# WELCOME

ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC PARISH — 5 MAY 2024

#### "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

## 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

# Parish Office:

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# PARISH INCLUSIVITY COORDINATOR:

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# SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR B

# **GOSPEL REFLECTION BY Dianne Bergant CSA**

The boundlessness of God's love is seen in the fact that God loved us even before we were deserving of God's love. In fact, it was God's love that made us able both to receive and to give love in return. Love is of God; love is God. Divine love is constant and trustworthy. How easily we can think this thought or speak these words, yet how difficult, even impossible, it is to comprehend what it means. We can only really recognise love in its many concrete manifestations. Love is patient, kind and forbearing; it believes, it hopes, it endures. The love of God breaks down the barriers between Gentile and Jew, between slave and free, between the poor and the prosperous, between women and men, between the healthy and the ailing, between young and old.

Embraced by such love we are gradually transformed. We begin to recognise God's love in places we never suspected it would be found. We discover that what we once judged unclean may merely be an unfamiliar openness to God's truth. We discover that our own insistence on legitimate religious practice may really be spiritual elitism. Our eyes are opened to ways we have tried to confine God's love to the conventional boundaries we ourselves have set. As we are drawn into God's love, we eagerly embrace the commandments that help us to live righteous lives. To the extent that we love as universally as God does, we will know that we live in God and that God lives in us.

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# **PARISH NOTICES**

# EVENTS

- ♦ 5 MAY PARISH MORNING TEA AFTER 7.30AM MASS
- ◆ 11 MAY (NEW DATE) BUSY BEE @8AM-11AM
- ♦ 11 MAY YOUTH MASS @6PM
- 14 MAY EUCHARIST-PARENT CHILD WORKSHOP @4.30PM OR 6PM AT ST BENEDICT'S SCHOOL LIBRARY
- ◆ 24 MAY SENIORS LUNCH @11.30AM
- ♦ 26 MAY COOKIES, CUPPA & CHAT AFTER 9.30AM MASS
- ◆ 2, 9 & 10 JUN FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: SATURDAY MASS @6PM & SUNDAY MASS @9.30AM

## ADSUMUS

Adsumus takes commitment - today we will be considering our commitment to our place on the vine. In today's gospel, we hear how Jesus passes down the love of God the Father to us, and in an act of re-creation, we are encouraged to continue to transmit that love, much as a branch transfers the life given to it from the vine.

An INVITE TO ALL SENIOR
PARISHIONERS to the annual
St Benedict's Senior Lunch
DATE: FRIDAY, 24 MAY 2024
TIME: 11AM TO 2PM

Numbers will be limited so please RSVP by 15/5/24 — RSVP list is at the back of the church. Please call the parish office on 08 9364 1120 if there is any special dietary requirements. Thank you.

## **FAITH FORMATION UPDATE**

# Synodality – Walking Together

This is the joint submission from the five parishes of Applecross, Attadale, East Fremantle, Myaree, and Palmyra in response to the "Synthesis Report: A Synodal Church in Mission" that summarised the deliberations from the meeting of Bishops in Rome in October 2023 and heading towards the final meeting of Bishops in Rome this October and in Western Australia, the formation of a Diocesan Pastoral Council in July.

For those who wish to have a copy of our response, please email Kevin Wringe at <a href="mailto:kwringe@iinet,net.au">kwringe@iinet,net.au</a>.

# PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Myrtle Nimmo, Sr Carla, Truus Botman, Ng Chai Hong, Helen Overman, Shalini Saldanha, Ng Choon Bee, Nick Odorisio, Michelle O'Brien, Liesel Beukes, Helen Teo, Thomas McGuire Marris, Lorraine Healey, Mega Limadinata, Kamani Jayaratne, Sue Miguel, Carol-Jean Wilson and all others who are not included in this list. *Thank you.* 

#### YOUTH CORNER

Youth Mass — 11 May @6pm

# PARISH MORNING TEA INVITATION



SUNDAY, 5 MAY 2024

**AFTER 7.30AM MASS** 

ROSTER: RITA ILLICH & VALERIE LEE

# **PARISH BUSY BEE**

**Gardening & Window Cleaning** 



SATURDAY, 11 MAY @8AM—11AM PLEASE COME ALONG AND HELP

COOKIES, CUPPA & CHAT SUNDAY, 26 MAY 2024 AFTER 9.30AM MASS



# Pilgrimage to Vietnam

From the **19th to 30th November 2024** come to the cities in Vietnam - Saigon, Hanoi, Danang, Hue etc and lovely Catholic Churches & Shrines to Our Lady and the Vietnamese martyrs. Experience the deep Catholic faith of the Vietnamese people. People of all faiths are welcome.

**MONSIGNOR MICHAEL KEATING** will be our priest on the Pilgrimage.

Full board cost including all meals, 4\* hotel accommodation & airfares (international & domestic) is \$4,545 per person.

For the itinerary and booking form, please call us Anawim Journeys on 6118 7313 or 0402 290 827 (Veronica) or 0433 771 979 (Sheila)

PLANNED GIVING (2<sup>ND</sup> COLLECTION):

Parish income for the 9 months ended 31/03/24 was 106% of the budgeted income for the same period and 79% of the budgeted income of the year. *Thank you.* 

# PLEASE PRAY FOR RECENTLY DECEASED:

David Charlton — Memorial Mass on Wednesday 8/5/24 @11am

# **ANNIVERSARIES:**

Dante Vallini, Kathleen Rebbit, Gloria Hardingham, Edward Galavan, Dr Mary Searson, Danilo Stocco, Thomas Hayes, Edward Williams, Robert Woolford, Moira Stokes, Lynette Rogerson, and all deceased benefactors of the parish and all departed family and friends. *Thank you.* 

# **ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS**

# SAFEGUARDING INDUCTION TRAINING for Church Workers paid or unpaid – LEVEL 1

Tuesday 7 May @7pm - Online

Thursday 9 May @1.30pm & 6.30pm - Armadale Parish, 279 Forrest Rd, Hilbert

Tuesday 14 May @2pm - Online

Sunday 19 May @10am - St Pius X, Manning Parish, 23 Paterson St, Como

Thursday 23 May @7pm - Online

Thursday 30 May @10am - Online

To register https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/#induction. Further info: safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au or 08 9221 7762.

#### **18 May A DAY OF PRAYER**

A Day of Prayer & Worship in preparation for the feast of Pentecost. **Saturday 18 May, 2 Rawlins Street, Glendalough.** *Further info;* email Sr. Mary Lourdes <a href="mailto:srmarylourdes11@gmail.com">srmarylourdes11@gmail.com</a> or 0404 610 773.

# **26 May VOLUNTEER THANKSGIVING MASS**

As part of National Volunteer Week, we will honour the invaluable contributions of our volunteers in the Catholic Archdiocese of Perth under the theme "Something for Everyone." Join us in thanking these dedicated individuals for their selfless service with Bishop Don Sproxton who will celebrate the Eucharist. To all volunteers, you are cordially invited to a Eucharistic celebration on Sunday May 26, 11am Mass, St. Mary's Cathedral, followed by light refreshments in the Parish Centre. Please advise us of your attendance and dietary restrictions via <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/CPXBN">https://www.trybooking.com/CPXBN</a> by Sunday, 12 May 2024. We look forward to seeing you there as we come together in gratitude and unity. Further info: <a href="mailto:csswa@perthcatholic.org.au">csswa@perthcatholic.org.au</a> or Grace 6104 3600.

# Chaplets of the Divine Mercy.

A beautiful, prayerful, sung devotion held at **St Thomas More Catholic Church, Dean Road Bateman**, on the second Wednesday of each month commencing at 7.30 pm. The next devotion will be held on **Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> May 2024 commencing at 7.30 pm**. Enquiries to George Lopez on 0419 910 039.



Presence

As I sit here, the beating of my heart, the ebb and flow of my breathing, the movements of my mind, are all signs of God's ongoing creation of me. I pause for a moment, and become aware of this presence of God within me.

PRAYER FOR THE DAY

#### Freedom

I try to let go of concerns and worries that may be dragging me down at this present moment. I place any concerns I have in God's hands – at least for these few minutes of prayer.

#### Consciousness

To be conscious of something is to be aware of it. Dear Lord, help me to remember that You gave me life. Thank You for the gift of life. Teach me to slow down, to be still and to enjoy the pleasures created for me, to be aware of the beauty that surrounds me: the marvel of mountains, the calmness of lakes, the fragility of a flower petal. I need to remember that all these things come from You.

## **Inspiration**

Jesus lived and taught love by his own example of total self-giving. He laid down his life for us, his friends. May we imitate him in being people of love for others, reaching out to them in Jesus' Name.

It is the Lord who chose us and calls us his friends. We are to serve in the spirit of love, putting others before ourselves. Lord, may we have the humility to ask for what we need so that we bear fruit to the glory of your name.

#### Conversation

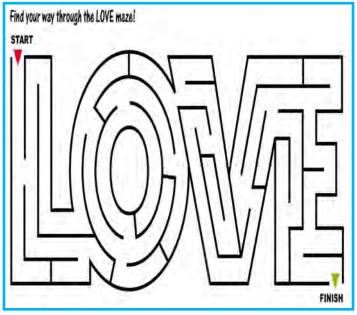
God's Word is always fruitful. How is it touching me now as I reflect on what I have just prayed? Do I feel comforted? Do I feel challenged?

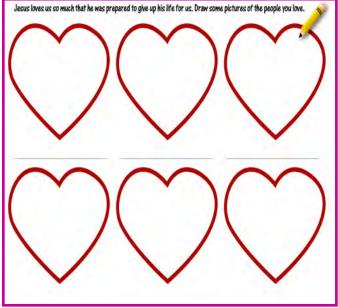
# Conclusion

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.** *Thank you.* 

Please Do Not Drive Or Park On Grass NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: The Ascension of the Lord, Year B

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

**2nd:** Eph 1:17-23 **Gospel:** Mk 16:15-20



# **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 10:25-26. 34-35. 44-48

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

# The gift of the Holy Spirit was poured out upon the gentiles also.

As Peter reached the house Cornelius went out to meet him, knelt at his feet and prostrated himself. But Peter helped him up. 'Stand up,' he said, 'I am only a man after all!'

Then Peter addressed them: 'The truth I have now come to realise' he said, 'is that God does not have favourites, but that anybody of any nationality who fears God and does what is right is acceptable to him.'

While Peter was still speaking the Holy Spirit came down on all the listeners. Jewish believers who had accompanied Peter were all astonished that the gift of the Holy Spirit should be poured out on the pagans too, since they could hear them speaking strange languages and proclaiming the greatness of God. Peter himself then said, 'Could anyone refuse the water of baptism to these people, now they have received the Holy Spirit just as much as we have?' He then gave orders for them to be baptised in the name of Jesus Christ. Afterwards they begged him to stay on for some days.

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

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

- Sing a new song to the Lord for he has worked wonders. His right hand and his holy arm have brought salvation. (R.)
- 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.)
- 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 1 John 4:7-10

A reading from the first letter of St John

# God is love.

My dear people, let us love one another since love comes from God and everyone who loves is begotten by God and knows God. Anyone who fails to love can never have known God, because God is love.

God's love for us was revealed

when God sent into the world his only Son

so that we could have life through him;

this is the love I mean:

not our love for God,

but God's love for us when he sent his Son

to be the sacrifice that takes our sins away.

# 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 15:9-17

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

No one can have greater love than to lay down his life for his friends.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'As the Father has loved me,

so I have loved you.

Remain in my love.

If you keep my commandments

you will remain in my love,

just as I have kept my Father's commandments and remain in his love.

I have told you this so that my own joy may be in you and your joy be complete.

This is my commandment: love one another,

as I have loved you.

A man can have no greater love

than to lay down his life for his friends.

You are my friends,

if you do what I command you,

I shall not call you servants any more,

because a servant does not know

his master's business;

I call you friends,

because I have made known to you

everything I have learnt from my Father. You did not choose me, no, I chose you;

and I commissioned you to go out and to bear fruit,

fruit that will last;

and then the Father will give you

anything you ask him in my name.

What I command you

is to love one another.'

# **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 - 11 & 12 MAY 2024

	SAT 6PM	SUN 7.30AM	SUN 9.30AM	SUN 6PM
ACOLYTE	MIKE TARANTO	ROD DOWLING	LUKE HANDCOCK	ROB PAUL
ALTAR SERVERS	MATTHEW & JORDAN TRUEMAN TYLER MORRIS	OLIVIA & JOEL DOWLING	JACKSON HANDCOCK CHARMAINE VOGLER HAILEY CORREIA	KATHERINE WIBAWA JERARD & JONAH VINCENT
COMMENTATORS	YOUTH MASS	ADELE PARSONS	MARGARET HANDYSIDE	JILL NORTON
COLLECTORS	YOUTH MASS	JAMES GALVIN	ELIZABETH FEW	JOE CINANNI MARIA NARDONE GRAHAM KNIGHT
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ЕМОНС	YOUTH MASS	TINA CAMMARANO	SARAH NEALE MARGARET SANDFORD	MARIA HILL YULIANA VAN DER BURG

ALTAR SOCIETY: HEATHER MCNAUGHT	PILGRIM STATUE: MARGOT LYONS	
COUNTERS: JOE & MAISIE CINANNI, JOYCE D'CRUZ & GILLIAN COELHO	CHILDREN'S LITURGY: —	