SHARING CHRIST'S LIGHT

Following on from the beatitudes in Matthew's gospel, Jesus speaks of his followers as salt and light. Is that us, we might wonder? While we may no longer preserve food with salt, though millions in the world still do, we all know something of the lift it can give to food. We don't want to overdo it, but no salt and our food might lack for something.

So, salt comes into its own when added to something else. That's our task, to add something to people's lives, to give what life we're able to those who share our lives. But Jesus then reminds us that salt can lose its distinctive character and be of no use except for salting the path. So too can we, when the world is too much with us.

If we adopt unwittingly the ways of the world and the call of Jesus fades into the background of our lives, we too will lose our character. To be in the world, to love it, but not be of it, is what's required of us if we are to be 'salt of the earth'. That is what we are to be in our street, in our neighbourhood, in our town and even beyond.

Jesus goes on to say that 'you are the light of the world'. Rather like salt, light doesn't illumine itself, so we're to share the light of Christ, who is the light of the world. That's what we are called to be: a light which will help illumine the lives of those with whom we share our lives. And as we begin to open our lives to others, we begin to recognise we belong to one another, and that this includes people in need, the hungry, the homeless, those left with nothing (as Isaiah says in the first reading). Then our light will shine 'like the dawn.'

When we do this we'll begin to live the beatitudes and be counted blessed. We'll learn to reveal the power of the Spirit and of God, as Paul says in the second reading. It begins with doing simple things. This light can also illumine the unease and, at moments, even the despair of our lives; and then we might find we're able to sit with people who feel weighed down by their lives. As we begin to do this, let us give thanks to God for enabling it, because we're living as God wants us to live.

So, don't hide our lights away, for what use is that, but put them on a stand, in order that they might shed some light in a darkening world. Let our good works be that light.

In this way Jesus encourages us to be salt and light for the world. When we do this, we're able to make a difference, and to witness to this way of living.

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5th February, 2023

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

Green

Today's Readings

Isaiah 58:7-10 1 Corinthians 2:1-5 Matthew 5:13-16

12th February, 2023

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A Green

Next Sunday's Readings

Ecclesiasticus 15:15-20 1 Corinthians 2:6-10 Matthew 5:17-27

St Munchin's Catholic Primary School



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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	0.00am Mass - Second Thursday of the Month					
Juniper Aged Care	11.00am Mass - Third Friday of the Month					
Rosary	y After weekday Masses					
Exposition	Tuesday 5.00pm - 6.00pm with Benediction, Sunday 6.00pm - 7.00pm					
Charismatic Prayer	rismatic Prayer Thursday 7.15pm - 9.00pm.					
Baptism	Sunday at 11.00am, or by arrangement					
Marriage	By appointment - Minimum SIX MONTHS notice for preparation etc					

Lenten **Program** 2023 Coming soon!



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Feast Days this Week						
Feb 6	Mon	St Paul Miki and his Companions, Martyrs				
7	Tue	St Mel				
8	Wed	St Jerome Emiliani, St Josephine Bakhita, St Cuthman of Steyning				
9	Thu	St Teilo				
10	Fri	St Scholastica				
11 Sat		Our Lady of Lourdes, St Gobnait				

Praying For You



Recently Deceased

Barbara Ingram

Death Anniversary

Karl Aguiar, Tranquilino Rodrigo, Maurice St Anne

Deceased

Eugenio Medrano Snr, Maria Medrano, Lourdes Rodrigo, Members of the Lieveaux, Garnier & Paine-Coombs Families

Our Sick

John Breag, Conrad Briggs, Joel Celine, Dennis Ford, Letecia Niembra, Wendy Kraft, Cecilia Lee, Dolly, 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.



Rosters for 4/5 February, 2023									
Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers			
Saturday 6.00pm	Rosa Ford Theresa Spicer	Vilma Lyra	Volunteer	Martin Loh	Remi Biju Carina Limgenco	Melanie Beacher, Athena Calupig Matthew Calupig, Angel Donina Jacob Malou, Kyle Marquis			
Sunday 7.30am	Sandra Reid Dion Robson	Inoka Ratnasekera	Jack Roach	Larry Cavallo	Chloe Pereira-Smith Inoka Ratnasekera	Naomi Kyaw-Tun, Richardson Saw Aydriel Ratnasekera, Rosemary Saw			
Sunday 9.30am	Bec & Ciara Malagui-Hicks	Ciara Malagui-Hicks	Bec Malagui-Hicks	Nigel Hayward	Cigi Dcruz Carolina Hayward	Patrina Paesu, Yatumika Shelvan Able Biju, Juan Carlos Borlongan, Carl Borlongan, Florian Christstar			
	Tellers this week: Jim & Anne Brink, Kerry Keys				Tellers next week: Bette Lyra, Clint & Thu Barnes				
	Rosters for 11/12 February, 2023								
Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers			
Saturday 6.00pm	Sandra Wren Mercy Burton	Sandra Wren	Kaye Cox	Colin Loh	Vivian Loh Faye Mitchell	Clinton Matthews, Jacob Raymond Dashiell Van Ingen, Angel Villan Carl Agus, Maria Donina			
Sunday 7.30am	Shania Tido Eric Almen	Robertson Saw	Dion Robson	Geoff Mills	Ann Ralston Pay Tru	Scott Tido, Shania Tido Callie Abogado, Michael Almen			
Sunday 9.30am	Keanu Malagui-Hicks Robert Szlezak	Jerlyn Patrick	Tiffany Mitchell	Dan Hewitt	Kerry Keys Alex Liyanage	Emily Crestani, Leslie Dcruz Angel Garavillas, Gabino Htoo Sanjay Jojo, Noel Justin			







Take Time: Stop for a Cuppa!

After all Masses this weekend, and the first Sunday of every month. Enjoy the company of other parishioners. Take a moment to get to know someone new! Thanks to all on the Morning Tea Roster.

Morning Tea Helpers are needed

The new roster for Morning Tea will be drawn up soon for 2023. Current volunteers, please confirm your commitment and make sure your information is up to date. New volunteers are especially invited to join this ministry and add their names to the list in the foyer.

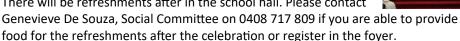
Parish Religious Education Program 2023

Classes begin this Wednesday 8th February, 4.30pm - 5.30pm in the Parish Centre. After school classes for Children attending non-Catholic Schools are held each Wednesday in Term time to prepare the children for reception of the Sacraments. Preparation for each Sacrament is:

Reconciliation – 1 year, First Eucharist – 1 year, Confirmation – 2 years If this is the first time you are enrolling your child, please bring a copy of his/her Baptism Certificate. Enquiries are welcome. Please phone Genevieve De Souza (RE Coordinator) 0408 717 809 or Parish Office 9398 2331.

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



St Munchin's Whole School Mass

St Munchin's School will be celebrating Mass on Friday, 10th February at 9am. All are welcome to come and celebrate the start of 2023 school year.



Funeral Notice

The Funeral Mass for Barbara Ingram will be held here at Our Lady of The Most Blessed Sacrament Church Friday, 10th February at 11.00am.



Charismatic Prayer Meeting

The Gosnells Charismatic Prayer Meeting is open for 2023. We meet in The church on Thursday evenings, 7.15 -9pm. Please join us as we come together to praise the Lord and share His word among us. For further information please call Dan on 0409 849 049.

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 Meetings

Parish Pastoral Council Wednesday, 14th February in Parish Centre at 7.00pm

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, 7th February 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. Open to all students from Year 7 to Year 12. 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!

Youth Group Parent Information Night

Calling all parents of our Youth Group to join us for an information night on Friday, 10th of February from 6.30pm. The presentation will start at 6:45pm. See you there!

Wanted: Your Old Palms

Please bring your old palms from last year's Palm Sunday celebration. These will be burned for ashes for Ash Wednesday. A box is in the foyer to receive the palms.

Caritas Ambassador - Parish Program 2023

Join us at Caritas Australia where we will dive deeper into the heart and stories of Project Compassion 2023. The aim of this event is to ignite the desire in everyone to answer the call, join in, and reach out to our vulnerable brothers and sisters. In doing so, we unite to bring the love and mercy of God to all.

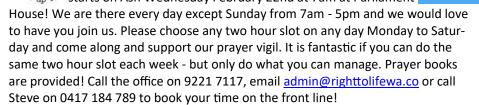
Tuesday, 31st January and Tuesday, 14th February 6.30pm - 8pm (light refreshments will be provided). 40A Mary Street, Highgate (entry to car park is from Harold Street) Please contact Deacon Paul Reid or Shelby D'Souza on 9422 7925 or email perth@caritas.org.au for more information.

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.

The Right to Life Association of WA 40 Days for Life Prayer Vigil

Easter is early this year! Our 40 Days for Life prayer vigil starts on Ash Wednesday February 22nd at 7am at Parliament



Safeguarding Induction for All Church Workers

We invite ALL church workers to attend a safeguarding induction. 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. Available dates and times are on the bulletin board.



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