

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"



6th SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR C – 16th FEBRUARY 2025

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FIRST READING:

Jeremiah 17:5-8

The Lord says this:

'A curse on the man who puts his trust in man, who relies on things of flesh, whose heart turns from the Lord. He is like dry scrub in the wastelands: if good comes, he has no eyes for it, he settles in the parched places of the wilderness, a salt land, uninhabited.'

'A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord, with the Lord for his hope. He is like a tree by the waterside that thrusts its roots to the stream: when the heat comes it feels no alarm, its foliage stays green; it has no worries in a year of drought, and never ceases to bear fruit.'

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

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 1:1-4 R. Ps 39:5

R: Happy are they who hope in the Lord.

Happy indeed is the man
who follows not the counsel of the wicked;
nor lingers in the way of sinners
nor sits in the company of scorners,
but whose delight is the law of the Lord
and who ponders His law day and night. **R**

He is like a tree that is planted
beside the flowing waters,
that yields its fruit in due season
and whose leaves shall never fade;
and all that he does shall prosper. **R**

Not so are the wicked, not so!
For they like winnowed chaff
shall be driven away by the wind.
For the Lord guards the way of the just
but the way of the wicked leads to doom. **R**

SECOND READING:

1 Corinthians 15: 12, 16-20

If Christ raised from the dead is what has been preached, how can some of you be saying that there is no resurrection of the dead? For if the dead are not raised, Christ has not been raised, and if Christ has not been raised, you are still in your sins. And what is more serious, all who have died in Christ have perished.

If our hope in Christ has been for this life only, we are the most unfortunate of all people, But Christ has in fact been raised from the dead, the first fruits of all who have fallen asleep.

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

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Lk 6:23

Alleluia, alleluia!
Rejoice and be glad;
Your reward will be great in Heaven.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL:

Luke 6:17, 20-26

Jesus came down with the Twelve and stopped at a piece of level ground where there was a large gathering of His disciples with a great crowd of people from all parts of Judaea and from Jerusalem and from the coastal region of Tyre and Sidon who had come to hear Him and to be cured of their diseases.

Then fixing His eyes on His disciples He said:

'How happy are you who are poor;
yours is the kingdom of God.

Happy you who are hungry now:
you shall be satisfied.

Happy you who weep now: you shall laugh.

'Happy are you when people hate you, drive you out, abuse you, denounce your name as criminal, on account of the Son of Man. Rejoice when that day comes and dance for joy, for then your reward will be great in heaven. This was the way their ancestors treated the prophets.

'But alas for you who are rich:
you are having your consolation now.

Alas for you who have your fill now:
you shall go hungry.

Alas for you who laugh now:
you shall mourn and weep.

'Alas for you when the world speaks well of you! This was the way their ancestors treated the false prophets.'

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 SECRETARIES: 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

This week we welcome our Vice-Provincial Fr Hurdaya Raj, who will be here from 17th to 20th February 2025.

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.*

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

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

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 Gathering after the Sunday 6pm Mass in the St Lucy Room (parish hall).

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

BAPTISM PREPARATION PROGRAM - 2025

Two sessions will be held per month on Thursdays from 6.30pm to 7.30pm, in the Magellan Room (Fr Barry Whitely parish hall)
February - 13th and 27th
March - 13th and 27th
April - 10th and 24th
May - 8th and 22nd
June - 5th and 19th

Please email the Parish Office to register for the sessions.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL APPEAL FOR DONATIONS!

We are in need of donations to stock our pantry and would appreciate donations of small jars of coffee (Aldi \$3.89), tins of baked beans, tins of spaghetti and bars of soap.

Please place your donations in the St Vincent De Paul donation box in the foyer.

Billings LIFE invites you to a talk on the science that verifies the Billings Ovulation Method® on Thursday 27th March 5-7pm at 40A Mary Street Highgate. Light refreshments provided.

See the digital notice board for the flier and the QR code for registration.

CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF PERTH
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SUPPORT OFFICER, EPISCOPAL SERVICES (OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP) – PERMANENT, FULL-TIME

The Support Officer is part of a small team coordinated by the Team Leader, Episcopal Services. The Support Officer provides a wide range of administration support to the Office of the Archbishop, particularly for the Vicar General, Office of the Vicar General, including Visa support and event coordination. The successful candidate must have a willingness and capacity to support the Catholic Ethos. They will hold a Certificate IV in Office Administration or equivalent, with minimum 3 years' experience in an administration role. This role requires excellent word processing and IT skills, and strong organisational and communication skills for dealing with internal and external contacts. A high level of confidentiality and ability to work as part of a team is essential.

Submit your resume and cover letter on SEEK at <https://www.seek.com.au/job/81805556> by no later than **Thursday, 27 February 2025**. We encourage you to apply as soon as possible, as shortlisting and interviews may begin before the closing date. *The Catholic Archdiocese of Perth is committed to the Safeguarding of children and adults at risk.*

2025 Rosary In Honour of Our Lady of Lourdes and St. Bernadette

Let us come together and pray for all who are sick and suffering, on the dates Our Blessed Mother appeared to St. (St Bernadette)

Rosary will be held at **ST JEROME'S PARISH AT 7PM** and **LIVESTREAMED ON THE St Jerome's Parish Facebook page** on the following apparition dates:

Tuesday February 18th
Wednesday February 19th
Thursday February 20th
Friday February 21st
Sunday February 23
Monday February 24th
Tuesday February 25th
Thursday February 27th
Friday February 28th
Saturday March 1st
Sunday March 2nd
Monday March 3rd
Tuesday March 4th
Tuesday March 25th
Monday April 7th
Wednesday July 16th



THE JUBILEE PRAYER

Father in heaven,
may the *faith* you have given us in your son,
Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of *charity* enkindled in our
hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed *hope*
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of the seeds
of the Gospel.
May those seeds transform from within both
humanity and the whole cosmos
in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, *Pilgrims of Hope*,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our Redeemer
throughout the earth.

To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever.

Amen.

CARMELITE RETREAT DAY – DARK NIGHT OF THE SOUL: THE INFLOWING OF GOD IN THE SOUL- Tuesday 4 March – 9.30am to 3pm

In the Christian Mystical Tradition, the “*Dark Night of the Soul*” has often been linked with the doctrines of the Carmelite Saint, St John of the Cross. The Dark Night is an important motif in the writings of St John particularly regarding the soul’s journey toward greater intimacy with God. Recently, however, the term has entered common parlance with various people attributing different meanings to the phrase. Join us for a Day Retreat where we will explore what and what does not constitute the Dark Night of the Soul according to the teachings of this eminent Carmelite mystic. The aim is to explore one of the most important concepts in our rich Catholic Tradition to better understand how one may enter and experience the great graces of the Dark Night of the Soul. Presenter, Fr Adalbert Imperial OCD. St Catherine's House of Hospitality, 113 Tyler Street, Tuart Hill. Cost \$30 pp including refreshments and lunch. Please note the registration limit is 35. If you register and are not able to attend, please contact St Catherine's so that those on the waiting list can take the place. Please advise your dietary needs. RSVP by Thursday 27 February. *Further info;* stcatherines@westnet.com.au or 9443 9020.

MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS

Sat 15/02/25	6pm	Soul of Ashley Sinclair (1 st yr death anni.) Soul of Ken Orr Soul of Laretta Yon Soul of Antonio Paulo Da Silva Abreu Souls of Antonia & Carmelo Acquado
Sun 16/02/25	8am	Soul of Andrew De Sousa Souls of Armando & George Correia Souls of Saviour & Carmen Piscopo & deceased family Int. of Noelia & Antonio (50th wedding anni.) Forgotten Souls in Purgatory
	10am	Soul of Ashley Sinclair (1 st yr death anni.) Soul of Nello Rossi Int. of Mark & Nikki (16 th wedding anni.) Holy Souls in Purgatory Personal Intentions
	6pm	Int. of A. Rodrigues Int. of Teresa Rodrigues
Mon 17/02/25	7am	Soul of Mario De Abreu (Heavenly birthday) Int. of Andrea Mihaljevic Int. of Gianni Lutz Birthday int. of Biju
	9am	Personal Intentions Holy Souls in Purgatory Birthday int. of Biju
Tue 18/02/25	7am	
	9am	Souls of Celena & Aires Abreu Soul of Arceolinda Garces De Luz Personal Intentions Holy Souls in Purgatory
Wed 19/02/25	7am	
	9am	Intentions of Freitas & Yukos families Intentions of Richard & Yuko Freitas Personal Intentions Holy Souls in Purgatory
Thurs 20/02/25	7am	Souls of Mara, Stipo & Steven Blajevich
	9am	Birthday int. of Nicole & Brandon Benn Personal Intentions Holy Souls in Purgatory
Fri 21/02/25	7am	Souls of Nathan & Joshua De Abreu
	9am	Blessings for Bernadette Personal Intentions Holy Souls in Purgatory
Sat 22/02/25	9am	Personal Intentions Holy Souls in Purgatory

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK OF OUR PARISH:

Maria Fernandez, Monica Mendes, Peter Scanlan, Christina Herbert,
Maria de Pinto, Angela Travia, Maleyk Marlowe & Sandra Grima.

(Please advise the parish office if any of these names need to be removed.)



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22/23 FEBRUARY 2025

COUNTING- GROUP 6:

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CLEANING-GROUP 4:

L. Otero & J. Balmes