatory for **ALL** church workers (volunteers or paid) to attend a 2-hour training session.

Church Volunteers training is being offered at St Jerome's Parish Hall on **Saturday, 19th February 2022 from 10am to 12pm.** Coffee & Tea provided. To register please go to the safeguarding website at

<http://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training-calendar-church-workers/> Or phone our office on 9221 7762.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: FINDING JESUS IN HIS SACRAMENT OF LOVE

"Let Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament speak to your hearts. It is he who is the true answer of life that you seek."

- Pope St. John Paul II

Would you like to give an hour for Jesus in adoration, who is waiting for you in the Blessed Sacrament?

Please contact **Egidio Abreu: 94341884/ 0437 720 358; Lynette Odegaard: 0420 589 410; Edita Phillips: 9418 3758/ 0424 291 691**

Adult Faith Formation Seminars

Discovering Catholic Values: An Introduction to the Basics of our Faith

ON: Wednesdays, 9 - 30 March

FROM: 7:30pm – 8:30pm (4 sessions)

WITH: Mrs Laura Firth

AT: Kwinana Parish - 114 Parmelia Avenue, Parmelia

COST: Free of charge

An informational and enriching introduction to the Catholic faith, this course will explore who is the Trinitarian God we believe in, who is Christ as our saviour, what is the Church, and how do we respond to evil and suffering. These questions will be addressed in the context of living the call to holiness in the grace of God with a life of Christian love and virtue and how we can live our faith in the reality of a changing world.

On Australia Day we give thanks to God especially for the privilege of being part of this country in which we enjoy freedom and peace and we pray that God will guide our country leaders to follow his will.





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PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Alex Baggio, 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.)

RECENTLY DECEASED:

Diana Verhuis

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 22/01/22	6pm	Soul of Ken Orr Soul of Laretta Yon Soul of Angela Francisco Int. for intercession of Our Lady of Perpetual Help
Sun 23/01/22	8am	For the Forgotten Souls in purgatory Soul of Maria Matilde Abreu Soul of Giacomo Monastra Souls of Carmelo & Concetta Letizia Souls of Francesco & Antonietta Gumina
	10am	Soul of Maria Basilio Soul of Isabel Idris Soul of Anita De Pima Soul of Cacilda Marcal Soul of Armarnda Madeira Int. of Cristina & Peter Camacho Birthday Int. Monica Mendes
	6pm	
Mon 24/01/22	7am	Soul of Maria Matilde Abreu Soul of Hilario & Jorge De Oliveira
	9am	
Tues 25/01/22	7am	Soul of Maria Matilde Abreu
	9am	Thanksgiving in honour of the Infant Jesus of Prague Soul of Diana Verhuis (recently deceased)
Wed 26/01/22	7am	Soul of Maria Matilde Abreu
	9am	Int. of Freitas & Yukos families Soul of Kathleen Purcell Soul of José Manuel Figueira (1 st Anniversary)
Thurs 27/01/22	7am	Soul of Maria Matilde Abreu
	9am	Special Int. for Maria Ligia & Joao Luis De Sousa
Fri 28/01/22	7am	Soul of Maria Matilde Abreu
	9am	Souls of Armando & George Correia
Sat 29/01/22	9am	Soul of Maria Matilde Abreu Soul of Robert Williamson

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