

CHRIST LIGHTS OUR WAY

A man has been blind from birth. He lives in 'darkness'. People, including Jesus' disciples, look at him as a sinner punished by God, wondering whether he or his parents are to blame for his blindness. Yet neither he nor his parents are responsible. His destiny is marked from the beginning.

All this changes when he meets Jesus who announces: *"As long as I am in the world I am the light of the world."* Jesus sees the man's situation in a completely different 'light'. His focus is to rescue this poor, despised and labelled man from a life of 'darkness'.

Jesus' light penetrates the man's blindness. He then sees and discovers light for the first time and can enjoy his proper human dignity. However, it's not only his physical sight which is restored. He now sees beyond the miraculous sign to discover the deeper meaning of Jesus' life and mission.

Following the healing, there's confusion and the man's under pressure. The religious leaders feel obligated to control the purity of their religion. Only they will decide if the man is to be received into the religious community and admitted to the Temple.

But they are unable to accept what they have seen with their own eyes. They raise questions about whether the healing is authentic. Perhaps the man hadn't been blind from birth? How can someone like Jesus who doesn't keep the Sabbath do something like this? The newly-sighted, newly 'enlightened' man stands firm. He can't explain what happened, but knows it did and that it's somehow come from God; from someone who is a prophet walking among God's people.

Sadly, he's subjected to abuse and put-down by the religious leaders. What do you know about such things? How can someone like you (*"a sinner through and through"*) teach us (the righteous) the truth of what has happened? Abuse turns to eviction and they drive him away. Not only do they refuse to see, but they also refuse to hear.

For us, this story invites a faith response. In baptism, we were given a lighted candle as a sign that we want God to enlighten our minds and hearts to what is true. This means living not only with physical sight but also spiritual sight.

We are encouraged to develop the confidence of the newly-sighted man who knows what he has seen and is prepared to speak of it, even when it means rejection by his community and even his family. The light of Christ has come into our lives and *as long as we are in the world, we are to be the light of Christ*, especially where there is darkness.

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22nd March, 2020

**4th Sunday of Lent
Year A**

Today's Readings

Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13

Ephesians 5:8-14

John 9:1-41

29th March, 2020

**5th Sunday of Lent
Year A**

Next Sunday's Readings

Ezekiel 37:12-14

Romans 8:8-11

John 11:1-45

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Sunday Bulletin

Parish Liturgies

Weekend Mass	Saturday 6.00pm Vigil Mass, Sunday 7.30am, Sunday 9.30am
Weekday Mass	Monday 8.00am Communion Service (Mass on Solemnity only) Tuesday 6.00pm Mass - 1st Tuesday Mass of Anointing Wednesday, Thursday & Saturday 8.00am Mass Friday 9.00am Mass
Reconciliation	Saturday 5.00-5.45pm or anytime by appointment
Buckley Caring Centre	10.00am Mass - Second Thursday of the Month
Juniper Aged Care	11.00am Mass - Third Friday of the Month
Rosary	After weekday Masses
Exposition	Tuesday 5.00-6.00pm with Benediction, Sunday 6.00 - 7.00pm
Divine Will Prayer	Monday 11.00
Charismatic Prayer	Thursday 7.30pm - 9.30pm.
Baptism	Sunday at 11.00am, or by arrangement
Marriage	By appointment - Minimum SIX MONTHS notice for preparation etc

Flowers for Easter

Once again we seek your generous support for our appeal to enhance the church for our Easter celebrations. There is a box in the foyer for your offering.



Feast Days this Week

Mar 23	Mon	St Turibius of Mongrovejo
24	Tue	St Macartan
25	Wed	The Annunciation of the Lord
27	Fri	St John of Egypt

Praying For You



Recently Deceased

Catherine Malagui, Henk Gradisen
Doreen Langan

Death Anniversary

Joanna Backers, Pam D'Souza,
Shirley Giddens, Giulia Gizza,
Pauline Mitchell, Jeff Partington,
Philip Pereira, Celine Quadros

Deceased

Hermiginildo, Luke,
Elizabeth Magness, Renato, Victoriana

Our Sick

Annabelle McNess, Richard Bisnath,
Wendy Price, Fran Wiffen,
Ding Madrigal, Zee Pereira,
John Warui, Metilde Warui,
Con Farano, Natasha Curran,
Hirute Selassie, Peter Cox,
Mary Hazel Calupig, Bill Tucker,
Margaret Evans, Rene Priest,
Erika Magness, Ian Ballantyne,
Mavis Hall, Rose Thomas



**Stations of the Cross
are cancelled until
further notice.**

Rosters for 21/22 March, 2020

Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Rosa Ford Catherine Gibson	Pam Davies	Lance Dcruz	Colin Loh	Bridget Soh, Sandra Wren Ludette Van Der Spil, Remi Biju Pam Davies, Lloyd Davies	Kyle Marquis, Clinton Matthews Lucas Morphet, Jemima Pinto Matthew Ravanez, Josue Ravanez
Sunday 7.30am	Mary Anthony Jennifer Barnes	Jenny Mills	Geoff Mills	Clint Barnes	Diana Chong, Russell Lally Peter Mack, Rod McAtee	Michael Almen, Tom Antu Justin Kyaw-Tun, Naomi Kyaw-Tun
Sunday 9.30am	Ciara & Keanu Malagui-Hicks	Leanne Crestani	Jane Fernandez	Phillip Magness	Servite Sister, Elsie T-Boundy Evelyn Yozzi, Joe Yozzi Volunteer, Francisco Aung	Erin Pickering, Yatumika Shelvan Seren Adams, Thomas Armoogum Able Biju, Aron Biju
Tellers this week: Loretta Watson, Rosa Pedulla, Kath Ryan				Tellers next week: Bette Lyra, Cheryl Andrade, Clint & Thu Barnes		

Rosters for 28/29 March, 2020

Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Theresa Spicer Sandra Wren	Lynette Lieveaux	Carina Limgenco	Lenny Dcruz	Cigi Dcruz, Ludette Van Der Spil Vivian Loh, Faye Mitchell Christy Ravanez, Bridget Soh	Elsa Rehart, Ashton Rica-Franca Joshua Rozario, Aya Van Ingen Dashiell Van Ingen, Angel Villan
Sunday 7.30am	Jackie Hall Bette Lyra	Jeanette Pedulla	Ann Ralston	Larry Cavallo	Chloe Pereira-Smith, Russell Lally Ann Ralston, Diana Chong	Andrea Martin, Aldric Ratnasekera Ayden Ratnasekera, Joel Thomas
Sunday 9.30am	Brenda Ring Robert Szlezak	Ben Gradisen	Ciara Jacob	Nigel Hayward	Servite Sister, Michael Ayeni Anne Brink, Jim Brink Angela Bushby, Maureen Byrne	Juan Carlos Bonlongan, Larissa Farr Khryzia Casas, Emily Crestani Linleigh Frasco, Angel Garavillas

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Thirty-two-year-old Sakun lives in a village in central east India. She developed polio as a child and has difficulty walking. After joining a Caritas Australia-funded program, Sakun has learned new skills and gained important mobility. She is more resilient, more confident and more independent.



Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 to help uplift vulnerable communities and support the rights of indigenous peoples around the world. Let's Go Further, Together!

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

Coronavirus Prayer Vigil Cancelled

The Coronavirus Prayer Vigil on Wednesday 25th March has been cancelled. Please let us continue to pray for our families, friends and our communities at this challenging time.

A directive from Archbishop Timothy Costelloe Mass Cancellation Due To COVID-19 Pandemic

All Masses will be temporarily suspended (no Mass) until further notice. The Sunday Obligation for the faithful does not apply during this time of emergency.

It is important that whilst there is no Mass, we remain faithful to our faith in God. Please keep Sunday holy by reading the Scripture Readings for the day and/or praying the Rosary or any other devotion or prayers. We invite you to join us in praying the Rosary in your homes on Sundays at 9.00am. In this way we can be united spiritually in prayer even though we may not be physically together. There is 'Mass on Demand' at https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYRq7AjVimr-hcHFJD_HVaQ and 'Mass for You at Home' at 6.00am every Sunday morning on Channel 10.

The Archdiocese of Perth will be providing a series of prayer and worship resources for individuals and families to use within their homes for this time on the Archdiocese of Perth's Centre of Liturgy website: <http://liturgy.perthcatholic.org.au/>

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation will still be celebrated on Saturdays between 5.00pm -5.45pm or by appointment.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

The church will be open for private prayer in the following times:

Monday	8.00am-9.00am	
Tuesday to Friday	8.00am-9.00am;	4.00pm-6.00pm
Saturday	8.00am-9.00am;	5.00pm-7.00pm
Sunday	7.30am-10.30am	

Please visit our website for more information www.gosnellsparish.org.au

The Second Rite Of The Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Second Rite of the Sacrament of Reconciliation that was to be celebrated in our Parish on the 1st April has now been cancelled. It has also been cancelled at Thornlie, Armadale and Kelmscott Parishes.

Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady

Our Lady's Pilgrim Statue needs homes to go to for 2020. Please choose a week and put your name down in the booklet provided in the foyer. If you would like to invite other parishioners to your home for the Rosary, please indicate in the space provided.



Parish Safeguarding Officers

The Perth Catholic Archdiocese is committed to the safety and security of all children and young people. If you have any safety concerns about a person in the parish or about a child protection or child safety issue, you can discuss it with the Parish Safeguarding Officers. Phone 0432 398 973 or email safeguarding@gosnellsparish.org.au



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The Relics of St Therese of Lisieux and Parents

Therese was canonised a saint on May 17, 1925 by Pope Pius XI, only 28 years after her death. All four of her sisters were still alive when their little sister Therese was declared a saint. St Therese of Lisieux is the patron saint of aviators, florists, illnesses and mission. She is also considered by Catholics to be the patron saint of Russia. Her feast day is October 1st. The relics of St Therese of Lisieux and that of her parents, Sts Louis and Zelig Martin will be present in our parish on Thursday, 7th May 2020.

Golden Age Club Turns 33

Congratulations to the Club and all its members on 33 years in our Parish. Members please be advised that our Birthday celebrations will be postponed till further notice. We will still hold our normal Club Day on Tuesday 24th March for those still wishing to attend. Enjoy card games, carpet bowls, fellowship. BYO lunch. Bingo is at 12.15pm. For all parishioners 50 years and over.



New Rosters - Extraordinary Ministers and Acolytes

The roster covering the period for April to August 2020, is soon to be drawn up. If you are aware that you will be away for any extended period during this time, please contact the Parish Office so new rosters may be printed for collection from 4/5 April. Call Naomi on 9398 2331 or email: secretary@gosnellsparish.org.au

Vinnies

In view of the recent pandemic crisis, your Vinnies have cancelled all of their fund raising activities. Your Vinnies request your continued support of our Poor Box which will assist us in helping the most vulnerable within our community. Stay safe and God Bless.

Columbarium Coin Collection

Thank you to all parishioners who drop their small change into the container in the foyer. This helps support the upkeep of the Columbarium gardens. A generous \$229.45 was last collected which brings us to a total of \$5,754.37 collected to date.

"Your Sorrow is My Sorrow, You are not Alone" (An Hour with Mary)

Dear Parishioners,

We Servite Sisters are leading a prayer of Desolata (The Way of Mary). This prayer is a traditional for a Servite Family. This prayer helps us to focus on the pain endured both by Christ on the Cross and mainly Mary in her heart as she watched her Son be crucified. It is an hour prayer service. Since you are part of our Servite Family, we would like to extend our humble invitation towards each and every one of you (no age limit) to join with us on Holy Saturday, 11th April from 9am to 10am in the Church. Sr. Stella OSM



In light of the current Covid-19 pandemic, the CFR Core Group has decided to postpone the CFR 20th Anniversary Mass planned for 29 April 2020 to a later date. All other CFR activities will also be suspended temporarily, Praise & Worship - Friday 3 April and our CFR Retreat Friday - 1 May. We will monitor the situation and resume our activities when the situation has returned to normal.

Enrolments for 4-year-old Kindergarten 2021 at St Munchin's

Children born from 1st July 2016 to 30th June 2017. We invite parents and caregivers to submit an application for enrolment as soon as possible. Please call 9234 7555 or email admin@stmunchins.wa.edu.au and an enrolment package will be sent to you. Enrolment forms may also be printed from our website www.stmunchins.wa.edu.au

Annual ICCP Indonesian Food Fair

The Satay and Indonesian Culinary Food Fair is now pre-order only. Pick-up an order form from the church foyer and pre-order your selection before Thursday 26th March. Card payments only. Orders can be picked-up on Saturday 28th of March from 11am to 1.30pm at Yidarra Catholic Primary School Canteen, 100 Dean St, Bateman. We serve all kind of Indonesian authentic foods. For more information please contact Elizabeth 0404 799 923.



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