

# 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"

**23<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR C – 4<sup>th</sup> September 2022**

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**FIRST READING:** *Wisdom 9:13-18*

What man can know the intentions of God?  
Who can divine the will of the Lord?

The reasonings of mortals are unsure and our intentions unstable; for a perishable body presses down the soul, and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming mind. It is hard enough for us to work out what is on earth, laborious to know what lies within our reach; who, then, can discover what is in the heavens? As for your intention, who could have learnt it had you not granted wisdom and sent your Holy Spirit from above? Thus have the paths of those on earth been straightened and men been taught what pleases you, and been saved, by Wisdom.

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

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** *Ps 89: R. v.1*

**R: In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.**

You turn men back into dust and say:  
'Go back, sons of men.'

To your eyes a thousand years  
are like yesterday come and gone,  
no more than a watch in the night. R

You sweep men away like a dream,  
like grass which springs up in the morning.  
In the morning it springs up and flowers;  
by evening it withers and fades. R

Make us know the shortness of our life  
that we may gain wisdom of heart.  
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?  
Show pity to your servants. R

In the morning fill us with your love;  
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.  
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:  
give success to the work of our hands. R

**SECOND READING:** *Philemon 9-10, 12-17*

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what is more, still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for a child of mine, whose father I became while wearing these chains: I mean Onesimus. I am sending him back to you, and with him – I could say – a part of my own self.

I should have liked to keep him with me; he could have been a substitute for you, to help me while I am in the chains that the Good News has brought me.

However, I did not want to do anything without your consent; it would have been forcing your act of kindness, which should be spontaneous. I know you have been deprived of Onesimus for a time, but it was only so that you could have him back for ever, not as a slave anymore, but something much better than a slave, a dear brother; especially dear to me, but how much more to you, as a blood-brother as well as a brother in the Lord. So, if all that we have in common means anything to you, welcome him as you would me.

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** *Ps 118:135*

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**  
**Let Your face shine on Your servant,**  
**and teach me Your laws**  
**Alleluia!**

**GOSPEL:** *Luke 14: 25-33*

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on His way and He turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me without hating his father, mother, wife, children, brothers, sisters, yes, and his own life too, he cannot be my disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come after me cannot be my disciple. 'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation, then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether, with ten thousand men, he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'

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

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**DONATIONS CAN BE MADE BY EFT OR DIRECTLY DEPOSITED INTO:**

**The 1<sup>st</sup> collection (for the support of priest in our Parish & in the Archdiocese)**

**BSB** – 086 006 **Account No-** 237719937 **Account Name:** R.C.A of Perth St Jeromes Parish Spearwood Presbytery

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> collection (for the running of our Parish)**

**BSB** – 086 006 **Account No-** 485592103 **Account Name:** R.C.A of Perth St Jeromes Parish Spearwood

**Please quote your name and planned giving number as the reference.**

## FATHER'S MESSAGE

### DISCIPLESHIP: COUNTING THE COST

Our world today has too many celebrities and very few heroes. Our contemporary culture focuses so much on celebrities.

Jesus does not want people to rally around him as if around a celebrity.

He wants to form a community of disciples who will imitate him in his endurance, suffering and renunciation.

Today's gospel reading begins with this line: ***"Great crowds accompanied him on his way and he turned and spoke to them" Lk 14:25***

Who are these people? Why do they rally around Jesus? What is their expectation?

Jesus puts forward three conditions: **prioritize** – ensure the primacy of Jesus in your life; **be ready to die to yourself** – carry your own cross; and make yourself vulnerable – **renounce your possessions.**

***Discern: First sit down and consider...(Lk 14:31)***

Surely, discipleship is risky and demanding. So you better decide.

Jesus does not force us to follow him. In an attempt to make it easier to follow Jesus, we do not have to water down his demands. Each one is free.

Jesus is not a celebrity, who makes you happy. He is a hero. And his heroism is in his martyrdom – giving up his life for something that he holds dear. Let us not forget that we are followers of a martyr.

## WHAT'S ON?

**Madonna Della Salute Feast Day mass** is 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022 at 7.00pm

**FEAST OF THE BIRTHDAY OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY** - will be celebrated on **Thursday, 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 Peace in the world and for private intentions.

**SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION 2022** - The children of our Parish and School Community will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation **on Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> September, 6pm Mass** and on **Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> September, 10am Mass**. Please pray for them, that they may be inspired by the Holy Spirit and remain faithful followers of Our Lord Jesus.

### 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**



### \*\*\* DONATIONS OF MILO NEEDED \*\*\*

My name is Monica Mendes, I am a member of St Jerome's Church Community. I am a Chaplain at two schools, a primary school in Gosnells and a high school in Armadale. I serve the students breakfast daily but am in desperate need of MILO. **If you are able to donate some milo, please leave in Church foyer in the MILO DONATION box.**

**Thanking you in advance for your support of this appeal.**

### NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK 04 – 10 SEPTEMBER 2022

*Let your faith soar...those who trust in the Lord will find new strength, they will soar. Isaiah 40:31*

Child Protection Week 2022 shines a light on children growing up in a safe environment, supported by their family, church, community and culture.

**Morning Tea- 06 September @10.00am** -Join us for Morning Tea at St Mary's Cathedral Parish Centre. You can bring your kite (kits distributed during August) to display or even fly it on the grounds of the Cathedral!

### THANK YOU FROM CATHOLIC MISSION



The total amount donated by the **Spearwood** Parish for the 2022 Appeal was **\$1,895.00**. Thank you for your generous response to this year's Catholic Mission Appeal.

Cardinal Berhaneyesus Demerew Souraphiel, Head of the Catholic Church in Ethiopia visited Australia in early June. In launching this year's Catholic Mission Appeal, Cardinal Souraphiel expressed sincere gratitude to the Catholic faithful of Australia for supporting the work of our missionaries in Ethiopia and throughout the world. **WATCH** the Cardinal's inspiring Appeal homily given on the Feast of Pentecost at St Mary's Cathedral, Perth, at <https://youtu.be/Vao2jVgOgDU>

### YOUTH MINISTRY

#### SOMteens (Grade 6-12)

Youth Night every Friday from 7pm - 9pm in the St Jerome's Parish Hall. Come along for FUN, FOOD, and FRIENDSHIP! Email: [somteens.stjeromes@gmail.com](mailto:somteens.stjeromes@gmail.com) Instagram: somteens.stjeromes

Join Catholic Youth Ministry Perth on the **Friday 9<sup>th</sup> of September** as we go **Ice Skating at Cockburn Ice Arena!** It will be an awesome opportunity to get away from the business of life (and school), hang out with friends, and meet other passionate Catholic young people in the Archdiocese of Perth! The event is for ages 13-18 and will start at 7:30pm and end at 9:30pm. For more information or to register, see our events page at <https://cym.com.au/events/>. Registration closes on the *Monday 5<sup>th</sup> of September*. Hope to see you there!

#### SOMASCAN YOUNG ADULTS (Age group 18-30)

Are you interested in being part of a welcoming, faith-focused group of young people, St Jerome's Young adults would love for you to join us! Weekly Gatherings: **Wed 7pm** Youth Mass: **Sun 6pm**

To join us, please email the parish office or speak to one of our members  
(Usually at the choir area after Sunday Youth Mass). 😊

## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 03/09/22	6pm	Soul of Laretta Yon Soul of Ken Orr Soul of Emilia Piccirilli Souls of Robert & Irene Pereira Souls of Charles Sweeney & Barbara Illingsworth Intentions of Antonio Paulo Da Silva Abreu
Sun 04/09/22	8am	Soul of Felice Morolla Intentions for the health of Joe Maciel & family Intentions of Jacob Ramos & family Intentions of Pasquale & Sandy Catanzaro Intentions of Timothy Humphry Souls in purgatory
	10am	Soul of Giuseppe Antonio Merenda Soul of Lisa Merenda Soul of Thomas Callaghan Soul of Jaime Rodrigues Soul of Antonio Correia Ascenso Soul of Antonio R Loreto Soul of Francisco Correia Rodrigues
	6pm	Souls in purgatory Intentions of Geraldo Intentions of Mafalda Intentions of Chris
Mon 05/09/22	7am	Soul of John Cerqueira Soul of Fernanda Coelho
	9am	Souls in Purgatory Soul of Matilda Dos Santos and the Dos Santos & Grima families
Tues 06/09/22	7am	Souls in Purgatory Soul of Joe De Brito
	9am	Souls in Purgatory
Wed 07/09/22	7am	Souls of Adelaide De Barros & Maria Clara Dos Santos
	9am	Int. of Freitas & Yukos families Souls in Purgatory
	7pm	Madonna Della Salute Feast
Thurs 08/09/22	7am	All Souls in Purgatory Soul of Natividad Sven Deceased members of Goncalves family
	9am	Souls in Purgatory Soul of Sebastiano Barbagiovanni Soul of Oswald Brice Phillips
Fri 09/09/22	7am	Intentions in honour of St Rita
	9am	Holy Souls in Purgatory
Sat 10/09/22	9am	Int. of Joao & Natalia De Brito

**THE LEGION OF MARY** meets every Thursday at 6pm in the Parish Resource Room (entrance at parish office).  
President- Egidio Abreu 0437 720 358

### Church Cleaners Roster:

10<sup>th</sup> September 2022 – Group 3: M Palmer, L Odegaard, M De Gois & T Fasolo

17<sup>th</sup> September 2022 – Group 4: R Palos, G Taag, A Abalos, L Dumapit, J Mercado & M Monzon



**ST JEROME'S**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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