

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"



20th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME (Year A) – 20 August 2023

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FIRST READING: *Isaiah 56:1.6-7*

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest.

Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve Him and to love His Name and be His servants – all who observe the Sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to My Covenant – these I will bring to My holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

The Word of the Lord. R Thanks be to God

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Ps 66 R. v.8*

R: O God, let all the nations praise you.

O God, be gracious and bless us
and let your face shed its light upon us.
So will your ways be known upon earth
and all nations learn your saving help. **R**

Let the nations be glad and exult
for you rule the world with justice.
With fairness you rule the peoples,
You guide the nations on earth. **R**

Let the peoples praise you, O God;
let all the peoples praise you.
May God still give us His blessing
till the ends of the earth revere him. **R**

SECOND READING: *Romans 11:13-15, 29-32*

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts nor revokes his choice. Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now – and only because of the mercy shown to you – will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Mt 4:23*

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL: *Matthew 15:21-28*

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, "Sir, Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil." But He answered her not a word. And His disciples went and pleaded with Him. "Give her what she wants," they said, "because she is shouting after us." He said in reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel." But the woman had come up and was kneeling at His feet. "Lord," she said, "help me." He replied, "It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs." She retorted, "Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table." Then Jesus answered her, "Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted." And from that moment her daughter was well again.

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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ST JEROME'S PARISH STRATEGIC PLAN 2023

Our Parish vision statement: "To be an active faith community centred on Jesus Christ, which unites everyone to build a better world"

Our Mission Statement: "We are a welcoming Parish, which fosters living relationship with Jesus, nurtured through the celebration of the sacraments, prayer and fellowship. St. Jerome's strives to enable parishioners to witness the Gospel's call to evangelise."

The next two weekends will be your final opportunity to place your name down for the Strategic Plan. Please see the sheet in the foyer and place your name in the field that interests you

NO LONGER CARRYING CASH? 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

The 2nd 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.

PARISH LIFE

The Legion of Mary meets every **Thursday at 6.30pm** in the Parish Resource Room. **Contact: President-Egidio Abreu 0437 720 358.**

St Vincent De Paul Society meets fortnightly on **Wednesdays 6.30pm to 7.30pm** in the Magellan Meeting Room. New members are always welcome. **Contact: President – Steve 0488 611190.**

Som-Women's Ministry meets once a month on the **second Wednesday** of the month at 7pm. **For more information contact Joyce Figaro on 0404 086 271**

Somascan Men's Ministry meets once a month, **on the last Tuesday.** **For more information contact Brett Cullen on 0429 588 998**

Youth Ministry: SOMteens (Grade 6-12) - Youth Night on Fridays from 7pm - 9pm in the Fr Barry Whitely 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**



**THE ANNUAL CATHOLIC
APPEAL WILL BE ON THE 2ND
AND 3RD OF SEPTEMBER 2023**

FEAST OF THE BIRTHDAY OF BLESSED VIRGIN MARY - will be celebrated on **Friday, 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 start on Wednesday, 30th August at 7.00pm. The Rosary will be offered for Parish Strategic Plan and private intentions.

**ORDINATION TO THE SACRED
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**Brother Deacon John-Joseph
Martin Leb**

Conferred by his grace the most
Rev. Julian Porteous DD

During the Holy Mass at The
Exaltation of the Holy Cross

**6pm on Thursday, 14th September
2023**

St. Mary's Cathedral, 180
Harrington Street, Hobart

Live stream available at
youtube.com/@ArchdioceseofHobart

Thanksgiving Mass

6pm on Saturday 16th September
St. James Catholic Church, 25 Mary
Street, Cygnet

***RSVP to the Ordination &
Thanksgiving Mass by 10th
September:***

leb@littleeucharisticbrothers.org

**CATHOLIC YOUTH UNITE - RISE UP
AND FOLLOW MARY'S EXAMPLE!**

We are thrilled to continue the
spirit and theme of World Youth
Day by coming together on the 25th
of August 2023 for UNITE. This
event will be a beacon of unity,
where young hearts can connect,
share their faith, and grow
stronger together.

Date: Friday, 25th August 2023

Time: 6:30 pm - 9:30 pm

Tickets: \$12

Venue: University of Notre Dame
Australia - Drill Hall [32 Mouat St,
Fremantle WA 6160]

For more details and to purchase
tickets: unite.cym.com.au

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 19/08/23	6pm	Soul of Ken Orr Soul of Lauretta Yon Souls of Victor & Mary D'Souza
Sun 20/08/23	8am	Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria Soul of Cecilia Loureto Coelho Souls of Antonio & Tindaro Mollica Soul of Damien Alafacis Birthday Int. of Brandon Catalano
	10am	Soul of Adam Faria & Souls in Purgatory Soul of Antonio Paul de Silva Abreu Soul of Cecilia Loureto Coelho Int. & thanksgiving for Mirijana Fistonich Soul of Leonica Padillo Soul of Hermenhilda Padillo Soul of Antonia Minoza
	6pm	Soul of Cecilia Loureto Coelho Soul of Perica Simich Soul of Stipe Simich
Mon 21/08/23	7am	Soul of Adam Faria & Souls in Purgatory
	9am	Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria Soul of Nathan de Abreu Soul of Adam Faria & Souls in Purgatory Soul of Antonio Paul da Silva Abreu
Tues 22/08/23	7am	Soul of Adam Faria & Souls in Purgatory
	9am	Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria Soul of Antonio Paul da Silva Abreu Soul of Adam Faria & Souls in Purgatory
Wed 23/08/23	7am	Soul of Adam Faria & Souls in Purgatory
	9am	Intentions of Freitas & Yukos Families Intentions of Richard & Yuko Freitas Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria Soul of Antonio Paul da Silva Abreu Soul of Adam Faria & Souls in Purgatory Soul of Angela Galati
Thurs 24/08/23	7am	Soul of Adam Faria & Souls in Purgatory Souls of Jorge & Hilario De Oliveira
	9am	Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria Soul of Antonio Paul da Sila Abreu Soul of Adam Faria & Souls in Purgatory
Fri 25/08/23	7am	Soul of Adam Faria & Souls in Purgatory
	9am	Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria Soul of Antonio Paul da Silva Abreu Soul of Adam Faria & Souls in Purgatory Thanksgiving IHO of St Faustina Kowalska
Sat 26/08/23	9am	Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria Soul of Antonio Paul da Silva Abreu Soul of Adam Faria & Souls in Purgatory

SAFEGAURDING PROGRAM

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has broadened safeguarding to include adults at risk. ALL church workers 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.**

To register online please visit:

<https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/#induction>

Or phone 9221 7762 to book in.

When renewing your WWCC online please use the following email address:

spearwood@perthcatholic.org.au

We won't be able to approve your request for renewal if using any other email.

Upcoming sessions is as follows:

Date: Monday, 28 August 2023

Time: 6.30 – 7.30 pm

Venue: St Vincent's, 114 Parmelia Ave, Parmelia

Registration: <https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/traning/#induction>

Or phone 9221 7762 to book in.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING CALENDAR 2023

Available dates have been published for August to December 2023. Most sessions are online. Check this link for dates:

<https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/>

Next Online session: Wednesday, 31st August 2023, 7-8pm



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Stage 11 building programme at St. Jerome's Catholic Primary School

The building work of our Primary school will commence on Monday 28 August. There will be significant changes in the car park and in the church and school campus. Temporary fencing will be erected next week in the areas where construction will take place. The grass car park will house machinery, a construction office, and building supplies for the project. I request your co-operation and support during this process.

Thank you

Abortion Legislation Reform Bill 2023

A petition is active if you want to express opposition and amendments to this bill.

Go to www.parliament.wa.gov.au/Parliament/LCePetitions.nsf/petitions/23-0023 for more details.

The petitioners express the following:

1. Oppose the Abortion Legislation Reform Bill 2023;
2. Note the Bill fails to include four key provisions recently adopted in our neighbouring State of South Australia;
3. Request that, although we oppose the Bill, if it is passed that the Legislative Council insert those four provisions from the Termination of Pregnancy Act 2021 (SA) which mandate medical care for babies born alive after a failed abortion, a ban on sex-selective abortion, a requirement for women to receive information on counselling services and mandatory considerations to be taken into account prior to any late-term abortion;
4. Appeal for the debate on this Bill, whether inside or outside Parliament, to be respectful so that no person is vilified simply because of their pro-life view that the best interests of a child in the womb warrant as much love and compassion as that of their pregnant mother.

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For all your funeral requirements, including information on pre-paid funerals, or female funeral directors please call our Head Office 92315199.

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Cottesloe, Dianella, Fremantle,
Mandurah, Medina, Midland, Perth and
Westminster.*

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ROSTERS- 19 & 20 AUGUST 2023

COUNTING-GROUP 6: K&F Alweyn, S Allen

CLEANING-GROUP 1: M Marevich, J Srdarov, Z Musulin & L Gilgor

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH

Madeline Lombardo, Maria Fernandez, Monica Mendes, Peter Scanlan, Lilian Gabriel & Soly Fernandes