# WELCOME

**ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC PARISH — 12 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

## 28TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YR C

## GOSPEL REFLECTION BY Dianne Bergant CSA

The leprosy of Naaman and the ten men in the gospel serves as a metaphor for sinfulness, the condition that makes us unfit for the presence of God and despicable in the eyes of others. Separated from God and alienated from society, we are truly in a deplorable state, a state out of which we are unable to extricate ourselves. Into these seemingly hopeless conditions step the prophet Elisha and Jesus. Each in his own way brings the healing power of God, the saving grace of God. Paul is such a mediator as well. He brings the gospel to those who are in need of salvation. When people are open to his preaching, they are transformed and made ready to receive eternal glory.

After healing come gratitude and praise. Both Naaman and the lone Samaritan are so filled with gratitude that they return to the one responsible for their healing. They are not so preoccupied with their good fortune as to forget that it came to them as a gift. Their response is the kind of thanks and praise that is proclaimed in the psalm and that is also celebrated at each Sunday Eucharist. We have been saved from our alienation from God and from each other so let us give thanks to the Lord.

Those who know that they have been healed, who realize that this was a gift freely given to them, and who return to give thanks have, by these acts of devotion, stepped over a threshold into a new way of living. Their thanks and praise usher them into a new age, the age of eschatological promise.

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## PARISH NOTICES

### EVENTS

- 12 OCT — PARISH MORNING TEA AFTER 7.30AM MASS (ROSTER: RITA ILICH & VALERIE LEE)
- 18 & 19 OCT — 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 — BUSY BEE @8AM-11AM
- **1 NOV (NEW DATE) - YOUTH MASS @6PM**
- 5 & 6 NOV — FIRST RECONCILIATIONS @5PM

**You are invited to join ST BENEDICT'S PARISH, APPLECROSS**

For a Jubilee Year Pilgrimage **on Saturday 22 November** 2025 **to Schoenstatt Shrine, Armadale**

The bus will leave St Benedict's Parish at 8.30am for the Shrine. On arrival we will be met by Sr Lisette and learn about the shrine. There will be time for pilgrims' prayer walking around the grounds, personal reflective time, opportunity for the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** and **Mass**. A light lunch will be provided before the bus departs back from the shrine at 12.30pm.

For those who wish to join the pilgrimage, please write your name on the sign sheets on the table at the entrance of the church.

A contribution of $20pp for those who wish to travel by bus and please RSVP by Friday 31/10/25. *Thank you.*

### ♥ HEARTS FOR THE HOMELESS ♥

Members of Applecross CWL invite contributions from St Benedict's Parishioners to their Raffle to be conducted the weekend of 25/26 October. At this time each year, we ask for your support of St Patricks Community Care. In recent times it is not just single people seeking relief, but now a larger proportion is of Homeless Families. Items such as décor, chocolates, wine, vouchers, etc. are welcomed. Adele Parsons: Message 0428 584 882

### 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.

## YOUTH CORNER

### Youth Mass — 1 November

### PROCLAIMERS OF THE WORD WORKSHOP

We are short of Proclaimers of the Word (Readers) in our parish. There is an upcoming workshop at **Our Lady of Fatima Church, Palmyra Parish, 10 Foss St, Palmyra, on Saturday 18 October 2025 @10am to 12pm**. The poster/details of the workshop are on our notice board.

If you wish to become a proclaimer, you are invited to come to the above workshop. Please register your name on the sign sheet at the table at the entrance of the church, so we can arrange the booking for you. *Thank you.*

### 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.

### 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.*

### PLEASE PRAY FOR THE RECENTLY DECEASED: - ANNIVERSARIES:

Francis Tan, Cecilia McGurk, Bonny Menezes, Hilary Yurkov, Terry Ryan, Richard O'Connor, Paul Heron, Caterina Cinanni, Monica Matthews, Brian Allen, Mark Hender, Kenneth Leeder, Patricia Forkin, Helen Saldanha, Licia Cobanov, Beatrice Leong 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.***

All Mothers Prayers groups and friends, and all women with a mother's heart are warmly invited to the Mothers Prayers Annual Mass on Thursday, 23 Oct at 9am at Sts John & Paul Church, Willetton, followed by morning tea. Do come early to place your prepared discs with your children and grandchildren's names into the basket provided. This basket will be placed at the foot of the altar during Offertory.

For further information or to share your Mothers Prayers group's plans to celebrate Mass at your own parish, please email: Su Goh, Mothers Prayers Coordinator, WA, at perth@mothersprayers.org

## PRAYER FOR THE DAY

***Presence***

Lord, help me to be fully alive to Your holy presence.
Enfold me in Your love.
Let my heart become one with Yours.

***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***

As I talk to You, O God, help me to grow in appreciation of the gifts of communication.
Grant that I will speak out for those who have no voice and always have a kind word for those in need.

***Inspiration***

Our Lord might well ask, where are the other nine? Do we ever find ourselves among the nine who forgot to thank the Lord? St Ignatius stresses that gratitude is a very important attitude to develop on our spiritual journey. It is a most helpful way to get into prayer, because the more aware we become of the gift, the more aware we can become of the Giver. Everything we have is a gift from God. St Paul wrote, 'Always be thankful.'

***Conversation***

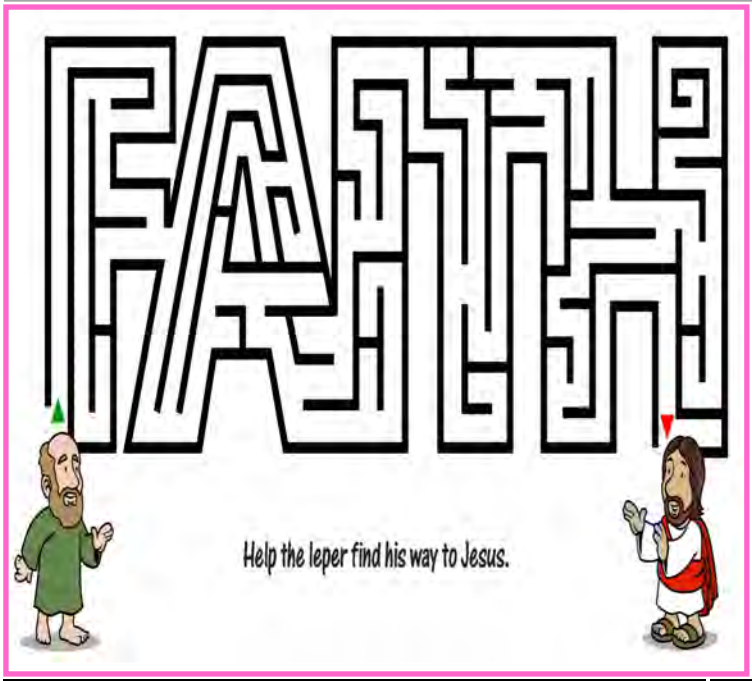
Jesus, You speak to me
through the words of the Gospels.
May I respond to Your call today.
Teach me to recognise Your hand
at work in my daily life.

***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




Fill in the missing letters, then match them up by number in the large boxes to reveal the message of this story.

- Jesus was on h$_{2}$s way to Jeru$_{10}$alem.
- Te$_{8}$ lepers asked Jesus to take pi$_{5}$y on them.
- Jesus told them to s$_{6}$ow themselves to the pri$_{4}$sts.
- One of the men disco$_{3}$ered he was heale$_{15}$, and returned to Jesus, giving praise to $_{1}$od.
- He b$_{12}$wed down at Jesus' fee$_{11}$ and than$_{9}$ed him.
- Jesus then told him, '$_{13}$et up and g$_{14}$. Your f$_{7}$ith has made you well.'

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**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:**

**29th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C**

**1st:** Ex 17: 8-13 **Ps:** 120
**2nd:** 2 Tim 3: 14 – 4: 2 **Gospel:** Lk 18: 1-8

## READINGS FOR THE DAY

### Entrance Antiphon *Psalm 129:3-4*

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.

### First Reading *2 Kings 5:14-17*

A reading from the second book of the Kings

*Naaman returned to Elisha, the prophet, and acknowledged the Lord.*

Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child.

Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. 'Now I know' he said, 'that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.' But Elisha replied, 'As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.' Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, 'Since your answer is "No," allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.'

### Responsorial Psalm *Ps 97:1-4. R. see v.2*

(R.) The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

1. Sing a new song to the Lord
   for he has worked wonders.
   His right hand and his holy arm
   have brought salvation. (R.)
2. The Lord has made known his salvation;
   has shown his justice to the nations.
   He has remembered his truth and love
   for the house of Israel. (R.)
3. All the ends of the earth have seen
   the salvation of our God.
   Shout to the Lord all the earth,
   ring out your joy. (R.)

### Second Reading *2 Timothy 2:8-13*

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

*If we hold firm, we shall reign with Christ.*

Remember the Good News that I carry. 'Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David'; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal – but they cannot chain up God's news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it.

Here is a saying that you can rely on:

If we have died with him, then we shall live with him.
If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him.
If we disown him, then he will disown us.
We may be unfaithful, but he is always faithful, for he cannot disown his own self.

### Gospel Acclamation *1 Thessalonians 5:18*

Alleluia, alleluia!
For all things give thanks to God,
because this is what he expects of you
in Christ Jesus.
Alleluia!

### Gospel *Luke 17:11-19*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

*It seems that no one has returned to give thanks to God except this foreigner.*

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'

### Communion Antiphon *Cf Psalm 33:11*

The rich suffer want and go hungry,
but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE - 18 & 19 OCTOBER 2025

| | SAT 6PM | SUN 7.30AM | SUN 9.30AM | SUN 6PM |
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| ACOLYTE | SIMON CARRICK | STEVEN ROBERTSON | LUKE HANDCOCK | KEN BOWNES |
| ALTAR SERVERS | LEWIS HERON<br>HAILEY CORREIA<br>DHIVYEN MANNAR | MATTEO REDOLATTI<br>IHINOSEN & ESEOSE ITOTOH | JACKSON HANDCOCK<br>JOEY VILLEGAS<br>CHRISTOPHER XANTHIS | SOFIE GABRIEL<br>ADDISON & HARPER GRACE |
| COMMENTATORS | ELIAS SANTIMANO | MEGAN OH | MARGARET HANDYSIDE | GLENDA BEUKES |
| COLLECTORS | LOUIS BOVE<br>MATTHEW TLOCZEK | GERRY DOYLE | MARGARET SANDFORD | JOE CINANNI<br>MARIA NARDONE<br>GRAHAM KNIGHT |
| READERS | STEFANI CHEN<br>GERRI CLAY | MONICA ANDERSON<br>ADELE PARSONS | MOIRA BUNN<br>PATRICIA ROBERTSON | JACKIE WONG<br>KELVIN GRACE |
| EMOHC | MICHELLE CARRICK<br>ROSA WEST<br>YVONNE GARBIN<br>KELLY DWYER | JUDY LEE<br>JACQUI HERON<br>BRYAN LILLIS | JUDY PHILLIPS<br>CARMEL RECHICHI<br>LILI ORIFICI<br>MARINA CICCARELLI | KEVIN AUTON<br>MARIA HILL<br>JOE CINANNI<br>MAISIE CINANNI |

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| **ALTAR SOCIETY:** MILDRED REGO & MARY FERNANDES | **PILGRIM STATUE:** BRYAN & FRANCES MEYERKORT |
| **COUNTERS:** MARGARETH ALBUQUERQUE, YULIANA VAN DER BURG, ELIZABETH NORONHA & SUCHITA RATHAKRISHNAN | **CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** – |