WELCOME

ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC PARISH — 4 MAY 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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3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR C

GOSPEL REFLECTION BY Greg Sunter

Scholars suggest that the 21st chapter of the Gospel of John is a later addition to the gospel, especially given the finality of the language at the end of chapter 20. The style of chapter 21 is much more church-oriented than the earlier chapters. The barbeque breakfast on the beach takes on a Eucharistic feel and the passage is at pains to portray Peter as the leader of the disciples and the one chosen by Jesus to provide leader-ship into the future. We must remember that the Gospel of John was written almost 70 years after the death of Jesus and if this final chapter is indeed an addition then it is likely written some time in the 2nd century. It was only in the late 1st and early 2nd centuries that the church began to adopt a structure of bishops as leaders of communities and it was important to clearly establish the authority of Peter as the first leader of the Church and the authority of his successors. Obviously, a scriptural reference to Jesus' choice of Peter would have cemented the case and so this later addition to the Gospel of John may have been constructed to serve this purpose.

Regardless of its original intended purpose, this passage provides a wonderful account of the appearance of the resurrected Jesus to his disciples. Like other post-resurrection accounts, the disciples do not at first recognise Jesus and it is not until the miraculous catch of fish that the beloved disciple declares, 'It is the Lord'. In a beautifully everyday touch, the risen Jesus prepares breakfast on the beach for the disciples and blesses the simple food in the same way as he did the bread and wine at their last supper. ***© Greg Sunter***

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PARISH NOTICES

EVENTS

- 4 MAY — PARISH MORNING TEA AFTER 7.30AM MASS (ROSTER: RITA ILLICH & VALERIE LEE)
- 5 - 26 MAY — ALPHA COURSE AT ALBERT LYNCH ROOM, EVERY MONDAY @9AM-10.30AM
- 10 MAY — YOUTH MASS @6PM
- 18 MAY — ST VINNIE'S CAKE STALL AFTER 7.30AM & 9.30AM MASSES

PARISH VISION/MISSION STATEMENT (2023-2028)

PARISH VISION:

"We, the parishioners of St Benedict's Applecross, are committed to live faithfully in the words and examples of Jesus Christ, to develop and foster at all times a vibrant and welcoming Christian community based on His life of love, compassion, hospitality and service."

PARISH MISSION:

"We aim to inspire and nurture our parishioners and others of all ages and cultures to develop faith in Jesus Christ, cultivate strong Christian values and engage with the community actively and positively."

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. **Please return your envelopes or boxes as soon as possible.** ***Thank you.***

Caritas AUSTRALIA | PROJECT COMPASSION

THANK YOU!

It's not too late to donate.

Caritas Australia would like to express our heartfelt thanks for your incredible support of Project Compassion this Lent.

If you still have your Project Compassion box or donation envelope at home, please return them next week at Mass.

Your generosity is helping to empower the world's most vulnerable communities, enabling them to overcome challenges and lift themselves out of poverty.

Together, we are creating a better tomorrow, helping vulnerable communities build stronger futures for themselves and empowering them to break free from the cycle of poverty. Thank you for standing with us!

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, Steven Robertson, Rev Fr Peter Mao, Lisa Bailey, Lenna Hosseini and all others who are not included in this list. *Thank you.*

YOUTH CORNER

Youth Mass — 10 May @6pm

You are invited to join **Our Lady of Sorrows Prayer Group in the Albert Lynch Room at St. Benedict's Church in Applecross on Thursdays at 1pm** for our Prayer Group sessions.
Format is some music to settle us all, then Thanksgiving Prayer, followed by a presentation by one of our group or a visitor from time to time. That is followed by 10 minutes Centering and then Thanksgiving Prayer. We try to close by 2.30pm with a cup of tea and fellowship (which enables you to run off and collect your children from school if necessary). Please consider joining our group which has been going for 37+ years. We have a lot of wisdom to share with you all. **Enquiries** to Judy Phillips 0420 246 741 or Elspeth O'Connor 0488 683 310.

CALLING ON ALL BAKERS!! Vinnies are holding a cake stall after the 7.30am & 11am Masses on Sunday 18 May 2025. If any of you outstanding bakers would like to donate a cake, slices and so forth, please contact Clare on 0406 973 595.
We thank all those who gave towards paying an expense of a local family. You have helped them in a very important way, and we are deeply grateful for the help given.

PLANNED GIVING (2ND COLLECTION):

Parish income for the 9 months ended 31/03/25 was 105% of the budgeted income for the same period and 80% of the annual budgeted income. ***Thank you for your generosity and commitment to the Parish.***

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Norman Thomas - Funeral: Tuesday 6/5/25 @11am
Pope Francis, Fariana Budiman, Thomas O'Brien

ANNIVERSARIES:

Lee Westaway, Dante Vallini, Kathleen Rebbit, Gloria Hardingham, Agnes Schildknecht, Edward Galavan, Dr Mary Searson, Thomas Hayes, Edward Williams 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)

Saturday 26 July @3pm-4pm — Holy Family Parish, Como.

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.

Together we can keep the faith alive - Aid to the Church in Need (*ACN*)

Did you know that across the world tens of millions of Christian families are in exile following persecution because of their faith?

Aid to the Church in Need is a spiritual and pastoral charity which seeks to keep the flame of faith alive in those places where it is at risk of extinction.

This weekend we welcome to our parish an ACN speaker who will share with us about the work of Aid to the Church in Need and how we can help our suffering and persecuted brothers and sisters.

Aid to the Church in Need
ACN AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Presence

The more we call on the Lord,
the more we can feel His presence.
Day by day, He draws us closer to His loving heart.

Freedom

"In these days, God taught me
as a schoolteacher teaches a pupil." (Saint Ignatius).
I remind myself that there are things
God has yet to teach me,
and I ask for the grace to hear them
and let them change me.

Consciousness

Lord, You are present in all things
and when I take time to simply sit and be with You,
my mind rests and I feel Your peace.

Inspiration

We read here that Peter felt hurt that Jesus asked him a third time, 'Do you love me?' We know that Peter had already met Jesus alive and there had been a reconciliation, hence Peter's eagerness to jump out of the boat to come to Jesus. We too have been reconciled with God through his forgiveness of our sins. Let us be eager to meet him now in prayer.

Peter said, 'Lord, you know everything.' We can say, 'Lord, you know too my lack of love, but you know that I want to love you.'

Conversation

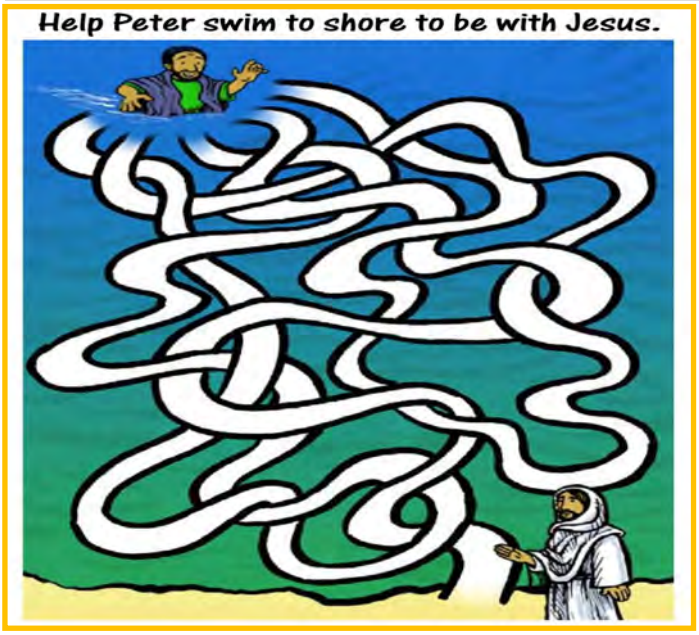
On reflecting on today's Gospel, is there anything I believe God wants me to hear or know at this time? What truth does He want to speak into my life today?

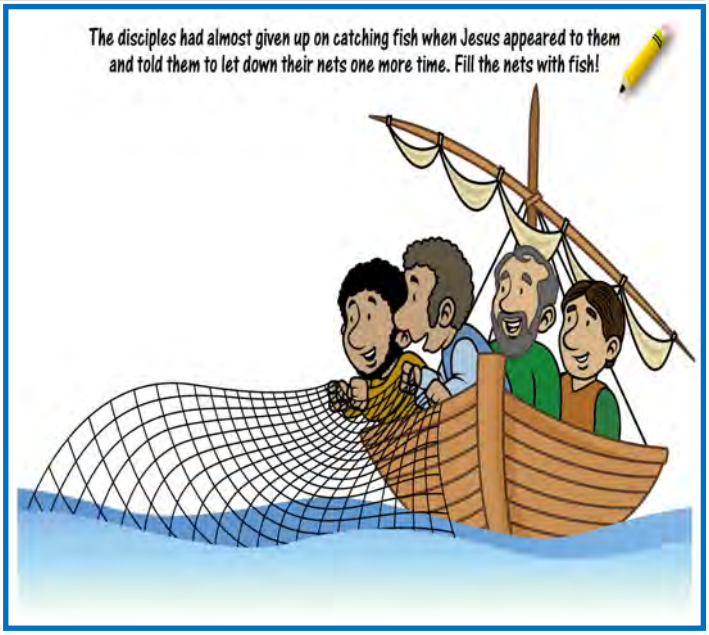
Conclusion

I thank God for His gift of love
as I go forth with joy and hope
to serve His people.

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: 4th Easter Sunday, Year C

1st: Acts 13:14, 43-52 **Ps:** 99:1-3, 5

2nd: Rev 7:9, 14-17 **Gospel:** Jn 10: 27-30

READINGS FOR THE DAY

Entrance Antiphon *Cf Psalm 65:1-2*

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

First Reading *Acts of the Apostles 5:27-32. 40-41*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

We are witnesses of these words, and so is the Holy Spirit.

The high priest demanded an explanation of the apostles. 'We gave you a formal warning,' he said 'not to preach in this name, and what have you done? You have filled
Jerusalem with your teaching, and seem determined to fix the guilt of this man's death on us.' In reply Peter and the apostles said, 'Obedience to God comes before obedience to men; it was the God of our ancestors who raised up
Jesus, but it was you who had him executed by hanging on a tree. By his own right hand God has now raised him up to be leader and saviour, to give repentance and forgiveness of sins through him to Israel. We are witnesses to all this, we and the Holy Spirit whom God has given to those who obey him.' They warned the apostles not to speak in the name of Jesus and released them. And so they left the presence of the Sanhedrin glad to have had the honour of suffering humiliation for the sake of the name.

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 29:2. 4-6. 11-13. R. v.2*

(R.) I will praise you, Lord,
for you have rescued me.

1. I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me
and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.
O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead,
restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. (R.)
2. Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him,
give thanks to his holy name.
His anger lasts but a moment; his favour through life.
At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. (R.)
3. The Lord listened and had pity.
The Lord came to my help.
For me you have changed my mourning into dancing;
O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. (R.)

Second Reading *Revelation 5:11-14*

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, wealth, glory, and blessing.

In my vision, I, John, heard the sound of an immense number of angels gathered round the throne and the animals and the elders; there were ten thousand times ten thousand of them and thousands upon thousands, shouting, 'The Lamb that was sacrificed is worthy to be given power, riches, wisdom, strength, honour, glory and blessing.' Then I heard all the living things in creation – everything that lives in the air, and on the ground, and under the ground, and in the sea, crying, 'To the One who is sitting on the throne and to the Lamb, be all praise, honour, glory and power, for ever and ever.' And the four animals said, 'Amen'; and the elders prostrated themselves to worship.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
Christ is risen, the Lord of all creation;
he has shown pity on all people.
Alleluia!

Gospel **(Shorter form)** *John 21:1-14*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and did the same with the fish.

Jesus showed himself again to the disciples. It was by the Sea of Tiberias, and it happened like this: Simon Peter, Thomas called the Twin, Nathanael from Cana in Galilee, the sons of Zebedee and two more of his disciples were together. Simon Peter said, 'I'm going fishing.' They replied, 'We'll come with you.' They went out and got into the boat but caught nothing that night.

It was light by now and there stood Jesus on the shore, though the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus called out, 'Have you caught anything, friends?' And when they answered, 'No', he said, 'Throw the net out to starboard and you'll find something.' So they dropped the net, and there were so many fish that they could not haul it in. The disciple Jesus loved said to Peter, 'It is the Lord.' At these words 'It is the Lord,' Simon Peter, who had practically nothing on, wrapped his cloak round him and jumped into the water. The other disciples came on in the boat, towing the net and the fish; they were only about a hundred yards from land.

As soon as they came ashore they saw that there was some bread there, and a charcoal fire with fish cooking on it. Jesus said, 'Bring some of the fish you have just caught.' Simon Peter went aboard and dragged the net to the shore, full of big fish, one hundred and fifty-three of them; and in spite of there being so many the net was not broken. Jesus said to them, 'Come and have breakfast.' None of the disciples was bold enough to ask, 'Who are you?'; they knew quite well it was the Lord. Jesus then stepped forward, took the bread and gave it to them, and the same with the fish. This was the third time that Jesus showed himself to the disciples after rising from the dead.

Communion Antiphon Luke 24:35

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

MINISTRY SCHEDULE - 10 & 11 MAY 2025

	SAT 6PM	SUN 7.30AM	SUN 9.30AM	SUN 6PM
ACOLYTE	PIERRE SEQUEIRA	ROD DOWLING	LUKE HANDCOCK	PETER MOORE
ALTAR SERVERS	HAILEY CORREIA JAKE & JOSHUA GOLDING	TAYAHNA PRETORIUS OLIVIA & JOEL DOWLING	MASON SIA JACKSON HANDCOCK MATTHEW PRANATA	KATHERINE WIBAWA OLIVER & JACOB WONG
COMMENTATORS	YOUTH MASS	LORNA D'SOUZA	PAUL CICCARELLI	KATRINA MCINNES
COLLECTORS	YOUTH MASS	ADRIAN DARGIE	TERRY BOLAND ROGER BUNN	JOE CINANNI PAUL BELVISO GRAHAM KNIGHT
READERS	YOUTH MASS	ANGELA SCOTT ALICE BATY	NICOLE PARKER PATRICIA ROBERTSON	JACKIE WONG GLENDA BEUKES
EMOHC	YOUTH MASS	MONICA ANDERSON ALICE BATY JACQUI HERON	JUDY PHILLIPS TERESA LEECH MARGARET HANDYSIDE MARINA CICCARELLI	JOE CINANNI MAISIE CINANNI COLLEEN MORRIS DONNA ARTINGSTALL

ALTAR SOCIETY: ANGELA NANKIVELL, COLLEEN VALLINI & FRANCESCA VALLINI	**PILGRIM STATUE:** MARGARET HANDYSIDE
COUNTERS: HELEN OAKLEY, JESSIE TAN, ANNE BANKS, BERNADETTE O'BRIEN, JENNIFER DI GIOVANNI & CONNIE BOVE	**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** –