WELCOME

ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC PARISH — 5 OCTOBER 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

27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YR C

GOSPEL REFLECTION BY Greg Sunter

How much faith does one have to have? How much faith is enough? How is it possible to measure one person's faith against another?

When the disciples asked Jesus to increase their faith, what exactly were they asking of him? These fishermen and nobodies chosen as disciples by Jesus must surely have had moments of realisation that they were not the sorts of young men normally chosen by Rabbis to be disciples. They must have looked around at the disciples of other teachers and seen that, by comparison, they weren't really in the same league. So they ask Jesus to increase their faith. What they're saying is: make us more like the sorts of people we think we should be. Jesus counters their request by telling them that if they had faith the size of a tiny mustard seed they could accomplish great things. It's not a matter of how much faith one has but what they do with it. How much faith does it take to do great things? Jesus says that it only takes the tiniest scrap of faith.

Jesus follows up this statement by pointing out to the disciples that no matter how small the amount of faith, it carries with it a responsibility and duty to act upon it. One shouldn't be looking for acclaim and special treatment when one acts out of faith as that is simply what is expected. The gift of faith carries with it a duty to live that faith and act upon it.

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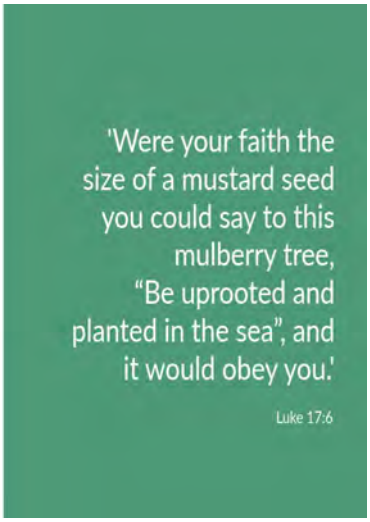

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PARISH NOTICES

EVENTS

- **4 OCT (NEW DATE) — YOUTH MASS @6PM**
- 9 OCT — ALPHA COURSE AT ALBERT LYNCH ROOM, THURSDAY (LAST SESSION) @6.30PM-8.30PM
- 12 OCT — PARISH MORNING TEA AFTER 7.30AM MASS (ROSTER: RITA ILICH & VALERIE LEE)
- 18 & 19 OCTOBER — COMMITMENT MASSES FOR FIRST RECONCILIATION: SATURDAY @6PM & SUNDAY @9.30AM
- 26 OCT— PARISH MORNING TEA AFTER 9.30AM MASS (PLEASE BRING A PLATE)
- **1 NOV (NEW DATE) - YOUTH MASS @6PM**
- 5 & 6 NOV — FIRST RECONCILIATIONS @5PM
- 7 NOV — FIRST FRIDAY FRIENDS @11AM AT ALBERT LYNCH ROOM

JUBILEE 2025 PILGRIMS OF HOPE

PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO SCHOENSTATT SHRINE
Saturday
22 November 2025
9.30am — 12.30pm

For those interested, please write your names on the sign sheets on the table at the back of the church.
A contribution of $20 pp for those who wish to travel by bus. *Thank you.*

YOUTH CORNER
Youth Mass — 4 October

PARISH OUTREACH

The parish wishes to reach out to isolated parishioners who would appreciate being contacted. If you know of someone who is isolated, you can encourage that person to contact the parish office on 08 9364 1120, or if appropriate you can let the parish office know. The parish will then aim to respond respectfully and sensitively.

PUBLIC ROSARY

You are invited to participate in a public rosary being held at the Saint Benedict's car park on **Saturday 11th October** immediately after the 7.30 am mass. The public rosary is an international campaign to pray the rosary together, in commemoration of the last apparition of Our lady (October 13th 1917) at Fatima.

This year the date also coincides with the Jubilee of Marian Spirituality 11th- 12th October.

catholic mission
Reach out. Give life.

THANK YOU FROM CATHOLIC MISSION

The amount donated by the **Applecross** Parish for the 2025 Catholic Mission appeal was **$5,148.** Thank you for your generous response. The amount raised will go towards helping our missionaries in Zambia to help vulnerable women overcome poverty and to give birth safely.

If you are interested in supporting the work of Catholic Mission in other ways like volunteering, bequeathing, or holding events, etc. please contact Francis Leong on 6234 1760 or at fleong@catholicmission.org.au

111TH WORLD DAY OF MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES | JUBILEE OF MIGRANTS
SUNDAY, 5 OCTOBER 2025

The theme for this year's World Day of Migrants and Refugees, which coincides with the Jubilees of Migrants and of the Missions, is "MIGRANTS, MISSIONARIES OF HOPE." The Australian Catholic Migrant and Refugee Office (ACMRO), an agency of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference, has created online resources — including liturgies for primary and secondary schools, homily notes, prayers of intercession, stories, and interviews—to help celebrate this special day.

Resources available at: https://acmro.catholic.org.au/wdmr/2025

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, Harsono Setiawan, Steven Robertson, Lisa Bailey, Lenna Hosseini, Frank Ranieri, Judith Chan, Grisel Noronha and all others who are not included in this list. *Thank you.*

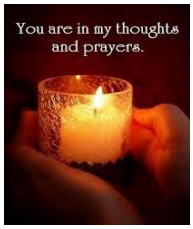
In Need of Your Prayers

PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED:

Helen O'Leary, Frances Sporer

ANNIVERSARIES:

Hilda Gore, Mervyn Palmer, John Reynolds, Rose Byrne 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)

To be advised

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.

08 Oct SAFEGUARDING – A PASTORAL RESPONSE TO DOMESTIC VIOLENCE WORKSHOP FOR ADULTS

All people have the right to physical and psychological safety. This workshop explores the facts and myths, of family and domestic violence, and how faith-based organisations, including the Catholic Church, respond. **Wednesday 8 October 7pm to 8.30pm, St Luke's Parish, Whitfords Avenue & Duffy Terrace, Woodvale.** Free of charge. ***Further info:*** safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au or 08 9221 7762.

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

Thank you for the gift of freedom, Lord.
Grant that I may always choose to follow You.
Keep me ever mindful of Your ways,
of Your love and concern for all people.

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.

Inspiration

Mary, the Mother of God, said, 'Behold the handmaid of the Lord. Be it done unto me according to his word.' We are all the servants of God, who does not need us for his happiness. It is we who, in the truth of our existence, need to worship our God. St Ignatius of Loyola wrote, in the Foundation Principle of his Spiritual Exercises, 'Man is created to praise, reverence, and serve God our Lord, and by this means to save his soul.' It is right and fitting that we should do this as we owe everything to God. 'Lord, that we may see.'

Conversation

Do I notice myself reacting as I pray
with the Word of God?
Do I feel challenged, comforted, angry?
Imagining Jesus sitting or standing near me,
I speak out my feelings, as one trusted friend to another.

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

How many words can you make from the letters in the words MUSTARD SEED?

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:

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C

1st: 2 Kg 5: 14-17 **Ps:** 97: 1-4
2nd: 2 Tim 2: 8-13 **Gospel:** Lk 17: 11-19

READINGS FOR THE DAY

Entrance Antiphon *Cf Esther 4:17*

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established,
and there is none that can resist your will.
For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth,
and all that is held within the circle of heaven;
you are the Lord of all.

First Reading *Habakkuk 1:2-3; 2:2-4*

A reading from the prophet Habakkuk

The just will live by faithfulness.

How long, Lord, am I to cry for help
while you will not listen;
to cry 'Oppression!' in your ear
and you will not save?
Why do you set injustice before me,
why do you look on where there is tyranny?
Outrage and violence, this is all I see,
all is contention, and discord flourishes.
Then the Lord answered and said,

'Write the vision down,
inscribe it on tablets
to be easily read,
since this vision is for its own time only:
eager for its own fulfilment, it does not deceive;
if it comes slowly, wait,
for come it will, without fail.
See how he flags, he whose soul is not at rights,
but the upright man will live by his faithfulness.'

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.8*

(R.) If today you hear his voice,
harden not your hearts.

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord;
hail the rock who saves us.
Let us come before him, giving thanks,
with songs let us hail the Lord. (R.)
2. Come in; let us bow and bend low;
let us kneel before the God who made us
for he is our God and we
the people who belong to his pasture,
the flock that is led by his hand. (R.)
3. O that today you would listen to his voice!
'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah,
as on that day at Massah in the desert
when your fathers put me to the test;
when they tried me, though they saw my work.' (R.)

Second Reading *2 Timothy 1:6-8, 13-14*

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

Never be ashamed of witnessing the Lord.

I am reminding you to fan into a flame the gift that God gave you when I laid my hands on you. God's gift was not a spirit of timidity, but the Spirit of power, and love, and self-control. So you are never to be ashamed of witnessing to the Lord, or ashamed of me for being his prisoner; but with me, bear the hardships for the sake of the Good News, relying on the power of God.

Keep as your pattern the sound teaching you have heard from me, in the faith and love that are in Christ Jesus. You have been trusted to look after something precious; guard it with the help of the Holy Spirit who lives in us.

Gospel Acclamation *1 Peter 1:25*

Alleluia, alleluia!
The word of the Lord stands for ever;
it is the word given to you, the Good News.
Alleluia!

Gospel *Luke 17:5-10*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

If you had faith!

The apostles said to the Lord, 'Increase our faith.' The Lord replied, 'Were your faith the size of a mustard seed you could say to this mulberry tree, "Be uprooted and planted in the sea", and it would obey you.

'Which of you, with a servant ploughing or minding sheep, would say to him when he returned from the fields, "Come and have your meal immediately"? Would he not be more likely to say, "Get my supper laid; make yourself tidy and wait on me while I eat and drink. You can eat and drink yourself afterwards"? Must he be grateful to the servant for doing what he was told? So with you: when you have done all you have been told to do, say, "We are merely servants: we have done no more than our duty."'

Communion Antiphon *Lam 3:25*

The Lord is good to those who hope in him,
to the soul that seeks him.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE - 11 & 12 OCTOBER 2025

	SAT 6PM	SUN 7.30AM	SUN 9.30AM	SUN 6PM
ACOLYTE	BRYAN MEYERKORT	MIKE KILROE	DOMINIC LONGO	ROB PAUL
ALTAR SERVERS	ETHAN GATCHALIAN JAKE & LUKE GOLDING DHIVYEN MANNAR	JERARD, JONAH & JORDAN VINCENT	MATTHEW PRANATA AMANDA CHIA LETICIA AVERY	NOEL, ELOUISE & FELIX LIU
COMMENTATORS	STEFANI CHEN	ADELE PARSONS	PAUL CICCARELLI	MAUREEN BRIGHT
COLLECTORS	STEPHEN DONOVAN STEFANI CHEN	ANTHONY LIM	ROGER BUNN LILI ORIFICI	OSBORNE D'SOUZA ROSS FRANCHINA GRAHAM KNIGHT
READERS	EILEEN SELVARATNAM ELIZABETH YUSTIRA	JACQUIE HERON MEGAN OH	GIULIA HARRIS ANUSHIA SUPPIAH	MAISIE CINANNI GLENDA BEUKES
EMOHC	FRANCES MEYERKORT STEVEN CLAY GERRI CLAY CARLA CARDOSO	ANGELA SCOTT TINA CAMMARANO ALICE BATY	TERET BROCKWAY MARGARET SANDFORD MELISSA TROLIO MARGARET HANDYSIDE	OSBORNE D'SOUZA YULIANA VAN DER BURG DONNA ARTINGSTALL LINDA ROBERTSON

ALTAR SOCIETY: MILDRED REGO & MARY FERNANDES	**PILGRIM STATUE:** ROBERT & JACQUIE HERON
COUNTERS: MEGAN DOWLING, LYNLEY BIANCUZZO, ANTONELLA HENDERSON & CHRISTIE STIPINOVIC	**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** –