WELCOME

ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC PARISH — 25 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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6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR C

GOSPEL REFLECTION BY Dianne Bergant CSA

The new city of God is built on the foundation of the apostles, but on its gates are inscribed the names of the tribes of Israel. These names represent the openness to all nations, races, peoples and tongues. The resurrection of Jesus has radically transformed the way we live together and the way we live with God.

What must we do to be saved? The question put to Jesus centuries ago is still asked today, and the answer is still the same. We must believe and we must love God and love one another. We will be recognised as resurrection people by our active faith and by our unselfish love, not by an exterior mark, regardless of how sacred. This change in requirements for membership does not diminish the rigour of our religious obligations. Rather, it suggests that we may always have to reinterpret the law, for what is appropriate at one time and in one place may be inappropriate in another. With the early Christians, we will need the guidance of the Holy Spirit in this very delicate process. This is why the departing Jesus assures us that the Spirit will come to us to teach us all things.

The final gift that Jesus promises to give is his own peace, a peace that he has won by overcoming sin and death. This peace issues from the union that Jesus enjoys with God, a union which we are now invited to share.

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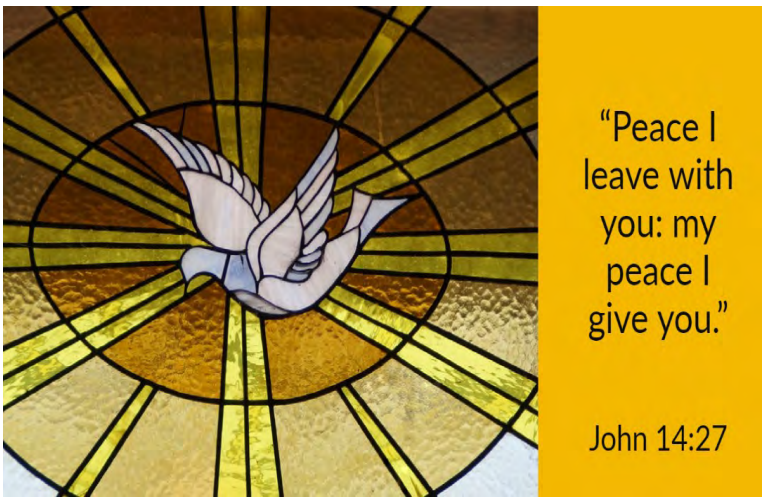

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PARISH NOTICES

EVENTS

- 24 MAY — COMMUNITY MASS @6PM
- 25 MAY — PARISH MORNING TEA AFTER 9.30AM MASS
- 26 MAY — ALPHA COURSE AT ALBERT LYNCH ROOM (LAST SESSION), MONDAY @9AM-10.30AM
- 3 JUN — MASS OF ANOINTING @9AM
- 4 JUN-2 JUL — CFE COURSE: AFTER LIFE: ESCHATON-OUR LIVING HOPE, WEDNESDAYS @7.30PM-8.30PM, AT ALBERT LYNCH ROOM
- 6 JUN — SENIORS' LUNCH @11AM-2PM

First Friday Friends – PLEASE NOTE

There will be **NO gathering on the first Friday in June (6th)** as there is a seniors lunch on that day. Please RSVP on the list at the back of the church if you wish to attend.

Also please be aware that my computer has died and so I have lost all of my groups but will deal with this at a future date. Enquiry: Maureen Bright, 0413 831 357.

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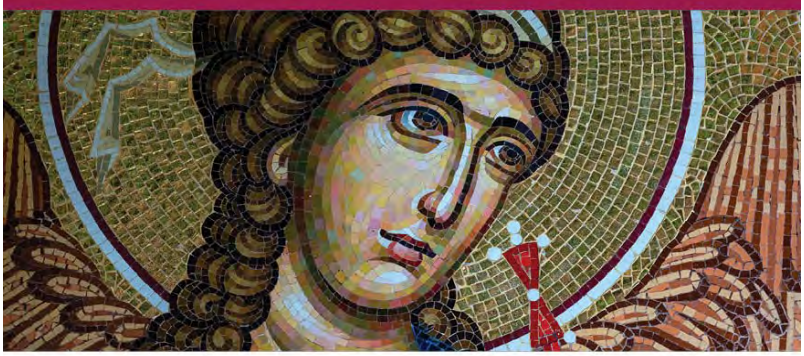
Adult Faith Education Programme

Applecross Parish – Canning Hwy & Ardross St, Applecross

Scan the QR code for more courses and events



After Life: Eschaton – Our Living Hope

ON: Wednesdays, 4 June – 2 July

FROM: 7:30pm – 8:30pm (5 sessions)

WITH: Ms Natalie Thomas

COST: Suggested donation, $20

This unit explores the 'last things': death, purgatory, heaven, hell, the Parousia of Christ and the final Judgment. Utilising the teachings of the Church, the wisdom of Saints, Popes, mystics, theologians and the Church Fathers, the Ars Moriendi and *Dante's Divine Comedy*, students will discover the nature of Christian hope, the Christian art of dying well, the fact and mystery of resurrection in Christ and heaven, hell, purgatory and the final destiny of the Eschaton.

For further info or to register, please contact the Centre for Faith Enrichment or Applecross Parish:

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Centre for Faith Enrichment

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 Meo, Lisa Bailey, Lenna Hosseini and all others who are not included in this list. *Thank you.*

YOUTH CORNER

Youth Mass — 7 (not 14) June @6pm

THINGS THAT BOTHER US

These past few months, our Vinnies members have visited some really good people who struggle with the cost of raising families, debt and tragedies in their lives. We live comfortable lives, and it bothers us to see the suffering of those we visit. We're glad it does because nothing changes if we look the other way. Seeing what we see makes us get up every morning thinking about how we can make a difference, and we do make a difference, thanks to your help.

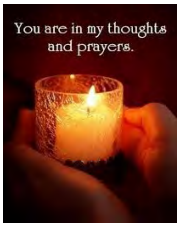
In donating to Vinnies, you are partnering with us, so please give generously to Vinnies via Tap'n'Go or through the poor box which is located in the wall inside the main part of the church, to the right side of the doors as you go out.

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Christina (Margaret) Ut - Funeral: Wednesday 28/5/25 @10.30am

ANNIVERSARIES:

George Cargeeg, Ignatius D'Souza, Teresa Hackett, Dr Stephen Yoon Fook Chin, Grace McAuliffe, John Stamousky, Mary Williams, Marcia Wiley 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 @10-11am — Our Lady of Grace, 3 Kitchener St, North Beach

Saturday 26 July @3-4pm — Holy Family Parish, 45 Thelma St, 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.

31 May SCHOENSTATT SHRINE - JUBILEE YEAR PILGRIMAGE FOR YOUNG ADULTS

"Mary arose and went with haste" Lk 1v 39. **Saturday, 4pm to 8pm, (3.30pm registrations) Schoenstatt Shrine, 9 Talus Drive, Mount Richon.** Celebrate the Feast of the Visitation of Mary at a Shrine dedicated to her making a Jubilee Year Pilgrimage with the young adults of our archdiocese! Mary wants to lead us closer to Christ and help us to follow our unique calling. The evening will include a movie screening (Cabrini), supper (please bring a plate), Sacrament of Penance, Holy Hour and Benediction. Cost free. **RSVP By:** Monday, 26 May 2025 .

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

Presence

My soul longs for Your presence, Lord. When I turn my thoughts to You, I find peace and contentment.

Freedom

Lord God, I thank you for the gift of freedom. Help me to use this gift with integrity. I am free to make choices. Help me to choose to follow You, to live in a Christian way by caring for others. Remind me to consider always those less fortunate than myself: the oppressed, the prisoner, those who are not free to worship in public. Guide me always to seek Your holy will in all the events of my life.

Consciousness

Lord, please prepare the soil of my heart to receive the seed of Your Word. May it take root, grow and produce a bountiful harvest for Your glory and my good.

Inspiration

Jesus tells his disciples that he is about to go away but that he will come back to them. It is through the sending of the Holy Spirit that he will come back to be with them. Help us, Lord, to know how to listen to your Spirit, who is within us.

Over forty times in the gospels Jesus tells us not to be afraid. The gift of his peace is to help us to ease our troubled hearts.

Conversation

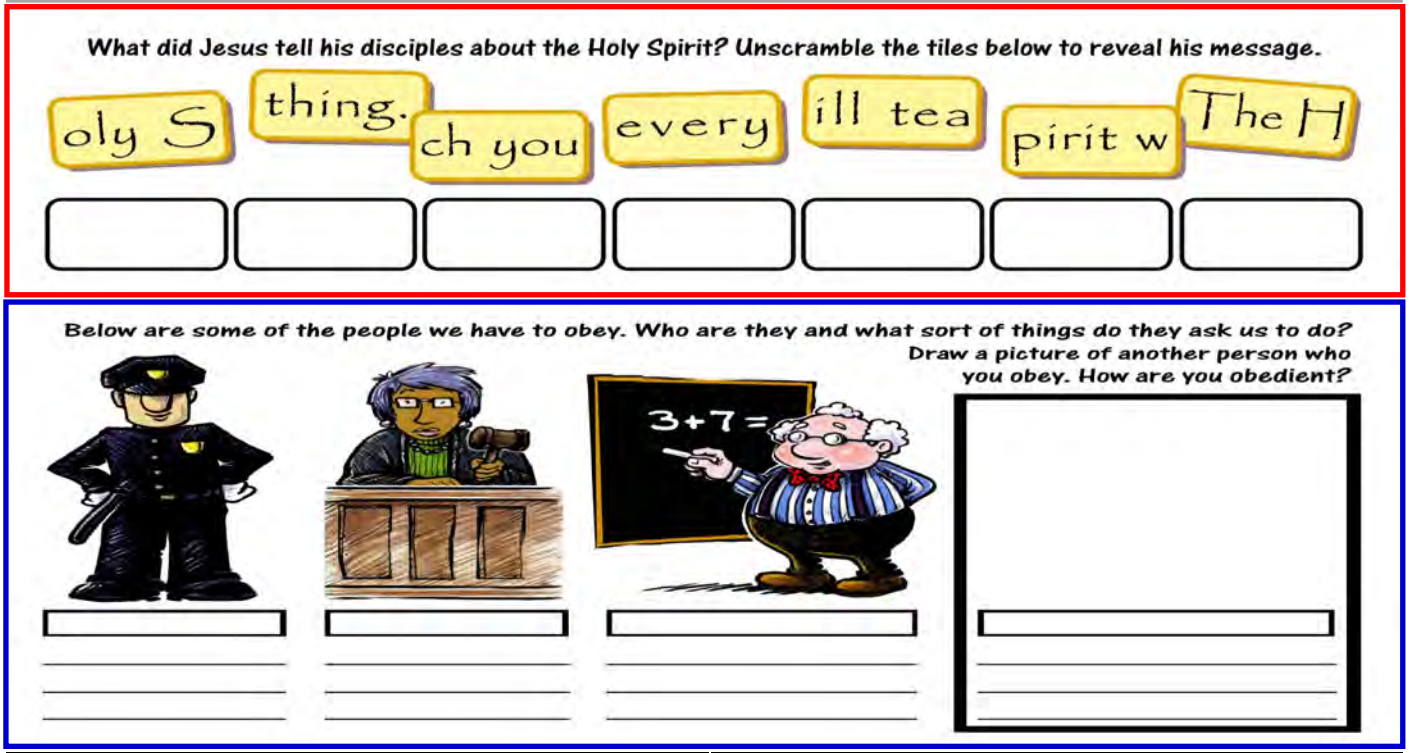
Lord, I know that when I turn to You there is no need for words. You can see into my heart. You know my desires and You know my needs. I place myself into Your hands.

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: The Ascension of the Lord, Yr C

1st: Acts 1: 1-11 **Ps:** 46: 2-3, 6-9

2nd: Eph 1: 17-23 **Gospel:** Lk 24: 46-53

READINGS FOR THE DAY

Entrance Antiphon *Cf Isaiah 48:20*

Proclaim a joyful sound and let it be heard;
proclaim to the ends of the earth:
The Lord has freed his people, alleluia.

First Reading *Acts of the Apostles 15:1-2. 22-29*

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and ourselves not to burden you beyond what is essential.

Some men came down from Judaea and taught the brothers, 'Unless you have yourselves circumcised in the tradition of Moses you cannot be saved.' This led to disagreement, and after Paul and Barnabas had had a long argument with these men it was arranged that Paul and Barnabas and others of the church should go up to Jerusalem and discuss the problem with the apostles and elders.

Then the apostles and elders decided to choose delegates to send to Antioch with Paul and Barnabas; the whole church concurred with this. They chose Judas known as Barsabbas and Silas, both leading men in the brotherhood, and gave them this letter to take with them:

'The apostles and elders, your brothers, send greetings to the brothers of pagan birth in Antioch, Syria and Cilicia. We hear that some of our members have disturbed you with their demands and have unsettled your minds. They acted without any authority from us, and so we have decided unanimously to elect delegates and to send them to you with Barnabas and Paul, men we highly respect who have dedicated their lives to the name of our Lord Jesus Christ. Accordingly we are sending you Judas and Silas, who will confirm by word of mouth what we have written in this letter. It has been decided by the Holy Spirit and by ourselves not to saddle you with any burden beyond these essentials: you are to abstain from food sacrificed to idols, from blood, from the meat of strangled animals and from fornication. Avoid these, and you will do what is right. Farewell.'

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 66:2-3. 5-6. 8. R. v.4*

(R.) O God, let all the nations praise you!

1. O God, be gracious and bless us
   and let your face shed its light upon us.
   So will your ways be known upon earth
   and all nations learn your saving help. (R.)
2. Let the nations be glad and exult
   for you rule the world with justice.
   With fairness you rule the peoples,
   you guide the nations on earth. (R.)
3. Let the peoples praise you, O God;
   let all the peoples praise you.
   May God still give us his blessing
   till the ends of the earth revere him. (R.)

Second Reading *Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23*

A reading from the book of the Apocalypse

He showed me the holy city coming down out of heaven.

In the spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous high mountain and showed me Jerusalem, the holy city, coming down from God out of heaven. It had all the radiant glory of God and glittered like some precious jewel of crystal-clear diamond. The walls of it were of a great height, and had twelve gates; at each of the twelve gates there was an angel, and over the gates were written the names of the twelve tribes of Israel; on the east there were three gates, on the north three gates, on the south three gates, and on the west three gates. The city walls stood on twelve foundation stones, each one of which bore the name of one of the twelve apostles of the Lamb.

I saw that there was no temple in the city since the Lord God Almighty and the Lamb were themselves the temple, and the city did not need the sun or the moon for light, since it was lit by the radiant glory of God and the Lamb was a lighted torch for it.

Gospel Acclamation *John 14:23*

Alleluia, alleluia!
All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!

Gospel *John 14:23-29*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

The Holy Spirit will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him. Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own: it is the word of the one who sent me. I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you. Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid. You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return. If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you this now before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.'

Communion Antiphon *John 14:15-16*

If you love me, keep my commandments, says the Lord,
and I will ask the Father and he will send you another Paraclete,
to abide with you for ever, alleluia.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE - 31 MAY & 1 JUNE 2025

	SAT 6PM	SUN 7.30AM	SUN 9.30AM	SUN 6PM
ACOLYTE	CHARLES CARDOSO	STEVEN ROBERTSON	DOMINIC LONGO	KEN BOWNES
ALTAR SERVERS	LEWIS HERON DARSHYN & DHIVYEN MANNAR	TAYAHNA PRETORIUS IHINOSEN & ESEOSE ITOTOH	JERARD, JONAH & JORDAN VINCENT	SOFIE GABRIEL ALEX & OLAF RIJKS
COMMENTATORS	ELIAS SANTIMANO	SALLY HOBDAY	PAUL CICCARELLI	GLENDA BEUKES
COLLECTORS	LOUIS BOVE MATTHEW TLOCZEC	GERRY DOYLE	MARGARET SANDFORD BELLA PITT	JOE CINANNI MARIA NARDONE PAUL BELVISO
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ALTAR SOCIETY: MILDRED REGO & MARY FERNANDES	**PILGRIM STATUE:** MARIBEL & HENRY VILLEGAS
COUNTERS: BARRY FARRELL, KEVIN WRINGE & HELEN VESTER	**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** –