

PEOPLE WHO FOUND THE LIGHT

Galilee was no one's idea of a place that could launch a 'world changing movement'. Galilee's history was not glorious. The readings today refer to it as the "land of Naphtali", which was one of the breakaway tribes of the Jewish people that formed the northern kingdom of Israel.

According to the Old Testament, these tribes did not remain faithful to God, committing idolatry and gross injustices. The northern kingdom was later invaded and its people taken captive by the Assyrian empire. The area around the Sea of Galilee remained largely deserted for centuries.

By the time of Jesus, Galilee had been repopulated by Jewish people who had formed several prosperous towns and villages. Although its population was fervently Jewish, their countrymen in Judea and around Jerusalem regarded Galileans as barely qualifying as Jewish, with their blended ethnic heritage and stereotypes about them being lax in religious practice.

They had identifiable accents and would have been regarded by Judeans as their less-sophisticated country cousins. Throughout the Gospels the Judeans repeatedly dismiss Jesus and his disciples when they learn they are from Galilee.

These are people today's readings describe as "people who walked in darkness", and with history the Scriptures depict as 'degraded by God'. But it is to the people of Galilee, "on those dwelling in a land overshadowed by death, light has arisen."

Jesus' ministry in Galilee is a fitting example of how God ministers first to the lowly and humble and chooses them to do wonderful things for him. The people of Galilee are the first to hear the good news that "the kingdom of heaven is at hand." Their people are chosen to be disciples of Israel's promised Messiah and messengers of God to the ends of the earth. And it is to the Galileans that Jesus first travels "teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the gospel of the kingdom, and curing every disease and illness among the people."

Today's gospel brings us hope for our own land, currently assailed by secularism and our own history of injustices. Our country could also be a spark for God's plan of salvation for the entire world. What we learn is that God is looking to bring the kingdom of heaven to people who have the humility and willingness to follow him.

If the kingdom of heaven is to come through us, then it must start with the two messages that Jesus' preaches in the gospel: "Repent" and "Come after me." Jesus calls the people of Galilee, and us today, to leave the darkness of our past sins behind us and follow him, the one true light.

May we all pray that we, a people who walk in darkness, see the true light of Christ and become "fishers of men" for him to the ends of the earth. May every corner of our country know Jesus' teachings, his healing and his love for people.

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22nd January, 2023

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

Green

Today's Readings

Isaiah 8:23 - 9:3

1 Corinthians 1:10-13, 17

Matthew 4:12-23

29th January, 2023

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

Green

Next Sunday's Readings

Zephaniah 2:3; 3:12-13

1 Corinthians 1:26-31

Matthew 5:1-12

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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 5.00pm - 5.45pm or 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 5.00pm - 6.00pm with Benediction, Sunday 6.00pm - 7.00pm
Charismatic Prayer	Thursday 7.15pm - 9.15pm.
Baptism	Sunday at 11.00am, or by arrangement
Marriage	By appointment - Minimum SIX MONTHS notice for preparation etc

First Friday Coffee Corner 2023

Returns Friday 3rd February.

First Friday of every month in our Parish Centre. 8.30 - 11am. For everyone!

Treat yourself to some time out, come relax and enjoy!



Feast Days this Week

Jan 23	Mon	St Marianne Cope
24	Tue	St Francis de Sales
25	Wed	The Conversion of St Paul
26	Thu	Australia Day
27	Fri	St Timothy & St Titus, St Angela Merici, St Henry de Osso
28	Sat	St Thomas Aquinas

**Lenten Program
2023
Coming soon!**



Praying For You



Recently Deceased

Doug Barlow, Lorenzo D'Alonzo, Angus Ferguson

Death Anniversary

Catherine Callaghan, Lawrence Loh, Clayton Pereira

Our Sick

Conrad Briggs, Joel Celine, Dennis Ford, Patricia Majawat, Letecia Niembra, Wendy Kraft, Cecilia Lee, Dolly, Barbara Ingram, Elvira Panici-Allen, Annabelle McNess, Richard Bisnath, Wendy Price, Fran Wiffen, Ding Madrigal, Zee Pereira, Metilde Warui, Con Farano, Rene Priest, Mary Hazel Calupig, Margaret Evans, Erika Magness, Ian Ballantyne, Mavis Hall

Prayers for Our Sick.

Please advise when names need to be removed from this list.



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Rosters for 21/22 January, 2023

Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Rose Ford Teresa Spicer	Pam Davies	Faye Mitchell	Martin Loh	Mark Van Ingen Miriam Villan	Angel Donina, Jacob Malou, Kyle Marquis, Clinton Matthews, Jacob Raymond, Dashiell Van Ingen
Sunday 7.30am	Jennifer Barnes Jackie Hall	Sean Mullins	Chloe Pereira-Smith	Gerard Peters	Sue Frawley Vincent Frawley	Callie Abogado, Rosemary Saw, Scott Tido, Shania Tido
Sunday 9.30am	Veronica Ayeni Anne Brink	Hedwig Kanari	Jomy Jose	Dan Hewitt	Anne Brink Jim Brink	JC Borlongan, Florian Christstar, Emily Crestani, Leslie Dacruz, Angel Garavillas, Gabino Htoo
Tellers this week: Chole Pereira-Smith, Prisca Pereira, Robert Szlezak				Tellers next week: Geoff & Jenny Mills, Cheryl Martin		

Rosters for 28/29 January, 2023

Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Sandra Wren Mercy Burton	Lynette Lieveaux	Ayden Ratnasekera	Colin Loh	Tracy van Ingen Sandra Wren	Angel Villan, Carl Agus, Maria Donina, Xyris Madrigal, Abigail Raganas, Seren Adams
Sunday 7.30am	Bette Lyra Inoka Ratnasekera	Jeanette Pedulla	Ann Ralston	Aruna Ratnasekera	Russell Lally Rod McAtee	Michael Almen, Tom Antu, Bionney Bangayan, Diobett Bangayan
Sunday 9.30am	Ciara Jacob Kerry Keys	Helen Magness	Elaine Labrador	Phillip Magness	Angela Bushby Maureen Byrne	Sanjay Jojo, Noel Justin, Elain Labrador, Keanu Malagui-Hicks, Nicole Oo, Walter Oo

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Happy Chinese (Lunar) New Year!

We would like to wish all our Chinese, Vietnamese and Korean parishioners a Happy Lunar New Year!



Diaconate Ordination Mass

Errol Lobo and Jason Yeap will be ordained to the Diaconate by Archbishop Timothy Costelloe on Friday 17th February at a 7.00pm Mass in our Parish Church. You are all invited to the celebration. There will be refreshments after in the school hall. Please contact Genevieve De Souza, Social Committee on 0408 717 809 if you are able to provide food for the refreshments after the celebration or register in the foyer.



Parish Religious Education Program Enrolments for 2023

After school classes for Children attending non-Catholic Schools are held each Wednesday in Term time from 4.30pm - 5.30pm to prepare the children for reception of the Sacraments. Preparation for each Sacrament is:

Reconciliation – 1 year, First Eucharist – 1 year, Confirmation – 2 years

Enrolments will be in the Parish Centre Wednesday 1st February 4.30pm- 5.30pm.

If this is the first time you are enrolling your child, please bring a copy of his/her Baptism Certificate. Classes begin the second week of the school term, Wednesday 8th February. Enquiries are welcome. Please phone Genevieve De Souza (RE Coordinator) 0408 717 809 or Parish Office 9398 2331.

The Federation of Catholic Bishops' Conferences of Oceania Assembly

Will be held in Fiji from 5th to 10th February 2023.

PRAYER FOR THE ASSEMBLY

O God, you revealed yourself in Christ Jesus as loving, merciful and just.

Guide our Bishops of Oceania as they meet together to further Pope Francis' call to become a listening Church.

Open their hearts to the voice of the Holy Spirit, that they might truly discern and faithfully serve the needs of your People and your World.

Colour our way of life and give witness to your presence among us. You who live and reign, God, for ever and ever. Amen

Morning Tea Helpers are needed

The new roster for Morning Tea will be drawn up soon for 2023. New volunteers are especially invited to join this ministry and add their names to the list in the foyer.

33rd Annual Flame Congress - Heart of Worship

27-29 January 2023

Mater Christi Catholic Church Community Centre, 340 Yangebup Rd, Yangebup WA. Guest Speakers: Rev Fr Joseph Laundy, Chaplain CYM and Mr Mario Borg, Director 24/7; Flame speakers: Mrs Kaye Rollings FMI SD. Mr Cyrus D'Souza FMI SD. For more information see notice board or visit www.flameministries.org, contact Kaye Rollings via email: kye@flameministries.org or mob: 0421 605 502

2023 Columban Calendar

Support your Vinnies by purchasing a 2023 Columban Calendar at only \$8 each. Calendars are available in the Church foyer. Please place your contribution in an envelope before placing in the SVDP poor box in the church next to the sliding doors.



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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Golden Age Club



The next Club Day will be in the Parish Centre Tuesday, 24th January from 9.00am. BYO lunch. Bingo from 12.15pm. For all parishioners 50 years and over to enjoy card games, carpet bowls, fellowship. New members are always welcome.

Attendance Fee \$2.00. More information from Rose Heald 0418 948 245.

Youth Night

Hello everyone! We hope you had a wonderful Christmas and new years break. Our first youth event will be on Saturday 18th of February. Events until April are on a Saturday due to Stations of The Cross on Fridays. Sign up in the foyer or by text, and we hope to see you soon!

18 February 2023 – 19 August 2023

Daughters of Mary – Mother & Daughter Group at the Schoenstatt Shrine

We invite you to join us for a monthly formation as we journey together as mothers and daughters in relationship with Mary towards Christ. With Mary as our Mother and Educator we hope to be able to grow in her virtues to be daily followers of Christ.

Daughter's age group: 10-14yrs, every 3rd Saturday of the Month, 3pm-4.30pm including afternoon tea. From February to August (optional school holiday activity). Schoenstatt Shrine, 9 Talus Drive, Mount Richon. RSVP: Saturday 4th February. For more information or to register, contact Marissa Yang 0448 966 998, email peacefulspirit180@gmail.com or Sr M Luka Junemann 0439 537 843, email srmluka@schoenstatt.org.au.

"Child of God" Getaway Weekend 10th – 12th February 2023

Join CYM for another exciting getaway weekend in February, from 6pm Friday to 3pm Sunday with other young adults from around Perth. Held at Advent Park in Maida Vale, there will be lots of music, fellowship, prayer, talks, and discussions, on the baptismal calling of Priest, Prophet, and King. We will explore together what it means to live out our faith as a true Child of God. Registration is \$90.00 with the closing date on Tuesday 31st January. We look forward to seeing you.

Holy Spirit Pilgrimage To Holy Land and/or Italy

28th August - 19th September, 2023

Caesarea Maritime, Haifa, Mt Carmel, Nazareth Village, Basilica of Annunciation, Masada, Mount of Beatitudes, Tabgha, Mensa Christi, Capernaum, Sea Of Galilee, River Jordan (Yardenit), Cana of Galilee, Local Winery, Mt Tabor, Mt of Temptation, Caesarea Philippi, Mt Olives, Pater Noster, Chapel of Ascension, Garden of Gethsemane, Blessed Virgin Mary's Tomb, Mount Zion, Bethany & Bethphage; Old City, Wailing Wall, Pool of Bethesda, Antonia Fortress, Via Dolorosa, Mount Calvary, Cenacle, St Peter in Gallicantu; Basilica of Nativity, Shepherds' Field, Ein Karem, Turin, Milan, Verona, Padua, Venice, Florence, Assisi, Loretto, Lanciano, Manoppelo, Rome. Contact us ASAP for details: Fr Emmanueltv (Spiritual Director), fremmanueltv@gmail.com, holyspiritp@gmail.com, 0417 999 553, 08 9341 3079. Coordinators: Dax 0420 643 949 and Didith 0473 246 029.

Readers : Break Open The Word

The 2023 Book for Readers is available for Proclaimers of the Word to borrow to help prepare for their reading ministry. All copies are 'Parish' stamped and should be held by the Readers for just one week at a time.

Safeguarding Induction for All Church Workers

We invite ALL church workers to attend a safeguarding induction. A church worker is anyone in the parish in any role - paid or voluntary. The session will cover the Safeguarding Policies and Procedures, the importance of Safeguarding in the parish and the role of the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

Please visit www.safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au, phone 9221 7762 or email safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au to register for an online session.

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