

# 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"



## 23<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YR B – 8<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2024

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### FIRST READING:

*Isaiah 35:4-7*

Say to all faint hearts,  
'Courage! Do not be afraid.  
'Look, your God is coming, vengeance is coming,  
the retribution of God;  
He is coming to save you.'  
Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened,  
the ears of the deaf unsealed,  
then the lame shall leap like a deer  
and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy;  
for water gushes in the desert,  
streams in the wasteland,  
the scorched earth becomes a lake,  
the parched land springs of water.

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

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

*Ps 145 R. v. 1*

**R: Praise the Lord, my soul!**

It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever,  
who is just to those who are oppressed.  
It is He who gives bread to the hungry,  
the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **R.**

It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind,  
who raises up those who are bowed down,  
the Lord who loves the just,  
the Lord, who protects the stranger. **R.**

The Lord upholds the widow and orphan,  
but thwarts the path of the wicked.  
The Lord will reign for ever,  
Zion's God from age to age. **R.**

### SECOND READING:

*James 2:1-5*

My brothers do not try to combine faith in Jesus Christ,  
our glorified Lord, with the making of distinctions  
between classes of people. Now suppose a man comes  
into your synagogue, beautifully dressed and with a  
gold ring on,

and at the same time a poor man comes in, in shabby  
clothes, and you take notice of the well-dressed man,  
and say, 'Come this way to the best seats';  
then you tell the poor man, 'Stand over there' or 'You  
can sit on the floor by my foot-rest.' Can't you see that  
you have used two different standards in your mind,  
and turned yourselves into judges, and corrupt judges  
at that?

Listen, my dear brothers: it was those who are poor  
according to the world that God chose, to be rich in faith  
and to be the heirs to the kingdom which He promised  
to those who love Him.

The Word of the Lord. **R. 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:

*Mark 7:31-37*

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way  
of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, right through the  
Decapolis region. And they brought Him a deaf man  
who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked  
Him to lay His hand on him. He took him aside in private,  
away from the crowd, put His fingers into the man's ears  
and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to  
heaven He sighed; and He said to him, 'Ephphatha', that  
is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the  
ligament of his tongue was loosened, and he spoke  
clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it,  
but the more He insisted, the more widely they  
published it. Their admiration was unbounded, 'He has  
done all things well,' they said, 'He makes the deaf hear  
and the dumb speak.'

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 9.30 – 10.30am and  
5pm -5.30pm  
Or on Request at any time  
**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** Tuesday to Friday 9am to 2.30pm

**PARISH SECRETARY:** Alicia Benn (Tuesdays & Thursdays)  
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## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT:

St Jerome's Parish is 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 evangelize.

## PARISH LIFE

**Sacrament of Confirmation 2024** - The children of our Parish and School Community will receive the Sacrament of Confirmation **on Saturday, the 14<sup>th</sup> of September, 6pm Mass and on Sunday, the 15<sup>th</sup> of September, 10am Mass.** Please pray for them, that they may be inspired by the Holy Spirit and remain faithful followers of Our Lord Jesus.

**Whole School Mass-** Our school community will celebrate St Jerome's Feast on **Friday the 20<sup>th</sup> of September at the 9am mass.**

**Filipino mass** will be celebrated in our parish, on Saturday, the 21<sup>st</sup> of September at 3pm in honour of Our Lady of Penafrancia. Novena will be held in our parish from the 13<sup>th</sup> to the 20<sup>th</sup> of September at 7pm.

**ST JEROME'S FEAST DAY** - The Feast of our Patron, St Jerome (Doctor of the Church) will be celebrated on **Sunday, the 29<sup>th</sup> of September** at the 10am Mass, followed by a community lunch in the parish hall.

**SOM-Women's Ministry** – meet this Wednesday, the 11<sup>th</sup> of September at 7pm. *For more information contact Joyce Figaro on 0404 086 271.*

**Parish Maintenance update** - Due the generosity of a benefactor, our parish is able to have our church pews refurbished. Commencing the second week of September, the pews will be removed in sections (5 at a time). This may cause some inconvenience, but please bear with us over the next 10 months, as this major project is tackled.

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

**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help** will be held every Saturday at 5.30pm.

**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](mailto:somteens.stjeromes@gmail.com) Instagram: [somteens.stjeromes](https://www.instagram.com/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 Gathering after the Sunday 6pm Mass in the St Lucy Room (parish hall).

**Somascan Men's Ministry** meet on the last Tuesday of the month at 7pm. *For more information contact Brett Cullen on 0429588 998.*

### **NO LONGER CARRYING CASH? 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

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*"Every conversation matters"*

**SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY  
8 SEPTEMBER 2024**



The Parish of St Jerome's and the Archdiocese of Perth are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community.

Mindful of the theme for National Child Protection Week, may we work to create safe spaces where we can have meaningful conversations with children and adults at risk about their safety.

You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at:  
<https://www.catholic.au/s/article/Safeguarding-Sunday-2024>

### **WBC24 Family Conference and Special Event with Dr. John Bergsma - Just 1 Week Away!**

Evangelisation Australia and Catholic Youth Ministry (CYM) Perth invite you to the WBC24 Family Conference, a transformative retreat for individuals and families of all ages. Taking place from 12-14 September 2024, this three-day event is centered on the theme "Beloved: We love, because he first loved us" (1 John 4:19).

Participants will have the opportunity to explore God's boundless love and discover their unique calling through an exceptional lineup of speakers including Dr. John Bergsma, Simon and Madeline Carrington, and Fr. Christian Irdi.

The conference offers a grace-filled program featuring daily Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Confession, and the Liturgy of the Hours. A

highlight will be the Family Consecration Ceremony, providing families a beautiful opportunity to dedicate themselves to the Holy Family. Whether you're single, dating, engaged, married, or discerning your vocation, WBC24 offers valuable insights for your faith journey.

As an exciting addition, we're hosting a special event with Dr. John Bergsma on Friday, September 13, from 9:30 AM to 1:00 PM at Sacred Heart Highgate. Entitled "Sacred Text and Spiritual Time," Dr. Bergsma, the world's leading authority on Biblical Jubilee, will speak on Scripture, Prayer, and the Jubilee Year. This session is particularly timely as we prepare for the 2025 Jubilee Year declared by Pope Francis.

Don't miss these incredible opportunities to deepen your faith!  
Register for the WBC24 Family Conference at [www.evangelisationaustralia.com/events](http://www.evangelisationaustralia.com/events). For information and registration for Dr. Bergsma's special event, visit <https://bit.ly/bergsma2024>

**ST JEROME'S CATHOLIC PARISH**  
*Children's Liturgy*  
**EVERY SUNDAY AT 10AM**  
What we do:  
✔ Learn about the Gospel  
✔ Learn new songs and play games  
✔ Make new friends  
**JOIN US ON SUNDAYS AT 10AM**  
St Lucy Room  
If you have any questions call the parish on 08 9418 1229

### **Are you a budding florist?**

Would you like to make a contribution to the parish by assisting with the floral arrangements? Training will be provided. **Please contact the parish office for further details.**

Anyone removing flowers from the church, please do not discard any of the plastic trays, as they are re-used.

## MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 07/09/24	6pm	Soul of Ken Orr Soul of Laretta Yon Soul of Antonio Paul Da Silva Abreu Soul of Tom Callaghan Souls of Carlo & Ada Monaco Soul of Alberto Travia Soul of Natividad Green Soul of Angela Rodrigues Loreto (offered by members of Our Lady of The Mount)
Sun 08/09/24	8am	Soul of Andrew De Sousa Souls of Manuel & Rita Aguiar Soul of Jose Humberto Aguiar Soul of Joao Vasco Aguiar Souls of Antonino & Tindaro Mollica Forgotten souls in Purgatory Souls in Purgatory Intentions of Gilda & Emanuel De Oliveira & family
	10am	Thanksgiving to God for Our Blessed Virgin Mary our mother Thanksgiving I.H.O Mother Mary Souls of Carlo & Ada Monaco Soul of Oswald Brice Phillips Soul of Romelo Viti Soul of Blecy Cajes Soul of Haydee Inting Soul of Ante Curavich
	6pm	Thanksgiving I.H.O Our Lady on her birthday Soul of Angela Rodrigues Loreto (offered by members of Our Lady of The Mount)
Mon 09/09/24	7am 9am	Soul of Maria Fatima Garces Souls of Marciel family Souls in Purgatory Souls of Cecilia & Antonio Coelho
Tue 10/09/24	7am 9am	Int. of Milija Bobanac Int. of Jose Manuel Marciel For peace in the world Souls of Cecilia & Antonio Coelho
Wed 11/09/24	7am 9am	Soul of Mario De Abreu (1 <sup>st</sup> year anni.) Intentions of Freitas & Yukos Families Intentions of Richard & Yuko Freitas Souls of Cecilia & Antonio Coelho
Thurs 12/09/24	7am 9am	Soul of Sara Jardim Soul of Alcino Andrade Souls of Vincenza & Giacomo Monastra Soul of Antonio Ferrinda
Fri 13/09/24	7am 9am	Soul of Ashley Sinclair
Sat 14/09/24	9am	

### **PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:**

Maria Fernandez, Monica Mendes, Peter Scanlan, Christina Herbert & Maria de Pinto

### **RECENTLY DECEASED-R.I.P.**

**Angela Rodrigues Loreto** - Viewing & Rosary on the 17<sup>th</sup> of September at 6.30pm, Funeral Mass on the 18<sup>th</sup> of September at 1pm



**ST JEROME'S**  
PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## **ROSTERS - 14/15 SEPT 2024**

### **COUNTING- GROUP 1:**

N Benn, D Benn & B Benn

### **CLEANING- GROUP 1:**

M. Marevich, Z. Musulin, L. Gligor,

I. Babic & Neda