

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"

5th SUNDAY OF LENT Yr A – 26th of March 2023

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FIRST READING: *Ezekiel 37:12-14*

The Lord says this: I am now going to open your graves; I mean to raise you from your graves, my people, and lead you back to the soil of Israel. And you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you from your graves, my people. And I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall resettle you on your own soil; and you will know that I the Lord, have said and done this – it is the Lord who speaks.

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Ps 129. R v.7*

R: With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption

Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord,
Lord, hear my voice!

O let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleading. **R.**

If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,
Lord, who would survive?

But with you is found forgiveness:
for this we revere you. **R.**

My soul is waiting for the Lord,
I count on his word.

My soul is longing for the Lord
more than watchman for daybreak.
(Let the watchman count on daybreak
and Israel on the Lord.) **R.**

Because with the Lord there is mercy
and fullness of redemption,
Israel indeed he will redeem
from all its iniquity. **R**

SECOND READING: *St Paul to the Romans 8:8-11*

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Jn 11:25,26*

**Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;
whoever believes in me will not die for ever.
Glory and praise to you Lord Jesus Christ!**

GOSPEL: (Shorter form) *John 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33-45*

The sisters sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message, Jesus said, 'this sickness will not end in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified. Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus, yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill, he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea.' On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. When Martha heard that Jesus had come, she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'if you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that, even now, whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'Your brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said: 'I am the resurrection and the life. If anyone believes in me, even though he dies he will live, and whoever lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?

'Yes, Lord,' she said, 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.'

Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?' They said, 'Lord, come and see.' Jesus wept; and the Jews said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could he not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to him 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied, 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So, they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eyes and said: 'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer. I knew indeed that you always hear me. But I speak for the sake of all these who stand round me, so that they may believe it was you who sent me.'

When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice,

'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.'

Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him.

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 1st 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

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

THE LITURGICAL FORMATION AND RENEWAL PROGRAM FOR THE ARCHDIOCESE OF PERTH.

Why Do We Gather? Featuring Sr Kerry Willison RSM

This video focuses on the words in the Eucharistic prayer 'Do this in memory of me'. (Luke: 22:19). The Jewish people gathered in community to worship God. They worshipped in the Temple. Those who lived elsewhere around the Mediterranean worshipped in their synagogues.

For more details and Video on YouTube -- <https://youtu.be/BNOX0Pfn4ys>

SOMASCAN MEN'S MINISTRY

The Somascan Men's Ministry is a movement of men from the ages of 30-45 (or older!) based on the spirituality of the Somascan Fathers. It allows for young men to gather together to grow in fraternity and faith – with the pillars of the movement being:

- Brotherhood
- Formation
- Dialogue/sharing
- Prayer

This group was founded with a desire to form young Catholic men to grow stronger in their faith and their identity as men, in a society that tries so desperately to destroy the importance of men in society. Founded based on the Somascan Spirituality, the ministry aims to infuse the charism first given by the Holy Spirit to the founder of the Somascan Fathers, St. Jerome Emiliani – the Paternal love of God.

We meet once a month, typically on the last Tuesday of each month. It has helped many of us in recent years grow stronger in our brotherhood, Catholic faith and love of Jesus. It is a gift to share this news and we are now pleased to extend the invite to men in our parish.

For more information contact Brett Cullen 0429 588 998 or Fr Vijay D'Souza, CRS



5th Sunday of Lent 25th & 26th of March



Project Compassion brings together Australian schools, parishes and supporters to raise funds for people in vulnerable communities across the world. This year, we introduced you to the story of four inspiring people whose lives have been transformed with your generous support: Laxmi, Teresa, Priscilla and Thu. Today, they are creating a better world for their families, their communities and for all future generations.



Please donate to Project Compassion 2023.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or by calling 1800 024 413.

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Devotions: Mass, Novena & Benediction- Celebrant: Fr Ted Miller – Monday, 27th March at 6pm.

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

LEGION OF MARY:

During the month of March the Legion of Mary celebrates ACIES (**ANNUAL CONSECRATION INTERIOR EXTERIOR SELF**). This annual renewal is when all Legion of Mary Members renew their commitment to Mary our Mother. All members, if possible, attend this event yearly. This event is held on or around 25th March every year (the feast of the Annunciation, throughout the world). Fremantle Curia ACIES will be held on **26th March, Sunday at 2.00pm** at the Church. Anyone interested is welcome. **Please contact the President Egidio Abreu: 0437 720 358**

HOLY WEEK and EASTER PROGRAM 2023	
Sunday, 2nd April	Palm Sunday
Monday 3rd April 6pm - 8pm	St Jerome's Parish First Rite of Reconciliation
Tuesday, 4th April 7pm	Chrism Mass at the Cathedral
Wednesday, 5th April 6pm – 8pm	St Jerome's Parish First Rite of Reconciliation
Holy Thursday, 6th April 7pm <i>(No morning Mass)</i>	Celebration of the Lord's Supper and washing of the feet. Watching and Praying at the altar of repose until midnight – Fr Barry Whitely Parish Hall
Good Friday, 7th April <i>(A day of fasting & abstinence)</i>	6am Silent Adoration starts 10am Stations of the Cross (Outdoors) 3pm Solemn Liturgy of the Passion Priests will be available for Confession will be available after each service
Holy Saturday, 8th April	Church opens at 6am for silent prayer 9am-12pm First Rite Reconciliation 7PM – SOLEMN EASTER VIGIL – Blessing of fire & water
Easter Sunday, 9th April	Usual Sunday Mass Times (8am, 10am & 6pm)
Easter Monday 10th April 8.30am	Somascan Young Adults Rosary walk at Coogee beach.
Sunday 16th April	Feast of Divine Mercy will be celebrated at 2.15pm . Please bring a plate to share.

THE ARCHBISHOP'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL FOR LIFELINK MESSAGE

On behalf of the Archbishop Costelloe SDB and Auxiliary Bishop Sproxtton, please accept our heartfelt thanks for the amount of **\$6604.00**, donated by St Jerome's parishioners. A total of **\$686,266.12**, was reached in the Archdiocese, through the generous response to this important appeal. Each and every gift will be used to provide compassionate care and support to those in need within the community.

Safeguarding Induction for all Church workers

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has broadened safeguarding to include adults at risk. ALL church workers (volunteers or paid) are to attend a 1-hour safeguarding induction. A church worker is **anyone** in the parish in **any role** – paid or voluntary. This induction provides an overview of the Safeguarding Policies and Procedures, the role of the Parish Safeguarding Officer, and the importance of Safeguarding within the parish.

The upcoming session is as follow: Date: Monday, 27 March 2023 Time: 6.45-7.45 pm
Venue: St Vincent's, 114 Parmelia Ave, Parmelia

Registration: <https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/#induction>
Or phone 9221 7762 to book in.

CHANGES TO PARISH OFFICE STAFF

We give thanks to Sandy Catanzaro for dedicating over 4 years to our Parish as the Parish Secretary and we wish her well on her new adventures. Sandy's last day will be Wednesday 29th March 2023, and everyone is invited to morning tea after the 9am Mass.

Please bring a plate of eats to share.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 25/03/23	6pm	Soul of Laretta Yon Soul of Ken Orr Soul of Caterina Sanginiti Soul of Caterina Radici
Sun 26/03/23	8am	Soul of Elio Boni Soul of Maria Marta Da Silva Soul of Sima Petricevic Soul of Agostinho Pereira Soul of Jorgina Taxeira
	10am	Soul of Tindara Merenda Soul of Antonietta Silvestri Souls of Leonardo Abrusci & Franco Ciccarone Soul of Maria Pasquarelli (1mth anni) Soul of Maria Basilio
	6pm	
Mon 27/03/22	7am	
	9am	
Tues 28/03/23	7am	Souls of Dano & Nina Jelincic
	9am	Soul of Oswald Brice Phillips
Wed 29/03/23	7am	
	9am	Intentions of Freitas & Yukos families Intentions of Sandy Catanzaro & Family
Thurs 30/03/23	7am	
	9am	Soul of Alice Margaret Phillips For the Intercession of St Antonino
Fri 31/03/23	7am	Soul of Nathan De Abreu
	9am	
Sat 01/04/23	9am	Soul of Luke Jose Marcial Intentions of Jose Marcial

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

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.)

PALMS FOR SUNDAY PALMS

If you have your own Palms or olive branches, please bring them along to Palm Sunday Mass, next week. Please ensure that the branches don't have olives on them. Thank You!

Church Cleaners Roster:

1st April 2023 – Group 4: R Palos, G Taag, A Abalos, L Dumapit, J Mercado & M Monzon

8th April 2023 – Group 1: M Marevich, J Srdarov, Z Musulin & L Gligor



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