WELCOME

ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC PARISH — 13 APRIL 2025

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

WEEKLY SERVICES

Mass Times:
Mon: Communion - Service @7am **(after the service, the church will be closed)**
Wed/Fri: 7am
Tues/Thurs: 9am
Sat: 7.30am & Vigil 6pm
Sun: 7.30am, 9.30am & 6pm

HOLY HOUR (STARTS WITH MASS)
FRIDAYS @7AM

Reconciliation:
Sat: **4.30PM - 5.30PM**

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:
Thursday: 9.30am—5pm
Friday: 8am—5pm

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

Prayer Group:
Mary Mother of Sorrows: Meetings on Thursdays @1pm (except school holidays)

Catholic Women's League (CWL)
Meet the 2nd Tuesday of the Month in the Fr Albert Lynch Room **@10am, gathering @9.45am**

Baptisms: By appointment

Marriages: By appointment

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PALM SUNDAY OF THE PASSION OF THE LORD, YEAR C

GOSPEL REFLECTION BY Fr Michael Tate

Lowly Prince of Peace

Jesus entered Jerusalem, not as a warrior in the tradition of King David as many had hoped for, but riding simply on a donkey. The disciples and the crowd applauded him, but they proved fickle in their support.

On the other hand, Jesus remained steadfast in his commitment to *non-violent* revolutionary change of the religious and political systems so as to establish the reign of God. Why did he renounce marshalling human and angelic warriors to further his cause?

First, Jesus embodied God-for-us, and God does not want the destruction of those he has created out of love. Second, Jesus had a premonition that an armed revolt would lead to the destruction of Jerusalem and the dispersal of the Jewish people (as occurred in 70AD).

Third, Luke's Gospel recounts that as Jesus laboured up Mount Calvary he turned to some wailing women and said, 'Daughters of Jerusalem, do not weep for me, weep rather for yourselves and for your children.' He knew that they suffer grievously in armed uprising. This is seen in barbaric reality in our own time with women being tortured and raped in campaigns of terror, trafficked into sexual slavery, suffering the loss of sons, husband and lovers.

We could take a moment to pray that the Church of the 21st century, successor of the pacifist Church of the first three centuries, may enter on a new period of reflection on these issues, grappling with the desire to protect the innocent, yet always challenged by the man on a donkey, Divine Prince of Peace.

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PARISH NOTICES

EVENTS

- 13 APR — PARISH MORNING TEA AFTER 7.30AM (ROSTER: LINDA ROBERTSON & MARY ALVARO)
- **17 - 20 APR — HOLY WEEK TIME TABLE (SEE THIS PAGE)**
- 27 APR — PARISH MORNING TEA AFTER 9.30AM MASS
- 28 APR TO 26 MAY — ALPHA COURSE AT ALBERT LYNCH ROOM, EVERY MONDAY @9AM-10.30AM

HOLY WEEK AND THE EASTER TRIDUUM

Palm Sunday is Lent's sixth and last Sunday and the beginning of Holy Week, it commemorates the entrance of Christ into Jerusalem.

The liturgical colour for Palm Sunday is Red

The Easter Triduum is the highlight of the church's liturgical year, from Holy Thursday to the Easter Vigil. Although we see three separate days and separate liturgies, they are one liturgy with many parts.

The liturgies that make up the Triduum are:

Mass of the Lord's Supper (Holy Thursday)

Good Friday of the Lord's Passion (Good Friday)

Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord (Easter Vigil)

We invite you to join us in this most holy time of the year by attending each liturgy and wearing the liturgical colour:

Mass of the Lord's Supper: **White or Yellow**

Good Friday of the Lord's Passion: **Red**

Mass of the Resurrection of the Lord: **White, Yellow or Gold**

PROJECT COMPASSION 2025

There is only **ONE SINGLE ENVELOPE for the six week lent period for this year**. You may bring your envelopes or boxes during the lent period or at the end of the lent and put them in the collection basket. Thank you.

Caritas AUSTRALIA | PROJECT COMPASSION

UNITE AGAINST POVERTY this Lent

Project Compassion Sunday
12th and 13th of April 2025

Please donate today.

As Project Compassion 2025 draws to a close for another year, we want to extend our heartfelt gratitude for your generous support throughout this Lenten Season.

This year, we shared the inspiring stories of 3 individuals whose lives have been transformed through your compassion and generosity.

But the work isn't done yet. There is still time to donate! Together, we can *Unite Against Poverty* and help transform lives this Lent.

You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code above.
Or online at: caritas.org.au/project-compassion
Or by calling: 1800 024 413

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Myrtle Nimmo, Helen Overman, Shalini Saldanha, Ng Choon Bee, Liesel Beukes, Helen Teo, Thomas McGuire Marris, Lorraine Healey, Kamani Jayaratne, Sue Miguel, Carol-Jean Wilson, Harsono Setiawan, Norm Thomas, Steven Robertson, Rev Fr Peter Mao, Lisa Bailey, Lenna Hosseini and all others who are not included in this list. *Thank you.*

In Need of Your Prayers

YOUTH CORNER

Youth Mass — 12 Apr @6pm

Good Friday:
Stations of the Cross — 18 April @10.30am

HOLY WEEK (EASTER) TIMETABLE 2025:

Holy Thursday 17 April: Mass @7pm
(Followed by Adoration until 10.30pm)

Good Friday 18 April:
Stations of the Cross @10.30am (Youth)
Passion of the Lord @3pm

Easter Vigil 19 April: Mass @7pm

Easter Sunday 20 April: Masses @7.30am, @9.30am & @6pm

Easter Monday 21 April: Communion Service @7am (**no Mass**)

VINNIES URGENT APPEAL — we are very short of funds at the moment and need to cover a significant expense for a local family — if you are able to help with a donation, please donate through the poor box at the rear of the church, or otherwise contact Clare on 0406 973 595. Thank you.

Mother of Hope - A special Mother's Day concert

catholic mission

This Mother's Day, **Sunday May 11th**, treat your mother, grandmother or yourselves to an afternoon performance by Perth's finest choral singers and instrumentalists including **Paul Wright** (music director & violinist) & **Emma Spaddacini** (soprano) at **St Columba's Church in South Perth** from **2.30-3.30pm**. Proceeds from this sacred music recital will go towards Catholic Mission's maternity health project in Zambia providing life-giving support for vulnerable mums and their babies impacted by poverty and food insecurity. After the concert please join us in St Columba's gardens and share in Devonshire Tea overlooking the picturesque view of the Swan River. Please make your bookings for the concert tickets and the Devonshire Tea via the TryBooking site: https://www.trybooking.com/DALFN. Book early to secure your seats. Call Francis Leong on **6234 1760** for more details.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Basil Rigg, Grazina Puglisi

ANNIVERSARIES:

Margaret Curtis, Aaron Sandford, Jeanette Busch, Bill Huxley, Anne Taggart, Francine Smith, and all deceased benefactors of the parish and all departed family and friends. *Thank you.*

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

SAFEGUARDING INDUCTION TRAINING for ALL Parishes and Church Workers paid or unpaid — LEVEL 1 (New requirements & Personal Declaration Form is to be completed)

The Safeguarding Level 1 Induction is now available as **a Self-Paced Online Learning Module**. This format offers greater flexibility and an easier, user-friendly experience. To complete the Safeguarding Level 1 Induction, please follow these steps:

- Visit our **safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/** to check out the Induction.
- Click on "Safeguarding Level 1 – Induction ONLINE Training".
- Watch the Presentation Video.
- Proceed to Step 2 to register personal details and complete the quiz.

The Safeguarding Office will notify the Parish/Agency/Organisation of the attendance record.

SAFEGUARDING LEVEL 1 INDUCTION TRAINING (in person)

2025 Dates coming soon. *To register* **https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/#induction**.

Further info: safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au or 08 9221 7762.

Thank you to all who have already completed the course and submitted their personal declaration forms to comply with the new Archdiocese Directives regarding Safeguarding.

'We cannot ignore the fact that there is as much slavery in the world today, as there was before, or perhaps more' Pope Francis

A 2021 report by the International Labor Organisation (ILO) found that 152 million children (64 million girls and 88 million boys) are involved in child labour – that's almost one in 10 of all children worldwide.

Use your buying power to change this injustice. Be guided by the Chocolate Scorecard or purchase chocolate displaying the Fairtrade of Rainforest Alliance logos. In doing so you are supporting companies working towards the elimination of slavery in the cocoa industry.

For information on Slavery-free Easter chocolate and resources, go to: https://acrath.org.au/take-action/chocolate/

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Presence

Every moment is alive with the glorious presence of God. As I give myself more and more to intimate communion with the One who created me, I find that I simply have no time to worry.

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 entrust myself totally to God's love.

Consciousness

Conscious of Your presence, Lord,
I look over my recent past.
Let me be honest with myself about how I've been
And what I've done,
because I know You love truth in the heart
and accept me just as I am.

Inspiration

Our praying on the Passion can be a most unselfish prayer as we focus not on our own needs but on the sufferings of our Saviour. For prayer we can take any of the Gospel accounts, or the Stations of the Cross or the sorrowful mysteries of the Rosary.

What was it like as a human being to feel the pain of being crucified? 'Father, forgive them for they know not what they do.' Jesus never stopped loving those who crucified him.

Conversation

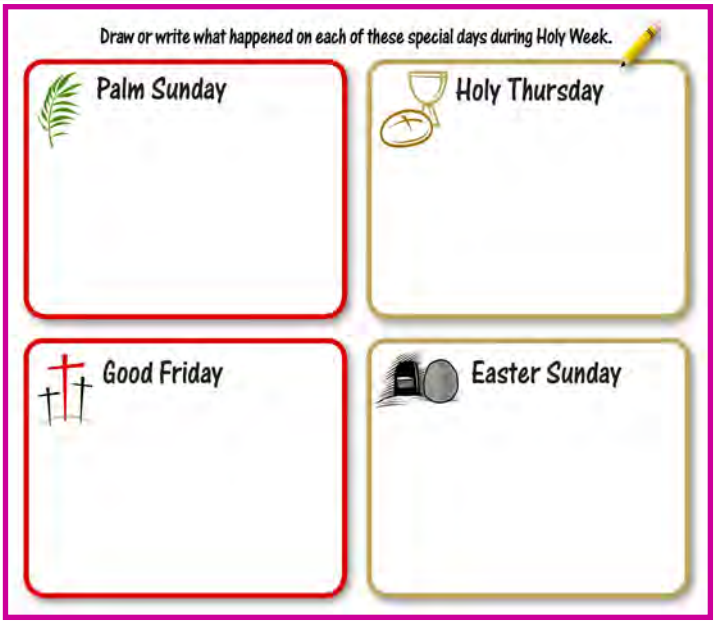
Dear Lord, stay by my side always.
Gain for me a trusting heart.
Thank You for loving me.

Conclusion

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son,
and to the Holy Spirit,
as it was in the beginning,
is now and ever shall be,
world without end.

Amen

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' lawns across the road from the church & the church's lawns.** *Thank you.*

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Easter Sunday, Year C

1st: Acts 10: 34, 37-43 **Ps:** 117: 1-2, 16-17, 22-23

2nd: Col 3: 1-4 **Gospel:** Jn 20: 1-9

READINGS FOR THE DAY

Entrance Antiphon *Cf John 12: 1, 12-13; Ps 23: 9-10*

Six days before the Passover,
when the Lord came into the city of Jerusalem,
the children ran to meet him;
in their hands they carried palm branches
and with a loud voice cried out:

* Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

O gates, lift high your heads;
grow higher, ancient doors.
Let him enter, the king of glory!
Who is this king of glory?
He, the Lord of hosts, he is the king of glory.

* Hosanna in the highest!
Blessed are you, who have come in your abundant mercy!

First Reading *Isaiah 50:4-7*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I did not cover my face against insult and I know I will not be ashamed.

The Lord has given me
a disciple's tongue.
So that I may know how to reply to the wearied
he provides me with speech.
Each morning he wakes me to hear,
to listen like a disciple.
The Lord has opened my ear.
For my part, I made no resistance,
neither did I turn away.
I offered my back to those who struck me,
my cheeks to those who tore at my beard;
I did not cover my face
against insult and spittle.
The Lord comes to my help,
so that I am untouched by the insults.
So, too, I set my face like flint;
I know I shall not be shamed.

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24. R. v.2*

(R.) My God, my God, why have you abandoned me?

1. All who see me deride me.
   They curl their lips, they toss their heads.
   'He trusted in the Lord, let him save him;
   let him release him if this is his friend.' (R.)
2. Many dogs have surrounded me,
   a band of the wicked beset me.
   They tear holes in my hands and my feet.
   I can count every one of my bones. (R.)
3. They divide my clothing among them.
   They cast lots for my robe.
   O Lord, do not leave me alone,
   my strength, make haste to help me! (R.)
4. I will tell of your name to my brethren
   and praise you where they are assembled.
   'You who fear the Lord give him praise;
   all sons of Jacob, give him glory.
   Revere him, Israel's sons.' (R.)

Second Reading *Philippians 2:6-11*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

He humbled himself to become like us and God raised him on high.

His state was divine, yet Christ Jesus did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are, and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross. But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

Gospel Acclamation *Philippians 2:8-9*

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
Christ became obedient for us even to death dying on the cross. Therefore God raised him on high and gave him a name above all other names.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

Gospel *Luke 22:14 – 23:56*

The passion of our Lord Jesus Christ according to Luke

Communion Antiphon *Matthew 26:42*

Father, if this chalice cannot pass without my drinking it,
your will be done.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE - 17,18,19&20 APRIL 2025 (THERE ARE BLANK SPOTS TO FILL IN)

	HOLY THURSDAY	GOOD FRIDAY	EASTER VIGIL	SUN 7.30AM	SUN 9.30AM	SUN 6PM
ACOLYTE	MIKE TARANTO PRAVIN SUPPIAH	BARRY FARRELL PETER MOORE	CHARLES CARDOSO SIMON CARRICK	MIKE KILROE	DENIS RIGG	ROB PAUL
ALTAR SERVERS	D & C VINCI L AVERY C VOGLER	E & J TSIA J & J VINCENT X SIA	M VINCI J & J VINCENT R CAMMARANO	M REDOLATTI I & E ITOTOH	M & X SIA C VOGLER	T MORRIS A & H GRACE
COMMENTATOR	M HANDYSIDE	N/A	?	E DIAS	?	?
USHERS/ COLLECTORS	N/A	A LIM & V LEE O D'SOUZA M & J CINANNI ?	P LEECH ? ? ?	A LIM ? ? ?	M & J CINANNI O D'SOUZA ? ? ?	G KNIGHT ? ? ?
READERS	M CINANNI M BUNN	A D'SOUZA A SEQUEIRA **PASSION:** NA: G HARRIS CD: G DE SOUZA	1. J PHILLIPS 2. P SEARSON 3. P VINCI 4. S CHEN	G PULKER M ANDERSON	G BEUKES P MENEZES	? ?
EMOHC	A SEQUEIRA M HANDYSIDE O D'SOUZA T LEECH	O D'SOUZA M ANDERSON E DIAS J HERON	O D'SOUZA C CARDOSO G CLAY S CLAY	A BATY A SCOTT J HERON	J PHILLIPS M TROLIO M HANDYSIDE ? ? ?	? ? ? ?

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