

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"



31st SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME YEAR A – 5th November 2023

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FIRST READING: *Malachi 1:14-2:2, 8-10*

I am a great king, says the Lord of hosts, and my name is feared throughout the nations. And now, priests, this warning is for you. If you do not listen, if you do not find it in your heart to glorify my name, says the Lord of hosts, I will send the curse on you and curse your very blessing. You have strayed from the way; you have caused many to stumble by your teaching. You have destroyed the covenant of Levi, says the Lord of hosts. And so I in my turn have made you contemptible and vile in the eyes of the whole people in repayment for the way you have not kept to my paths but have shown partiality in your administration.

Have we not all one Father? Did not one God create us? Why, then, do we break faith with one another, profaning the covenant of our ancestors?

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: *Mt 23:9, 10*

R: In you, Lord, I have found my peace.

O Lord, my heart is not proud
nor haughty my eyes.

I have not gone after things too great
nor marvels beyond me. **R.**

Truly I have set my soul in silence and peace.

A weaned child on its mother's breasts,
even so is my soul. **R.**

O Israel, hope in the Lord
both now and for ever. **R.**

SECOND READING: *St Paul to Thessalonians 2:7-9, 13*

Like a mother feeding and looking after her own children, we felt so devoted and protective towards you, and had come to love you so much, that we were eager to hand over to you not only the Good News but our whole lives as well. Let me remind you, brothers, how hard we used to work, slaving night and day so as not to be a burden on any one of you while we were proclaiming God's Good News to you.

Another reason why we constantly thank God for you is that as soon as you heard the message that we brought you as God's message, you accepted it for what it really is, God's message and not some human thinking; and it is still a living power among you who believe it.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Mt 23:9, 10*

Alleluia, Alleluia!

You have one Father, your Father in heaven;

You have one teacher: the Lord Jesus Christ. Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

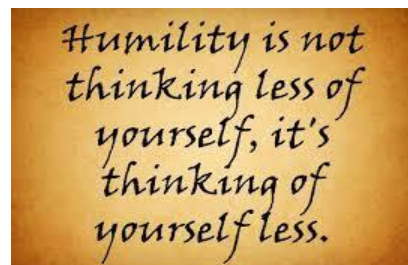
Matthew 23:1-12

Addressing the people and his disciples Jesus said, 'The scribes and the Pharisees occupy the chair of Moses. You must therefore do what they tell you and listen to what they say; but do not be guided by what they do: since they do not practise what they preach. They tie up heavy burdens and lay them on men's shoulders, but will they lift a finger to move them? Not they! Everything they do is done to attract attention, like wearing broader phylacteries and longer tassels, like wanting to take the place of honour at banquets and the front seats in the synagogues, being greeted obsequiously in the market squares and having people call them Rabbi.

'You however, must not allow yourselves to be called Rabbi, since you have only one Master, and you are all brothers. You must call no one on earth your father, since you have only one Father, and he is in heaven. Nor must you allow yourselves to be called teachers, for you have only one Teacher, the Christ. The greatest among you must be your servant. Anyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and anyone who humbles himself will be exalted.

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 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)

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The 2nd collection (for the running of our Parish)

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

ST JEROME'S PARISH STRATEGIC PLAN 2023

Our Mission Statement: "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 PROPOSED SIX AREAS OF THE STRATEGIC PLAN ARE:

- Worship & Liturgy Evangelisation
- Outreach
- Faith Formation
- Fellowship
- Communication
- 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

PARISH LIFE

Grandparent's whole school mass on Friday the 10th of November at 9am

Som-Women's Ministry meet this Wednesday, 8 November 2023 at 7pm. For more information contact Joyce Figaro on 0404 086 271.

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

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.**

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](https://www.instagram.com/somteens.stjeromes)

Somascan Men's Ministry meet on the last Tuesday of the month. For more information contact Brett Cullen on 0429 588 998

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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PRIMARY SCHOOL

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MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 04/11/23	6pm	Soul of Rafael Aguilera Soul of Jack Dunno Souls of Dragia & Marko Brnada Soul of Antonio Fernandes Correia Soul of Ken Orr Soul of Laretta Yon
Sun 05/11/23	8am	Souls of Adam & Lourdes Faria Soul of Rodney Eades All deceased family members of Joachim Dos Reis Souls of Jorge and Fernando Dos Reis Soul of Ivo Pavicic
	10am	Soul of Antonio Paul Da Silva Abreu Soul of Giuseppe Sticca Souls of Adam & Lourdes Faria Souls in Purgatory Soul of Cesar Ralar Birthday int. of Christina Camacho Soul of Johnny Banovich
	6pm	Int. of Luke Int. of Zac Biasucci
Mon 06/11/23	7am	Souls of Adam & Lourdes Faria
	9am	Souls in Purgatory Souls of Adam & Lourdes Faria Soul of Josefina Beatriz de Jesus Soul of Fr David Thexeira
Tues 07/11/23	7am	
	9am	Souls of Adam & Lourdes Faria Souls in Purgatory
Wed 08/11/23	7am	
	9am	Intentions of Freitas & Yukos Families Intentions of Richard & Yuko Freitas Birthday int. of Katie Hughes Souls of Adam & Lourdes Faria Souls in Purgatory Thanksgiving IHO God the Holy Spirit for Jason Soul of Johnny Banovich
Thurs 09/11/23	7am	
	9am	Souls of Adam & Lourdes Faria Souls in Purgatory Thanksgiving for the life of Andy Ullaga
Fri 10/11/23	7am	
	9am	Souls in Purgatory Souls of Adam & Lourdes Faria Soul of Nasare Camacho Int. of Francisco Camacho
Sat 11/11/23	9am	Souls in Purgatory Souls of Adam & Lourdes Faria Soul of Mario de Abreu Good health of Goronka Markotich

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Maria Fernandez, Monica Mendes
& Peter Scanlan



SAVE THE DATE

The annual **BUSY BEE** to clean and prepare the church for the Advent and Christmas Seasons is scheduled for the week of **Monday, the 20th to Saturday 25th November.**

A list of jobs will be placed in the foyer and volunteers may choose a task, day and time that is convenient to them. Our aim is to get as many families as possible to come along and help, so that we can finish the allotted tasks over the week.



THE **ARCHBISHOP'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL FOR LIKELINK** will be held next weekend on **11th & 12th of November 2023.** Please collect your copy of Archbishop Costelloe's personal letter at Mass this weekend, read his message and give generously to support the valuable work of our Archdiocesan social service agencies.

You may mail your donation directly in the reply-paid envelope provided or return your envelope & donation for a Special Collection which will be held at Mass next weekend.

You may also donate (securely) online by credit card at www.lifelink.com.au

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.*

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ROSTERS – 11 & 12 NOVEMBER 2023

COUNTING GROUP 3: P Pereira & L Nella

CLEANING GROUP 4: R Palos, G Taag, A Abalos, L Dumapit, J Mercado & M Monzon