

OPENING OUR HEARTS AND MINDS

It's a wonderful feeling to walk outside, to see the trees and the flowers, to feel the warmth of the sun on our body and to breathe in the fresh air. It's undeniable that spending time in the great outdoors is good for us physically, emotionally and spiritually.

However, in today's fast paced modern world, all too easily we can be caught up with things that need to be done around the house or at the office. It is so easy to be glued to the computer screen, our smart phones and other gadgets for hours on end.

Perhaps the modern world and modern technology have helped us to create our own 'tombs'. We have unwittingly set up comfort zones in our homes, in front of the television, or at our workplace computer. As the saying goes, we have become 'too clever by half'.

In the gospel this week, Jesus calls his friend Lazarus from his final resting place, his tomb. He calls Lazarus out from the darkness into the light. He unbinds him and sets him free. Lazarus can once more experience the fullness of life found in the world around him, as well as the fullness of life in the people that love and care for him. He's been given a second chance in life.

In our sometimes chaotic lives, we can inadvertently alienate people who love and care for us. It is all too easy to lock ourselves into our schedules and responsibilities and not spend quality time with others. Even family members who may live in the same house as us. It is important to allow them to unbind our eyes and our bodies and to see that there is something even more essential than work. After all, we are part of a community, part of a family, and we are not alone.

In Jesus' life and ministry, he always surrounded himself with people and encouraged them to see the bigger picture. He wanted people to open their eyes to others around them and to the wider world. Jesus set them free from the tomb of their lives, brought them out from darkness into light, unbound them and set them free. Today, Jesus wishes the same for us.

Let us during this period of Lent, open our eyes, hearts and minds to the world around us, to nature and to people everywhere. For a time, let us put aside our responsibilities and our work and allow the life that is all around us to wash over us and enter into us; to experience and feel that we are part of something larger and wonderful. To be unbounded, to be set free.



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29th March, 2020

5th Sunday of Lent

Year A

Today's Readings

Ezekiel 37:12-14

Romans 8:8-11

John 11:1-45

5th April, 2020

Palm Sunday

Of the Passion of the Lord

Year A

Next Sunday's Readings

Isaiah 50:4-7

Philippians 2:6-11

Matthew 26:14-27:66

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Sunday Bulletin

Temporary Church Closure

The Federal Government has ordered the closure of all churches to help limit the spread of the Coronavirus. All private prayer, all prayer groups in the Church and all Masses are temporarily suspended until further notice.

Baptisms and confirmations are postponed except in the case of emergencies. Weddings and funerals are allowed under strict conditions, as is Anointing of the Sick. Individual confession is still available by appointment, please contact the office to make an appointment.

Our parish office remains open from 9am-1.30pm Tuesday-Friday for now, and can be reached by email at secretary@gosnellsparish.org.au or by phone on 9398 2331.

The Archdiocese will be offering various suggestions and resources via their webpage www.perthcatholic.org.au or visit <http://liturgy.perthcatholic.org.au> directly for a series of prayer and worship resources for individuals and families to use.

Archbishop Costelloe SDB will be live-streaming Mass every Sunday morning from 11.00am via the following links:

Archdiocese webpage - www.perthcatholic.org.au

Archdiocese Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/perthcatholic/>

Sunday Mass is also available through '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.

Please visit our website for more information and your latest copy of the bulletin www.gosnellsparish.org.au

If you know of anyone that does not have access to the internet and would like a copy of the bulletin, there will be copies available in the parish center foyer for collection during office hours.

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.

This is undoubtedly a very difficult time for us. Maybe we may feel like Lazarus stuck in our homes. This can so easily lead us to being angry, fed by self-pity.

It is in this time that the question that Jesus asks Martha in this Sunday's Gospel is a question that he asks each of us. "Do you believe that I am the Resurrection and the life?" This is a time for us to deepen our faith, our relationship with God through prayer that we may trust in GOD WHO IS WITH US.

And if we truly believe that Jesus is the Resurrection and the life, then may we let him live in us that we may be life giving to others. Keep in contact with your family, friends and neighbours to lift up their spirits. A telephone call could make the world of difference to some, for others it could even be helping with a little shopping when they cannot.

May we rise up to be Christ for others by answering their prayers.

May God's love give courage and peace.

Fr Philip

Praying For You



Recently Deceased

Natasha Curran

Tom Doherty, Ermes (Eric) Saccani

Death Anniversary

Pauline Mitchell

Deceased

Bernadette D'Amico, Mitzi Hawes,
Leonard Lyra, Sr Leonisga Mary OSM, Elizabeth
Magness, Sr Purita Mary OSM

Our Sick

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

Baptised Recently

Leo Nikola Sorgiovanni
Son of Lucas and Elana



Feast Days this Week

Apr 1	Wed	St Ceallach
2	Thu	St Francis of Paola, St John Payne
4	Sat	St Isidore of Seville, St Benedict 'The Black'



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

The enrolment process for 2021 starts with the completion of an enrolment form followed by a formal interview with the Principal which will begin in Term two.

If you are aware of relatives and friends who are hoping to enrol their child/ren in 4-year-old Kindergarten for 2021, please encourage them to contact the school to arrange enrolment.

WE CARE

SVDP Emergency Relief Phone 1300 794 054

Marycare Contact Maureen 9398 7375 Anne 9490 3377



St Augustine of Hippo (354-430) Bishop and doctor of the Church

Feast Day: August 28

One of the great Christian teachers of all time, St Augustine was born at Tagaste, North Africa, on November 13, 354. His father Patricius, was a pagan and his mother was St Monica. Patricius was converted to Christianity in 370 and died one year later.

Augustine went to Carthage in 370 to study rhetoric and philosophy. While there, he met a woman with whom he had a relationship until 385. She bore him a son, Adeodatus. Augustine was deeply attracted to Manichaeism, but became disillusioned after meeting Faustus, the leading Manichaean teacher of that time. He left Rome in 383 and opened a school of rhetoric. Disturbed with his surroundings, he went to Milan in 384 and accepted a post as master of rhetoric.

Augustine thirsted for wisdom. He found what he was seeking as he listened to the preaching of St Ambrose in Milan. Augustine describes his spiritual journey in his 'Confessions', which recall his great struggle with evil and sin and his final experience of God's guiding grace. "Late have I loved you, O beauty ever ancient, O Beauty ever new!" Augustine's later life echoes with grateful praise for the God he discovered to be so good.

Monica followed him to Milan in 386 and was present at his baptism by St Ambrose on Easter in 387. After his baptism, Augustine deepened his own understanding of Christianity in the company of some friends. With Monica and several others, he went to Ostia in 387. Monica died there in November of 387 and Augustine returned to Rome.

In 388, Augustine returned to Tagaste, where he remained for three years. He was ordained in 391 as an assistant to Bishop Valerius of Hippo. He established a monastery in Hippo and staunchly defended the faith against Manichaeism and Donatism. He was consecrated bishop as coadjutor to Valerius in 395 and succeeded him in 396.

Augustine remained in Hippo for thirty-five years, preaching and writing. The most famous of his works are 'Of the City of God' and 'Confessions'. He engaged in controversy, received innumerable visitors seeking his counsel, and travelled to distant cities as a spokesman for the Christian faith. Not only the people of his time, but later generations as well, would find him a brilliant teacher of the Gospel of Jesus Christ. He died in Hippo on August 28, 430 and is a Doctor of the Church

St. Augustine of Hippo is the patron of brewers because of his conversion from a former life of loose living, which included parties, entertainment, and worldly ambitions. His complete turnaround and conversion has been an inspiration to many who struggle with a particular vice or habit they long to break.

'O God, to turn from you is to fall, to turn to you is to rise, and to stand with you is to abide forever. Grant us help in all we do, guidance in all our confusion, protection in all our dangers, and a place in all our sorrows; through Jesus Christ, our Lord.'

St Augustine

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. Due to COVID-19, the visitation of the relics of St Therese of Lisieux and that of her parents, Sts Louis and Zélie Martin have been cancelled.

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@gosnellspish.org.au



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Tawonga is a 10-year-old girl, living with a disability. She lives in a village in northern Malawi in a region plagued by food insecurity and poverty. For most of her life, her parents have struggled to put meals on the table. Tawonga often had to miss school because she was too sick from hunger. The family also faced discrimination in their community due to her disability. Since participating in a Caritas Australia supported program, Tawonga's life has transformed. Her family now grows enough food to provide three meals a day, ending the struggle of malnutrition, and helping her thrive at school.



Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 to so this transformational program can continue to empower vulnerable women, men and children, and strengthen the communities around them.
Let's Go Further, Together!

You can still donate through Parish boxes and envelopes. Please see the list below as to how else you may be able to donate during Covid-19 restrictions.

Project Compassion 2020 Archdiocese Of Perth Parish Donations During COVID-19 Restrictions

DONATION METHOD	ACTION REQUIRED
Weekly Project Compassion envelope or donation box	If by cash, either deliver to your parish office or deposit at an NAB branch (see Caritas Australia's banking details below) If by credit card or cheque, either deliver to your parish office or mail to Caritas' Highgate office (see address below)
Project Compassion website	If by credit card: https://lent.caritas.org.au/#blank
EFT	Caritas' banking details: BSB - 086 006, Account No. - 826 198 877 Account name - Caritas Australia WA Project Compassion Reference is Parish Name - Gosnells Parish
Cheque	Either deliver to your parish office or mail to Caritas' Highgate office (see address below)
Cash	Deliver to your parish office or deposit at an NAB branch (see Caritas' banking details above)
Phone	Caritas' Highgate office, Monday to Friday - (08) 9422 7925 Caritas' National Office - 1800 024 413
Mail	If by cheque or credit card: Caritas Australia, 40A Mary Street, HIGHGATE, WA, 6003
In person	If by cash, credit card or cheque: Leave at reception, Catholic Pastoral Centre (CPC), 40A Mary Street, HIGHGATE WA, Monday to Friday, 9:00am-5:00pm, subject to CPC remaining open during COVID-19 emergency.

"My heartfelt thanks to all in your parish community for your continuing help with Project Compassion. Your help for those who most need our help in these difficult times is greatly appreciated. May we all keep safe, and may the love of God in Jesus Christ enfold us." Paul

Deacon Paul Reid, Diocesan Director – Archdiocese of Perth, Community Participation Leader – Western Region/ WA & NT



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