

ARE WE OPEN TO JESUS' WORDS?

What is it to listen, to actually hear what's being said, let alone hear the voice of Jesus? As today's gospel makes clear, this is what identifies us. In John's Gospel, we hear the story of the man born blind and while others can't hear what Jesus is on about, having been healed by him, this man is alive to the presence of Jesus. What he hears is someone who is of God, who he subsequently worships.

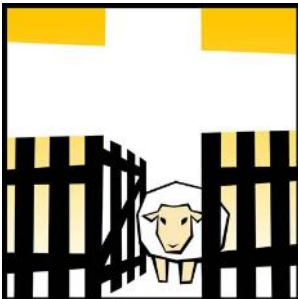
Today we hear the first part of chapter 10 where Jesus speaks of himself as the good shepherd – not directly just yet – as a way of speaking about our relationship with him. So today is known as Good Shepherd Sunday. He calls us by name and we respond to his voice. The shepherd protects the sheepfold from brigands and robbers and leads the sheep out to pasture. Jesus explains, "I am the gate" through which those who hear his voice can enter safely at night, going "freely in and out". Later in the chapter the good shepherd is said to lay down his life for his sheep.

As the psalm reminds us, the image of shepherd and sheep is deeply rooted in the Hebrew scriptures and in using it Jesus embodies the promise held out by scripture, even though many who are listening, 'fail to understand what he meant.'

Good Shepherd Sunday is Vocations Sunday and the question is asked again more pointedly: can we hear his voice calling us to care for one another? This isn't a sentimental thing as Pope Francis reminded us when he urged priests to be 'shepherds living with the smell of the sheep' – to be that close to one another.

Resurrection is the game changer: his death enables us to become him, his body, so that we're able to belong to one another, to hear one another. To take one dramatic instance of this dynamic. In El Salvador, in 1980, Jean Donovan was a lay missionary who was caught up in the violence that beset the country. She said: "Several times I have decided to leave. I almost could except for the children, the poor bruised victims of adult lunacy. Who could care for them? Whose heart would be so staunch as to favour the reasonable thing in a sea of tears and helplessness. Not mine, dear friend, not mine."

A month later she was murdered. She heard the voice of Jesus and she laid down her life for the children. What prevents us from hearing Jesus? And are we a Church that reveals the reality of Jesus Christ risen from the dead, so that, 'they may have life and have it to the full'? It's the promise of Easter.



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3rd May, 2020

4th Sunday of Easter

Year A

Today's Readings

Acts 2:14, 36-41

1 Peter 2:20-25

John 10:1-10

10th May, 2020

5th Sunday of Easter

Year A

Next Sunday's Readings

Acts 6:1-7

1 Peter 2:4-9

John 14:1-12

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Sunday Bulletin

Our Lady Of The Most Blessed Sacrament Sunday Mass 9.30am

Fr Philip is inviting you to the following scheduled ZOOM meeting where Sunday Mass will be live-streamed at 9.30am. This will be a recurring meeting at 9.30am each Sunday. Click the 'Join Zoom Meeting' link about 5 minutes before the scheduled start. Please remember to mute your microphone before Mass.

Join Zoom Meeting <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/7067419507>

Meeting ID: 706 741 9507

For those familiar with 'One tap mobile':

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Mass will also be available on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/groups/GosnellsCatholicParish/>

Archdiocesan Mass

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

- Archdiocesan Website: www.perthcatholic.org.au
- YouTube: www.youtube.com/catholicarchdioceseofperth
- Facebook: 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.

Contributions To The Parish

A few people in the parish have asked how to continue their planned giving. If you are able to continue, you can either bring your planned giving offering to the office, Tuesday to Friday, 9am - 1.30pm or deposit it to the following bank account:

Account Name: Parish of Gosnells

BSB Number: 086006

Account Number: 773984777

Reference: PG - *** (your envelope number eg PG-157)

For other contributions to assist the parish, please quote LC-750 as your reference.

Direct Debit Facility

If you are interested in using our parish's direct debit facility to ensure that your planned giving contribution is maintained, please contact the parish office.

Do We Have Your Email?

We have been sending out important messages like pastoral letters from Archbishop Timothy Costelloe and the lyrics to the hymns that will be sung at Mass on Sunday to those on our email database. If you wish to have these sent to you, please forward us your email address and we will add you to our database.

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, and can be reached by phone on 9398 2331 or by email at secretary@gosnellsparish.org.au

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.

Praying For You



Death Anniversary

Kevin Paine-Coombs,
Paul Francis Smith, Fr Singa

Deceased

Sr Alphonse Mary OSM, Gladys Mannas,
Thomas Mannas, Mabel Ann D'Cruz,

Our Sick

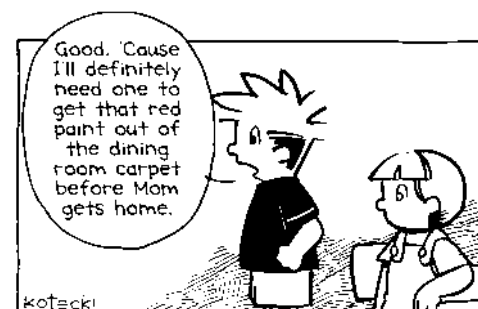
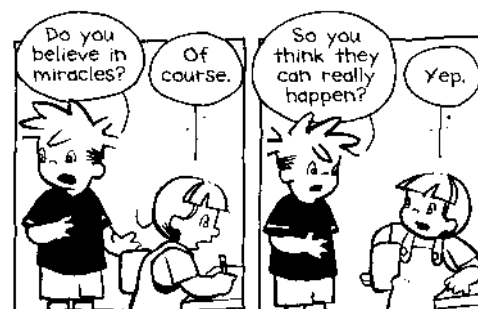
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Feast Days this Week

May 4	Mon	The English Martyrs
5	Tue	St Asaph, St Richard Reynolds, St Angelus, Blessed Edmund Rice
6	Wed	St Francois de Laval
7	Thu	St John of Beverley
9	Sat	St George Preca

Miracles



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or: visit www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion to make your donation online.

or: by phone (08) 9422 7925. This is Caritas' Highgate WA office.

Calls are forwarded to Deacon Paul Reid, during COVID-19 office closure.

or: 1800 024 413 This is Caritas' National Office.

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The Month of May The Month Of Mary

Within the cycle of a year, the Church unfolds the whole of the mystery of Christ, from his incarnation and birth until his ascension, the day of Pentecost, and the expectation of blessed hope and of the Lord's return...

In celebrating this annual cycle of Christ's mysteries, the Church honours with special love **Mary, the Mother of God**, who is joined by an inseparable bond to the saving work of her Son. In her the Church holds up and admires the most excellent effect of the redemption and joyfully contemplates, as in a flawless image, that which the Church itself desires and hopes wholly to be.

CS 102, 103

We invite you to pray the Rosary everyday this month.



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.



Vinnies

Vinnies WA are now collecting non-perishable food donations to help the most vulnerable in our community. Our nearest drop off point is Ozanam House at 9 Brewer Road in Canning Vale. Please visit the link below for the full list of items that are in desperate

need. If you wish to make a monetary donation, please call 13 18 12 or donate online at www.vinnieswa.org.au. Stay safe and stay well.

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.

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St John the Apostle (d. 100) Apostle and Evangelist

Feast Day: December 27

St John was born in Galilee, the son of Zebedee the fisherman. Along with his brother, St James the Great, he was called by Jesus to be one of his closest disciples. He witnessed the Transfiguration on Mount Tabor and Jesus' agony in the Garden of Gethsemane. As the "disciple whom Jesus loved," John rested his head on the Lord's breast at the Last Supper and was the only one to stand with Mary beneath the cross on Calvary. Jesus committed John to his mother's care, "Woman, behold your son," and in turn gave Mary to him as his mother, "Son, behold your mother."

On Easter Sunday, John ran with Peter to see the empty tomb and believed that Christ was risen from the dead. After Pentecost, at the temple gate with Peter, he healed the cripple who sat begging alms. John was a founder of the Church at Jerusalem and after some years went to Ephesus in Asia Minor. Here, according to tradition, he lived with Mary till her death and authored the great Gospel and Epistles that bear his name.

Early sources say that because of his teaching he was banished to the Island of Patmos for a time and there wrote down revelations from heaven in a book called 'The Apocalypse' or 'Revelations.' He opposed heretics who denied that Jesus was God and taught his followers the great commandment of love. St Jerome writes that as an old man too weak to engage in any activity, he would repeat to those he met, "My little children, love one another." When someone asked him why he repeated these same words over and over, he replied, "Because it is the Lord's teaching, and if you keep it you do enough."

He died at Ephesus when he was about ninety-four years old.

"This is what we proclaim to you: what was from the beginning, what we have heard, what we have seen with our eyes, what we have looked upon and our hands have touched – we speak of the word of life."
1 John 1:1



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COVID-19 Information And Updates In Your Language

For those of you whose first language is not English or who have family members who can't speak English very well, please share the link below. Reading or listening to information about the coronavirus and COVID-19 disease in your preferred language is always more educational. Please follow the link below and choose your language: <https://www.sbs.com.au/language/coronavirus>



Dear friends of the Centre for Faith Enrichment,
Christ is Risen! Eastertide is upon us and as promised the Centre for Faith Enrichment remains operational albeit in an online teaching capacity. For a variety of courses and events that explore the wonderful richness of our Catholic tradition visit: www.cfe.org.au/courses-and-events/. All courses are live and interactive, which requires you to be in front of your computer (or dial in via a toll-free number) at the established time. Click on your preferred option, register for the course/event and we will send you information on how to connect. In Christ, Marco, Tracy and the CFE presenters.

Keep In Contact

This is a difficult time for many. As we keep our distance while out, we must remember that it is essential for us to keep in contact with one another by phone. Think of at least three people to keep in contact with to relieve the oppression of being isolated from each other. In this way, we keep united as a parish. Fr Philip is also still available if anyone wants to talk with him.



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