

OUR SHEPHERD PROTECTOR

I was once driven by a farmer named John to his farm in country Victoria. It was winter and rather cold. He drove an old farm truck and I was seated on the front passenger side. Our journey took us through green, undulating countryside and through many pastures.

As I was the front seat passenger it was my duty to hop in and out of the truck and open and close every gate we encountered. I had to get out of our cosy and warm truck to open and close between 13 and 15 swing gates in a freezing wind. It was not much fun.

On the way back from John's farm, it was the same ritual. I was puzzled why there were so many gates on the one property. With a broad smile John explained, "I think it deters criminals, knowing they have to stop and get out to open the gates."

Jesus uses two 'shepherding' images in today's gospel. He describes himself as a shepherd of his flock of sheep and as a gate to protect the sheep. He teaches, "I am the gate of the sheepfold. Anyone who enters rightly through this gate will be safe. Anyone who does not enter through the gate but gets in some other way is a criminal."

The image of God as a shepherd also features in the Old Testament, where God's relationship with the people of Israel is compared to a shepherd and his sheep. The prophet Isaiah says that God is like "a shepherd feeding his flock, gathering lambs in his arms." God says to the prophet Ezekiel, "I myself will pasture my sheep ... I shall be a true shepherd to them."

In biblical lands of old, sheep were an important part of the economy. The shepherd stayed very close to his sheep, by day and by night. So close and so caring that, as Pope Francis says, the good shepherd "smells the sheep."

A shepherd would risk his life for his flock. He slept with the sheep and looked after them, knowing them individually and calling them using a unique whistle or call. The sheep heard the familiar call and followed the sound. They knew their welfare depended on staying close to the shepherd and responding to his call.

The concept of God as shepherd is fulfilled in Jesus, our true shepherd, our gate and our protector. He is the good shepherd, who calls his sheep individually by name. The sheep follow him because they know his voice and trust in his care. He is also the "gate of the sheepfold," as it is through him the sheep are sure of finding pasture and safety. So it is through Christ that the people of God, called by name and responding to his voice, enter into the pasture of eternal life.



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30th April, 2023

4th Sunday of Easter

Year A

White

Today's Readings

Acts 2:14, 36-41

1 Peter 2:20-25

John 10:1-10

7th May, 2023

5th Sunday of Easter, Year A

White

Next Sunday's Readings

Acts 6:1-7

1 Peter 2:4-9

John 14:1-12

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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 - 9.00pm.
Baptism	Sunday at 11.00am, or by arrangement
Marriage	By appointment - Minimum SIX MONTHS notice for preparation etc

Parish Meetings	
Parish Pastoral Council	Tuesday, 9th May in Parish Centre at 6.45pm
Vinnies	Wednesday, 10th May in Parish Centre at 7.30pm

On The Bulletin Board

Various employment opportunities from the Archdiocese of Perth.
St John Paul 11 16 Day Pilgrimage, *Return to Jordan and The Holy Land.*
St John Paul 11 20 Day Pilgrimage to all the Italian Shrines.
Please have a look on our bulletin board for more information.

Good Shepherd (Vocations) Sunday
This weekend the Church invites us to pray for vocations to the priesthood.

Praying For You



Recently Deceased

Mary Giao Thi Lanh, George Kessler,
Patricia Majawat, Gerard Prendergast,
Clifton Rodriguese, Joseph

Death Anniversary

Mary Kanapathy, Jacintha Liyanage,
Paul Smith

Deceased

Catherine Chin, George Clark,
Davey Cordwell, Andrew Loo, John McNess,
Jim Paine, Rosa Paine, Kevin Paine-Coombes,
Phillip Paine-Coombes

Our Sick

Ammini Jose, John Breg, 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, Mavis Hall, Ian Ballantyne

Feast Days this Week		
May 1	Mon	St Joseph the Worker
2	Tue	St Athanasius
3	Wed	Saints Philip & James, Apostles
4	Thu	St Conleth, St Jose Maria Rubio
5	Fri	St Asaph, St Richard Reynolds, Blessed Edmund Rice
6	Sat	St Francois de Laval

Rosters for 29/30 April, 2023

Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Rosa Ford Theresa Spicer	Faye Mitchell	Vilma Lyra	Martin Loh	Sandra Wren Remi Biju	Melanie Beacher, Athena Calupig Matthew Calupig, Angel Donina Jacob Malou, Kyle Marquis
Sunday 7.30am	Jennifer Barnes Jackie Hall	Robertson Saw	Greg Drew	Aruna Ratnasekera	Vincent Frawley Russell Lally	Michael Almen, Bionney Bangayan, Tom Antu, Diobett Bangayan
Sunday 9.30am	Kerry Keys Bec Malagui-Hicks	Elaine Labrador	Helen Magness	Phillip Magness	Kerry Keys Alex Liyanage	Elain Labrador, Keanu Malagui-Hicks Nicole Oo, Walter Oo Patrina Paesu, Yatumika Shelvan
Tellers this week: Jim & Anne Brink, Kerry Keys				Tellers next week: Bette Lyra, Clint & Thu Barnes		

Rosters for 6/7 May, 2023

Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Sandra Wren Mercy Burton	Lynette Lieveaux	Carina Limgenco	Colin Loh	Carina Limgenco Vivian Loh	Clinton Matthews, Jacob Raymond Dashiell Van Ingen, Angel Villan Carl Agus, Maria Donina
Sunday 7.30am	Bette Lyra Vilma Lyra	Franklin D'Cruz	Geoff Mills	Clint Barnes	Rod McAtee Chloe Pereira-Smith	Naomi Kyaw-Tun, Rosemary Saw Aydriel Ratnasekera, Richardson Saw
Sunday 9.30am	Ciara & Keanu Malagui-Hicks	Haizelmary Ani Jacob	Hanna Allen	Nigel Hayward	Lorna Mitchell Helen Magness	Able Biju, Carl Borlongan Juan Carlos Borlongan, Leslie Dcruz Florian Christstar, Emily Crestani

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LifeLink Thank You

Archbishop Timothy and Bishop Don would like to thank the parish for their continued support for the LifeLink Appeal. The parish contributed \$10,381.10 to the Appeal. Our gift will be used to provide compassionate care and support to those in need within the community.



Coffee Corner Turns Six!
Come along this Friday, 5th May and
help us celebrate our sixth birthday.
Parish Centre 8.30 to 11.00am



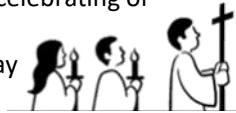


Take Time: Stop for a Cuppa!

After all Masses next weekend, and the first Sunday of every month. Enjoy the company of other parishioners. Take a moment to get to know someone new! Volunteers, please check the roster to see if you are on. Thanks to all on the Morning Tea Roster.

New Altar Servers Training

Are you interested in being an Altar Server and helping in the celebrating of the Mass? Have you received your First Eucharist? We will be training new altar servers for the parish on Thursday, 11th May at 4.30pm in the church. Please register in the church foyer.



RCIA Enquiry Day

Are you interested in joining the Catholic Church or do you know someone who is interested. We will be holding an Enquiry Day on Thursday 1st and 8th June, 6.30pm to 9pm in the Parish Centre.



Next weekend we will be asking for your prayers & generous response to this year's Catholic Mission Appeal. You will be helping our medical missionaries provide life-saving healthcare to the vulnerable in East Timor and throughout the world. Please give generously by using the appeal envelope provided, or going online at www.catholicmission.org.au/timor or scanning the QR code. If you are keen to know what's involved in becoming a volunteer for Catholic Mission please email Francis Leong at: director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au for the details.



St Munchin's Year 6 Mass



The year six classes will be celebrating Mass on Friday, 5th May at 9am. All are welcome to come and celebrate.

House Or Unit Needed For Rent

Do you or someone you know have a small house or unit to rent? One of our own, has been struggling to find a place to rent and needs to be out of their current place soon. Please contact Joyce Kuupiel on 0412 313 738 or Geraldine Vernesmond on 0416 323 363 if you think you may be able to help out.

Golden Age Club



The next Club Day will be in the Parish Centre Tuesday, 2nd May from 9am. 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.



Parish Safeguarding Officers

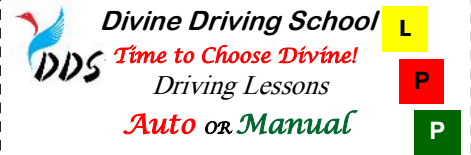
The Perth Catholic Archdiocese is committed to the safety and security of all children and young people. If you have any safety concerns about a person in the parish or about a child protection or child safety issue, you can discuss it with the Parish Safeguarding Officers. Phone 0432 398 973 or email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



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Youth Night

Thank you to all who attended the last youth night. Our next event is on the 5th of May, from 7pm to 9pm. Register your attendance via the sign-up sheet in the foyer, by text or through a friend by 7pm the day before.

New Rosters - Proclaimers of the Word - Out Now

Please collect your new roster from the foyer today. Commentators should arrive at least 15 minutes before their rostered Mass and let the Acolyte know that you are there. Readers are asked to prepare for their ministry by using 'Break Open The Word' a book for Readers, which is available in the Church foyer. Remember to organise your own swaps from the list provided if you cannot attend when rostered. Thank you to all those who are helping out with this ministry.

Aim to Love Course

A wonderful new course! Based on 1 Corinthians 14:1, this free course will help you find or deepen your relationship with Jesus, allowing the healing power of God's love to truly set you free from unnecessary life burdens. No matter where you are on your spiritual journey, this course can help you grow and move in the power and freedom of the Holy Spirit. The course runs for 8 weeks and will be held simultaneously at two locations - Willetton Parish hall on Wednesdays, 11:30am to 1:30pm, (starting 26th April) and at the Gosnells Parish church, on Thursday evenings, 7:15pm to 9:00pm, (starting 27th April). Presented at both locations by Mr Dan Hewitt (Chairman of CCR Perth). Queries to Dan 0409849049, daniel.hewitt5@bigpond.com

New Rosters for Acolytes and Extraordinary Ministers - Out Now

Volunteers, please collect your new roster from the church foyer. Remember to arrange your own swaps from the list when necessary. Thank you to all those who continue to serve their parish through these various ministries and particularly to those who have offered their services for the first time. May God bless your generosity.

Christian Healing Course

Catholic Charismatic Renewal is conducting module 1 of this 3 module course over 2 weekends, May 5th - 7th and May 19th - 21st, both weekends are required! Participants will learn how to pray effectively for healing of life's deepest wounds - be they physical, psychological or spiritual! NOTE - a PREREQUISITE for this course is to have completed a 'Life in the Spirit Seminar'. If you feel called to the Healing Ministry, please make the inquiry! Participants who decide after 1 weekend, not to continue will receive a full refund. Cost for each module is \$65. The remaining modules will be conducted over the following few months. For further information contact Dan 0409 849 049.

Safeguarding FREE Workshops & Webinar

The Safeguarding Program Office is pleased to be able to offer these free workshops:

- Cyber Safety and Digital Wellness Webinar - Tuesday 2nd May, 7pm - 9pm. Please register at safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au
- Protecting God's Children Workshop - Tuesday 9th May, 7pm - 9pm, St Emilie de Vialar Parish. Please register with Liselle Long 0420 906 399
- A Pastoral Response to Family & Domestic Violence Workshop - Thursday 11th May 7pm - 9pm, St Emilie de Vialar Parish. Please register with Liselle Long 0420 906 399

Please see notice board in church foyer for more information.

Safeguarding Induction for All Church Workers

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has broadened safeguarding to include adults at risk. ALL church workers (volunteers or paid) are to attend a 1-hour safeguarding induction. A church worker is anyone in the parish in any role - paid or voluntary. If you haven't attended the induction in the last 3 years, please register for the upcoming session. This induction provides an overview of the Safeguarding Policies and Procedures, the role of the Parish Safeguarding Officer, and the importance of Safeguarding within the parish. To register online please visit:

<https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/#induction> or phone 9221 7762 to book. Available dates and times are on the bulletin board.



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