WELCOME

ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC PARISH — 20 SEPTEMBER 2026

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

Reconciliation:
Sat: **4.30PM - 5PM**

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

Rosary Groups:
Tue: 9.30am, Wed/Fri: 7.30am, Sat: 8am
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**

St Vincent de Paul (SVDP) Applecross
Meet fortnightly on Tuesday @11am (boardroom)
Clare Farr 0406 973 595

Baptisms: By appointment

Marriages: By appointment

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25TH SUNDAY OF ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

GOSPEL REFLECTION BY Dianne Bergant CSA

Our attention shifts slightly in these last Sundays of Ordinary Time. We turn from concentration on the character and responsibilities of discipleship to reflection on the import of the end of time. As we move toward the close of the liturgical year, we are invited to consider the final coming of Christ and the last judgment.

The thought of judgment is enough to strike fear in the hearts of many. We sometimes experience tension between the idea of divine justice, which requires that the good be adequately rewarded and the evil be appropriately punished, and that of the mercy of God, which we hope will be generously extended to us. As seen in the readings for this Sunday, the justice of God does not conform to the standards of human justice. It is incomprehensible, because its foundation is mercy. While we might find consolation in this view of divine judgment when it is directed toward us, our hearts do not always seem to be generous enough to rejoice in the mercy extended to others. It is almost as if we feel that we have been cheated in some way, if God is merciful to others. However, divine mercy can work in us to abolish our pettiness and indignation and replace it with generosity of heart. We are called to conduct ourselves with this kind of generosity, this kind of love, this kind of mercy.

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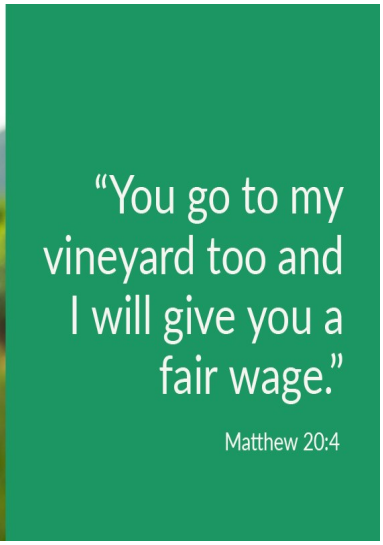

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PARISH NOTICES

EVENTS

- 19 SEP — COMMUNITY MASS @6PM, FOLLOWED BY SUPPER (THEME: INDIAN), PLEASE BRING A PLATE
- 24 SEP & 1 OCT — ALPHA COURSE, EVERY THURSDAY @6.30PM-8.30PM AT ALBERT LYNCH ROOM (2 LAST SESSIONS)
- 26-27 SEP — CWL'S ANNUAL RAFFLE TICKETS SALE AT ALL MASSES
- 27 SEP — PARISH MORNING TEA AFTER 9.30AM MASS (PLEASE BRING A PLATE)
- 2 OCT — FIRST FRIDAY FRIENDS GATHERING @11AM AT ALBERT LYNCH ROOM
- 11 OCT — PARISH MORNING TEA AFTER 7.30AM MASS (ROSTER: RITA ILICH & VALERIE LEE)
- **17 OCT** (NEW DATE) — YOUTH MASS @6PM
- 25 OCT — PARISH MORNING TEA AFTER 9.30AM MASS (PLEASE BRING A PLATE)
- 6 OCT — FIRST FRIDAY FRIENDS @11AM AT ALBERT LYNCH ROOM

Fr Joseph Laundy is currently in New York for Vocations Convention and he will be back on Saturday, 26 September 2026. Below is the list of the Assigned Celebrant when he is away.

ASSIGNED CELEBRANT - 19/9/26 TO 24/9/26

DATE	DAY	TIME	ASSIGNED CELEBRANT
19/09/2026	Saturday	7.30am 6pm	Fr Patrick Lim Fr Patrick Lim
20/09/2026	Sunday	7.30am 9.30am 6pm	Fr Robert Carillo Fr Robert Carillo Fr Patrick Lim
21/09/2026	Monday	7am	Communion Service
22/09/2026	Tuesday	9am	Fr Patrick Lim
23/09/2026	Wednesday	7am	Fr Peter Black
24/09/2026	Thursday	9am	Fr Patrick Lim

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Children's Liturgy of the Word is a dedicated time during Saturday/Sunday Mass when children leave the main assembly to hear and explore the day's Scripture readings at an age-appropriate level.

We are going to start Children Liturgy of the Word in our parish on Saturday 6pm mass and Sunday 9.30am mass. If you are interested in joining the catechist team to provide this liturgy for the children, please contact our parish by email applecross@perthcatholic.org.au or call on 08 9364 1120.

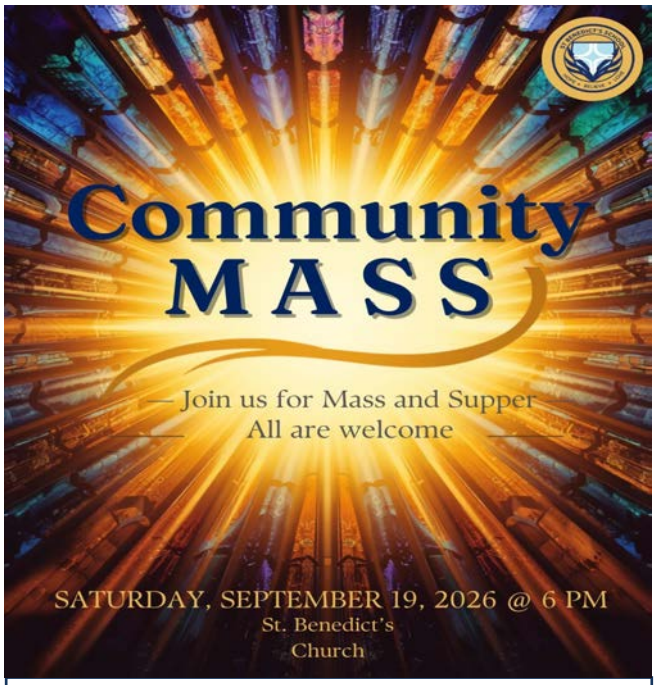
PRAY FOR THE SICK

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, Harsono Setiawan, Steven Robertson, Lisa Bailey, Lenna Hosseini, Judith Chan, Grisel Noronha, Brett Williams, Sooi Chay, Cristine Pittorini, and all others who are not included in this list. *Thank you.*

YOUTH CORNER

Youth Mass — 17 October 2026 @6pm



If parishioners could contribute to the supper, please bring something that complements the theme of INDIAN.

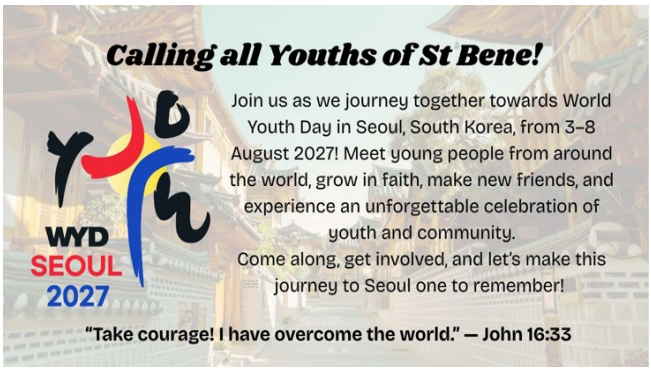
Albert Lynch Room Extension – Progress Update

We are delighted to share that the Albert Lynch Room Extension has reached a major milestone. The external structure — including all walls and the full roof installation — is now complete.

Two progress payments remain: one in October and the final in November. These will bring the project to full completion, marking our first major building achievement in 18 years.

Thank you for your generosity and continued support. This extension strengthens our parish facilities and ensures the Albert Lynch Room can continue serving our growing community for many years to come.

Parish Council & Finance Committee

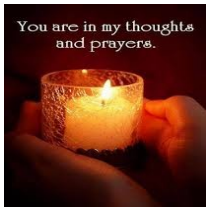


PLEASE PRAY FOR RECENTLY DECEASED:

Sally Hobday, Doris Josephine Allen, Peter Segoro, Lois Lee T Miller, Joaquin Imperial.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Violet Hender, Richard Reid, Assunta Forlano, Edgar Ridoreda, Patrick Thomas, William Fahy, and all deceased benefactors of the parish and all departed family and friends. *Thank you.*



ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

26 SEP | HEALING MASS - VOICE OF THE VOICELESS MINISTRY

Voice of the Voiceless Ministry of St John Paul II Healing Mass and Adoration will be held at **Our Lady Help of Christians Church | 43 Camberwell Street | East Victoria Park.** Songs of worship and praise will commence at 11.30am followed by Mass at 12 noon. All are welcome. For further information, contact Cathy on 0419 162 544.

4 OCT | CELEBRATING ST FRANCIS OF ASSISI

The Franciscan family is celebrating the Jubilee Year of St Francis of Assisi with Mass at 11.30am at Our Lady Queen of Poland Church | 35 Eighth Avenue, Maylands. Mass will be in Polish and English, followed by the blessing of animals and lunch in the hall. Food will be available for purchase or bring a plate to share. For further information, call Anne-Marie 9207 3691 (please leave a message).

10 OCT | CBC FREMANTLE 125 YEAR ANNIVERSARY

The CBC Fremantle community invites you to celebrate 125 years of history, community, and legacy. Students, families, staff, and friends past and present will be welcomed for a special afternoon reflecting on the past and looking ahead to the future. Explore the campus through guided tours, enjoy music and light refreshments, and reconnect with the people and stories that make CBC Fremantle so special. **1.00pm to 3.30pm at the College**.

NATIONAL SURVEY OF NEWLY MARRIED COUPLES

Couples in their **first 10 years of marriage** are asked to contribute their valuable insights to a professional survey being funded by the Australian Catholic Bishops.
All answers are anonymous and confidential, and participants can contact the researchers directly with any questions via the Survey Link.
The information gathered will inform pastoral responses and the development of resources for this vital stage of married life.

Parish Albert Lynch Room Extension Works

A reminder that the **two ACROD bays near the flagpole are fenced off for builder access and deliveries from Monday to Friday** as construction materials will be delivered to the front of the church.

If you would like to make a contribution to this project:

Account Name:	**Applecross Parish**
BSB:	**086 006**
Account No:	**450 486 124**
Ref:	**Extension AL/Name**

Thank you for your generosity and to all who have donated so far. *- Parish Council & Finance Committee*

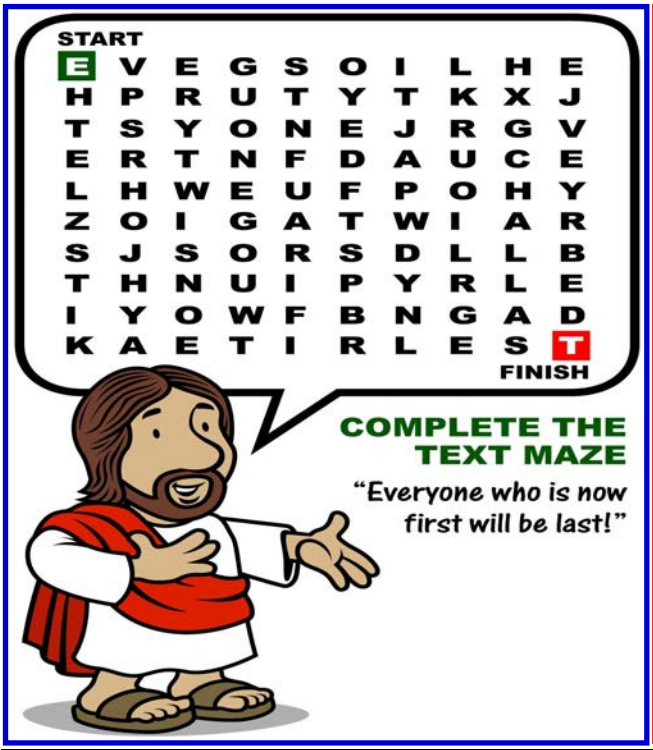
SAFEGUARDING LEVEL 1 INDUCTION TRAINING (in person)

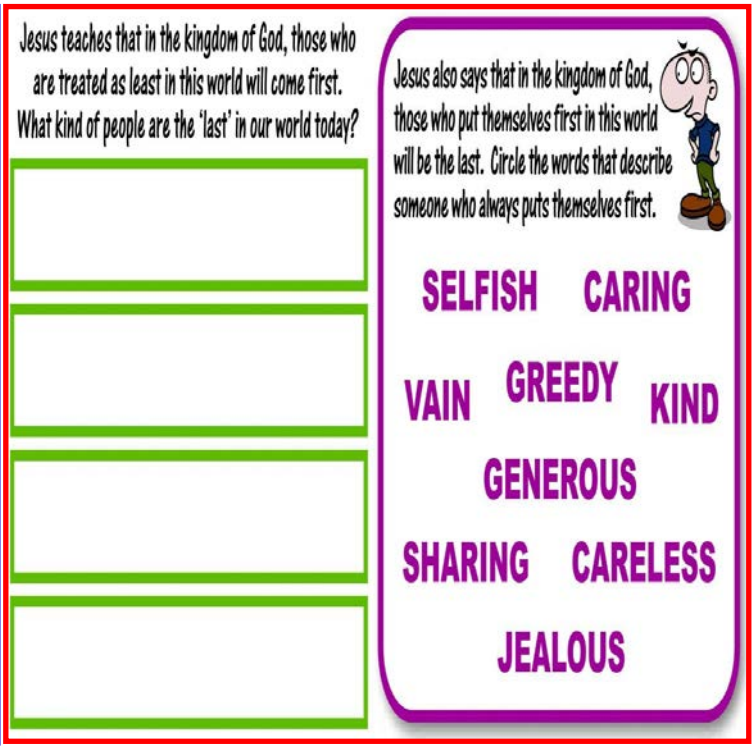
At St Vincent's, 114 Parmelia Ave, Kwinana

- **Tuesday, 29 September 2026 @5.30pm-6.30pm,**
- **Tuesday, 13 October 2026 @10.30am-11.30am.**

To register **https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/#induction**.
Further info: **safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au**

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: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

1st: Ezek 18: 25-28 **Ps:** 24: 4-9
2nd: Phil 2: 1-11 **Gospel:** Mt 21: 28-32

READINGS FOR THE DAY

Entrance Antiphon

I am the salvation of the people, says the Lord.
Should they cry to me in any distress,
I will hear them, and I will be their Lord for ever.

First Reading *Isaiah 55:6-9*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

My thoughts are not your thoughts.

Seek the Lord while he is still to be found,
call to him while he is still near.
Let the wicked man abandon his way,
the evil man his thoughts.
Let him turn back to the Lord who will take pity on him,
to our God who is rich in forgiving;
for my thoughts are not your thoughts,
my ways not your ways – it is the Lord who speaks.
Yes, the heavens are as high above earth
as my ways are above your ways,
my thoughts above your thoughts.

Responsorial Psalm *Ps 144:2-3. 8-9. 17-18. R. v.18*

(R.) The Lord is near to all who call him.

1. I will bless you day after day
and praise your name for ever.
the Lord is great, highly to be praised,
his greatness cannot be measured. (R.)
2. The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. (R.)
3. The Lord is just in all his ways
and loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him,
who call on him from their hearts. (R.)

Second Reading *Philippians 1:20-24. 27*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

For me to live is Christ.

Christ will be glorified in my body, whether by my life or by my death. Life to me, of course, is Christ, but then death would bring me something more; but then again, if living in this body means doing work which is having good results – I do not know what I should choose. I am caught in this dilemma: I want to be gone and be with Christ, which would be very much the better, but for me to stay alive in this body is a more urgent need for your sake.

Avoid anything in your everyday lives that would be unworthy of the gospel of Christ.

Gospel Acclamation *See Acts of the Apostles 16:14*

Alleluia, alleluia!
Open our hearts, O Lord,
to listen to the words of your Son.
Alleluia!

Gospel *Matthew 20:1-16*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Why are you jealous because I am generous?

Jesus said to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven is like a landowner going out at daybreak to hire workers for his vineyard. He made an agreement with the workers for one denarius a day, and sent them to his vineyard. Going out at about the third hour he saw others standing idle in the market place and said to them, "You go to my vineyard too and I will give you a fair wage." So they went. At about the sixth hour and again at about the ninth hour, he went out and did the same. Then at about the eleventh hour he went out and found more men standing round, and he said to them, "Why have you been standing here idle all day?" "Because no one has hired us" they answered. He said to them, "You go into my vineyard too." In the evening, the owner of the vineyard said to his bailiff, "Call the workers and pay them their wages, starting with the last arrivals and ending with the first." So those who were hired at about the eleventh hour came forward and received one denarius each. When the first came, they expected to get more, but they too received one denarius each. They took it, but grumbled at the landowner. "The men who came last" they said "have done only one hour, and you have treated them the same as us, though we have done a heavy day's work in all the heat." He answered one of them and said, "My friend, I am not being unjust to you; did we not agree on one denarius? Take your earnings and go. I choose to pay the last-comer as much as I pay you. Have I no right to do what I like with my own? Why be envious because I am generous?" Thus the last will be first, and the first, last.'

Communion Antiphon *Psalm 118:4-5*

You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept;
may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE — 26 & 27 SEPTEMBER 2026

	SAT 6PM	SUN 7.30AM	SUN 9.30AM	SUN 6PM
ACOLYTE	BRYAN MEYERKORT	STEVEN ROBERTSON	PRAVIN PAUL SUPPIAH	PETER MOORE
ALTAR SERVERS	DOMENICO, LEONARDO & ALESSANDRO DE FELICE	JERARD, JONAH & JORDAN VINCENT	CHARMAINE VOGLER XAVIER SIA CHRISTOPHER XANTHIS	SOFIE GABRIEL ADDISON & HARPER GRACE
COMMENTATORS	ELIAS SANTIMANO	MARIA ARANDA	MARINA CICCARELLI	KATRINA MCINNES
COLLECTORS	STEFANI CHEN STEPHEN DONOVAN	JAMES GALVIN	PATRICK LEECH	OSBORNE D'SOUZA ROSS FRANCHINA GRAHAM KNIGHT
READERS	LEO REGO MILDRED REGO	RITA ILICH JACQUIE HERON	GERARD DE SOUZA PATRICIA ROBERTSON	KELVIN GRACE MAUREEN BRIGHT
EMOHC	FRANCES MEYERKORT YVONNE GARBIN MICHELLE CARRICK STEFANI CHEN	ANGELA SCOTT CORNELIUS ITOTOH FRANCA ITOTOH	LILI ORIFICI MARGARET HANDYSIDE MARGARET SANDFORD MARINA CICCARELLI	JOE CINANNI MAISIE CINANNI KEVIN AUTON LINDA ROBERTSON

ALTAR SOCIETY: HEATHER MCNAUGHT & AYLMYR SEQUEIRA	**PILGRIM STATUE:** MARGARET HANDYSIDE
COUNTERS: HELEN OAKLEY, CONNIE & LOUIS BOVE, JESSIE TAN, ANNE BANKS & JENNIFER DI GIOVANNI	**CHILDREN'S LITURGY:** —