

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"



The Baptism of the Lord - Year C – 8th & 9th January 2022

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FIRST READING

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

'Console My people, console them,'
says your God.

'Speak to the heart of Jerusalem and call to her that her
time of service is ended, that her sin is atoned for,
that she has received from the hand of the Lord double
punishment for all her crimes.'

A voice cries, 'Prepare in the wilderness a way for the Lord.
Make a straight highway for our God across the desert.
Let every valley be filled in, every mountain and hill be laid
low, let every cliff become a plain, and the ridges a valley;
then the glory of the Lord shall be revealed, and all
mankind shall see it; for the mouth of the Lord has
spoken.'

Go up on a high mountain, joyful messenger to Zion.
Shout with a loud voice, joyful messenger to Jerusalem.
Shout without fear, say to the towns of Judah,
'Here is your God.'

Here is the Lord coming with power,
His arm subduing all things to Him.
The prize of His victory is with Him,
His trophies all go before Him.
He is like a shepherd feeding His flock,
gathering lambs in His arms,
holding them against His breast
and leading to their rest the mother ewes.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 103 R v 1

R: Oh, bless the Lord, my soul!

Lord God, how great you are,
clothed in majesty and glory,
wrapped in light as in a robe!
You stretch out the heavens like a tent. **R**

Above the rains you build your dwelling.
You make the clouds your chariot,
you walk on the wings of the wind,
you make the winds your messengers
and flashing fire your servants. **R**

How many are your works, O Lord!
In wisdom you have made them all.
The earth is full of your riches.
There is the sea, vast and wide,
with its moving swarms past counting,
living things great and small. **R**

All of these look to you
to give them their food in due season.
You give it, they gather it up:
you open your hand, they have their fill. **R**

You take back your spirit, they die,
returning to the dust from which they came.
You send forth your spirit, they are created;
and you renew the face of the earth. **R**

SECOND READING

Titus 2:11-14. 3:4-7

God's grace has been revealed, and it has made salvation possible
for the whole human race and taught us that what we have to do
is to give up everything that does not lead to God, and all our
worldly ambitions; we must be self-restrained and live good and
religious lives here in this present world, while we are waiting in
hope for the blessing which will come with the Appearing of the
glory of our great God and saviour Christ Jesus. He sacrificed
Himself for us in order to set us free from all wickedness and to
purify a people so that it could be His very own and would have
no ambition except to do good.

When the kindness and love of God our saviour for mankind were
revealed, it was not because He was concerned with any righteous
actions, we might have done ourselves; it was for no reason
except His own compassion that He saved us, by means of the
cleansing water of rebirth and by renewing us with the Holy Spirit
which He has so generously poured over us through Jesus Christ
our saviour. He did this so that we should be justified by His grace,
to become heirs looking forward to inheriting eternal life.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 3:16

Alleluia, alleluia!

**John said: He who is to come is mightier than I; he will baptise
you with the Holy Spirit and with fire.
Alleluia!**

GOSPEL:

Luke 3:15-16.21-22

A feeling of expectancy had grown among the people, who were
beginning to think that John might be the Christ, so John
declared before them all, 'I baptise you with water, but someone
is coming, someone who is more powerful than I am, and I am
not fit to undo the strap of His sandals; He will baptise you with
the Holy Spirit and fire.'

Now when all the people had been baptised and while Jesus after
His own baptism was at prayer, heaven opened and the Holy Spirit
descended on Him in bodily shape, like a dove. And a voice came
from the heaven, 'You are My Son, the Beloved; My favour rests
on You.'

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

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

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Father's Message

Baptism brings renewal

Jesus, indeed, did not need baptism: he is without sin, he is the one who is holy and pure by Essence, being the very Son of God.

"He will baptise you with the Holy Spirit and with fire."

Whenever and wherever the Holy Spirit take the centre stage there is newness and people who are anointed with the Holy Spirit become very much active in spreading the Gospel or Evangelisation

The angel said to her, "The Holy Spirit will come upon you, and the power of the Most High will overshadow you; therefore the child to be born will be holy; he will be called Son of God" Lk 1:35.

When Mary accepted the message from an angel the work of redemption begins to take place.

When Elizabeth was greeted by Mary "... *the child leaped in her womb. And Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit*" Lk 1:41.

After the birth of John, he became the herald of the Messiah.

"...and the Holy Spirit descended upon him in bodily form like a dove." Lk 3:22

After the baptism by John, Jesus began his public ministry from Galilee.

At the Pentecost event the apostles were transformed. The timid, lukewarm, and terrified apostles became courageous and passionate in spreading the Gospel. *"All of them were filled with the Holy Spirit and began to speak in other languages, as the Spirit gave them ability."* Acts 2:4

The most ancient prayer to the Holy Spirit that we often pray remind us of the renewal and regeneration. *Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and enkindle in us the fire of your love. Send forth your Spirit and we shall be created, and you shall renew the face of the earth. Amen.*

We all of us received the Holy Spirit at Baptism and in the Sacrament of Confirmation. We have let the holy spirit cool down.

"And he should not let the fire of the Spirit cool down, so as not to let everything go to ruin." St. Jerome Emiliani. (1 Let 19)

ARE YOU INTERESTED AND WILLING TO JOIN HANDS TO RENEW AND EVANGELISE OUR PARISH?

What is your vision and dream for our Parish? Come, watch some videos on best practices of parish renewal and share few thoughts.

Dates: **Thursdays of January 06, 13, 20 and 27**

Time: **7.00 – 9.00pm**

Place: **Parish Hall**

Church Cleaners Roster:

15th January 2022 – Group 1: M Marevich, J Srdarov, Z Musulin & L Gligor

22nd January 2022 – Group 2: S Revillame, M Mercado, J Balmes, M Cristobal, L Otero, A Magbuhat, J Clarete

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

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**.

'VICTORY' THE 32nd ANNUAL FLAME CONGRESS

will take place on the 14th, 15th & 16th of **JANUARY 2022 at Trinity College, Perth**. The speakers presenting at the event are Archbishop Emeritus of Perth, Barry J Hickey, Shayne Bennett, Oceania Delegate for the CHARIS International service of Communion, Kay Rollings FMI SD and Cyrus D'Souza FMI SD. This is a free event. For more details refer to the poster in the foyer or contact Kaye Rollings at kaye@flameministries.org, Mob – 0421605502; Cyrus D'Souza at cyrus@flameministries.org Mob - 0403414621

A SPIRITUAL GROWTH PLAN FOR 2022

- Develop the ability to RELAX—to slowdown and be at peace in the presence of a loving God. Spend time in Eucharistic Adoration, exercise and a hobby can be useful in this regard.
- A daily EXAMINATION of conscience helps you see yourself as Christ sees you—with love, respect, forgiveness. Keeping a small journal may help.
- Choose a SPIRITUAL GUIDE—someone who can help you keep in touch with the forgiving and creative presence of Christ in your life.
- READ & MEDITATE each day on the life of Jesus Christ and His teachings.
- PRAY—each and every day—at Mass if possible.
- SERVE—volunteer your time and energy, your mind and heart to help others come closer to Jesus Christ and His Church.

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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:

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 08/01/22	6pm	Soul of Ken Orr Soul of Laretta Yon Soul of Joao Cerqueira Soul of Romolo Viti
Sun 09/01/22	8am	For the Forgotten Souls in purgatory Soul of Joao Cerqueira Souls of Marija & Mile Baskovich Soul of Antonina Catalano
	10am	Soul of Maria Basilio Soul of Maria Matilde Abreu Souls of Pasquale & Antonietta Spadanuda Souls of Nicola Cianfagna & Maria Rosa Piccoli Soul of Magdalena Bacal Soul of Angelo Mirco (3 rd anni) Soul of Nikola Fistonich Int. for Nelson A special Intention Int. in thanksgiving to Jesus of Nazareth
	6pm	Int. of Maria Gorete Coelho
Mon 10/01/22	7am	Soul of Maria Matilde Abreu Soul of Joao Cerqueira A special Intention
	9am	Int. for Nelson Soul of Delores Da Silva Soul of Maria Mollica
Tues 11/01/22	7am	Soul of Joao Cerqueira Soul of Maria Matilde Abreu A special Intention
	9am	Int. for Nelson
Wed 12/01/22	7am	Soul of Joao Cerqueira Soul of Maria Matilde Abreu
	9am	Souls of Leoncia Padillo & Janet Stanners Int. of Freitas & Yukos families B'Day Int. for Nelson Faria B'Day Int. Amber Deeth Int. For all souls in purgatory Int. For the conversion of the world
Thurs 13/01/22	7am	Soul of Joao Cerqueira Soul of Maria Matilde Abreu
	9am	B'Day Int. Carmel Catalano
Fri 14/01/22	7am	Soul of Joao Cerqueira Soul of Maria Matilde Abreu
	9am	B'Day Int. Sebastiano Catalano B'Day Int. Angela Catanzaro
Sat 15/01/22	9am	Soul of Maria Matilde Abreu

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