# WELCOME

"The Love of Christ must come before all else." (Rule of St Benedict)

**ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC CHURCH — 11 SEPTEMBER 2022**

## WEEKLY SERVICES

**Mass Times:**

Mon: Communion - Service @7am **(after the service, the church will be closed)**
Wed/Fri: 7.00am
Tues/Thurs: 9.00am
Sat: 7.30am & Vigil @6pm
Sun: 7.30am, 9.30am & 6.00pm

**HOLY HOUR (STARTS WITH MASS)**
**FRIDAYS @7.00AM**

**Reconciliation:**

Sat: **4.30PM - 5.30PM**

**Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:**

**Thursday: 9.30am—5pm**
**Friday: 8.00am—5pm**

**Rosary Groups:**

Tue: 9.30am, Wed/Fri: 7.30am
Cenacle: Thurs: 9.30am

**Prayer Group:**

Mary Mother of Sorrows: Meetings on Thursdays @1.00pm

**Catholic Women's League (CWL)**

Meet the 2nd Tuesday of the Month in the Fr Albert Lynch Room **@1pm (NEW TIME)**

**Baptisms:** BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

**Marriages:** BY APPOINTMENT ONLY

**BENEDICTCARE COORDINATORS:**

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## 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YR C

### GOSPEL REFLECTION BY Dianne Bergant CSA

The God who spoke to Moses is pained by the depravity of the people yet moved to show them mercy. Who could ever have imagined such a God? The God depicted in the gospel actually searches for what is lost. He seems to abandon the safe ones for the sake of the one who has strayed. She goes to great lengths to find one coin. As a spurned yet loving father, God patiently waits until we come to our senses. Who could ever have conceived of such a God?

Our God seems consumed with an insatiable desire to reestablish a relationship with us after we have turned our backs on God, have chosen to commit our loyalties elsewhere, have thoughtlessly wandered off into danger that threatens our well being, not God's. What is it about us that makes us so desirable? The answer has less to do with us than with the magnanimous character of God. It is almost as if unconditional love is not simply a characteristic of God, but God's very essence and no human frailty or depravity can change this.

Paul insists that it is through Christ that all of this is accomplished. It is through the sacrifice of Christ that the depraved are forgiven, that sinners are saved, that the lost are found. It is through Christ that we are sought by God, and Christ is the very gift of mercy, the forgiveness of our sins, the celebration of our return.

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***Admin Officer:** Stefani Chen*

## PARISH NOTICES

### EVENTS

- 11 SEPTEMBER — PARISH MORNING TEA AFTER 7.30AM MASS (ROSTER: VANESSA KILROE & CHRISTIE STIPINOVIC)
- 20 SEPTEMBER — PARENT CHILD WORKSHOP FOR RECONCILIATION @4.30PM **OR** 6PM
- 21 SEPTEMBER AND 5 & 19 OCTOBER — CYM SUMMIT: MASS & ADORATION @6PM
- 25 SEPTEMBER — PARISH COOKIES, CUPPA & CHATS AFTER 9.30AM MASS
- 4 OCTOBER — MASS OF ANOINTING @9AM, FOLLOWED BY MORNING TEA, ORGANISED BY BENEDICTCARE
- 8 OCTOBER—YOUTH MASS @6PM

**Mary, Mother of Sorrows Prayer Group** invites you to attend a Day of Reflection with Br. Terry Casey at 53 Redmond St., Salter Point on Thursday, September 15th from 10am to 2.30pm. Cost $10 and bring your own lunch. Tea and Coffee provided. Theme: Many Gifts, One Spirit. Please notify Judy Phillips on 0420 246 741 if you are able to attend.

### URGENT MESSAGE FROM FR NELSON

I am aware that scam emails or text messages have been sent to parishioners asking for money etc. These are not coming from me. Please report them to Scam Watch.

### COUNTERS NEEDED!!!

We are in need of new counters for planned giving donations. Please contact the parish office or Fr Nelson if you want to help. Counting takes place immediately after Sunday 9.30am mass. *Thank you.*

### YOUTH CORNER

1. Youth Mass — 8 October @6pm
2. Youth Events are scheduled on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of every month after the 6pm mass.

The Vinnies food pantry supplies are very low. We would be grateful to receive perishable food items and other household necessities so we can help people in need living in our area. Suggested items are: tinned ham, tinned chunky soup, breakfast cereal, biscuits, tinned tomato, laundry detergent (suitable for both top loader & front loader), kitchen detergent, deodorant, liquid soap, tinned tuna and salmon — The Appliecross Vinnies conference.

### UPDATE — PLENARY COUNCIL

Our Archbishop in his recent pastoral letter provided some information regarding the conclusion of the second assembly of the Plenary Council. The complete summary is available on the website which you are encouraged to visit & access: plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au.

Over the five year journey we participated actively with almost 400 of us attending various sessions & submitting reports to the Australian secretariat. For many & especially members of the Council the personal journey has been rich & rewarding with a greater opportunity to reach out & discuss our faith with other parishioners & the wider church. The implementation phase is currently being prepared & we look forward to participating in this as it is released.

Your Faith Formation committee continues to follow this phase & are most interested in your comments & discussion. Please meet them: Anushia Suppiah, Clare Farr, Maria Harris, Kevin Wringe, Malcolm Farr, Michael Perrott, Fr Nelson Po.

### Safeguarding Induction for All Church Workers - Online

We invite ALL church workers (volunteers or paid) to attend an online safeguarding induction. A church worker is anyone in the parish in any role – paid or voluntary. The session will cover the Safeguarding Policies and Procedures, the importance of Safeguarding in the parish and the role of the Parish Safeguarding Officer. The calendar dates are:

- Monday, 10 October 2022 at 2 pm
- Friday, 21 October 2022 at 10 am
- Wednesday, 26 October 2022 at 7pm
- Tuesday, 01 November 2022 at 10 am
- Wednesday, 16 November 2022 at 2 pm
- Wednesday, 07 December 2022 at 2 pm
- Thursday, 15 December 2022 at 7 pm

To register please visit: http://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training-calendar-church-workers/ Or phone 9221 7762.

**THANK YOU** for your generous partnership with life-changing mission programmes in Ethiopia. You are helping the Church and local community to work towards addressing problems like malnutrition in babies and children. Your gift also supports mission programmes around the world that reach out and give life to those in need. **If you missed the opportunity last week, scan the QR code to make a donation.**

To learn more about the impact of your support, visit www.catholicmission.org.au/our-work where you can also sign-up for our newsletter, or contact Francis Leong on 08 6234 1760 / director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au for further information.

### PRAY FOR THE SICK

***Please keep the following people in your prayers:***

Myrtle Nimmo, Sr Carla, Beryl Kerman, Truus Botman, Patrick Thomas, Ng Chai Hong, Beatrice Leong, Helen Overman, Shalini Saldanha, Ng Choon Bee, Jake Heron, Nick Odorisio, Michelle O'Brien, Gerald Logan and all others who are not included in this list. *Thank you.*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR RECENTLY DECEASED: — ANNIVERSARIES:

Cyril De Cruz, Laurie Townsend, Phillip Dally, Estelle Lombardo, Elizabeth Townsend, Anna Reale, Aloysius D'Rosario, Roger Murphy and all deceased benefactors of the parish and all departed family and friends. *Thank You.*

## ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

**DIOCESE OF BROOME**
**Kimberley Catholic Volunteer Service**
**NEEDED URGENTLY - VOLUNTEER WORKERS**

The Diocese of Broome, WA, urgently requires volunteers to assist in working with the local Church, in various Aboriginal communities. There is a variety of important voluntary tasks in **administration, building and vehicle maintenance, gardening, hospitality, general cleaning etc. Placements** are preferred for a period of 6 months plus. In return for being part of the team, we offer accommodation, living expenses and a small weekly allowance. **For further details, and an application form, please contact:** Volunteer Coordinator, Janet Ryan: 08 9192 1060
Email: volunteers@broomediocese.org Web: www.broomediocese.org

**11 Sep SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY – RESOURCES**

The Catholic Church in Australia marks Safeguarding Sunday on the **second Sunday in September – 11 September this year.** Assisted by a small working group from communications and safeguarding offices, a suite of resources has been prepared to help individuals, groups, parishes, schools and other ministries mark the day. The theme for this year's resources draws on the theme for National Child Protection Week, which concludes on the day before Safeguarding Sunday; the theme is *"Safe and Supported".* The resources include Sample Prayers of Intercession, A prayer to be prayed individually or as a group, social media graphics and other digital assets. Homily Notes for Safeguarding Sunday, Draft Bulletin Notices and A PowerPoint template. They can be accessed in this folder: **https://bit.ly/SafeguardingSunday22**. They are also posted on the Conference website at: **https://www.catholic.org.au/safeguarding-sunday**.

**Chaplets of the Divine Mercy**.
A beautiful, prayerful, sung devotion held **at St Thomas More Catholic Church, Dean Road Bateman**, on the second Wednesday of each month commencing at 7.30 pm. The next devotion will be held on **Wednesday 14 September 2022 commencing at 7.30pm**.
Enquiries to George Lopez on 041 991 0039.

## PRAYER FOR THE DAY

***Presence***
"Come to me all you who are burdened
and I will give you rest"
Here I am, Lord. I come to seek Your presence.
I long for your healing power.

***Freedom***
There are very few people
who realise what God would make of them
if they abandoned themselves into his hands,
and let themselves be formed by his grace.
(Saint Ignatius)
I ask for the grace to trust myself totally to God's love.

***Consciousness***
We are all pilgrims on a journey to you, Lord.
May we contemplate your time on earth,
and, with Your help, follow in your footsteps.

***Conversation***
May your Holy Spirit guide me
In all my dealings with others.
May I use the gift of speech with kindness.

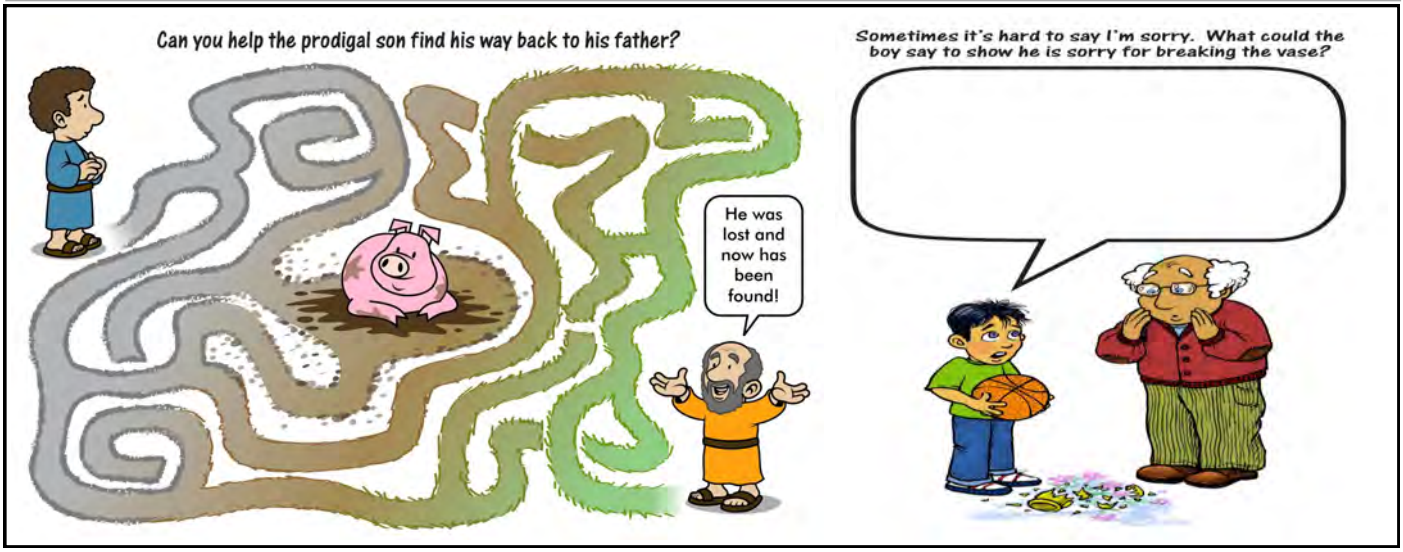
***Conclusion***
I thank God for these few moments we have spent alone together and for any insights I may have been given concerning the text.

Come and Hike with the **Catholic Youth Ministry Team** on the Saturday **17 September** as we take to the top of Mount Cooke, Perth's highest peak! Bring a friend as we experience the beauty of creation as well as celebrate Mass and eat lunch at the summit. This event will be an awesome opportunity to do something adventurous whilst meeting other passionate young Catholics from the Archdiocese of Perth! This event is for young people aged 18-30 years. For more information, check out the registration link via our events page at cym.com.au/events. Registration closes on ***Tuesday 13 September***. Hope to see you there! Info: **CYM 08 9422 7912**.

**Pakistan Flood Crisis appeal**

The devastating floods in Pakistan have left a trail of destruction across the country, claiming the lives of more than 1,100 people. The United Nations estimates that around 33 million Pakistanis have been affected by the flooding. More than one third of the country has been completely submerged by the heaviest recorded monsoon rains in a decade. There are fears that the death toll will continue to rise. **Caritas Australia's partners are responding to support flood-affected communities who need immediate assistance. Your generous support can help provide emergency support to help families recover and rebuild from disaster. Donate now by visiting https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/pakistan-floods**

## CHILDREN'S CORNER




**Church/School Parking – Reminder**
Please park on the allotted bays in the church carpark and in the school carpark at Alness Street. **Do not park on the neighbouring residents' lawn across the church.** *Thank you.*

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C**

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| **1st:** | Amos 8:4-7 | **Ps:** | 112:1-2, 4-8 |
| **2nd:** | 1Tim 2:1-8 | **Gospel:** | Lk 16:1-13 |

## READINGS FOR THE DAY

### Entrance Antiphon *Cf. Sir 36:18*

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you,
that your prophets be found true.
Hear the prayers of your servant,
and of your people Israel.

### First Reading *Ex 32:7-11. 13-14*

A reading from the book of Exodus

*The Lord relented and did not send the evil he had threatened.*

The Lord spoke to Moses, 'Go down now, because your people whom you brought out of Egypt have apostatised. They have been quick to leave the way I marked out for them; they have made themselves a calf of molten metal and have worshipped it and offered it sacrifice. "Here is your God, Israel," they have cried, "who brought you up from the land of Egypt!" I can see how headstrong these people are! Leave me, now, my wrath shall blaze out against them and devour them; of you, however, I will make a great nation.'

But Moses pleaded with the Lord his God. 'Lord,' he said, 'why should your wrath blaze out against this people of yours whom you brought out of the land of Egypt with arm outstretched and mighty hand? Remember Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, your servants to whom by your own self you swore and made this promise: I will make your offspring as many as the stars of heaven, and all this land which I promised I will give to your descendants, and it shall be their heritage for ever.' So the Lord relented and did not bring on his people the disaster he had threatened.

### Responsorial Psalm *Ps 50:3-4. 12-13. 17. 19. R. Lk 15:18*

(R.) I will rise and go to my father. (3 verses)

### Second Reading *1 Tm 1:12-17*

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to Timothy

*Christ came to save sinners.*

I thank Christ Jesus our Lord, who has given me strength, and who judged me faithful enough to call me into his service even though I used to be a blasphemer and did all I could to injure and discredit the faith. Mercy, however, was shown me, because until I became a believer I had been acting in ignorance; and the grace of our Lord filled me with faith and with the love that is in Christ Jesus. Here is a saying that you can rely on and nobody should doubt: that Christ Jesus came into the world to save sinners. I myself am the greatest of them; and if mercy has been shown to me, it is because Jesus Christ meant to make me the greatest evidence of his inexhaustible patience for all the other people who would later have to trust in him to come to eternal life. To the eternal King, the undying, invisible and only God, be honour and glory for ever and ever. Amen.

### Gospel Acclamation *2 Cor 5:19*

Alleluia, alleluia!
God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself;
and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us.
Alleluia!

### Gospel *Lk 15:1-32*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

*There will be joy in heaven over one sinner who does penance.*

The tax collectors and the sinners were all seeking the company of Jesus to hear what he had to say, and the Pharisees and the scribes complained. 'This man' they said 'welcomes sinners and eats with them. So he spoke this parable to them:

'What man among you with a hundred sheep, losing one, would not leave the ninety-nine in the wilderness and go after the missing one till he found it? And when he found it, would he not joyfully take it on his shoulders and then, when he got home, call together his friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," he would say "I have found my sheep that was lost." In the same way, I tell you, there will be more rejoicing in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine virtuous men who have no need of repentance.

'Or again, what woman with ten drachmas would not, if she lost one, light a lamp and sweep out the house and search thoroughly till she found it? And then, when she had found it, call together her friends and neighbours? "Rejoice with me," she would say "I have found the drachma I lost." In the same way, I tell you, there is rejoicing among the angels of God over one repentant sinner.'

He also said, 'A man had two sons. The younger said to his father, "Father, let me have the share of the estate that would come to me." So the father divided the property between them. A few days later, the younger son got together everything he had and left for a distant country where he squandered his money on a life of debauchery.

'When he had spent it all, that country experienced a severe famine, and now he began to feel the pinch, so he hired himself out to one of the local inhabitants who put him on his farm to feed the pigs. And he would willingly have filled his belly with the husks the pigs were eating but no one offered him anything. Then he came to his senses and said, "How many of my father's paid servants have more food than they want, and here am I dying of hunger! I will leave this place and go to my father and say: Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you; I no longer deserve to be called your son; treat me as one of your paid servants." So he left the place and went back to his father.

'While he was still a long way off, his father saw him and was moved with pity. He ran to the boy, clasped him in his arms and kissed him tenderly. Then his son said, "Father, I have sinned against heaven and against you. I no longer deserve to be called your son." But the father said to his servants, "Quick! Bring out the best robe and put it on him; put a ring on his finger and sandals on his feet. Bring the calf we have been fattening, and kill it; we are going to have a feast, a celebration, because this son of mine was dead and has come back to life; he was lost and is found." And they began to celebrate.

'Now the elder son was out in the fields, and on his way back, as he drew near the house, he could hear music and dancing. Calling one of the servants he asked what it was all about. "Your brother has come" replied the servant, "and your father has killed the calf we had fattened because he has got him back safe and sound." He was angry then and refused to go in, and his father came out to plead with him; but he answered his father, "Look, all these years I have slaved for you and never once disobeyed your orders, yet you never offered me so much as a kid for me to celebrate with my friends. But, for this son of yours, when he comes back after swallowing up your property – he and his women – you kill the calf we had been fattening."

'The father said, "My son, you are with me always and all I have is yours. But it was only right we should celebrate and rejoice, because your brother here was dead and has come to life; he was lost and is found."'

### Communion Antiphon *Cf. Ps 35:8*

How precious is your mercy, O God!

The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE — 17 AND 18 SEPTEMBER 2022

| | SAT 6PM | SUN 7.30AM | SUN 9.30AM | SUN 6PM |
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| ACOLYTE | SIMON CARRICK | MIKE KILROE | DOMINIC LONGO | ROB PAUL |
| ALTAR SERVERS | ADELE & LUKE CARRICK<br>SACHA AUTON | IHINOSEN & ESEOSE ITOTOH | JAKE & JOSHUA GOLDING | OLIVER & JACOB WONG |
| COMMENTATORS | STEFANI CHEN | ADELE PARSONS | VERONICA AVERY | MAISIE CINANNI |
| COLLECTORS | IONE COORAY<br>STEPHEN DONOVAN | JAMES GALVIN | ROGER BUNN<br>LILI ORIFICI | JOE CINANNI<br>CHRIS JOSEPH |
| READERS | AYLMYR SEQUEIRA<br>FRANCES MEYERKORT | ANGELA SCOTT<br>JACQUIE HERON | JUDY PHILLIPS<br>CHRIS HACKETT | MAUREEN BRIGHT<br>JACKIE WONG |
| EMOHC | MEGAN DOWLING<br>MICHELLE CARRICK | TINA CAMMARANO | MARINA CICCARELLI<br>GIULIA HARRIS | DONNA ARTINGSTALL<br>YULIANA VAN DER BURG |

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| **ALTAR SOCIETY**: MRS HEATHER MCNAUGHT & MRS AYLMYR SEQUEIRA | **PILGRIM STATUE**: PAUL BELVISO |
| **COUNTERS**: MARGARETH ALBUQUERQUE, YULIANA VAN DER BURG, ELIZABETH NORONHA & SUCHITA RATHAKRISHNAN | **CHILDREN'S LITURGY**: — |