# 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"



# 6<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Yr A – 12<sup>th</sup> of February 2023

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**FIRST READING:** *Ecclesiasticus* 1:15-20

If you wish, you can keep the commandments, to behave faithfully is within your power. He has set fire and water before you; put out your hand to whichever you prefer. Man has life and death before him; whichever a man likes better will be given him. For vast is the wisdom of the Lord; he is almighty and all-seeing. His eyes are on those who fear him, he notes every action of man. He never commanded anyone to be godless, he has given no one permission to sin.

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

#### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Ps 118

# R: Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord.

They are happy whose life is blameless, who follow God's law!
They are happy those who do his will, seeking him with all their hearts. R

You have laid down your precepts to be obeyed with care.
May my footsteps be firm to obey your statutes.

Bless your servant and I shall live and obey your word.

Open my eyes that I may consider the wonders of your law.

Teach me the demands of your statutes and I will keep them to the end.

Train me to observe your law, to keep it with my heart.

R

# **SECOND READING**: 1 Corinthians 2:6-10

We have a wisdom to offer those who have reached maturity: not a philosophy of our age, it is true, still less of the masters of our age, which are coming to their end. The hidden wisdom of God which we teach in our mysteries is the wisdom that God predestined to be for our glory before the ages began. It is a wisdom that none of the masters of this age have ever known, or they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory; we teach what scripture calls: the things that no eye has seen and no ear has heard, things beyond the mind of man, all that God has prepared for those who love him.

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These are the very things that God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit reaches the depths of everything, even the depths of God.

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

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** *Matthew11:25* 

#### Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth; you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. Alleluia!

# **GOSPEL**: Matthew 5:17-37

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Do not imagine that I have come to abolish the Law or the Prophets. I have come not to abolish them but to complete them. I tell you solemnly, till heaven and earth disappear, not one dot, one little stroke, shall disappear from the Law until its purpose is achieved. Therefore, the man who infringes even one of the least of these commandments and teaches others to do the same will be considered the least in the kingdom of heaven; but the man who keeps them and teaches them will be considered great in the kingdom of heaven.

'For I tell you, if your virtue goes no deeper than that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never get into the kingdom of heaven. 'You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not kill; and if anyone does kill he must answer for it before the court. But I say this to you: anyone who is angry with his brother will answer for it before the court; if a man calls his brother "Fool" he will answer for it before the Sanhedrin; and if a man calls him "Renegade" he will answer for it in hell fire. So then, if you are bringing your offering to the altar and there remember that your brother has something against you, leave your offering there before the altar, go and be reconciled with your brother first, and then come back and present your offering. Come to terms with your opponent in good time while you are still on the way to the court with him, or he may hand you over to the judge and the judge to the officer, and you will be thrown into prison. I tell you solemnly, you will not get out till you have paid the last penny.

You have learnt how it was said: You must not commit adultery. But I say this to you: if a man looks at a woman lustfully, he has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

If your right eye should cause you to sin, tear it out and throw it away; for it will do you less harm to lose one part of you than to have your whole body thrown into hell.

**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: Tues, Wed. & Friday 9am to 2.30pm

PARISH SECRETARY: Sandy Catanzaro / Alicia Benn

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And if your right hand should cause you to sin, cut it off and throw it away; for it will do you less harm to lose one part of you than to have your whole body go to hell.

'It has also been said: Anyone who divorces his wife must give her a writ of dismissal. But I say this to you: everyone who divorces his wife, except for the case of fornication, makes her an adulteress; and anyone who marries a divorced woman commits adultery.

Again, you have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not break your oath, but must fulfil your oaths to the Lord. But I say this to you: do not swear at all, either by heaven, since that is God's throne; or by the earth, since that is his footstool; or by Jerusalem, since that is the city of the great king. Do not swear by your own head either, since you cannot turn a single hair white or black. All you need say is "Yes" if you mean yes, "No" if you mean no; anything more than this comes from the evil one.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R: Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ.



# **ALPHA - A TOOL FOR SOCIAL CONNECTION AND EVANGELISATION**

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Contact Anna 0402 048 758 or Alicia 0401 383 471

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## **UNDERSTANDING THE OLD TESTAMENT: AN ANCIENT TEXT FOR MODERN TIMES**

**ON**: Wednesdays, 1-22 March **FROM**: 7:30pm -8:30pm (4 sessions)

WITH: Dr Peter Christofides AT: Kwinana Parish - 114 Parmelia Avenue, Parmelia

COST: Suggested donation, \$20 For further info or to register, please contact the Centre for Faith Enrichment

Website: www.cfe.org.au Phone: 9278 0261 Email: cfe@perthcatholic.org.au

# PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME 2023 FOR NON-CATHOLIC PRIMARY SCHOOLS

The Sacramental Programme 2023 for children in public schools in Years 3 to 6 will take place from the 1<sup>st</sup> to the 17<sup>th</sup> of February. Enrolment forms are available on the parish website **www.stjeromesparish.org**.

ASH WEDNESDAY - Impositions of the Ashes during Masses: 7am, 9am (whole school Mass) and 7pm

Stations of the Cross and the Mass: every Friday during Lent at 7pm

# **Safeguarding Induction for All Church Workers – Online**

For those parish volunteers who have not yet attended a Safeguarding Induction for Church Workers, the Safeguarding Office will conduct 2-hour online sessions via ZOOM next month:

13 February 2023 at 2 pm · 21 February 2023 at 7 pm

REGISTRATION LINK: https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/

EMAIL: safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au PHONE: 9221 7762

#### **YOUTH MINISTRY**

# SOMteens (Grade 6-12)

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

## **SOMASCAN YOUNG ADULTS**

(Age group 18-30) -If you are 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



# 2023 ROSARY IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES AND ST. BERNADETTE

Let us come together and pray for all who are sick and suffering, on the dates Our Blessed Mother appeared to St. Bernadette. Rosary will be held at ST. JEROME'S PARISH at 7PM and LIVESTREAMED on the St Jerome's Parish Facebook page on each of the following apparition dates:

Saturday February 11 Tuesday February 14 Saturday February 18 Sunday February 19 Monday February 20 Tuesday February 21 Thursday February 23 Friday February 24 (at

Monday February 27
Tuesday February 28
Wednesday March 1
Thursday March 2
Friday March 3(6.15pm)
Friday March 4
Saturday March 25 (5.15pm)

Friday February 24 (at 6.15pm) Friday April 7
Saturday February 25 Sunday July 1



Please see the notice board for more details

#### MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS Sat 11/02/23 Soul of Lauretta Yon 6pm Soul of Ken Orr Sun 12/02/23 Souls of Ivo & Ursula Jelincic 8am Soul of Sara Jardim **Soul of Ivo Pavicic** Soul of Maria Marta Da Silva 10am Soul of Chris Brown & the Souls in Purgatory Soul of Nikola Fistonich Soul of Conceicao Da Luz Soul of Francisco Mirco (1st Anniversary) For the conversion of the World Intentions of James, Maria & Nuno Paiva 6pm Intentions of Edel Ellis Mon 13/02/22 Soul of Conceicao Da Luz 7am 9am **Soul of Nikola Fistonich** Tues 14/02/23 7am Soul of Conceicao De Sousa Soul of Conceicao Da Luz For the intercession of St Joseph 9am Soul of Nikola Fistonich Wed 15/02/23 7am Soul of Conceicao Da Luz Intentions of Freitas & Yukos families 9am **Soul of Nikola Fistonich** Thurs 16/02/23 7am Soul of Conceicao Da Luz Soul of Nikola Fistonich 9am Fri 17/02/23 7am Soul of Conceicao Da Luz Birthday Intentions of Mario De Abreu Soul of Nikola Fistonich 9am Soul of Jose Garces

Sat 18/02/23

9am

# PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Soul of Conceicao Da Luz

Soul of Nikola Fistonich

Soul of Rosario Galati

Tony Churchill, Alex Baggio, Ellen Breen, Jim Hill, Sister Renee Quadros, Lucia Merenda, Madeleine Lombardo, Maria Fernandez & Monica Mendes (Please advise the parish office if any of these names need to be removed.)

**THE LEGION OF MARY** meets every *Thursday at 6.30pm* in the Parish Resource Room (entrance at parish office).

# **Church Cleaners Roster:**

18<sup>th</sup> February 2023 – Group 2: S Revillame, M Mercado, J Balmes, M Cristobal, L Otero, A Magbuhat & J Clarete

25th February 2023 - Group 3: M Palmer, L Odegaard, M De Gois & T Fasolo



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