# THE KINGDOM WILL TRIUMPH

The Kingdom is a central theme of Matthew's gospel. Today we begin a series of readings from Ch 13 in that gospel over three Sundays concerning Jesus' teaching, in parables, about the coming of the Kingdom.

In preceding chapters, Matthew has depicted Jesus as a great teacher and miracle worker. But Matthew now portrays the growing tension between Jesus and the leaders of Israel. Hostility is mounting, People are turning against Jesus. Jesus himself explains, "they look but do not see and hear but do not listen or understand."

The parable of the sower in today's gospel focuses on the sowing of seed, and the very different outcomes depending on where the seed lands, seeds perishing in poor soil but abundantly fruitful when falling on good ground. This serves as an analogy for the flourishing of the Kingdom. As with all of Jesus' parables, the parable turns our expectations upside down!

Jesus describes the sowing of seed according to the agricultural method of his day, a method very different from the refined industrial methods of our day. The seed is sown liberally, by hand, over the ground, falling on good soil but also on poor, be it among thorns or bushes or on rocky ground.

Given that many of the seeds land in inhospitable places, many come to nothing. But the seed that falls on good soil is astonishingly, indeed fantastically, fruitful, yielding thirty or sixty or even a hundred-fold.

What then is the message? The seed is the Word, the good news of the coming of the Kingdom. The Word is proclaimed widely and liberally, offered for all to hear. Jesus explains why it doesn't always take root and grow. He teaches that it will not always find receptive ears and responsive hearts in which to flourish and bear fruit. But when it is received and nurtured, it grows and bears fruit superabundantly. In other words, no matter the resistance or hostility, the Kingdom will not fail. God's Word will ultimately prevail.

In this way Jesus encourages us not to lose hope, and not to be discouraged or to lose faith in our mission to spread the Word. Our teaching, preaching, and daily living of the gospel in love of God and neighbour may well encounter opposition, even persecution. The Good News will be received by some and ignored or rejected or reviled by others. But in Jesus the Kingdom has come, its growth is utterly assured. It will not fail; nothing will prevail against it.

Jesus reminds us of the blessing that we have been given: "Blessed are your eyes, because they see, and your ears, because they hear." Let us pray, as individuals and as a Church as we progress on the synodal journey, to see ever more clearly, to listen ever more humbly, and to grow in our understanding of the Kingdom we are all called to help build.



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#### 16th July, 2023

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A Green Today's Readings Isaiah 55:10-11 Romans 8:18-23 Matthew 13:1-23

#### 23rd July, 2023

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A Green Next Sunday's Readings Wisdom 12:13, 16-19 Romans 8:26-27 Matthew 13:24-43

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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					

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Three Year Old Kindy (Thursday) and Community Playgroup - Mini Munchins (Friday

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Limited Vacancies Available Now!

Before and After School Care Program & Vacation Care - OSH Club Exciting extra curricular opportunities in Sports, Digital Technologi

Contemporary learning classrooms An explicit focus on student wellbeing 1:1 iPad Program Years 4 - 6 (Apple Trained Staff)

Arts and Sustainability

Mass

Saturday

6.00pm

Sunday

7.30am

Sunday

9.30am

# **Praying For You**



Death Anniversary Claudia Madaffari, Joseph Joseph, Mabel Pereira, Severine Roddrigues

#### Our Sick

Pat Simm, Gerry Peters, Ammini Jose, 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, Mavis Hall, Ian Ballantyne

#### Baptised Recently

Hunter Robert Henry Grafham Son of Christopher and Emillie

Jackson Ronald Ten Vaanholt Son of Mitchel and Jessica

Apollinaris, St Thorlak,

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<b>Council</b> Tuesday, 8th August	Feast Days this Week					
Parish Centre at 6.45pm	Jul 17	Mon	St Kenelm			
Vinnies Wednesday, 9th August	19	Wed	St John Plessington			
Parish Centre at 7.30pm	20	Thu	St Apollinaris, St Tho St Elijah			
Saturday 8am Mass	24	<b>F</b> :	St Louropag of Drind			

Parish Meetings

**Parish Pastoral** Council

or to book a school tour please contact Sharon Campbell at reception on 9234 7555 or email admin@stmunchins.wa.edu.au			There will be NO Mass on Saturday morning, 22nd July.		21	Fri	St Laurence of Brindisi				
					22	Sat	St Mary Magdalene				
Rosters for 15/16 July, 2023											
Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers			Altar Servers				
Sandra Wren Mercy Burton	Vilma Lyra	Clarence Pereira	Martin Loh	Sandra Wren Remi Biju		N	Maria Donina, Abigail Raganas Ielanie Beacher, Athena Calupig Matthew Calupig, Jacob Malou				
Bette Lyra Vilma Lyra	Sean Mullins	Chloe Pereira-Smith	Clint Barnes	Rod McAtee Chloe Pereira-Smith		h	Scott Tido, Callie Abogado Michael Almen, Tom Antu				
Hanna Allen	Lenny Rodaje	Silvana Sciorilli	Lenny Dcruz	Helen Magness			Liam James, Sanjay Jojo Noel Justin, Alisha Liyanage				

Lorna Mitchell 9.30am Jude Ayeni Keanu Malagui-Hicks, Joshua Manda Tellers this week: Geoff & Jenny Mills, Cheryl Martin Tellers next week: Jim & Anne Brink, Kerry Keys Rosters for 22/23 July, 2023 Extraordinary Commentator Mass Greeters Reader Acolyte Altar Servers Ministers Kyle Marguis, Clinton Matthews Saturday Rosa Ford Ayden Carina Limgenco Sandra Wren Volunteer Jacob Raymond, Angel Villan 6.00pm Theresa Spicer Ratnasekera Vivian Loh Carl Agus, Maria Donina Sunday Inoka Ratnasekera Inoka Ratnasekera Bionney Bangayan, Diobett Bangayan Jeanette Pedulla Larry Cavallo Ann Ralston Sandra Reid Pay Tru Aydriel Ratnasekera, Richardson Saw 7.30am Julia Marano, Patrina Paesu Sunday Debora Ayeni Bec Malagui-Hicks

Robert Szlezak



**Phillip Magness** 



Yatumika Shelvan, Carl Borlongan



Please extend a warm welcome to Fr Stephen Ochola this month, who will be filling in while Fr Philip is away.

#### Hacked Phone

Fr Philip's iPhone has been hacked. Please be careful or ignore any messages that seem to be coming from Fr Philip.

#### National Marriage Week August 13th – Parish Dinner

The Parish Council is organising a dinner to celebrate and acknowledge Married Couples. Married Couples of all ages are warmly invited to come celebrate who are Gosnells parishioners. Join us Saturday 12th August starting with Mass at 6pm followed by buffet style dinner in the Parish Centre. The cost will be \$50 per couple. It'll be a night of fun, food and great company. Please approach any of the Parish Council members for more information. Tickets are now available for purchase in the Church foyer.

#### **RCIA Sponsors - Accompanying people through the RCIA**

Allow yourself to respond to the promptings of the Holy Spirit and come along to the meeting on Tuesday 18th July, 7pm at St Emilie's Canning Vale. This first step is not a commitment, but a willingness to discover aspects of the RCIA process you might feel able to support. Those who come seeking faith embark on a journey to discover how a relationship with God; the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, can transform their lives. The RCIA journey also involves building relationships with the parish community. How might you help an enquirer to feel at home amongst our parish community? Could you assist by being part of the Inquiry Team, being a parish sponsor? Maybe you could lead the Dismissal, engaging in conversations about the Sunday Gospel during the Catechumenate period? Training and support will be given. We are looking for sponsors to accompany the Catechumens and Candidates going through the RCIA process. Please register in the foyer. If interested, but not able to attend please contact Fr Philip 9398 2331 or Thornlie Parish RCIA coordinator Anne Kennedy 0426 561 328

#### New Rosters - Extraordinary Ministers and Acolytes

The roster covering the period for August to November 2023, is soon to be drawn up. If you are aware that you will be away for any extended period during this time, please contact the Parish Office so new rosters may be ready for collection mid July. Phone: 9398 2331 or email: secretary@gosnellsparish.org.au

#### **Opportunities for Spiritual Enrichment 2023**

Spirituality brochures from the ministry of the Sisters of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart are now available in the foyer. Come....rest a while... Create a sacred space to listen to the Spirit's Whisper within you. Choose from various retreats, meditation gatherings, days of prayer and other offerings. For updates and new events please visit: www.sosj.org.au and www.marymackillopperth.org.au

#### **Parish Planned Giving**

Don't forget to pick up your envelopes today! Our Parish Planned Giving Program forms part of the Second Collection providing for the ongoing upkeep and development of the parish. Many parishioners contribute via the Direct Debit method and therefore will not be seen to be adding their envelope to the collection. If you want more information about contributing to your parish by this means, please contact the Parish Office.

Thank you to all who generously support the Parish.



### **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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#### **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.

#### **Golden Age Club**



The next Club Day will be in the Parish Centre Tuesday 18th July 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.

#### Vinnies Community Sleepout

Gosnells SVDP Conference is inviting all parishioners to join in our sleepout Saturday 29th July from 7pm here at the Gosnells Parish Church grounds (sleep in your car). Join us and make a real difference to the lives of over 55,000 Western Australians that are 'sleeping rough' each year. Register your interest to participate in the Church foyer. Visit https://vinnies-wa.grassrootz.com/vinnies-wa-

community-sleepout/gosnells-vinnies-conference-sleep-out or click on the QR code to donate. Please contact Clement Ayeni on 0420 666 355 for more information.



#### Thank You From Catholic Mission

The total amount donated by the Gosnells Parish for the 2023 Appeal was \$2,470. Thank you for your generous response to this year's Catholic Mission Appeal which will go towards helping our medical missionaries in East Timor to provide life-saving healthcare to the vulnerable.

Please contact Francis Leong on 6234 1760 or at <u>director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au</u> if you are keen to participate in God's mission more fully by helping to promote the work of Catholic Mission and the vision of Pope Francis as a parish volunteer, or by leaving a bequest.

#### **Used Stamps Needed**

Mary MacKillop International and the Sisters of St Joseph are helping to eliminate poverty and suffering by collecting used stamps from various parishes and selling them to raise funds for community programs in Peru, Timor and Papua New Guinea. Our parish has a box for donations of used stamps.

#### 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 please visit:

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

#### **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. WA Josephite Spirituality Brochure for 2023 Please have a look on our bulletin board for more information.

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