

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time, C1

7th of September 2025

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL PARISH

CATHOLIC DIOCESE OF BUNBURY

BUNBURY, W.A.



WANDJU, NIDJA NOONGAR BOODJA.*

READINGS AT MASS

Entrance Antiphon

Ps 118: 137, 124

You are just, O Lord, and your judgement is right;
treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.

First Reading

Wisdom 9:13-18

A reading from the book of Wisdom

What man indeed can know the intentions of God?
Who can divine the will of the Lord?
The reasonings of mortals are unsure
and our intentions unstable;
for a perishable body presses down the soul,
and this tent of clay weighs down the teeming mind.
It is hard enough for us to work out what is on earth,
laborious to know what lies within our reach;
who, then, can discover what is in the heavens?
As for your intention, who could have learnt it, had you
not granted Wisdom
and sent your holy spirit from above?
Thus have the paths of those on earth been straight-
ened and men been taught what pleases you,
and saved, by Wisdom.

☐ The Word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 89(90):3-6,12-14,17

R. In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

1. You turn men back to dust
and say: 'Go back, sons of men.'
To your eyes a thousand years
are like yesterday, come and gone,
no more than a watch in the night. **R.**
2. You sweep men away like a dream,
like the grass which springs up in the morning.
In the morning it springs up and flowers:
by evening it withers and fades. **R.**
3. Make us know the shortness of our life
that we may gain wisdom of heart.
Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever?
Show pity to your servants. **R.**

4. In the morning, fill us with your love;
we shall exult and rejoice all our days.
Let the favour of the Lord be upon us:
give success to the work of our hands. **R.**

Second Reading

Philemon 9-10,12-17

A reading from the letter of St Paul to Philemon

This is Paul writing, an old man now and, what is more,
still a prisoner of Christ Jesus. I am appealing to you for
a child of mine, whose father I became while wearing
these chains: I mean Onesimus. I am sending him back
to you, and with him – I could say – a part of my own
self. I should have liked to keep him with me; he could
have been a substitute for you, to help me while I am in
the chains that the Good News has brought me. Howev-
er, I did not want to do anything without your consent; it
would have been forcing your act of kindness, which
should be spontaneous. I know you have been deprived
of Onesimus for a time, but it was only so that you could
have him back for ever, not as a slave any more, but
something much better than a slave, a dear brother;
especially dear to me, but how much more to you, as a
blood-brother as well as a brother in the Lord. So if all
that we have in common means anything to you, wel-
come him as you would me.

☐ The Word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Ps 118:135

Alleluia, alleluia!
Let your face shine on your servant,
and teach me your laws.
Alleluia!

Gospel

Luke 14:25-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Great crowds accompanied Jesus on his way and he
turned and spoke to them. 'If any man comes to me
without hating his father, mother, wife, children, broth-
ers, sisters, yes and his own life too, he cannot be my
disciple. Anyone who does not carry his cross and come
after me cannot be my disciple.

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nidja Nongar Boodja" - Noongar language translates to English as "Welcome to Noongar Country."

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SAINT PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL PARISH BUNBURY, WESTERN AUSTRALIA

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.



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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 Bunbury 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 5.00pm to 5.40pm prior to the 6.00pm Vigil Mass; or by appointment

Baptism, Wedding, Funeral: By arrangement - please phone the Parish Office

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POPE LEO XIV'S MONTHLY INTENTION FOR 2025

SEPTEMBER: FOR OUR RELATIONSHIP WITH ALL OF CREATION.

Let us pray that, inspired by Saint Francis, we might experience our interdependence with all creatures who are loved by God and worthy of love and respect.



✠ PRAYER INTENTIONS: "OREMUS" ✠

Personal Intentions: Mervyn Hustler, Brenda Finlayson DSG, Kevin Verghese, Frances Gianfrancesco, Silvio Maiolo, John Kukulka, Margaret Reid, Maria Ricili Vil-lanueva, Renato & Maria Fe Repuyan, Patrick Moran, Claire Kelly, Bridget Collins, Helen Whitcomde, Luke Scanlon, Neil Young, Angele Haydar, Jackie Reid, Noah Forster & Jake Palandri and Sophie Phelan.

Eternal repose of the soul of Waleria, mother of Bishop George Kolodziej SDS DD, whose Requiem Mass will be on Saturday, 6th of September in Poland, at 6pm, WAST (Perth Time). To follow on live stream go to: kamery.live/kamery/msz

Eternal repose of the soul of Rocco Versace whose funeral was held at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Friday the 5th of September. May his soul rest in peace.

General Intentions: Let us pray for the homeless, the lonely, the underprivileged in our community, and those suffering in silence due to domestic violence. Let us pray for peace in our world.

(Please let the Parish Office know if you have any family member or relations whom you would like the Parish to pray for. We advise that their consent be sought prior to the publication of their names.)



2025 JUBILEE YEAR PRAYER

As 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.



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.



MASS ROSTERS

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

May our stewardship of time, talent, and treasure show us to be among those who have heard the message of Christ and taken it in, yielding a hundred — or sixty — or thirty-fold!

PARISH STEWARDSHIP



THIS WEEKEND Sat 6th; Sun 7th September	Acolyte	Greeters	Commentary & Prayer of the Faithful	Reader	Ext. Min. of Holy Communion	Children's Liturgy	Altar Servers	Music	Morning Tea
Vigil Mass	Terance O	Shirley D Ester L	Jean G	Pat G	EMHC Required			Laudate Choir	
8am	Kim H	Jenny S Robin W	Greg D	Sr Christine	Cheryl N Carmel F Peter C			Joseline K	
10am	John I	Irene R Wally C	Liz L	Helen B	Cathy R Marilou C Rosina I	Tricia W Shirley D	Sophie D R Elijah D Abel R Abigail R	Parish Choir	
6pm	Mark J	David M		Jean G	EMHC Required		Dean S	Mark J	

OCEAN STAR AGED CARE / SUNDAY 2PM	Pastoral Care Volunteers:	Elaine G	Readers:	Volunteer
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NEXT WEEKEND Sat 13th; Sun 14th September	Acolyte	Greeters	Commentary & Prayer of the Faithful	Reader	Ext. Min. of Holy Communion	Children's Liturgy	Altar Servers	Music	Morning Tea
Vigil Mass	Terance O	Shirley D	Reader Required	Reader Required	EMHC Required			Music Required	
8am	Peter C	Kath F Margaret C	Daria S	Malena C	Margaret C Robin W Lesley S			Joseline K	Cathy & Friends
10am	Acolyte Required	Joe DÉS Lynette A Verna H	Deric D	Elaine T	Joe DÉS Liz L Helen B	Ronelle L Kendall L/ Ollen M	Sophie D R Caleb S Shelby C Dionne L Declan K	Parish Choir	Southwest Filipino Australian Assoc Inc.
6pm	Mark J	David M	Reader Required	Nan M	EMHC Required		Matthew G	Melanie N	

OCEAN STAR AGED CARE / SUNDAY 2PM	Pastoral Care Volunteers:	Lesley S	Readers:	Chris L, Ethel N
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8 September Monday	The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary	Micah 5:1-4: Ps 12:6-7: Mt 1:1-16, 18-23:
9 September Tuesday	St Peter Claver, priest	Col 2:6-15: Ps 144:1-2, 8-11: Lk 6:12-19:
10 September Wednesday	Weekday, Ordinary Time 23	Col 3:1-11: Ps 144:2-3, 10-13: Lk 6:20-26:
11 September Thursday	Weekday, Ordinary Time 23	Col 3:12-17: Ps 150:1-6: Lk 6:27-38:
12 September Friday	The Most Holy Name of Mary	1 Tim 1:1-2, 12-14: Ps 15:1-2, 5, 7-8, 11: Lk 6: 39-42:
13 September Saturday	St John Chrysostom, bishop, doctor	1 Tim 1:15-17: Ps 112:1-7: Lk 6:43-49:
14 September Sunday	THE EXALTATION of the HOLY CROSS Safeguarding Sunday	Num 21: 4-9: Ps 77: 1-2, 34-38: Phil 2:6-11: Jn 3:13-17:

"God loves a cheerful giver."
2 Corinthians 9:7
MASS COLLECTIONS
31st August 2025 - Week 9
First Collection: \$ 2,547.95 Sacrificial Giving: \$ 3,134.68

our parish life this coming week

8 September Monday	7am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 11am: Mass (St Damien Pilgrimage), Blessed Sacra- ment Chapel
9 September Tuesday	7am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 6pm: Rosary, St. Patrick's Cathedral
10 September Wednesday	7am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 9am: Mass, Our Lady of Immaculate Conception Dar- danup
11 September Thursday	7am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 11am: Mass, St. John of God Hospital Chapel 4:10pm: ASSP First Holy Communion - Lesson 7 5pm: RCIA 2026
12 September Friday	7am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral 7:45am: Mass, Bunbury Catholic College 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 9am: Mass, Ocean Star 11am: Mass, Elanora Villas Afternoon: "Chat with the Chap", Bunbury Catholic College 9am-9pm: Adoration, Blessed Sacrament Chapel
13 September Saturday	8am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 9am: Baptism, St. Patrick's Cathedral 11am: Wedding, St. Patrick's Cathedral 2pm: Baptism, St. Patrick's Cathedral 5pm: Reconciliation, St. Patrick's Cathedral 6pm: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral 6pm: Mass, Our Lady of Immaculate Conception Dar- danup
14 September Sunday	8am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral 8:30am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 9am: Mass, Our Lady of Immaculate Conception Dar- danup 10am: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral 10am: Mass, SJOGH Bunbury 2pm: Mass, Ocean Star 6pm: Mass, St. Patrick's Cathedral

LITURGIES & DEVOTIONS AROUND THE PARISH

HOLY HOUR: All are invited to join us to pray the Rosary and the Divine Mercy Chaplet in the Cathedral every Tuesday at 6pm. Fellowship in the Parish Hall afterwards. All are welcome.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: is held in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel every Friday from 9am to 9pm. All are welcome. For more information contact Rosemary 0402 459 678 or Barbara 0409 585 889

PARISH NEWS

HAPPY FATHERS DAY: To all the Dads and Grandads of the Parish, wishing you a wonderful day and may the blessings of Our Lord Jesus Christ be with you always.

FATHER'S DAY MORNING TEA: All are welcome to join us after the 8am & 10am Masses this weekend for a special Parish Morning Tea in celebration of Father's Day. Come along and share in fellowship as we honour and give thanks to the men who guide, nurture and inspire us.

PRIESTS WELFARE FOUNDATION "FATHER'S DAY" APPEAL: "For the care of our Spiritual Fathers" This weekend, the annual Priests' Welfare Foundation "Father's Day" Appeal is being held across the diocese. Conducting the appeal on Father's Day provides us with the opportunity to show our appreciation to our "Spiritual Fathers" on this special day. The Foundation provides assistance to Diocesan priests who have retired or who are in ill-health. The Appeal Brochure and Donation Envelopes are provided in the pews. Please complete your Donation Envelope and place it in the retiring basket today or in the collection basket in coming weeks.

You may wish to send your donation directly to the Foundation. All gifts over \$2 are tax deductible. Receipts for claiming Tax Deductions will be forwarded to your nominated address as soon as possible.

DIOCESAN NEWS

BUNBURY CATHOLIC DIOCESAN LITURGICAL CHOIR: We are pleased to announce that applications are now open for the *Bunbury Catholic Diocesan Liturgical Choir Bishop of Bunbury Scholarship* for 2026 – 2027. Two scholarships of \$1500 over a two year period are offered to students in year 7 to 12 from within the Diocese who wish to join the choir and further their musical and choral talents. Applications close Friday 17th October 2025. Auditions will take place on Wednesday October 29th 2025. For further information please contact: The Director Bunbury Catholic Diocesan Liturgical Choir, 85 Pearce Road, Australind WA 6233 or Email: millsmusic@bigpond.com

KIRUP SPIRITUALITY HUB: KIRUP CAMINO: Registrations are now open for this year's Kirup Camino – on Wednesday 1 October 2025 – a key Jubilee Year pilgrimage event to be held in the Diocese of Bunbury. We are very fortunate to have Bishop George Kolodziej SDS, Bishop of Bunbury, joining us to preside at the pilgrims' mass at the end of the pilgrimage. This year's Kirup Camino, which covers 16km of walking through farmland and alongside forest, starts at 8.30am at the Church of St Therese, in Balingup, and will end after the 4pm pilgrims' mass at the Spirituality Hub at the Holy Family Church, in Capel St, Kirup. To register go to: <https://www.trybooking.com/DDPSE>

CARITAS AUSTRALIA – SEASON OF CREATION: The Season of Creation's call for *Peace with Creation* aligns powerfully

with the Turn Debt into Hope campaign, as communities burdened by debt are often those facing the worst environmental challenges. This Season of Creation (1 September – 4 October), Caritas Australia is inviting parishes to stand in solidarity with vulnerable communities in need of sustainable development and ecological renewal by: 1. signing the Turn Debt into Hope petition at caritas.org.au/debt and 2. Committing to practical, everyday actions that promote ecological sustainability and care for creation by registering to become a Catholic Earthcare Household - caritas.org.au/catholic-earthcare/

DIOCESAN PILGRIMAGE ACYF 2025: Join the Official Diocesan Pilgrimage to ACYF 2025! 28 November – 3 December 2025, Melbourne, VIC. The Diocesan Youth Ministry Office - Catholic Diocese of Bunbury invites all young people (Aged 9–25 years) to be part of the Official Diocesan Pilgrimage to the Australian Catholic Youth Festival 2025! Cost: Approx. \$2,200—Deposit Due: Extended August. Pre-register now and secure your place: Scan the QR Code on the poster in cloister or visit <https://brushfire.com/catholicdioceseofbunbury/events/605208>

GENERAL NEWS

KSC EDUCATION FOUNDATION SCHOLARSHIPS: Teachers employed in Catholic Schools are invited to apply to the KSC Education Foundation Inc. for a scholarship to study Religious Education and Theology Units at the University of Notre Dame in 2026. Applications will open for the KSC Education Foundation Scholarship Program for 2025 on 1 September and close on 27 October 2025. For further information on the application process please contact office@kscwa.org.au or phone 9368 250. On-line application forms will be available from 1 September <https://wa.kscwa.org.au/KSC-Education-Foundation.html>

STEWARDSHIP UPDATES

WORSHIP PILLAR

• **MINISTRY OF PROCLAIMING THE WORD AND COMMENTATING WORKSHOPS.** We are hoping that the new Ministry of Commentator is helping us enter into the spirit of the Mass by 'breaking open' the Holy Scriptures to and for us. Further, it is wonderful that a good number of people are becoming aware of greeting fellow parishioners whom we are worshipping together. While we intend to be drawn to Christ in the Holy Eucharist, let us remember that we still belong to the Body of Christ. Being in the Body of Christ means we share a common journey. We may be following different paths but certainly the Holy Eucharist gives us the wonderful moments to be in union with each other. The Lord asks us to open our hearts and minds to the next person next to us and around us in the Mass. We are Christ's eyes in the community. We are Christ's hands in the community. We are the love of Christ in the heart of our community.

Just a reminder: our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion will be joining the Mass entrance procession and recession. Also, they will approach the sanctuary only after the Priest has received Holy Communion. This is to give due reverence to the solemn elevation of the Body of Christ. (Cf. The General Instruction of the Roman Missal no. 162).

• **CENTRALITY OF THE EUCHARIST.** The Worship Pillar Committee commits to finding ways for our parish life to be Eucharistic-centred.

FORMATION PILLAR

• **EXPANDING FORMATION AND OUTREACH THROUGH SOCIAL MEDIA ENGAGEMENT.** Plan to update our parish website, which will be a medium for parish evangelisation

• **CREATIVE AND COMPASSIONATE EVANGELIZATION THROUGH LEADERSHIP FORMATION.** The formation committee will engage with our Bishop, Bishop George Kolodziej SDS DD, in considering a parish renewal.

OUTREACH PILLAR

• **FREE HOT LUNCH FOR PEOPLE EXPERIENCING HOMELESSNESS.** Committee is looking forward to serving the wider community through the free lunch for the homeless which will now take place twice a month starting in September: 1st and 3rd Saturday.

• **ENHANCING COMMUNICATION AND PARISH-WIDE INVOLVEMENT IN OUTREACH.** Please check out the new brochures in the cloister. Feel free to ring Anne and Ryan if you wish to volunteer or to know more about how you can help.

HOSPITALITY PILLAR

• **IDENTIFYING AND EMPOWERING THE SPIRITUAL CHARACTER OF HOSPITALITY.** The hospitality committee met last Monday, 1 September. They discussed the following: [1] providing hospitality during morning teas and special events, [2] organising 'welcome packs' for new parishioners, [3] Cathedral cleaning, and [4] the structuring of St. Pat's Care.

• **EXPANDING AND STRUCTURING HOSPITALITY INITIATIVES.** If you are able to assist with the following hospitality ministries, please contact with the Parish Office: transportation to Cathedral, emergency meals, gardening, home visitation (in conjunction with the Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy, and grief accompaniment. These ministries are all part of the establishment of St. Patrick's Care.



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL ELECTION 2025

OUR PARISH NEEDS YOUR TIME & TALENTS. CONSIDER JOINING THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL. THERE IS JOY IN SERVING GOD'S FAMILY AND IN BEING ABLE TO JOURNEY IN CHRIST WITH FELLOW PARISHIONERS.

Nomination Forms are available in the Cathedral Cloister. Could we please ask you to consider the matter below and discern under the guidance of the Holy Spirit. We encourage you to say the prayer below for your discernment. God bless.

Are you...

- a believer in the Gospel of Jesus Christ, as proclaimed by the Catholic Church
- a fully initiated Catholic
- a participant in parish worship
- at least sixteen years of age
- respectful of the views of others
- committed to working through different viewpoints towards making group decisions
- committed to accepting and working towards the implementation of Council final decisions that have been accepted by the Parish Priest or Parish Administrator.

Then serving on the Parish Pastoral Council could be for you.

DISCERNMENT PRAYER FOR PARISH STEWARDSHIP

O God, we ask you to send your Holy Spirit to guide our parish in the selection of members for our Parish Pastoral Council.

We are a parish that wants to do your will and carry out the mission Jesus entrusted to us. Help us find the women and men who will work with our pastors and guide us in our mission.

We need women and men who will listen to the wisdom of the spirit and the needs of the people.

We need women and men who are open to the ideas of others and who will work to bring us all together in unity as sisters and brothers in Christ.

We need women and men who have great love for you and for our parish.

Continue to bless our parish so we can be a people filled with joy and faith as we live out our call to follow your Son, Jesus.

Amen.

PRAYER BEFORE MASS

Lord Jesus, grant us the grace to engage fully in our lives and in our communities.

Help us to embrace each moment with open hearts and willing spirits.

May we find strength in our participation, and may our actions reflect Your love and light.

Guide us to be present, to listen,

and to contribute meaningfully, so that we may grow closer to You and to one another.

Amen.

FINANCIAL REPORT FOR BUNBURY PARISH FOR THE YEAR END-ED 30 JUNE 2025. Our financial year recorded a 3% cashflow surplus, similar to the previous year. Loan repayments of \$66,493 were funded from both the surplus and existing cash reserves.

Income increased by 14%, with a key contributor being rent from the previously untenanted commercial property. Sacrificial giving increased by 7%, for which we thank your generosity.

Expenses also increased by 14%, due to a period of extra priests, and more employee hours.

The challenge for the year ahead to manage expenses, including building expenses and to maintain existing cash reserves. **A summary of income and expenses can be found on the Cathedral noticeboard.**

For your selfless giving of time and treasure, the Parish Finance Committee thanks you. (Thank you to Brian Castieau for the report.)

PRIESTS' WELFARE FOUNDATION. Please support our fundraising for the Priests' Welfare Foundation. Your donation will of great help in assisting our priests in their retirement and during their ill-health. On behalf of our priests in the diocese, a very sincere gratitude for your generosity.

REST IN PEACE, WALERIA. Let us pray for the repose of the soul of Walerian, Bishop George's mother. The funeral Mass took place in Poland last Saturday, 6 September. Bishop George was in Rome for the mandatory training of newly ordained bishops when the sad news came. Let us hold Bishop George and his families, relations and friends in our prayers during their time of grief.

CLERGY ANNUAL RETREAT. Clergy, priests and deacons, will all be gathering at St. John of God Retreat Centre from 14-19 September for their annual clergy retreat. Br. Dr. David Leary OFM will be this year's Retreat Master. During this week, Fr. Geoff Aldous will be doing our weekday Masses in the parish. Fr Geoff is a retired priest from the Archdiocese of Perth and is a well-sought priest for locum in the diocese. Please pray for us that we may have a spiritually-uplifting retreat and return to our parishes with renewed hope and zeal.

HOLY COMMUNION. Please join our St. Pat's Outreach and be Christ's heart to those who seek the experience of Christ's love in their lives. Information brochures about our parish outreach to the homeless are now available in the Cathedral cloister. Please check these out. Please remember that commencing this September, the outreach team will now be serving free hot lunches every 1st and 3rd Saturday of the month. Please contact Anne and Ryan Mallaby if you would like to help: 0455 570 623.

HOLY COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND HOMEBOUND. We invite our Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion to hand-in your pixes to our rostered Acolyte before Mass and receive God's blessing as you bring Holy Communion to the sick and homebound members of our faith community. Please let them know that we are praying for them.

MUSICIAN/CHORISTERS. Craig Fernandez of Dalyellup has kindly agreed to lead the Cathedral hymn singing during the 8am Mass. Craig is presently rostered at the Sunday Masses at St. John of God Bunbury Hospital. **We now need a choir to join him. Please phone the Parish Office if you are interested in joining the 8am Sunday Mass Choir.**

PRAYER AFTER MASS

Soul of Christ, sanctify me.

Body of Christ, save me.

Blood of Christ, inebriate me.

Water from the side of Christ, wash me.

Passion of Christ, strengthen me.

O good Jesus, hear me.

Within your wounds, hide me.

Separated from you, let me never be.

From evil one, protect me.

At the hour of my death, call me

And close to you, bid me

That with your saints, I may be

Praising you forever and ever. Amen.

PPC POST

by Helen Brown, Chairperson - Parish Pastoral Council

We would like to continue to remind everyone of some of the changes that have been introduced during the past two weeks in our minister's movements during Holy Mass. These changes came about through series of parish consultations. Thank you to those parishioners who have already provided feedback. We will record your suggestions/concerns and attend to them once the trial period has concluded.

Changes prior to the commencement of Mass:

1. Promptly at the starting time the bells will ring.
2. Parishioners will stand (as previously done)
3. The commentator will welcome the faithful, encourage connection between those participating in the Mass and introduce the message in the readings of the day.
4. Parishioners will be encouraged to join in singing the gathering hymn.

To Liturgy of the Word

1. There will be 1 reader of the Word.
2. Psalmist may or may not sing the Responsorial Psalm. If the Psalm is spoken then it will commence with the response, i.e. *God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.*
3. The Commentator will read the Universal Prayers (Prayer of the Faithful) at the conclusion of Mass.
4. Join the procession at the conclusion of Mass.

Changes to the movements of Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC) during Mass:

- > The EMHC's joining the procession.
- > The EMHC's approaching the Altar once the Priest-Celebrant consumes the Precious Body of Christ (They remain at their seats and kneel as part of the body of the Church).
- > The Acolyte will distribute Communion in the body of the Church. An EMHC will distribute Holy Communion upstairs.
- > Blessings will be offered verbally (There will be no Precious Body held in the fingers, or contact made).
- > Once finished distribution of Holy Communion, EMHC's will wash their hands to remove traces of the Precious Body.
- > Those EMHC's taking the Precious Body to the housebound will be invited to the Altar and blessed by the Priest-Celebrant after the Prayer After communion.
- > EMHC's will join the procession at the conclusion of Mass.

"WHY WE DO THE THINGS WE DO"

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Go!

'Go in peace to love and serve the Lord,' says the celebrant at the end of Mass. This concluding rite is best understood as a commissioning. Renewed in our relationship as brothers and sisters in the body of Christ, we are sent forth to share Christ's love with others. In fact, the word 'Mass' is derived from the Latin word *missa* which in turn is derived from 'mittere': to send. As you leave church today, think of how you can reach out to one specific person. Find a practical way of sharing with that person the strength you have drawn from this eucharistic celebration.

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FAITH EDUCATION CORNER

by Sr. Christine Clarke, PBVM

Season of Creation and 2 new Saints

Christians across the world marked **Creation Day** on Mon 1 Sept, the annual celebration of the mystery of Creation. Last Sunday Pope Leo XIV recalled that Pope Francis instituted the **World Day of Prayer for the Care of Creation**, saying it is "now more urgent and important than ever."

"Together with all Christians, we celebrate the **Season of Creation** until 4 October, the feast of Saint Francis of Assisi," he said. "Let us praise God and renew our commitment not to spoil His gift, but to care for our common home."

Blessed **Pier Giorgio Frassati** and Blessed **Carlo Acutis** will be canonized in Rome on 7 September. They led quite different lives, but were united in their love for Christ and their ability to impart that love to others. Pier Giorgio Frassati, an Italian, was a struggling student who excelled in mountain climbing. He had complete faith in God and persevered through college, dedicating himself to helping the poor and supporting church social teaching. He died at age 24 in 1925 from polio.

One of the things that most impressed a non-Christian person who was acquainted with Carlo was the witness of his love and concern for the poor - interacting with a homeless man who would sit at the entrance of the church, and taking dishes of food to people living on the streets. Carlo was a faithful friend, and was known for standing up for kids at school who got bullied, especially those with disabilities. He died at age 15 in 2006 from leukemia.

<https://www.catholicnewsagency.com/news/46048/who-was-carlo-acutis-a-chna-explainer>
<https://catholicweekly.com.au/blessed-pier-giorgio-frassati-and-legacy-after-death/>

QUOTES FROM THE EARLY CHURCH FATHERS

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Daily Quote from the Early Church Fathers:
Jesus permits us to love family but not more than God,
by Cyril of Alexandria, 375-444 A.D.



"He says, 'He that loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me. He that loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me' (Matthew 10:37). By adding 'more than me,' it is plain that he permits us to love, but not more than we love him. He demands our highest affection for himself and that very correctly. The love of God in those who are perfect in mind has something in it superior both to the honor due to parents and to the natural affection felt for children."

(excerpt from COMMENTARY ON LUKE, HOMILY 105)

Photo: [Saint Cyril of Alexandria \(https://catholic-saints-and-feasts.com/june-27-saint-cyrl-of-alexandria-bishop-and-doctor/\)](https://catholic-saints-and-feasts.com/june-27-saint-cyrl-of-alexandria-bishop-and-doctor/)

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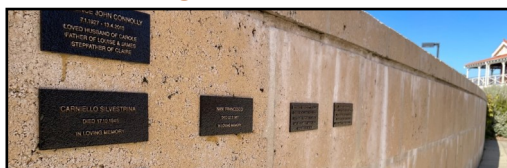


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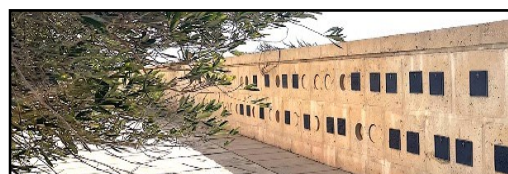
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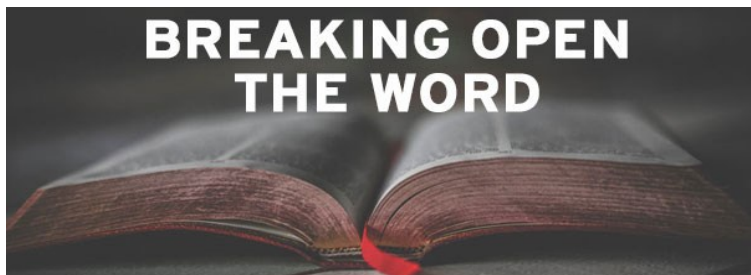
'And indeed, which of you here, intending to build a tower, would not first sit down and work out the cost to see if he had enough to complete it? Otherwise, if he laid the foundation and then found himself unable to finish the work, the onlookers would all start making fun of him and saying, "Here is a man who started to build and was unable to finish." Or again, what king marching to war against another king would not first sit down and consider whether with ten thousand men he could stand up to the other who advanced against him with twenty thousand? If not, then while the other king was still a long way off, he would send envoys to sue for peace. So in the same way, none of you can be my disciple unless he gives up all his possessions.'

☐ The Gospel of the Lord.

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Ps 41: 2-3

Like the deer that yearns for running streams,
so my soul is yearning for you, my God;
my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.



"Hating" So As To Love"

Great crowds were traveling with Jesus, and he turned and addressed them, "If anyone comes to me without hating his father and mother, wife and children, brothers and sisters, and even his own life, he cannot be my disciple." Luke 14:25-26

Why would Jesus exhort the "great crowds" to hate their families? In fact, Jesus went even further than that. He said they must also hate their own lives. If they do not, then they cannot be His disciples. One thing that this shocking teaching did was to shake people out of their lukewarm faith. Sometimes we think of Jesus only as a kind and gentle soul Who always brightens people's days. We see images painted of the smiling Jesus Who always made people feel welcomed and loved. And though these images have truth, it is also true that one way He brightened their days was by challenging them to the core of their being to convert. And that is what Jesus does today in our Gospel.

To hate your father, mother, children, siblings and even your very self is obviously not a reference to the sin of hate that flows from anger. In this case, the word "hate" refers to the best way to love others and to love even your own self. To begin, let's look at the

conclusion. Jesus said that this form of hate is a requirement of being His disciple. This is the key. Unless we are first and foremost a disciple of Christ, we cannot love others and we will not even love ourselves in the proper way. "Hate" in this context refers to selfish attachments. This means that people and things can easily get in the way of our love of God. When they do, we must see them as an obstacle to both the love of God, as well as to the authentic love of others and even ourselves. For example, if a family member were to demand in some way that you love them more than you love God, then this must be rejected with passion. This could be referred to as holy hatred of the temptation, not the person. Say a spouse criticizes you for attending Mass and tries to stop you from doing so. If you listen to them, then you are placing them before God. Or say someone hurts you and you choose to forgive them, only to have a family member challenge you and try to stir up anger in you toward that person. If you listen to them, then you are not listening to God. In these cases, we must "hate" in the sense that we reject the temptation.

What about yourself? How do you hate yourself? This is a reference to the many ways that our disordered appetites are drawn to sin. If we indulge in the disordered desires, or even worse, if we treat those disordered desires as normal and good for us, then we have chosen the disordered desire over God. In that case, we must learn to hate and reject the selfish and disordered desire, choosing God and His will alone.

When we are able to choose the love of God first and foremost in our lives, rejecting the temptations that come through others and even the temptations within our disordered desires, then, and only then, are we in a position to love others and ourselves, in the right way. Jesus obviously wants us to love others and ourselves. But this is only possible when our love is pure and holy and flows from the love of God. Any other form of "love" is not love at all. It is a selfish attachment that hinders our true mission as lovers of God and instruments of that love to others.

Reflect, today, upon the passion that you must have to reject all forms of sin. This includes sin that tempts you through the mediation of your family and friends. It also includes every form of temptation that arises within you on account of your disordered human nature. This holy hatred is an act of love in that it seeks to eliminate everything that keeps you from true love. Choose, today, to be a faithful disciple of Jesus and commit yourself to reject all that seeks to interfere with this choice. Doing so will not only increase your love for God, it will also increase your love for others, and even your love for your own soul.

My passionate Lord, You exhorted the crowds to reject every form of temptation that interfered with their love of You. Please fill my soul with a holy hatred for sin and all temptation so that I can reject them with passion. May I love You above all things and from that love, love others and even my own soul with Your Sacred Heart. Jesus, I trust in You.

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