

# 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 Most Holy Body & Blood of Christ Year A – 11<sup>th</sup> June 2023

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### **FIRST READING:** *Deuteronomy 8:2-3. 14-16*

Moses said to the people: 'Remember how the Lord your God led you for forty years in the wilderness, to humble you, to test you and to know your inmost heart - whether you would keep His commandments or not. He humbled you, He made you feel hunger, He fed you with manna which neither you nor your fathers had known, to make you understand that man does not live on bread alone but that man lives on everything that comes from the mouth of the Lord.

'Do not then forget the Lord your God Who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery: Who guided you through this vast and dreadful wilderness, a land of fiery serpents, scorpions, thirst; who in this waterless place brought you water from the hardest rock; who in this wilderness fed you with manna that your fathers had not known.'

### **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** *Ps 147: R. v. 12*

**R: Praise the Lord, Jerusalem.**

O praise the Lord, Jerusalem!  
Zion, praise your God!  
He has strengthened the bars of your gates,  
He has blessed the children within you. **R**

He established peace on your borders,  
He feeds you with finest wheat.  
He sends out His word to the earth  
And swiftly runs His command. **R**

He makes His word known to Jacob,  
to Israel His laws and decrees.  
He has not dealt thus with other nations;  
He has not taught them His decrees. **R**

### **SECOND READING:** *1 Corinthians 10:16-17*

The blessing-cup that we bless is a communion with the Blood of Christ, and the bread that we break is a communion with the Body of Christ. The fact that there is only one loaf means that, though there are many of us, we form a single body because we all have a share in this one loaf.

### **SEQUENCE:**

Behold the bread of angels,  
Sent for pilgrims in their banishment,  
The bread for God's true children meant,  
That may not unto dogs be given:  
Oft in the olden types foreshowed;  
In Isaac on the altar bowed,  
And in the ancient paschal food,  
And in the manna sent from heaven.

Come then, good shepherd, bread divine,  
Still show to us thy mercy sign;  
Oh, feed us still, still keep us thine;  
So may we see thy glories shine  
In fields of immortality;  
O thou, the wisest, mightiest, best,  
Our present food, our future rest,  
Come, make us each thy chosen guest,  
Co-heirs of thine, and comrades blest  
With saints whose dwelling is with thee.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** *John 6:51*

**Alleluia, Alleluia!**

**I am the Living Bread from heaven, says the Lord; whoever eats this Bread will live for ever.**

**Alleluia!**

### **GOSPEL:** *John 6:51-58*

Jesus said to the Jews:  
'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven.  
Anyone who eats this bread will live for ever; and the bread that I shall give  
is my flesh, for the life of the world.'

Then the Jews started arguing with one another: 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' they said. Jesus replied:

'I tell you most solemnly,  
if you do not eat the flesh of the Son of Man and drink his blood,  
you will not have life in you.  
Anyone who does eat my flesh and drink my blood has eternal life,  
and I shall raise him up on the last day.  
For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink.  
He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood lives in me and I live in him.  
As I, who am sent by the living Father,  
myself draw life from the Father,  
so whoever eats me will draw life from me.  
This is the bread come down from heaven;  
not like the bread our ancestors ate:  
they are dead,  
but anyone who eats this Bread will live for ever.'

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:** Alicia Benn  
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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.*

**ORDINATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD OF DEACON SHELDON BURKE**

Deacon Sheldon Burke will be ordained as a priest on Saturday, 17<sup>th</sup> June Saturday at 11.00am at St Mary's Cathedral, Perth, by The Most Rev. Timothy Costelloe, SDB, Archbishop of Perth. Please remember him in your prayers.

**His First Holy Mass:** 18<sup>th</sup> June, at 11.00am Place: Holy Family Catholic Church, Maddington

**Thanksgiving Mass: 25<sup>th</sup> June at 6pm: St Jerome's Church. Please bring a plate to share for after mass.**

St Jerome's Parish is organising a bus to and from the ordination and the cost will be **\$25 per person.**

Please meet promptly at St Jerome's church parking at 9.30am.

Seats are limited, so please contact the parish office if you would like to make use of this service.

**WHAT'S ON?**

**ATTENTION PARISHIONERS ATTENDING SATURDAY 6PM MASS** – Please note that parking at the church will be impacted because of Ordination Celebration in the Fr Barry Whitely Hall next Saturday. We will make arrangements to accommodate the overflow, so please pay attention to any notices in the parking area.

**SACRAMENT OF FIRST EUCHARIST 2023** - Children of our parish and school will receive their First Holy Communion at the Eucharistic Celebration on Saturday, 24<sup>th</sup> of June at 6pm and Sunday, 25<sup>th</sup> of June at 10am. Please attend one of our other Masses on this weekend, to avoid overcrowding. Let us pray for our new communicants as they deepen their relationship with our Lord Jesus through the reception of His Body.

**THE LEGION OF MARY** meets every **Thursday at 6.30pm** in the Parish Resource Room. Contact: President- Egidio Abreu 0437 720 358

**SOMASCAN MEN'S MINISTRY** meets once a month, on the last Tuesday. **For more information contact Brett Cullen 0429 588 998**

**YOUTH MINISTRY: SOMteens (Grade 6-12)** - Youth Night every Friday from 7pm - 9pm in the Fr Barry Whitely Parish Hall.

Come along for FUN, FOOD and FRIENDSHIP! Email: [somteens.stjeromes@gmail.com](mailto:somteens.stjeromes@gmail.com) Instagram: [somteens.stjeromes](https://www.instagram.com/somteens.stjeromes)

### 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. **If you haven't attended the induction in the last 3 years, please register for the upcoming session.**

**Upcoming sessions of Safeguarding Level 1 Induction for church workers (paid/unpaid) for the month of June:** ·Thursday, 08 June 2023 at 10 am – Online ·Thursday, 08 June 2023 at 7 pm @ Our Lady of Grace, North Beach ·Tuesday, 20 June 2023 at 2 pm - Online ·Thursday, 29 June 2023 at 7 pm @ Sacred Heart, Thornlie to register online please visit:

<https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/#induction> or to book in:

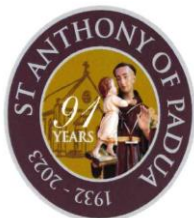
call 92217762

**ST ANTHONY'S ASSOCIATION – WANNEROO** invites All Parishioners to the 91<sup>st</sup> Festival of St Anthony on Sunday 18 June 2023 at St Anthony of Padua Parish, 15 Dundobar Road, Wanneroo.

Celebration of Mass at 11am

Procession commences at 2pm

There will be food and stalls in the Sta Anthony's Primary School grounds between Mass and the Procession.



### MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 10/06/23	6pm	Soul of Ken Orr Soul of Laretta Yon Souls of Antonino & Pasqua Mangano Souls of Charles & Teresa Sweeney Souls of Robert & Irene Pereira
Sun 11/06/23	8am	Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria Souls of Andrija & Madina Bozanic
	10am	Soul of Chris Brown Souls of Virginia Tiscopo & Josep Tiscopo Souls in Purgatory Intentions of Irene & Mario De Abreu & Family
	6pm	Intentions of Carmela
Mon 12/06/22	7am	Soul of Sara Jardim
	9am	Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria
Tues 13/06/23	7am	
	9am	Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria Soul of Joao Batista de Aguiar Soul of Oswald Brice Phillips In Thanksgiving i.h.o. St Anthony of Padua
Wed 14/06/23	7am	
	9am	Intentions of Freitas & Yukos families Intentions of Richard Freitas Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria
Thurs 15/06/23	7am	Soul of John Green
	9am	Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria Soul of Maria & Anton Zuvela
Fri 16/06/23	7am	Souls of Armando & George Correia
	9am	Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria Intentions of Mario Abreu In Thanksgiving i.h.o. the Most Sacred Heart of Jesus
Sat 17/06/23	9am	Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria Soul of José Garces Intentions of Jaimie, Emma, Jack & Max De Abreu In Thanksgiving i.h.o. the Immaculate Heart of Mary

### 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  
& Peter Scanlan

(Please advise the parish office if any of these names need to be removed.)

### **ROSTERS – 17 & 18 JUNE 2023**

**COUNTING: GROUP 2:** T Mollica & P Rotondella

**CLEANING: GROUP 3:** M Palmer, L Odegaard, M De Gois & T Fasolo

## Catholic Archdiocese of Perth - Employment Opportunities

The Catholic Archdiocese of Perth has a number of employment opportunities for suitably qualified persons to join its team and continue the good work of the Church.

For details, refer to <https://www.perthcatholic.org.au/Employment.htm>.

- Advisor, People & Culture – Fixed Term (6 months), 0.8 FTE - 1.0 FTE ([listed on SEEK](#))
- Chief Financial Officer – Permanent, Full-Time ([listed on SEEK](#))
- Coordinator, National Catholic Safeguarding Standards – Fixed Term (6 months), Full-Time
- Coordinator, Vocations Project – Fixed Term (12 Months), Part-Time
- Executive Assistant to the Auxiliary Bishop and Episcopal Vicars – Permanent, Full-Time ([listed on SEEK](#))
- Executive Assistant, Finance and Administration – Permanent, 0.8 – 1.0 FTE ([listed on SEEK](#))
- Manager, Executive Services (Episcopal Services) – Permanent, Full-Time ([listed on SEEK](#))

### Father's Message

Today we celebrate the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus Christ. It is the very 'Source and Summit' of our Christian Life. Jesus makes crystal clear "As I, who am sent by the living Father, myself draw life from the Father, so whoever eats me will draw life from me." In him there is fullness of life. Sacramental Communion, which our people have missed so painfully for many weeks until recently, made us keenly aware of the treasure Jesus gave us.

St. John Paul II writes "Through our communion in his body and blood, Christ also grants us his Spirit. Saint Ephrem writes: "He called the bread his living body and he filled it with himself and his Spirit... He, who eats it with faith, eats Fire and Spirit." (Ecclesia de Eucharistia 17) The Church implores this divine Gift, the source of every other gift, in the Eucharistic epiclesis.

What we receive in Holy Communion, the Holy Spirit, depends on what God wants to give us, and on our disposition to receive it. The more personal is my relationship with Jesus whose body I eat, the more abundant the unlocking of the gifts of the Holy Spirit in me.

"O precious and wonderful banquet that brings us salvation and contains all sweetness! Could anything be of more intrinsic value? Under the old law it was the flesh of calves and goats that was offered, but here Christ himself, the true God, is set before us as our food. What could be more wonderful than this? No other sacrament has greater healing power; through it sins are purged away, virtues are increased, and the soul is enriched with an abundance of every spiritual gift. It is offered in the Church for the living and the dead, so that what was instituted for the salvation of all may be for the benefit of all. Yet, in the end, no one can fully express the sweetness of this sacrament, in which spiritual delight is tasted at its very source, and in which we renew the memory of that surpassing love for us which Christ revealed in his passion." (Divine Office of Corpus Christi)

**Prayer focus: Holy Communion is our most ordinary way to receive the Holy Spirit.**



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