

A WARM WELCOME TO YOU ALL!

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday), A2
12th 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 soul of: Elsa Gee, whose funeral will be held at St. Patrick's Cathedral on Thursday, 16th April at 10.30am. Wake will follow in parish hall.

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.

'I AM SENDING YOU'

When we gather for Eucharist each Sunday the risen Christ comes among us and offers us his gift of peace. Our celebration gives us joy and strengthens our faith. But we cannot stay inside the church with its doors locked. At the end of Mass we are sent out, commissioned to bring the love and mercy of Christ to all who continue to bear in their bodies the wounds of crucifixion.

Entrance Antiphon

1 Pt 2: 2

Like newborn infants, you must long for the pure, spiritual milk,
that in him you may grow to salvation, alleluia.

First Reading

Acts 2:42-47

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

The whole community remained faithful to the teaching of the apostles, to the brotherhood, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers.

The many miracles and signs worked through the apostles made a deep impression on everyone.

The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common; they sold their goods and possessions and shared out the proceeds among themselves according to what each one needed.

They went as a body to the Temple every day but met in their houses for the breaking of bread; they shared their food gladly and generously; they praised God and were looked up to by everyone. Day by day the Lord added to their community those destined to be saved.

The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Psalm 117(118):2-4,13-15,22-24

R. Give thanks to the Lord, for he is good; his love is everlasting.

1. Let the sons of Israel say:
'His love has no end.'
- Let the sons of Aaron say:
'His love has no end.'
- Let those who fear the Lord say:
'His love has no end.' **R.**

2. I was thrust down, thrust down and falling,
but the Lord was my helper.
The Lord is my strength and my song;
he was my saviour.
There are shouts of joy and victory
in the tents of the just. **R.**

3. The stone which the builders rejected
has become the corner stone.
This is the work of the Lord,
a marvel in our eyes.
This day was made by the Lord;
we rejoice and are glad. **R.**

Second Reading

1 Peter 1:3-9

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy has given us a new birth as his sons, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead, so that we have a sure hope and the promise of an inheritance that can never be spoilt or soiled and never fade away, because it is being kept for you in the heavens. Through your faith, God's power will guard you until the salvation which has been prepared is revealed at the end of time. This is a cause of great joy for you, even though you may for a short time have to bear being plagued by all sorts of trials; so that, when Jesus Christ is revealed, your faith will have been tested and proved like gold – only it is more precious than gold, which is corruptible even though it bears testing by fire – and then you will have praise and glory and honour. You did not see him, yet you love him; and still without seeing him, you are already filled with a joy so glorious that it cannot be described, because you believe; and you are sure of the end to which your faith looks forward, that is, the salvation of your souls.

The word of the Lord.

People: Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

John 20:29

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;
happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe!
Alleluia!

Priest: The Lord be with you.

People: And with your Spirit.

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

People: Glory to you, Lord.

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you', and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you.

'As the Father sent me,
so am I sending you.'

After saying this he breathed on them and said:

'Receive the Holy Spirit.
For those whose sins you forgive,
they are forgiven;
for those whose sins you retain,
they are retained.'

Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him:

'You believe because you can see me.

Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.'

There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

People: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Jn 20: 27

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails,
and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

The Inexhaustible Depths of Divine Mercy

Divine Mercy Sunday (Year A)



St. Maria Faustina Kowalska (1905-1938)

Now Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book. But these are written that you may come to believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through this belief you may have life in his name. John 20:30–31

Do you believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that through that belief you will inherit eternal life? Belief begins with an intellectual assent but must continuously deepen. The belief Saint John speaks of in today's Gospel is one that draws us deeper into the mystery of Christ's Paschal Mystery—His Life, Death, and Resurrection—so as to receive the gift of His abundant and transforming Mercy.

Today is the eighth day of Easter. The Church, in Her wisdom, celebrates the most important days of the liturgical year for eight days. Historically, there were a number of feasts celebrated with octaves: Easter, Epiphany, Corpus Christi, Ascension, All Saints, and in some locales, the Sacred Heart and various Marian feasts. After Vatican II, the Church focused on two—Christmas and Easter—so as to give greater emphasis to the core of the Paschal Mystery.

In the year 2000, the Octave of Easter took on a new focus when Pope John Paul II instituted the Solemnity of Divine Mercy on the eighth day of Easter. This was done in response to Jesus' personal request, communicated to the Church through a humble

cloistered Polish nun. Canonized in 2000, she is known as Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska.

Between 1931 and 1938, Sister Faustina received numerous mystical visions that she recorded in six notebooks, now referred to collectively as Divine Mercy in My Soul: Diary of Saint Maria Faustina Kowalska. Almost two years before her death, Sister Faustina recorded the following entry in her diary:

On one occasion, I heard these words: “My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy. I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. On that day the very depths of My tender mercy are open. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment. On that day all the divine floodgates through which grace flows are opened. Let no soul fear to draw near to Me, even though its sins be as scarlet. My mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. Everything that exists has come forth from the very depths of My most tender mercy. Every soul in its relation to Me will contemplate My love and mercy throughout eternity. The Feast of Mercy emerged from My very depths of tenderness. It is My desire that it be solemnly celebrated on the first Sunday after Easter. Mankind will not have peace until it turns to the Fount of My Mercy” (Diary #699).

When we reflect on this beautiful private revelation in the light of today’s Gospel, we are invited to consider that even though the Gospels present us with all we need to know in order to come to faith in Christ and share in the new life He bestows, the treasure of His Divine Mercy is inexhaustible. Just as “Jesus did many other signs in the presence of his disciples that are not written in this book,” so also the depths of His ongoing work, His Divine Mercy, will only be seen in Heaven.

Divine Mercy Sunday is a day on which we are to profess our belief in this Mercy. To do so, we must ponder these inexhaustible treasures, probe their depths with the aid of Saint Faustina’s private revelations, and then allow our Lord to reveal them to us within the depths of our souls.

Reflect today on the infinite and inexhaustible treasures found in the Person of Christ and His Divine Mercy. His Mercy draws us into countless unrecorded and glorious graces that we are called to receive and rejoice in. Believe in His Mercy. Be open to it. Call upon it today, and receive it more abundantly.

Most Merciful Jesus, Your mercy is so great that no mind, be it of man or of angel, will be able to fathom it throughout all eternity. On this Divine Mercy Sunday, I pray that You will pour out Your Mercy upon me and on the whole world. Fill us with the grace You won through Your Paschal Mystery so that all people will come to believe in You as their Lord and God. Jesus, I trust in You.

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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

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday)

Celebrant: We profess our faith in the Risen Christ during this Easter season, and, confident in the knowledge of God's love and power, we bring our needs and concerns.

Petitions

1. We pray for the Church, Pope Leo, Bishop George and all the faithful: through their service may they draw people ever closer to Christ. We pray to the Lord.
2. We pray for the leaders of nations and all in authority: may they be guided by wisdom and compassion, and work for justice and peace among peoples. We pray to the Lord.
3. We pray for all who struggle with doubt and uncertainty in their faith: may they encounter the Risen Christ, who speaks words of peace, and invites them to believe. We pray to the Lord.
4. We pray for those who are suffering in body, mind, or spirit: may they experience God's healing mercy, through our care, concern and service. We pray to the Lord.
5. We pray for all gathered here today: may we be diligent disciples of the Lord, open to the power of the Risen Christ, to proclaim God's love in word and action. We pray to the Lord.

Celebrant: God of compassion, you are with us even when we doubt. We offer these prayers in the name of Jesus Christ our Lord.

People: Amen.



**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY, 12 APRIL, 3PM, ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL.
INCLUDES PRAYING OF THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY**

*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 11 th & 12 th April	Vigil Mass	8am	10am	6pm
Acolyte	Alfred L Terance O	Peter C	Alfred L	Joel G
Greeters	Shirley D	Cherylynne F Robin W	Lynette A Verna H	David M
Commentator	<i>Commentator Needed</i>	Daria S	Norrie P	Terri P
Reader	Brad S	Sr Christine	Liz D	Nan M
Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion	<i>EMHC Needed</i>	Lesley S Margaret C	Nilda C Marilou C Helen B	Terri P
Children's Liturgy			School Holidays	
Altar Servers			Sophie D R, Caleb S, Shelby C, Dionne L	Matthew G Evan B
Music	Laudate Choir	Alma W	Voices of Hope	Melanie N
Morning Tea		Cathy & Friends	Syro Malabar	
OCEAN STAR / SUNDAY 2PM		Pastoral Care Volunteers	Lesley S	Readers Chris L, Ethel N

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

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



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

13 April Monday of the 2 nd week of Easter	7am: Mass, St. Patrick’s Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery
14 April Tuesday of the 2 nd week of Easter	7am: Mass, St. Patrick’s Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 6pm: Rosary, St. Patrick’s Cathedral
15 April Wednesday of the 2 nd week of Easter	7am: Mass, St. Patrick’s Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 3.45pm: RCIC, Lesson 10, Parish Hall 6.00pm: Parish Pastoral Council Meeting, Parish Hall
16 April Thursday of the 2 nd week of Easter	7am: Mass, St. Patrick’s Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 11am: Mass, St. John of God Hospital 5.00pm: RCIA 2026 “Mystagogia” 6.00pm: RCIA 2027 – On Recess
17 April Friday of the 2 nd week of Easter	7am: Mass, St. Patrick’s Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 10:30am: Mass, Wattle Hill 9am-9pm: Adoration: Blessed Sacrament Chapel
18 April Saturday of the 2 nd week of Easter	8.00am: Mass, St. Patrick’s Cathedral 9am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 5pm: Reconciliation, St. Patrick’s Cathedral 6.00pm: Vigil Mass, St. Patrick’s Cathedral
19 April THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	8.00am: Mass, St. Patrick’s Cathedral 8.30am: Mass, Carmelite Monastery 10.00am: Mass, St. Patrick’s Cathedral 10.00am: Mass, St. John of God Hospital 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 5th April 2026 – Week 40

Sorry, figures were not available at time of printing.

We thank you for your Easter contributions.

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



DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY DEVOTIONS. 12 April. Holy Hour before the Blessed Sacrament at St. Patrick's Cathedral starting at 3pm. Includes praying of the Chaplet of Divine Mercy. All welcome.

REST IN PEACE: ELSA GEE. Let us pray for the repose of the soul of Elsa Gee. Elsa was a long-time Bunbury parishioner who dedicated her life not just to the Cathedral Parish but to the Diocese of Bunbury with her late husband, Deacon Paul Gee. The Requiem Mass in her memory will be celebrated on Thursday, the 16th of April, 10.30am at St. Patrick's Cathedral. The wake will follow at the parish hall straight after the Mass. **May we request help from parishioners to bring a plate for the morning tea.** We thank you in anticipation.

MORNING TEA. Please join us after the 8am & 10am Masses for morning tea in the parish hall.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY. There is no children's liturgy held over the school holiday period. It will resume on Sunday 26th April during the 10am Mass.

SACRAMENTS

BAPTISM. We pray for Nicholas Anthony Calabro & Will James Calabro who will both be receiving the grace of the Sacrament of Baptism this weekend.

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.

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.

REINSTATING DISTRIBUTION OF THE PRECIOUS BLOOD OF CHRIST. We will continue to monitor the distribution of Communion under both kinds, that is, Holy Communion of the Body and Blood of Christ. Please be patient as we continue to look into how it can be administered seamlessly. We have already noted that a line builds up since there are only two distribution points for the Precious Blood in the Cathedral. The past days have been exceptional days owing to being Holy Week and we have experienced an increase in church attendance. Please be rest assured that we will be prepared to increase Precious Blood distribution points if required. **To avoid congestion before the Precious Blood distribution points, please queue up in a straight line just like receiving the Body of Christ. In this way, it will create a clear passage for those who will not be receiving the Precious Blood.**

DIOCESAN NEWS

CALLED TO SERVE: Formation for Liturgical Ministers. 18th of April 2026, 9:00am – 3:30pm, Our Lady of the Bay Parish Hall, Busselton. The Diocese of Bunbury will be facilitating a formation day for new and continuing Liturgical Ministers. Those who serve or wish to serve (after approval by their parish priest) as Acolytes, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors are welcomed to attend. Lunch and morning tea provided but you are welcomed to bring plate to share as well. RSVP essential – please RSVP using the following link <https://forms.gle/6i6oieL742QrEomU6> or email aaronf@bunbury.catholic.org.au or call 9721 0508. (Please RSVP with any special dietary information and which Ministry you are serving in or want to serve in.) Please RSVP by the 13th of April 2026.

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 solidarity with our partners in Lebanon. Learn more or make a donation today at www.caritas.org.au/lebanon



JOSEPHITE COMPANION

GATHERING: Everyone is invited to join the Josephite Companions in Friendship, Prayer and Service. *Unpacking the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart Chapter 2025 and implications for Josephite Companions.* **Place:** Parish Hall Cathedral Precinct, 11 Money St, Bunbury. **Date:** 15 April. **Time:** 9.30am. Bring a friend and a plate of food for a shared meal. Response to this invitation would assist with organisation on the day. D Savage 97914008
H. Brown 0478 783 990 or helenbrown.hb@gmail.com

KSC WA GALA DINNER 2026: The 2026 Gala Dinner sponsored by the **Knights of the Southern Cross (WA)** is on **Friday 22nd 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: (M) 0488 966 400.

THE COMMUNITY OF THE SONS AND DAUGHTERS OF GOD. Fr. Doroteo and Fr. Silverio will be concelebrating at our 10am Mass, accompanied by Brother Monk, from this community. Its members are Consecrated to God and strive to live interiorised monasticism whilst witnessing and living in the world. Please say hello to them at the parish morning tea.

POST-EASTER DEBRIEF. Part of our Parish Pastoral Council meeting last Wednesday, 8 April, was to evaluate our Holy Week Cathedral events. To convey our gratitude to those who have generously given their time for our Cathedral services is part of this process. Apart from the citations below, we would like to thank at the outset all our liturgical ministers whose individual and collective contributions helped make our celebrations very solemn and meaningful. We also objectively looked into areas that need improvement, contextualising these areas within our call to stewardship. Every constructive comment helps us grow in our service. We have countless number of volunteers to whom we are deeply indebted. May God continue to bless your hearts.



- **PALM SUNDAY.** Thank you to Val Nanut who has been providing us the palms for years; to parish volunteers, and children, who individually prepared the palms we held in our hands; to Melvin Santos for gathering the choir, 'Voices of Hope' to take on the fifth Sunday 10am Mass choir roster which is without a designated choir at the moment.
- **CHRISM MASS (HOLY TUESDAY).** It was wonderful to see around 330 students at the Chrism Mass. Thank you to our decanters, all parishioners, who helped decant the Holy Oils into amber bottles. Congratulations to all our priests after renewing their priestly promises and religious vows.
- **MASS OF THE LORD'S SUPPER (HOLY THURSDAY).** Thank you to our parishioners who participated in the washing of the feet. The beautiful altar of repose

was created by Helen Brown, Lix Lomax and their team. Their creation was heavenly, befitting a place for the reservation of the Most Holy Body of Christ.

- **GOOD FRIDAY STATION OF THE CROSS.** It was a heartwarming and emotional presentation of the Stations of the Cross led by Helen Brown, Liz Lomax, Tricia Ward and their team of young people in the parish and volunteers. It's amazing how they were able to organise this presentation given only two weeks. If there is a will, there is a way, as they say! The young people were outstanding. They came from our Catholic Schools, including from our After School Sacrament Program.
- **GOOD FRIDAY PASSION OF THE LORD.** A mighty effort from Joel Gragasin who made use of the Cathedral cherry picker to cover the sanctuary tapestry with the colours of mourning – black and purple. Thank you to Joel's family, Jean, Mathew and Luke, for the help in covering all Cathedral statues with purple fabric.
- **EASTER VIGIL.** Congratulations to Verna-Lee Hansen for the reception of the Sacrament of Initiations; to Kate Back, Rebeca Berry, Peter Lomax, Dylan Wilson for being received into the Catholic Church. A new Easter Vigil choir has emerged under the leadership of Melvin Santos and Miles Milan. They certainly led the Easter Vigil liturgy with highly emotive and joyful Easter hymns. Upon the invitation to sing, the choir did not hesitate to practice for the Easter Vigil Mass, meeting three times a week to prepare well for the choir singing. They were outstanding, and humble in the face of community praise and admiration.
- We are truly grateful to Seminarian Chris De Freitas for his ministry to our Cathedral Parish. His commitment to our parish celebrations is unparalleled. He did not only serve on the altar, but he also served as the 'Parish Manager' who made it sure that everything we needed for our Cathedral celebrations is ready and is in the sacristy or on the sanctuary.
- We offer our gratitude to our Pontifical Servers (altar servers) for their dedication and passion to serve. They are well experienced now in the art of altar service so much so they can swap roles and still be able to perform a different role with ease. Many thanks to their parents and guardians for their support.
- And to all parishioners and friends of St. Patrick: thank you for your faith, hope and charity. Let us continue to journey as one Body of Christ.



If you are currently in a parish ministry, or would like to serve in a parish ministry, or you're from another diocese and you would like to serve in the Cathedral Parish, please phone the parish office to speak with Fr. Pierre, the Dean of the Cathedral, regarding the diocesan formation being presented on the 18th of April, 9am-3.30pm at the Our Lady of the Bay Church, Busselton. Consider this invitation seriously as every parish minister needs ongoing formation in the exercise of their parish ministry. If you would like to know more about the ministries being offered, please ring the parish office at 08 9721 2141.



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.

13 April Monday	Monday of the Second Week of Easter St Martin I, pope, martyr	Acts 4:23-31; Ps 2:1-9; Jn 3:1-8
14 April Tuesday	Tuesday of the Second Week of Easter	Acts 4:32-37; Ps 91:1-2, 5; Jn 3:7-15
15 April Wednesday	Wednesday of the Second Week of Easter	Acts 5:17-26; Ps 33:2-9; Jn 3:16-21
16 April Thursday	Thursday of the Second Week of Easter	Acts 5:27-33; Ps 33:2, 9, 17-20; Jn 3:31-36
17 April Friday	Friday of the Second Week of Easter	Acts 5:34-42; Ps 26:1-4, 13-14; Jn 6:1-15
18 April Saturday	Saturday of the Second Week of Easter	Acts 6:1-7; Ps 32:1-2, 4-5, 18-19; Jn 6:16-21
19 April Sunday	THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER	Acts 2:14, 22-33; Ps 15:1-2, 5, 7-11; 1 Pet 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

The Season of Easter

Easter Sunday was also the first day of the Octave of Easter. The **fifty days** of the **Easter Season** run from **Easter Sunday until Pentecost**. We hear again and again the words of every preface: We **praise you with greater joy than ever** in this Easter season, **when Christ became our paschal sacrifice**.

Another way to understand the Easter season is to consider it as an overflow of the Vigil and a time for unfolding the Easter mysteries. During these fifty days the Church continues to instruct the newly initiated about the faith which they have embraced.

At the same time **all members of the community** are called to reflect on the meaning of their own baptism and to **celebrate the conversion which has happened during Lent**. Together we focus on **living our faith**, on the **meaning of the eucharist** and the **power of the Spirit in our lives**, the challenge to respond to ministry in the Church, and our responsibility to **witness to the risen Lord in the world**.

The central symbols of **water and light** are used throughout the fifty days. The **paschal candle** is placed near the ambo or altar until Pentecost and is lighted during liturgical celebrations to remind us that **Christ is indeed our light**.

The fifty days of the Easter season are “the days for singing the Alleluia”. The Easter season liturgies proclaim the resurrection of Christ and celebrate **our new life in Christ**. (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!

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• 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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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.

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“For nothing will be impossible with God.”

Luke 1:37



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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 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
6pm Saturday	BB 624	BB 49	Chant	BB 176	BB195 & BB461
8am Sunday	AOV1 016	AOV1 164	AOV1 112	AOV1 30	AOV2 003
10am Sunday	AOV1 80	AOV1 129	-	AOV1 30	AOV1 124
6pm Sunday	BB 14	BB 15	BB 536	BB 36	BB 495
SJOGH	AOV1 124	AOV1 185	AOV1 114	-	AOV1 182