

## A WARM WELCOME TO YOU ALL!

Third Sunday of Easter  
19<sup>th</sup> April 2026

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL PARISH  
Catholic Diocese of Bunbury  
Bunbury, Western Australia



“WANDJU, NIDJA NOONGAR BOODJA.”

### OUR PARISH MISSION

Our Mission is to continue growing as a community where people can meet Jesus Christ and grow in his life and mission in the Catholic Faith.

### OUR PARISH VISION

To be a parish that is open and transparent, nurturing, united and inclusive.  
To be a community that is welcoming, embracing and caring for families, youth, and valuing cultural diversity.



### POPE LEO XIV'S PRAYER INTENTION FOR APRIL

“Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.”

**Mass Intention:** Let us remember and pray for the repose of the souls of all our faithfully departed loved ones.

**Eternal repose of the souls of:** Elsa Gee and Barbara Shinner, whose funerals were held at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Thursday, 16<sup>th</sup> April at 10.30am and Friday, 17<sup>th</sup> April at 10am respectively. May their souls rest in peace.

**General Intentions:** Let us pray peace in our world, particularly in the Middle east and in Ukraine. Let us pray for the homeless, the underprivileged, those suffering in silence due to domestic violence, for migrants, refugees and seasonal workers.

**Cathedral Parish:** Let us pray for our RCIA 2026 Catechumens and Candidates; for those discerning to join the Catholic Church – RCIA 2027; for our RCIC Candidates; for the After School Sacramental Program (ASSP).

**Prayer Requests:** Mervyn Hustler, Brenda Finlayson DSG, Kevin Verghese, Frances Gianfrancesco, Silvio Maiolo, John Kukulka, Margaret Reid, Maria Ricili Villanueva, Renato and Maria Fe Repuyan, Patrick Moran, Claire Kelly, Bridget Collins, Helen Whitcombe, Luke Scanlon, Neil Young, Angele Haydar, Noah Forster and Jake Palandri, Maxima Fortunado Gutierrez, Monica Alcock and Freya Dealino.

**Diocese:** Let us pray for Bishop George, the Diocesan Synodal Team and the Diocesan General Assemblies in 2026 and 2027.

*We invite you to request prayers from our parish community for any of your family members, relations and friends and we will include them on our prayer list. Their consent, however, is required for publication.*

**'HE WALKED BY THEIR SIDE'**

In today's Gospel we meet a person who walks with us, and talks with us, even when we walk away from him. Jesus will never abandon us. Let us invite him to eat with us. He will bring us joy, and give us the enthusiasm we need to continue to proclaim our faith in the resurrection.

*Entrance Antiphon*

Cf. Ps 65: 1-2

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;  
O sing to the glory of his name.  
O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

*First Reading*

Acts 2:14,22-33

*A reading from the Acts of the Apostles*

On the day of Pentecost Peter stood up with the Eleven and addressed the crowd in a loud voice: 'Men of Israel, listen to what I am going to say: Jesus the Nazarene was a man commended to you by God by the miracles and portents and signs that God worked through him when he was among you, as you all know. This man, who was put into your power by the deliberate intention and foreknowledge of God, you took and had crucified by men outside the Law. You killed him, but God raised him to life, freeing him from the pangs of Hades; for it was impossible for him to be held in its power since, as David says of him:

I saw the Lord before me always,  
for with him at my right hand nothing can shake me.  
So my heart was glad  
and my tongue cried out with joy;  
my body, too, will rest in the hope  
that you will not abandon my soul to Hades  
nor allow your holy one to experience corruption.  
You have made known the way of life to me,  
you will fill me with gladness through your presence.

'Brothers, no one can deny that the patriarch David himself is dead and buried: his tomb is still with us. But since he was a prophet, and knew that God had sworn him an oath to make one of his descendants succeed him on the throne, what he foresaw and spoke about was the resurrection of the Christ: he is the one who was not abandoned to Hades, and whose body did not experience corruption. God raised this man Jesus to life, and all of us are witnesses to that. Now raised to the heights by God's right hand, he has received from the Father the Holy Spirit, who was promised, and what you see and hear is the outpouring of that Spirit.'

The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

**R. Lord, you will show us the path of life.**

or

**R. Alleluia.**

1. Preserve me, God, I take refuge in you.  
I say to the Lord: 'You are my God.  
O Lord, it is you who are my portion and cup;  
it is you yourself who are my prize.' **R.**
2. I will bless the Lord who gives me counsel,  
who even at night directs my heart.  
I keep the Lord ever in my sight:  
since he is at my right hand, I shall stand firm. **R.**
3. And so my heart rejoices, my soul is glad;  
even my body shall rest in safety.  
For you will not leave my soul among the dead,  
nor let your beloved know decay. **R.**
4. You will show me the path of life,  
the fullness of joy in your presence,  
at your right hand happiness for ever. **R.**

*Second Reading*

1 Peter 1:17-21

*A reading from the first letter of St Peter*

If you are acknowledging as your Father one who has no favourites and judges everyone according to what he has done, you must be scrupulously careful as long as you are living away from your home. Remember, the ransom that was paid to free you from the useless way of life your ancestors handed down was not paid in anything corruptible, neither in silver nor gold, but in the precious blood of a lamb without spot or stain, namely Christ; who, though known since before the world was made, has been revealed only in our time, the end of the ages, for your sake. Through him you now have faith in God, who raised him from the dead and gave him glory for that very reason – so that you would have faith and hope in God.

The word of the Lord.

**People: Thanks be to God.**

*Gospel Acclamation*

cf Luke 24:32

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:  
make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

Alleluia!

Priest: The Lord be with you.

**People: And with your Spirit.**

Priest: A reading from the holy Gospel according to St. Luke.

**People: Glory to you, Lord.**

Two of the disciples of Jesus were on their way to a village called Emmaus, seven miles from Jerusalem, and they were talking together about all that had happened. Now as they talked this over, Jesus himself came up and walked by their side; but something prevented them from recognising him. He said to them, 'What matters are you discussing as you walk along?' They stopped short, their faces downcast.

Then one of them, called Cleopas, answered him, 'You must be the only person staying in Jerusalem who does not know the things that have been happening there these last few days.' 'What things?' he asked. 'All about Jesus of Nazareth' they answered 'who proved he was a great prophet by the things he said and did in the sight of God and of the whole people; and how our chief priests and our leaders handed him over to be sentenced to death, and had him crucified. Our own hope had been that he would be the one to set Israel free. And this is not all: two whole days have gone by since it all happened; and some women from our group have astounded us: they went to the tomb in the early morning, and when they did not find the body, they came back to tell us they had seen a vision of angels who declared he was alive. Some of our friends went to the tomb and found everything exactly as the women had reported, but of him they saw nothing.'

Then he said to them, 'You foolish men! So slow to believe the full message of the prophets! Was it not ordained that the Christ should suffer and so enter into his glory?' Then, starting with Moses and going through all the prophets, he explained to them the passages throughout the scriptures that were about himself.

When they drew near to the village to which they were going, he made as if to go on; but they pressed him to stay with them. 'It is nearly evening' they said 'and the day is almost over.' So he went in to stay with them. Now while he was with them at table, he took the bread and said the blessing; then he broke it and handed it to them. And their eyes were opened and they recognised him; but he had vanished from their sight. Then they said to each other, 'Did not our hearts burn within us as he talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?'

They set out that instant and returned to Jerusalem. There they found the Eleven assembled together with their companions, who said to them, 'Yes, it is true. The Lord has risen and has appeared to Simon.' Then they told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised him at the breaking of bread.

The Gospel of the Lord.

**People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ**

*Communion Antiphon*

Lk 24: 35

The disciples recognized the Lord Jesus  
in the breaking of the bread, alleluia.

## Dispelling Confusion

Third Sunday of Easter (Year A)



St. *The Road to Emmaus*, Altobello Melone (c.1490–before 1543)

*That very day, the first day of the week, two of Jesus' disciples were going to a village seven miles from Jerusalem called Emmaus, and they were conversing about all the things that had occurred. And it happened that while they were conversing and debating, Jesus himself drew near and walked with them, but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him. Luke 24:13–16*

These two disciples were overwhelmed by grief and bewildered by the events that had taken place. As they walked the seven-mile journey from Jerusalem to Emmaus, they expressed their sadness and confusion. Jesus, Whom they had hoped “would be the one to redeem Israel,” was brutally tortured and crucified before their eyes. After His death, He was buried, and that very morning they heard reports from some of the women, as well as Peter and John, that His body was missing from the tomb. What’s more, the burial cloth was neatly rolled up in the tomb, and the women informed the disciples that they saw “a vision of angels who announced that he was alive.” The two did not know what to think.

As the story unfolds, Jesus appeared to them as they walked and conversed with them, “but their eyes were prevented from recognizing him.” Jesus’ hidden presence teaches us that He is often with us, in our midst, yet we do not recognize Him.

Distractions, trials, or our own misconceptions can dull our spiritual senses. We often fail to perceive His presence in the Eucharist, the Scriptures, the Church, during our prayer, and in one another.

Jesus' loving rebuke of these two disciples was intended to wake them up: "Oh, how foolish you are! How slow of heart to believe all that the prophets spoke! Was it not necessary that the Christ should suffer these things and enter into his glory?" Every time we stumble from spiritual blindness, which leads to confusion, our Lord lovingly says the same to us. We must take that rebuke with humility, acknowledging our blindness and inability to perceive His constant presence.

Jesus then "interpreted to them what referred to him in all the Scriptures." This opening of their minds to the spiritual Gift of Understanding is key. By humbly acknowledging our spiritual blindness and the foolish way we often go about our daily lives, we dispose ourselves to this precious gift. The Gift of Understanding cannot be acquired by our own effort. Only after we honestly humble ourselves before God will He open our minds to all we need to know and understand.

Once they arrived in Emmaus and invited this divine Stranger to stay with them for the night, Jesus agreed. As they dined, "while he was with them at table, he took bread, said the blessing, broke it, and gave it to them." The Lord Himself, the great High Priest, gave them the Eucharist, and suddenly "their eyes were opened and they recognized him, but he vanished from their sight."

Though our Lord vanished from their sight, He remained with them, as He does with us today. His presence in the Eucharist is His True Presence, His Divine Essence. By revealing Himself in the Scriptures and the Breaking of the Bread, He teaches us that He is always with us in His Word and in the Sacraments. We consume His Word through daily meditation, study, and the teachings of the Church. His True Presence is with us when we attend Mass and participate in the Sacraments.

Reflect today on the initial confusion of these two disciples, filled with sorrow and bewilderment as they grappled with recent events. Contrast this with the growth in faith they likely experienced in the months and years ahead. Little by little, they grew in understanding and belief, allowing their misconceptions about who the Messiah would be—not a political leader, but the Savior of the World—to be dispelled. Whenever you face confusion, turn to the example of these disciples and learn from the lessons taught through them. Seek Christ in His Word and Sacraments, trusting that He will dispel doubts and guide you to greater faith.

*Ever-present Lord, please humble me so that I turn more fully to You, hearing Your voice and recognizing Your presence. When I am confused or uncertain, please intervene and open my mind to You and to Your Truth so that I will believe with all my heart and follow wherever You lead. Jesus, I trust in You.*

## THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God,  
the Father almighty,  
Creator of heaven and earth,  
and in Jesus Christ,  
his only Son, our Lord,

*At the words that follow, up to and including  
'the Virgin Mary', all bow.*

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit,  
born of the Virgin Mary,  
suffered under Pontius Pilate,  
was crucified, died and was buried;  
he descended into hell;  
on the third day he rose again  
from the dead;  
he ascended into heaven,  
and is seated at the right hand of God the  
Father almighty;  
from there he will come to judge  
the living and the dead.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit,  
the holy catholic Church,  
the communion of saints,  
the forgiveness of sins,  
the resurrection of the body,  
and life everlasting.  
Amen.

## THE NICENE CREED

I believe in one God,  
the Father almighty,  
maker of heaven and earth,  
of all things visible and invisible.  
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ,  
the Only Begotten Son of God,  
born of the Father before all ages.  
God from God,  
Light from Light,  
true God from true God,  
begotten, not made,  
consubstantial with the Father;  
through him all things were made.

For us men and for our salvation  
he came down from heaven,

*At the words that follow, up to and including  
'and became man', all bow.*

and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate  
of the Virgin Mary, and became man.  
For our sake he was crucified  
under Pontius Pilate,  
he suffered death and was buried,  
and rose again on the third day  
in accordance with the Scriptures.  
He ascended into heaven  
and is seated at the right hand  
of the Father.  
He will come again in glory  
to judge the living and the dead  
and his kingdom will have no end.  
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord,  
the giver of life,  
who proceeds from the Father  
and the Son,  
who with the Father and the Son  
is adored and glorified,  
who has spoken through the prophets.  
I believe in one, holy, catholic and  
apostolic Church.  
I confess one Baptism  
for the forgiveness of sins  
and I look forward to the resurrection  
of the dead  
and the life of the world to come.  
Amen.



Pentecost, c.1545, Titian

### Third Sunday of Easter

**Celebrant:** The readings today tell of the disciples' experience of the resurrected Christ. In trust and hope in God, we confidently pray:

#### Petitions

1. We pray for the leaders of the Church, especially Pope Leo, and Bishop George: may they guide our pilgrim Church ever deeper into the hidden mystery of Christ, so all can experience the joy of encountering Jesus. We pray to the Lord.
2. We pray for the many troubled situations in our world: may leaders and people of influence be guided by principles of life, justice and peace. We pray to the Lord.
3. We pray for those feeling grief, loneliness and despair: may the risen Christ meet them in their journeys and give them renewed hope. We pray to the Lord.
4. We pray for those gathered here today: may we become filled with joy as we are nourished by the Word and the Eucharist, and be enabled to spread the good news of Christ's victory over death. We pray to the Lord.
5. We pray for all those who grieve: may their trust in God be deepened. We pray to the Lord.

**Celebrant:** God of all, hear the prayer of this newborn people. We ask this in the name of the risen Lord, Jesus the Christ.

**People:** Amen.



### DIOCESAN ASSEMBLY PRAYER

Loving and faithful God,

As we walk along the road of our lives, help us to recognise that you are with us.

Stay close to us. Open our hearts when we hear your word.

In the blessing and breaking of the bread and of our lives together, help us to recognise you and know that you are near.

Fill us with your Spirit and joy, so we may go and share your Good News.

Send your blessing on all the people of our Diocese  
as we prepare for our Assembly in August.

May your Spirit of wisdom inspire and guide all our conversations and gatherings.

May your Spirit of living communion unite us more closely in our parishes and diocese.

May our walking together be fruitful and be a sign of your presence in our world.

Amen.

Our Lady of the Way – Pray for Us

St Joseph, Protector of the Church – Pray for Us.

*Note: Please find someone else to replace you if you are unable to do your roster.  
Please notify the Parish Office of the change. Thank you.*

THIS WEEKEND 18 <sup>th</sup> & 19 <sup>th</sup> April	Vigil Mass	8am	10am	6pm
<b>Acolyte</b>	Alfred L Terance O	Kim H	<i>Acolyte Needed</i>	<i>Acolyte Needed</i>
<b>Greeters</b>	Shirley D Ester L	Jenny S Margaret C	Wally C	David M
<b>Commentator</b>	<i>Commentator Needed</i>	Cathy Y	Deric D	<i>Commentator Needed</i>
<b>Reader</b>	Pat G	Greg D	Sonia B	Joanie T
<b>Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion</b>	<i>EMHC Needed</i>	Daria S Peter C Robin W	Elaine T Norrie P Rosina I	<i>EMHC Needed</i>
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>			School Holidays	
<b>Altar Servers</b>			Sophie D R, Elijah D, Abel R, Abigail R	Dean S
<b>Music</b>	<i>Music Needed</i>	J & M Group	Trinity Choir	Laudate Choir
<b>Morning Tea</b>				
<b>OCEAN STAR / SUNDAY 2PM</b>	<b>Pastoral Care Volunteers</b>	Max & Margaret M	<b>Readers</b>	Volunteer

NEXT WEEKEND 25 <sup>th</sup> & 26 <sup>th</sup> April	Vigil Mass	8am	10am	6pm
<b>Acolyte</b>	Alfred L	Mick D	<i>Acolyte Needed</i>	Joel G
<b>Greeters</b>	Shirley D	Kerry H Kath F	Lynette A Verna H	David M
<b>Commentator</b>	<i>Commentator Needed</i>	Kerry H	Liz L	<i>Commentator Needed</i>
<b>Reader</b>	Brad S	Cathy Y	Elaine T	Gobi M
<b>Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion</b>	<i>EMHC Needed</i>	Carmel F Cora C	Cathy R Helen B Marilou C	<i>EMHC Needed</i>
<b>Children's Liturgy</b>			Melissa M <i>Assistant Needed</i>	
<b>Altar Servers</b>			Sophie D R, Shelby C, Dionne L	Matthew G, Evan B
<b>Music</b>	Laudate Choir	Craig F	Couples for Christ	Mark J
<b>Morning Tea</b>		Margaret C & Connie B	Couples for Christ	
<b>OCEAN STAR / SUNDAY 2PM</b>	<b>Pastoral Care Volunteers</b>	Pauline H	<b>Readers</b>	Chris L, Ethel N

<b>CLEANERS</b>	1 <sup>st</sup> week	2 <sup>nd</sup> week	3 <sup>rd</sup> week	4 <sup>th</sup> week	5 <sup>th</sup> week
<b>Toilets</b>	Seminarian Chris Fr Pierre	Fr Joel Fr Edcel	Julie K	Jan G	Shirley D
<b>Cathedral</b>	<b>Group 1:</b> 1 <sup>st</sup> week, Fri 5pm <b>Leaders:</b> Bruddie P./Jhoemarie B.		<b>Group 2:</b> 3 <sup>rd</sup> week, Thu 6pm <b>Leaders:</b> John J./Veronica O.		<b>Thank you!</b>



# STEWARDSHIP

The Eucharistic sacrifice “is the fount and apex of the whole Christian life....”  
Lumen gentium 11

<b>20 April</b> Monday of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> week of Easter	7am: Mass, St. Patrick’s Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery
<b>21 April</b> Tuesday of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> week of Easter	7am: Mass, St. Patrick’s Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 6pm: Rosary, St. Patrick’s Cathedral
<b>22 April</b> Wednesday of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> week of Easter	7am: Mass, St. Patrick’s Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 3.45pm: RCIC, Lesson 11, Parish Hall
<b>23 April</b> Thursday of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> week of Easter	7am: Mass, St. Patrick’s Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 11am: Mass, St. John of God Hospital 11am: Liturgy, Bethany Dalyellup 4:15pm: ASSP Confirmation, Lesson 4, Parish Hall 5.00pm: RCIA 2026 “Mystagogia” 6.00pm: RCIA 2027
<b>24 April</b> Friday of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> week of Easter	7am: Mass, St. Patrick’s Cathedral 7:45am: Mass, Bunbury Catholic College 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 9am-9pm: Adoration: Blessed Sacrament Chapel 10:45am: Mass, Opal Bunbury Gardens 12:41pm: Bunbury Catholic College - ‘Chat with the Chap’
<b>25 April</b> ANZAC Day	9am: ANZAC Day Mass, St. Patrick’s Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 5pm: Reconciliation, St. Patrick’s Cathedral 6.00pm: Vigil Mass, St. Patrick’s Cathedral
<b>26 April</b> FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER World Day of Prayer for Vocations	8.00am: Mass, St. Patrick’s Cathedral 8.30am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 10.00am: Mass St. Patrick’s Cathedral – <b>RCIC Baptism</b> 10.00am: Mass, St. John of God Hospital 12:30pm: Syro Malabar Mass, St. Patrick’s Cathedral 2.00pm: Mass, Ocean Star 6.00pm: Mass, St. Patrick’s Cathedral

“God loves a cheerful giver.”

2 Corinthians 9:7

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROSITY!

**MASS COLLECTIONS**

**5<sup>th</sup> April 2026 – Week 40**

First Collection: \$ 4,141.00 | Sacrificial Giving: \$ 4,032.10

**12<sup>th</sup> April 2026 – Week 41**

First Collection: \$ 1,875.00 | Sacrificial Giving: \$ 3,012.80



## LITURGIES & DEVOTIONS

**HOLY ROSARY.** You are all welcome to join the weekly praying of the Holy Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 6pm on Tuesdays in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. Fellowship in the Parish Hall afterwards, all welcome to attend. For more information contact Rosemary 0402 459 678.



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION** is held in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel every **Friday** from **9am to 10pm**.

## PARISH NEWS

**WORLD YOUTH DAY 2027.** We welcome some of the youth in our diocese to our Sunday 10am for the launch of our diocesan preparations for the World Youth Day to be held in Seoul, Korea on 3-8 August 2027. The WYD theme is lifted from John 16:33 – “Take courage! I have overcome the world.” Bishop George Kolodziej SDS DD will be presiding over the Mass.



“World Youth Day (WYD) is a worldwide encounter with Jesus Christ together with our Holy Father, celebrated about every three years in a different country. The

most recent WYD took place in Lisbon, Portugal from August 1st – 6th, 2023. The next World Youth Day will be held in Seoul, Korea, from August 3rd – 8th, 2027.

St. John Paul II understood that bringing together young people for an encounter such as WYD would capture the “joie de vivre” or “joy of living” of the youth. It becomes a reflection of the Holy Spirit moving through the ever-young Catholic Faith, and a glimpse of the universality of the Church. In this way, young pilgrims

come to see humanity as brothers and sisters, and inspires a deep desire to serve by committing their lives to Christ and His Church. WYD is open to all young people and centers around encounters with Christ in the sacraments, and millions of others who are also drawn to the heart of Jesus.” Quote source: <https://worldyouthday.com/about-wyd/>

**CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF CHILDREN OF CATECHETICAL AGE.** Please pray for all our fifteen (15) candidates who will be baptised during the 10am Mass on Sunday, 26 April. It is always wonderful to celebrate baptism during Mass as it highlights the truth that when we are baptised, we are welcomed into the Body of Christ. It is through the Body of Christ, the Church, following the Sacraments of Initiation, that one is nourished by Christ’s offer of His Body and Blood. Let us therefore celebrate the journey of these our young people as they make the huge step in being fully initiated into the Catholic Church. With the inclusion of the Rite of Baptism within Mass, we appeal to your patience and charity as the Mass will be longer than usual.

**CONFIRMATION.** St. Joseph’s CPS will be having their Confirmation on Saturday, 23 May 6pm at the Vigil Mass while St. Mary’s CPS and the ASSP will be on Sunday, 24 May at the 10am Mass. Please keep our young students in your prayers.

## DIOCESAN NEWS

**SPIRITUALITY HUB KIRUP.** Tuesday 21st April 9.30am-midday. Contemplative Practices: Way of the Heart-Meditation, led by Shendelle Mullane. On Thursday 30th April John Auer will be with us again to lead us in reflection on the sacred in nature - see flyer for further details. Deborah 0419 939 864.




On behalf of St Vincent de Paul Society WA State Council, you are warmly invited to attend our Regional Mass, being held in the South West to celebrate 160 years of compassion, service and community in Western Australia.

From our humble beginnings in 1985 to our ongoing mission supporting West Australians in need today - join us in honouring the people, places and moments that have shaped our journey over the past 160 years.

Bunbury Bishop George Kolodziej SDS to preside and a light lunch will follow proceedings.

**Saturday 16 May 2026  
at 11am  
Our Lady of the Bay Church, Busselton**

South West Region ER Conferences are asked to stay for a meeting and presentation of certificates.

RSVP: reply by Friday May 1  
to [southwest.regionalpresident@svdpwa.org.au](mailto:southwest.regionalpresident@svdpwa.org.au)

solidarity with our partners in Lebanon. Learn more or make a donation today at [www.caritas.org.au/lebanon](http://www.caritas.org.au/lebanon)

**KSC WA GALA DINNER 2026:** The 2026 Gala Dinner sponsored by the **Knights of the Southern Cross (WA)** is on **Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> May at 6:30 pm**. The event will be held at St. Patrick's Cathedral parish hall, with guest speaker, **His Lordship, the Most Rev. George Kolodziej SDS**, Bishop of Bunbury, giving a post-dinner address. Register online at <https://go.kscwa.au/gala-dinner-22May26> Contact Laurie Sutherland for further information on 0488 966 400.

**Two IMPACTFUL Sessions! Develop sustained self-reliant futures in overseas communities!** Join Palms International Volunteering for two special sessions where you'll learn about our [diverse assignments](#) suited to your qualifications. In April meet past Palms volunteers and discover how skill-exchange makes a lasting impact in communities, or join our May session for a live crossing to Timor Leste and see how lives are changing today. Scan below or see [palms.org.au/events](http://palms.org.au/events) **April Session. Date:** Thurs 30 April 2026 **Time:** 5pm–6:30pm AWST

**WORLD MISSION ROSARY.** Join Catholic Mission online to honour Mother Mary during the month of May through praying the World Mission Rosary. This beautiful tradition - created in 1951 by the Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen in the United States - was born from his desire to pray for the whole world, especially for those living in poverty. Today, it continues the mission and spirit of the founder of Catholic Mission, Blessed Pauline Jaricot. Our special Rosary

prayer sessions dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary will be held through May: **Dates:** Monday to Friday, 1 May - 31 May **Time:** 12pm-1pm **Location:** Online via Teams – [Join here](#) Kindly let us know if you will be attending by

24<sup>th</sup> April by replying to this email [Fiona.ng@catholicmission.org.au](mailto:Fiona.ng@catholicmission.org.au)

**2026 BUSSELTON MAY ROSARY CELEBRATION IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY.** Sunday, 3 May 2026, at Queen of the Holy Rosary Shrine, Bove's Farm, Roy Road, Jindong, Busselton. Hymn singing commences at 12.30pm. Rosary Procession followed by Benediction commences at 1pm. Holy Concelebrated Mass led by Bishop George Kolodziej commences at 2.30pm. Afternoon tea will follow - bring a plate to share. All welcome.

**CARITAS AUSTRALIA LEBANON EMERGENCY APPEAL.**

Lebanon is facing one of its most severe humanitarian crises in years, as a sudden surge in violence and mass evacuation orders force families to flee with nothing. Within 24 hours, Caritas Lebanon reported 667,831 newly displaced people seeking safety. Despite the volatile environment, Caritas Lebanon teams are operating across seven governorates, delivering food, essential items, healthcare, psychosocial support, water and hygiene assistance, and protection services. Let us stand in





Honouring our Blessed Mother during the month of May

# FLORES DE MAYO 2026

Come and let us celebrate our feast day of the Mother of Jesus.

**FILIPINO MASS**  
 3 May, Sunday, 12noon  
 St Patrick's Cathedral, Bunbury  
 •Holy Rosary at 11.30am  
 •Passing on the Crown  
 •Children to offer fresh flowers to Our Lady during Mass

**SAGALAHAN 2026**  
 9 May, Saturday  
 St Patrick's Cathedral Grounds  
 9am: Assembly for Procession  
 10am: Procession  
 11am: Holy Eucharist (English Mass)  
 12noon: Shared Lunch at Parish Hall  
 •Holy Rosary during the procession  
 •Children to offer fresh flowers to Our Lady during Mass

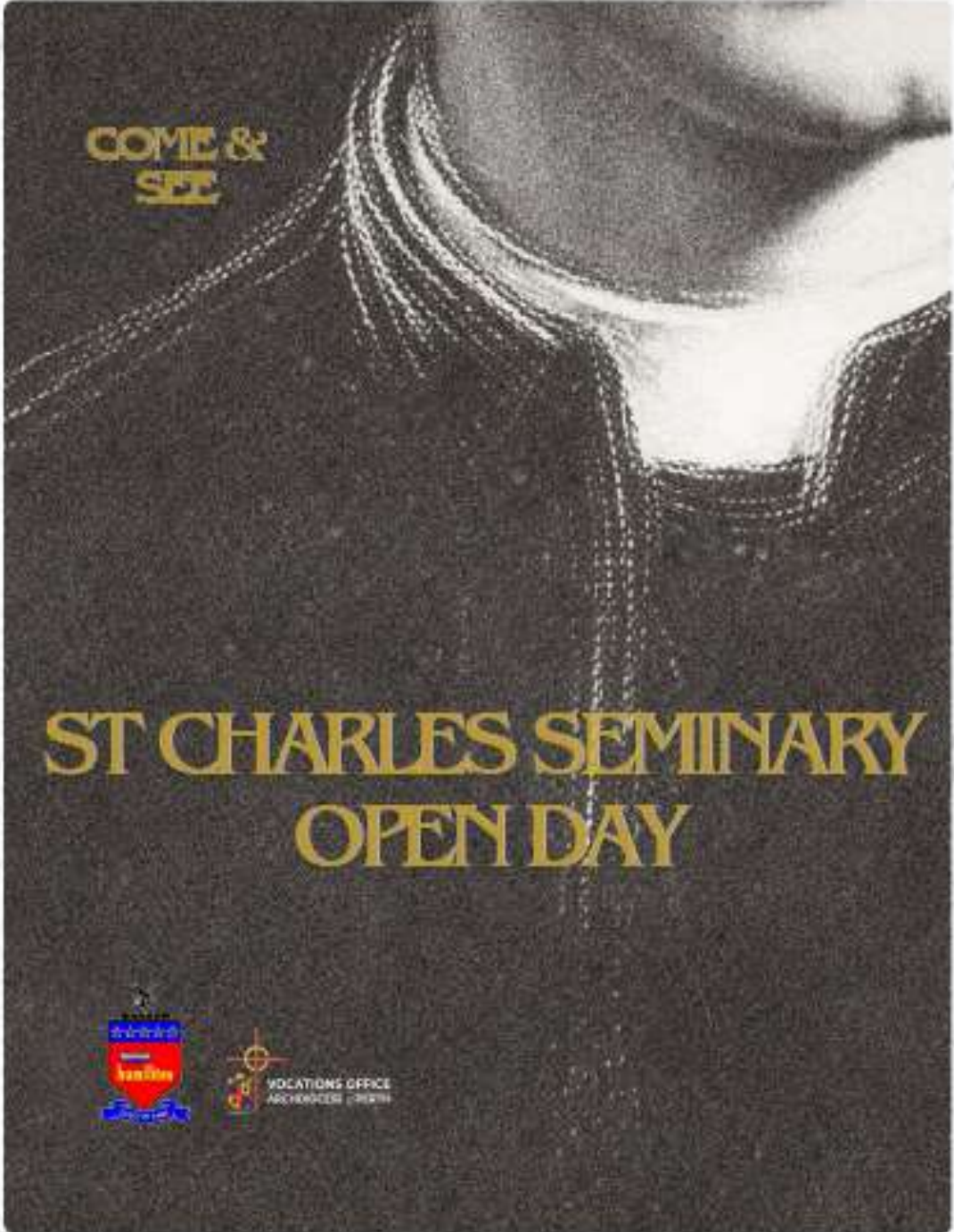
**SAINT PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL PARISH**  
 together with the Missionaries of Light and the South West Filipino-Australian Association, Inc.  
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 For inquiries call the Parish Office at 9721 2141

**REQUIESCANT IN PACE.** We pray for the eternal repose of the souls of Elsa Gee and Barbara Shinner. As a community, we grieve with their loved ones. Both had been wonderful and faithful parishioners sharing their unique gifts to our parish in their own special ways. This Easter Season comforts us of the knowledge of eternal life. May they rest in peace in the arms of God.

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY HOLY HOUR.** We are overjoyed by the number of parishioners who spent an hour before the Blessed Sacrament last Sunday at 3pm as we celebrated Divine Mercy Sunday. The praying of the Chaplet is particularly meaningful as it invites us to reflect on the immense and unconditional love of Christ revealed to us through his passion, death and resurrection: "For the sake of His sorrowful Passion, have mercy on us and on the whole world." We encourage you to offer your time to adore the Lord before the Blessed Sacrament every Friday, from 9am-9pm in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel. If you are able to commit to a regular time for adoration, please ring the parish office and our staff will be most happy to assist you.



**ANZAC DAY, 25 APRIL.** ANZAC Day is a reminder of the gift of peace which we enjoy on account of the sacrifices that had been made by those who fought and died for our freedom. We celebrate the Eucharist on this day in the Cathedral at 9am not to glorify war but to remember those who have served our country during times of crisis and to reflect upon their selfless sacrifice. Conscious that there are many women and men around the world still working for peace, we hold fast to the powerful hope that peace can exist today. Mass, Saturday, 25 April 2026, 9am

**THE CALL THE PRIESTHOOD.** Do you wish to know more about life in the seminary? It is in the seminary where men are formed and trained for the Holy Orders or the priesthood. We are blessed to have Seminarian Christ De Freitas serving in our community whom you could ask about his current experience and thoughts about seminary life. Please approach Christ and he'll only be more than happy and willing to have a chat with you. Please also pray for him as he concludes his seminary formation and training and continue his discernment for the priesthood.



**COME & SEE**


**ST CHARLES SEMINARY  
OPEN DAY**

VOCATIONS OFFICE  
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**Sunday 3 May 2026, 9.30am**  
*Mass, Brunch, Seminary Tour and Holy Hour*

Register by Wednesday 29 April: scan QR code  
or email [vocations@pcatholic.org.au](mailto:vocations@pcatholic.org.au)





### STEPS OF *LECTIO DIVINA*

1. **Prepare (Silencio):** Take a few moments to quiet yourself, get in a comfortable position, and become aware of God's presence.
2. **Read (Lectio):** Read the Scripture passage slowly, out loud if possible. Listen for a nudge: What words or images is the Spirit drawing you toward today?
3. **Meditate (Meditatio):** Re-read the Scripture passage, lingering over the person/word/phrase that captured your attention. Let your imagination engage the story/text. Reflect on how it might intersect with your life today.
4. **Pray (Oratio):** Read through the Scripture passage another time, allowing the Scripture to lead you into a prayer/response to God. Talk to God about what has come to mind, and how He might be inviting you to respond.
5. **Contemplate (Contemplatio):** Rest in the awareness of God's presence, remaining open to anything else the Holy Spirit might stir in your heart. If your mind wanders, gently redirect your thoughts toward God. Simply be still. Expect nothing. Enjoy a moment of fellowship with God that goes deeper than words.  
God loves you.

<b>20 April</b> Monday	Monday of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Week of Easter	Acts 6:8-15; Ps 118:23-24, 26-27, 29-30; Jn 6:22-29
<b>21 April</b> Tuesday	Tuesday of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Week of Easter St Anselm, bishop, doctor	Acts 7:51 – 8:1; Ps 30:3-4, 6-8, 17, 21; Jn 6:30-35
<b>22 April</b> Wednesday	Wednesday of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Week of Easter	Acts 8:1-8; Ps 65:1-7; Jn 6:35-40
<b>23 April</b> Thursday	Thursday of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Week of Easter St George, martyr; St Adalbert, bishop, martyr	Acts 8:26-40; Ps 65:8-9, 16-17, 20; Jn 6:44-51
<b>24 April</b> Friday	Friday of the 3 <sup>rd</sup> Week of Easter St Fidelis of Sigmaringen, priest, martyr	Acts 9:1-20; Ps 116; Jn 6:52-59
<b>25 April</b> Saturday	ANZAC Day	Wis 3:1-9; Ps 114:5-6, 115:10-11, 15-16; 1 Cor 1:18-25; Jn 14:23-29
<b>26 April</b> Sunday	FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER World Day of Prayer for Vocations	Acts 2:14, 36-41; Ps 22:1-6; 1 Pet 2:20-25; Jn 10:1-10

### Pope Leo XIV: A pilgrim in Africa

We pray for Pope Leo on his Journey to Algeria, Cameroon, Angola and Equatorial Guinea (13 to 23 April). The itinerary spans places and contexts marked by cultural and linguistic diversity, as well as social and political challenges, including **conflict, migration and interreligious coexistence**.

In **Algeria**, the visit will include references to the legacy of **Saint Augustine** and to the early Christian presence in North Africa, alongside dialogue with the Muslim world and the issue of migration. Leo will visit Annaba, the modern-day Hippo where the 5th century saint was a bishop. Algeria is a former French colony which is a majority Sunni Muslim nation on North Africa's Mediterranean coast.

In **Cameroon**, described as “Africa in miniature” because of the variety and richness of its land, traditions, and languages, the Pope is expected to address themes related to peace, coexistence, youth and integral human development. There will be a ‘peace meeting’ with a number of people from different parts of society.

In **Angola**, where around 58% of the population is Catholic, the focus will include the role of young people, natural and human resources, and the impact of corruption and colonial history. After independence from Portugal in 1975, a devastating civil war caused many deaths and huge disruption.

In **Equatorial Guinea**, attention will be given to culture and education, as well as to the Church’s role in promoting peace in a resource-rich region. In spite of discoveries of offshore oil, many people live in poverty.

Read more at <https://www.npr.org/2026/04/12/nx-s1-5782636/a-country-by-country-glance-at-pope-leo-xivs-trip-to-africa>

(Sr. Christine Clarke, PBVM)

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**HEARING AID LOOP** The Cathedral has an active hearing aid loop. You may need to contact your hearing aid supplier to have your hearing aid adjusted to hear through the sound system in the Cathedral. The hearing aid loop operates within the first 8/9 pews and has very good range across the Cathedral. Sit in these pews to get the best reception.



### • WE HAVE AN ELECTRONIC ‘TAP’ DEVICE FOR YOUR DONATION!

St. Patrick’s Cathedral has a “Donation Point Tap” located near the statue of St. Patrick in the Cathedral cloister. This electronic device allows you to donate to our parish by simply tapping your contactless enabled card, mobile or wearable to donate. Any parishioner may also conveniently use the device to fulfill their weekly financial contribution, most especially when you have left your wallets or purses at home.



### • ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH?

Welcome to St. Patrick’s! Please fill out a ‘New Parishioner’ card found in the Cathedral cloister and hand it back to our Mass greeters, to a Parish Pastoral Councilor or to one of our Cathedral priests. We’ll definitely contact you soon.



# BECOME A VOLUNTEER

We have launched **ST. PATRICK'S CARE** to our parish community as we invite you to be part of our mission. St. Patrick's Care is the Pastoral Care Program of St. Patrick's Cathedral Parish, Bunbury. The program is operated by parishioners who volunteer time to help others in **short term** need. St. Patrick's Care offers the following care programs to parishioners:

## HOME VISITATION

St. Patrick's Care volunteers are able to visit those who are seeking to speak with someone at their homes or merely seeking company. If required, the reception of the sacraments such as Holy Communion may be organised.

## TRANSPORTATION

St. Patrick's Care volunteers are able to provide transportation from one's home to the Cathedral and back.

## LAWN MOWING

St. Patrick's Care volunteers are able to offer the mowing of one's lawn.

## EMERGENCY MEALS

St. Patrick's Care volunteers are able to provide emergency meals on a short-term basis when householders are unable to organise for their own for one reason or another.

## GRIEF ACCOMPANIMENT

St. Patrick's Care volunteers are able to visit and accompany on a short-term basis those who are grieving upon the loss of a loved one. Volunteers are trained in grief accompaniment.

## COMMITMENT FORM

### DO YOU WISH TO BECOME A ST. PATRICK'S CARE VOLUNTEER?

If you would like to join St. Patrick's Care as a volunteer, please pick up a commitment form in the Cathedral cloister and return it by dropping your completed form in the designated drop box in the Cathedral cloister, by leaving it at Parish Office, or simply by giving it to one of our Cathedral priests, Coordinators or Cathedral greeters.

**VOLUNTEERS WORKSHOP.** We will help you with the things you need to know before doing the good work. There will be a workshop to help prepare volunteers to perform their roles.

Please note that all that we ask of you is to commit for one year. It will be up to you to decide whether to continue or not. The most important thing is that you are open and prepared to help fellow parishioners in their time of emergency or crisis.

**IF YOU WISH TO KNOW MORE ABOUT ST. PATRICK'S CARE, PLEASE PHONE THE PARISH OFFICE AND REQUEST TO SPEAK WITH THE COORDINATOR, SEMINARIAN CHRIS DE FREITAS.**

PLEASE SUPPORT THE FOLLOWING BUSINESSES OWNED BY CATHOLICS WHO SUPPORT OUR CATHEDRAL PARISH

**COLUMBARIUM**



St. Patrick's Cathedral Parish offers the opportunity to parishioners for the remains of their loved ones - their families and relatives, or themselves - to be laid to rest in the limestone wall Columbarium situated around the eastern-end of the sacred grounds of St. Patrick's Cathedral. For mor information, collect a brochure from the Cathedral cloister or call the Parish Office at 9721 2141 during office hours.



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"For nothing will be impossible with God."

Luke 1:37



### ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

St. Patrick's Cathedral Parish acknowledges the traditional owners of the land, the Noongar Wardandi people and their continuing connection to the land, waters and community. We pay our respects to all members of the Aboriginal communities and their cultures; and to Elders past, present and emerging.

### PARISH DETAILS

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### MASS TIMES

**Weekdays:** 7.00am; **Saturday:** 8.00am, 6.00pm Vigil Mass  
**Sunday:** 8.00am, 10.00am, 6.00pm  
**Gelorup Carmelite Monastery:** 8.30am Sunday; 9.00am Monday - Saturday  
**Dalyellup Catholic Community:** 10am every Sunday - St. John of God Hospital Chapel  
**Filipino Mass:** 12.00 noon every 1st Sunday of the month  
**Syro-Malabar Mass:** 12.30pm every 4th Sunday of the month  
**Monthly Healing Mass:** 10.30am every 1st Tuesday of the month  
**St John of God Hospital Chapel Mass:** 11am every Thursday  
**Reconciliation:** Saturdays 5pm to 5.40pm prior to the 6pm Vigil Mass; or by appointment  
**Baptism, Wedding, Funeral:** By arrangement - please phone the Parish Office

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MASS HYMNS	Gathering	Offertory	Communion	Reflection	Mission
<b>6pm Saturday</b>	AOV1 71	AOV2 155	AOV1 187	AOV1 146	AOV1 57
<b>8am Sunday</b>	BB 586	BB 28	AOV1 81	BB 240	BB 159
<b>10am Sunday</b>	AOV1 63	BB 243	AOV1 185	AOV1 146	AOV1 124
<b>6pm Sunday</b>	BB 15	BB 72	Chant	BB 4	BB 461
<b>SJOGH</b>	AOV1 71	AOV2 155	AOV1 187	-	AOV1 57