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"



30th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR A – 29 October 2023

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FIRST READING: Exodus 22:20-26

The Lord said to Moses, 'Tell the sons of Israel this, "You must not molest the stranger or oppress him, for you lived as strangers in the land of Egypt. You must not be harsh with the widow, or with the orphan; if you are harsh with them, they will surely cry out to me, and be sure I shall hear their cry; my anger will flare and I shall kill you with the sword, your own wives will be widows, your own children orphans.

"If you lend money to any of my people, to any poor man among you, you must not play the usurer with him: you must not demand interest from him.

"If you take another's cloak as a pledge, you must give it back to him before sunset. It is all the covering he has; it is the cloak he wraps his body in; what else would he sleep in?

If he cries to me, I will listen, for I am full of pity."

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51.R.v.2*

R: I love you, Lord, my strength.

I love you, Lord, my strength, my rock, my fortress, my saviour.
My God is the rock where I take refuge; my shield, my mighty help, my stronghold.
The Lord is worthy of all praise:
When I call I am saved from my foes. R.

Long life to the Lord, my rock!
Praised be the God who saves me.
He has given great victories to his king and shown his love for his anointed. R

SECOND READING: St Paul to Thessalonians 1:5-10

You observed the sort of life we lived when we were with you, which was for your instruction, and you were led to become imitators of us, and of the Lord; and it was with the joy of the Holy Spirit that you took to the gospel, in spite of the great opposition all round you.

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This has made you the great example to all believers in Macedonia and Achaia since it was from you that the word of the Lord started to spread – and not only throughout Macedonia and Achaia, for the news of your faith in God has spread everywhere. We do not need to tell other people about it: other people tell us how we started the work among you, how you broke with idolatry when you were converted to God and became servants of the real, living God; and how you are now waiting for Jesus, his Son, whom he raised from the dead, to come from heaven to save us from the retribution which is coming.

The Word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Jn 14:23

Alleluia, Alleluia!
All who love me will keep my words,
And my Father will love them and we will come to
them.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL: Matthew 22:34-40

When the Pharisees heard that Jesus had silenced the Sadducees they got together and, to disconcert him, one of them put a question, 'Master, which is the greatest commandment of the Law?' Jesus said, 'You must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second resembles it: you must love your neighbour as yourself. On these two commandments hang the whole Law, and the Prophets also.'

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 E: spearwood@perthcatholic.org.au

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ST JEROME'S PARISH STRATEGIC PLAN 2023

<u>Our Mission Statement:</u> "We are a welcoming Parish, which fosters a 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 six areas of the strategic plan are: Worship & Liturgy, Evangelisation/Outreach, Faith Formation, Fellowship, Communication, and Finance/Administration.

A brainstorming session to discuss these areas will be held on Saturday 18th of November from 10am to 12pm.

If you would like to attend, please RSVP to: spearwood@perthcatholic.org.au

DONATIONS TO OUR PARISH CAN BE MADE BY EFT OR DIRECTLY DEPOSITED INTO:

The 1st collection (for the support of priest in our Parish & in the Archdiocese)

Account Name: R.C.A of Perth St Jerome's 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 Jerome's Parish Spearwood

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

PARISH LIFE



To mark the end of October, the month of the Holy Rosary. A Public Rosary will take place at Woodman Point Park (Nyyerbup Cir. Near Kiosk) on Sunday 29th October at 3.00pm. Please bring your own picnic chair or blanket.

Somascan Men's Ministry will meet this Tuesday, 31st October 2023. *For more information contact Brett Cullen on 0429 588 998*

The Feast of All Souls – 2nd November 2023 - To commemorate the departed souls of our dear ones, Mass will be celebrated at 7.00am, 9.00am & 7.00pm

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

The Emiliani Intercessors for Renewal will meet on *Friday the 3rd of November 2023 at 6pm* to pray for our parish, families and personal renewal of our Church back to the holiness of apostolic times, together with offering intercessory prayers for specific needs and requests within our parish community.

St Vincent De Paul Society meet on the first and third **Wednesday of the month - 6.30pm to 7.30pm** in the Parish Resource Room. New members are always welcome. *Contact: President – Steve 0488 611 190*.

Divine Mercy Devotions will be held on Sunday the 5th of November at 2.15pm.

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**

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

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

NOVEMBER - MONTH OF PRAYER FOR THE DECEASED FAITHFUL -INDULGENCE EXPLAINED

The month of November is dedicated to the Holy Souls in Purgatory. The Church commemorates all her faithful children who have departed from this life. The Church has always taught us to pray for those who have gone into eternity. Please do ask for the Mass to be offered for your dear ones who have passed from this life, and do not let concerns of offerings hold you back. Do let us know.

One can gain a plenary indulgence visiting a cemetery each day between November 1 and November 8, along with prayer, sacramental confession and communion within 2 weeks. These indulgences are applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory.

A plenary indulgence, again applicable only to the Souls in Purgatory, is also granted when the faithful piously visit a church or a public oratory on November 2. In visiting the church or oratory, it is required, that one Our Father and the Creed be recited.

A partial indulgence, applicable only to the souls in purgatory, can be obtained when the Eternal Rest (Requiem aeternam) is prayed. This is a good prayer to recite especially during the month of November:

Eternal rest grant to them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.



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MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 28/10/23 6pm Soul of Antonio Fernandes Correia Soul of Ken Orr Soul of Lauretta Yon **Soul of Angela Pereira** Soul of Barbara Illingsworth **Souls in Purgatory** Souls of Henrico & Luc Antoine Louis Souls of Xavier Alexandre & Andre Figaro **Soul of Robert Hurrunghee** Sun 29/10/23 8am Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria **Soul of Vitorino Nunes** Soul of Elio Boni Wedding anni. of Tino & Divya 10am Soul of Antonio Paul Da Silva Abreu **Soul of Tindara Merenda** For safe travels for Robert IHO Sts. Michael, **Gabriel & Rafael** Souls of Dario, Amelia, Rita, Pia, Albert & **Domenic Crudeli** Soul of Brian Gallagher **Soul of Abel Rodrigues** Int. of Rodrigues Family **Soul of Antonio Fernades Correia** 6pm Soul of Maria Taddeo Soul of Rosario Ingrilli All souls in Purgatory Mon 30/10/23 7am **Soul of Antonio Fernandes Correia** Soul of Jack Nicholson Birthday int. of Eve Rose C. Lawton 9am Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria Soul of Joseph Doanh Soul of Robert Williamson Int. of Elspeth Taimre Tues 31/10/23 7am **Soul of Antonio Fernandes Correia** Good health of baby Evan IHO St Gerard Majella & St Anne 9am Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria **Soul of Tony Loreto** Soul of Michael Mioln Wed 01/11/23 7am **Soul of Antonio Fernandes Correia** 9am **Intentions of Freitas & Yukos Families Intentions of Richard & Yuko Freitas** Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria Birthday int. of Edita Phillips Souls of Adam & Lourdes Thurs 02/11/23 7am **Soul of Antonio Fernandes Correia** Departed Souls 9am Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria Souls of Andrew De Sousa & Connie Rebelo Souls of Jose & Conceicao De Sousa Soul of Antonio Coelho **Soul of Alice Margaret Phillips** Fri 03/11/23 7am **Soul of Antonio Fernandes Correia** Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria 9am Sat 04/11/23 9am Souls of Conceicao Afonseca & Agostinho Faria



Reach out. Give life. THANK YOU FROM CATHOLIC MISSION

The amount donated by the **Spearwood** Parish for the 2023 Appeal was **\$2,019**. Thank you for your generous response to this year's Catholic Mission Appeal which will go towards helping our medical missionaries in East Timor to provide life-saving healthcare to the vulnerable.

Please contact Francis Leong on 6234 1760 or at <u>director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au</u> if you are keen to participate in God's mission by helping to promote the work of Catholic Mission and the vision of Pope Francis as a parish volunteer, or by leaving a bequest.

SAFEGUARDING INDUCTION FOR ALL CHURCH WORKERS

ALL church workers (volunteers or paid) are to attend a 1-hour safeguarding induction. A church worker is anyone in the Archdiocese in any role – paid or voluntary.

Please register for the upcoming session if you haven't attended the induction in the last 3 years.

The upcoming session is as follow: -

Date: Thursday, 23 November 2023

Time: 7-8 pm

Venue: Christ the King Church, 59 Leroy Road, Beaconsfield

Registration:

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

Or phone 9221 7762 to book in.

PRAYER FOR PEACE

God of mercy and compassion,
of grace and reconciliation,
pour your power upon all your children in the Middle East:
Jews, Muslims and Christians,
Palestinians and Israelis.

Let hatred be turned into love, fear to trust, despair to hope, oppression to freedom, occupation to liberation, that violent encounters may be replaced by loving embraces, and peace and justice could be experienced by all.

God of all creation, bring justice and peace to our world.

Teach us to be peacemakers. Guide us in our pursuit of justice and the common good. Inspire us to welcome all, forgive all, and love all. Direct us as we walk in the shadow of Jesus: the Way, the Truth, and the Life. Inspire us to perceive the world through your eyes, that we might find hope and joy each day, supportive of each other, for the sake of your Kingdom.

Amen.

(Pope Francis)

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COUNTING GROUP 4: Perna Family

CLEANING GROUP 3: M Palmer, Lyn Odegaard & T Fasolo