

ST JEROME'S CATHOLIC PARISH

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OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE YR A – 26th November 2023

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FIRST READING:

Ezekiel 34:11-12, 15-17

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest – it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them. As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 22:1-3,5-6.R.v.1

**R: The Lord is my shepherd;
there is nothing I shall want.**

The Lord is my shepherd;
There is nothing I shall want.
Fresh and green are the pastures
where he gives me repose. **R**

Near restful waters he leads me,
to revive my drooping spirit.
He guides me along the right path;
He is true to his name. **R**

You have prepared a banquet for me
in the sight of my foes.
My head you have anointed with oil;
my cup is overflowing. **R**

Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me
all the days of my life.
In the Lord's own house shall I dwell
for ever and ever. **R**

SECOND READING

St. Paul to the Corinthians 15:20-26, 28

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him.

After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty, authority and power. For he must be king until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Mk 11:9, 10

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!

Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

Matthew 25:31-46

Jesus said to His disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in His glory, escorted by all the angels, then He will take His seat on His throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before Him and He will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on His right hand and the goats on His left. Then the King will say to those on His right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome, naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next He will say to those on His left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food; I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then He will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.'

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

PARISH LIFE

Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Devotions – Mass, Novena & Benediction Monday, 27th November 6.00pm. We will be celebrating the Feast Day of Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal – Celebrant: Fr Ted Miller (Refreshments will be served after mass.)

Somascan Men's Ministry meet this Tuesday, the 27th of November 2023. *For more information contact Brett Cullen on 0429 588 998*

The Emiliani Intercessors for Renewal will meet on *Friday, 1st of December 2023 at 6pm* to pray together with Our Blessed Mother for 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.

Divine Mercy Devotion next Sunday 3rd of December at 2.15pm

Som-Women's Ministry meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month 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)

Parish Christmas Morning Tea- Sunday the 10th of December after 10am Mass. Come together as a family to celebrate the birth of Jesus Christ, The Saviour of the world. Please bring a plate to share.

Christmas Eve Family Mass- will be a family mass where the children perform the Nativity Play before the 6pm mass. If your children would like to participate in the play, the first meeting will be held on 2 Dec at 10am in the Parish Hall.

St Lucy's Feast Day (Festa solenne di Santa Lucia)

In preparation of the Feast Day the Triduum will be on–

Wednesday 13th December 2023, 7.00pm Confession and 7.30pm Mass

Thursday 14th December 2023, 7.00pm Confession and 7.30pm Mass

Friday 15th December 2023, 7.00pm Confession and 7.30pm Mass

Sunday 17th December 2023, 2.00pm Mass and 3.15pm the procession and benediction followed by refreshments

Advent and Christmas Program – 2023

Date and Time	Events
30 Nov, 7 Dec, 14 Dec & 21 Dec @ 7. 30pm	Advent Refelection
03 Dec 2023	1 st Sunday of Advent Year B
10 Dec after 10.00am Mass	Parish Christmas Morning Tea
16-24 Dec at 5.30 am	Missa do Galo (Portuguese Traditional Mass)
21 & 22 Dec 6.00pm-8.00pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation
23 rd Dec- Sat 10.00-12.00 & 5.00-5.30pm	Sacrament of Reconciliation
24 th Dec- Sunday @ 8.00 and 10.00 am	4 th Sunday of Advent (Sunday Obligation Mass)
24 th Dec- Sunday @ 6.00pm	Family Mass (Christmas Mass)
24 th Dec- Sunday @ 8.00pm	Christmas Vigil Mass
24 th Dec- Midnight @ 12.00am	Christmas Midnight Mass
25 th Dec- Monday @ 8.00&10.00am	Christmas Day Mass
<u>NO 6.00PM MASS ON CHRISTMAS DAY</u>	
28 Dec at 9.00am -Parish Pilgrimage to Schoenstatt Shrine, Armadale 9 Talus Dr, Mount Richon WA 6112	
28 Dec- Thursday @ 7.00am and 9.00am	Feast of Holy Innocents (Blessing of children after the Masses)
31 Dec- Sunday @ 11.00pm	Thanksgiving Holy Hour
31 Dec- Sunday 12.00 Midnight	New Year's Eve Mass
01 Jan 2024- Monday @ 7.00 & 9.00am	New Year
All other days the Masses are as usual 7.00am and 9.00am	

SAVE THE DATE FOR AN ADVENT EVENT ON MODERN SLAVERY

Almost 50 million people are experiencing modern slavery in our world today. Did you know *Modern Slavery* can be hidden in parish & school supply chains as *forced labour*? We can mitigate the risk of contributing to forced labour by adopting ethical purchasing behaviours.

To find out more about this and participate in the Parish Modern Slavery Initiative contact wacmro@perthcatholic.org.au.

In partnership with Catholic Mission, the WA Catholic Migrant & Refugee Office and the University of Notre Dame Australia, the Redemptorist Monastery is hosting the Advent Reflection on Modern Slavery in Word and Music at 7pm on Saturday 2nd December 2023. Please save the date for your family, friends & colleagues to experience this premier sacred music Advent concert in the Perth Archdiocese. For more information contact director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au.

CHRISTMAS IS THE SEASON OF GIVING.

PRISON OUTCARE REQUIRES OUR SUPPORT

It's that time of the year again and we appeal for gifts for the children of those who are in prison. Gifts for children from Infancy to 15 years are welcome, e.g., baby clothes, baby blankets, books, bath toys, blocks, paints, play dough, wooden jigsaw puzzles, dolls, cars, balls of any kind, tea sets, cricket sets, beach towels, action figures, card games, diaries, pencils/pens, toiletries, hair accessories, movie passes or gift vouchers. Please supply batteries for battery operated gifts. **Please do not wrap presents.** Donations of wrapping paper would also be appreciated. Please place your gift in the box in the foyer by the 10th of December 2023.

Advent Reflection Program

Advent is the start of the new Liturgical year and a four-week period of preparation for the nativity of Jesus Christ at Christmas. The Advent season is all about reflecting on how we can prepare our hearts for Christ's birth.

Join us on Thursday evenings at 7.30pm to 9.00pm in The Barry Whitely Parish Hall (**30 Nov, 7 Dec, 14 Dec & 21 Dec**) to reflect on the coming Sunday Liturgy. We will Watch, Prepare, Rejoice, and Behold with Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love.

Please call Judy on 0437958342 for more information.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Maria Fernandez, Monica Mendes,
Peter Scanlan
& Vickie Visaggio

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 25/11/23	6pm	Soul of Ken Orr Soul of Lauretta Yon Souls in Purgatory (Good Heart Group) Souls of Maria & Sergio Del Rosso Int. of Max Ross Souls of Maria & Sergio De Ceglie
Sun 26/11/23	8am	Souls in Purgatory (Good Heart Group) Intentions of Vickie Visaggio Birthday int. of Daniel Barlow Soul of Elio Boni Soul of Mary Camer Pesci
	10am	Souls of Adam & Lourdes Faria Soul of Antonio Paul Da Silva Soul of Tindara Merenda Soul of Joselfisa Beatriz De Jesus
	6pm	Souls of Jerolima, Frana, Petar Oreb Soul of Marko Donierkovich Soul of Jelica Bacich
Mon 27/11/23	7am	Souls in Purgatory (Good Heart Group) Soul of Manuel Rodrigues Coelho
	9am	Souls of Adam & Lourdes Faria Soul of Antonio Paulo Da Silva Abreu Souls of Jose & Maria Da Silva Abreu Soul of Antonio Correia Soul of Isabel de Jesus Soul of Ugenio de Jesus Abreu
Tues 28/11/23	7am	Souls in Purgatory (Good Heart Group)
	9am	Souls of Adam & Lourdes Faria Birthday int. of Breanna Abreu Birthday Int. of Chris Sparkes Thanksgiving IHO St Catherine Labourei
Wed 29/11/23	7am	Souls in Purgatory (Good Heart Group) Soul of Laurel Pepper (B. Day Anni.) Souls of Danko & Ivo Jelincic Souls in Purgatory
	9am	Int. of Freitas & Yukos Families Int. of Richard & Yuko Family Souls of Adam & Lourdes Faria B. Day Int. of Linda Coelho
Thurs 30/11/23	7am	Souls in Purgatory (Good Heart Group) Soul of Michelle Pereira (Heavenly B. Day) Soul of Nazare Da Conccicao (Heavenly B. Day)
	9am	Souls of Adam & Lourdes Faria Souls in Purgatory Soul of Michelle Pereira (Heavenly B. Day) Soul of Nazare Da Conccicao (Heavenly B. Day)
Fri 01/12/23	7am	Soul of Mario De Abreu
	9am	Souls in Purgatory (Good Heart Group) Soul of Antonio Rodrigues Loreto (Jnr)
Sat 02/12/23	9am	Souls in Purgatory (Good Heart Group) Soul of Cecilia Loreto Coelho Soul of Virgilio Loreto Soul of Mario De Abreu

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Recently Deceased

The late Mr Desmond Patrick O'Brien, whose funeral will be held on Dec 6 at 1pm at St Jerome's Parish.