

THE WAY OF THE CROSS

Is self-sacrifice ever mentioned in your workplace, along with service, commitment, excellence or respect? Probably not because, as one website suggests, it's not normal and very unhealthy, while another warns us that you'll sacrifice your own well-being.

There are positive views too, suggesting we are a little ambivalent and unsure about the idea of self-sacrifice. While there's probably not much mention of it at work, we quite unselfconsciously refer to it when it comes to our families and sports teams.

See how this plays out in the gospel: when Jesus mentions his suffering, death and resurrection to Peter, Peter takes him aside and argues with him. For Peter thinks he is the Messiah we had been led to expect, not this humiliating alternative Jesus puts to him.

We know the feeling: we often think we know better than Jesus what he's about. But Jesus responds to Peter, in no uncertain terms, that Peter has become an obstacle in God's way. Then, turning to the disciples Jesus says let each "take up his cross and follow me." Taking up our cross, which is Jesus's, we gradually come to befriend God and so begin, at moments, to discover the glory of the resurrection in our lives.

You can see why the prophet Jeremiah is tempted to become an obstacle in the first reading. He sounds off against God, at having to howl violence and ruin at the people, who hurl insult and derision back at him. But the more Jeremiah does God's bidding, the more he realises God is at the core of his life. The fire of God's love consumes him and, in the midst of his dire complaints, Jeremiah recognises, though he can hardly bear it, that God is there.

In the second reading, Paul speaks of how the Good News of the cross shapes our life together as a community. What do we have to let go of to make room in our lives for others, to learn that we belong to each other? This is what Paul is speaking of, learning to 'offer our own lives, together with Jesus, for the life of the world.'

It's what we celebrate in the sacrifice of the Mass and what we are sent out to do in our daily lives. In this way, we begin to discover 'The will of God and know what is good.' It's 'not normal', in the sense that's it's not something we have initiated but is a gift of God.

However difficult the situation we may find ourselves in - firmly rebuked, derided, cast out - the readings encourage us to take heart, because it's there we're able to discover the cross and each other. The way into a relationship with the Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and with each other, is through the cross. It is to the cross that we commit ourselves to each time we make the sign of the cross.

Losing our lives for his sake, we find them. As Jesus makes clear, it's our new normal.

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3rd September, 2023

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

Green

Today's Readings

Jeremiah 20:7-9

Romans 12:1-2

Matthew 16:21-27

10th September, 2023

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

Green

Next Sunday's Readings

Ezekiel 33:7-9

Romans 13:8-10

Matthew 18:15-20

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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

Praying For You



Death Anniversary

Tahlia Peters, Paula-May Rodgers

Deceased


Calvin LeGuay, Irudaya Raj

Our Sick

Fran Vallis, Pat Simm, Gerry Peters, 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

Baptised Recently

Caleb Alexander Schlechter-Ah Quah & Andreas Cassius Schlechter-Ah Quah
Sons of John and Claudia



Accompanying People On The RCIA Journey

Discover ways to do so at one of the forthcoming workshops

St Emilies Canning Vale - Saturday 16th September

- 10.00am - 11.30am, Accompanying as a Sponsor
- 12.00pm - 1.30pm, Accompanying with the Word

Sacred Heart Thornlie Tuesday 19th September

- 7.00pm - 8.30pm, Accompanying the Inquirer

Please register your interest with Anne on 0426 561 328.

Parish Meetings

Parish Pastoral Council
Tuesday
12th September
Parish Centre, 6.45pm

Vinnies
Wednesday
13th September
Parish Centre, 7.30pm

Feast Days this Week

Day	Month	Feast
Sep 4	Mon	St Cuthbert, St Mac Nissi
5	Tue	St Herbert, St Teresa of Calcutta
8	Fri	The Birthday of the Blessed Virgin Mary
9	Sat	St Peter Claver, St Osburg

Please contact the Parish Office, 9398 2331, if you or someone you know desires anointing of the sick, a communion visit or a visit in hospital.

Rosters for 2/3 September, 2023

Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Rosa Ford Theresa Spice	Kaye Cox	Mary Ann Bombita	Colin Loh	Vivian Loh Faye Mitchell	Angel Villan, Carl Agus Maria Donina, Abigail Raganas Melanie Beacher, Athena Calupig
Sunday 7.30am	Dion Robson Shania Tido	Jenny Mills	Sean Mullins	Aruna Ratnasekera	Russell Lally Rod McAtee	Callie Abogado, Michael Almen Tom Antu, Bionney Bangayan
Sunday 9.30am	Francis Xavier Hanna Allen	Cecilia Jacob	Ciara Jacob	Lenny Dcruz	Cigi Dcruz Carolina Hayward	Yatumika Shelvan, Able Biju Carl Borlongan, Florian Christstar Juan Carlos Borlongan, Leslie Dcruz
Tellers this week: Jim & Anne Brink, Kerry Keys				Tellers next week: Bette Lyra, Clint & Thu Barnes		

Rosters for 9/10 September, 2023

Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Sandra Wren Mercy Burton	Pam Davies	Angel Donina	Volunteer	Christy Ravanez Bridget Soh	Jacob Malou, Kyle Marquis Clinton Matthews, Jacob Raymond Angel Villan, Carl Agus
Sunday 7.30am	Eric Almen Wendie Almen	Jeanette Pedulla	Chloé Pereira-Smith	Clint Barnes	Chloe Pereira-Smith Inoka Ratnasekera	Diobett Bangayan, Richardson Saw Aydriel Ratnasekera, Rosemary Saw
Sunday 9.30am	Jude Ayeni Debora Ayeni	Jomy Jose	Paige Jacob	Dan Hewitt	Kerry Keys Alex Liyanage	Angel Garavillas, John Gilmore Gabino Htoo, Liam James Sanjay Jojo, Noel Justin

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Best Wishes to all our Fathers.
May your day be one of peace,
happiness and love.



With Sr Kathy Kettle

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Parishioners can help Aid to the Church in Need by three simple actions:

1. Prayer
2. Information
3. Action

Please visit our website at <https://aidtochurch.org/> for more information.



First Communion Day Thanks

The parish would like to thank Caiden Vales De Menezes, Melissa Hibben, Sr Win, Tracey La Vanda and the Sacramental Team for preparing the children for their First Communion last Sunday and Joan Mackin for coordinating the parish celebrations. We would also like to thank the school choir and everyone else involved. The children and their families also donated a food hamper to St Vinnies. Photos from Sunday's celebration will be available to be viewed and ordered online soon.



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! Volunteers, please check the roster to see if you are on. Thanks to all on the Morning Tea Roster.

Our Lady Of Sorrows Feast

The Servite Sisters cordially invite all parishioners to participate in the grand celebration of Mass for their congregation Feast of Mother of Sorrows Servants of Mary on Saturday, 9th September at 10am. All are invited to join us after Mass for lunch in the St Munchin's School Hall. Thank you and God bless.



Children's Mass

There will be a children's Mass at the 9.30am Sunday Mass on the 17th September. We would like to invite all the children in the primary schools to participate in this Mass in an active way. We are looking for children to be involved in the choir, as readers and other ways. Please register in the foyer if you are interested in being involved.

St Charles Seminary Vocations Sunday Morning Tea

Young men, aged 17yrs and above, are you tired of trying to change the world all by yourself? Come along and have a chat, celebrate Mass and share in a wonderful morning tea with our Seminarians. Sunday, 10th September at 9.30am. St Charles Seminary, 30 Meadow Street, Guildford. RSVP by 7th September via email stcharlesseminary@perthcatholic.org.au or phone 9279 1310



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 5th September 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.

Child Protection Week And Safeguarding Sunday

National Child Protection Week will be from 3rd September to 10th September culminating in Safeguarding Sunday. This years theme - Every child, in every community, needs a fair go – is complemented this year with “Where we start matters”. It is an important opportunity to raise awareness and engage, educate, and empower Australians to understand the complexity of child abuse and neglect, so we can continue to work together to prevent it. Where we start our lives in terms of where we live, the resources available to us, and the opportunities presented to us make a significant difference to our life outcomes, matters. Where we start as a faith-filled community in offering children and their families support and assistance makes a significant difference to life outcomes, matters. Where we start as decision-makers in addressing large complex policy problems of child abuse and neglect, also has significant personal, social, and economic outcomes and matters. The Catholic Archdiocese of Perth invites you all to the Child Protection Week Morning Tea at St. Mary’s Cathedral function room on Wednesday, 6th September. Further info: safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au

Youth Night

Thank you all for joining us at our last youth event. We'd like to invite you to another night of faith, food and fun on the 15th of September, from 6:30pm to 9pm. Please register your attendance via text or email by 7pm on Thursday 14th September.

Behold

Evangelisation Australia is blessed to bring you the 2023 WBC Conference entitled BEHOLD which features the team from Catholic Answers. This year, the Conference will be held at Sacred Heart Highgate, October 12th, and Our Lady of the Mission Whitford, October 13th and 14th. As the title suggests, this year's event will be all about the Eucharist. More details and registration can be found at www.evangelisationaustralia.com/events and remember, early bird savings ends on September 14th. Come and join us for an amazing few days of prayer and discovery - with talks, Adoration and Liturgy - that will inspire you to a deeper understanding and love of our Eucharistic Lord.



Cornerstone Conference - Christ Alone

Parishioners are invited to attend and register for the Cornerstone Conference 2023. Join us 22nd to 24th September, John XXIII College Auditorium, Mooroo Drive, Mt Claremont. Full Price \$80 - Concession \$40. Please visit www.cornerstoneconferenceperth.com/ for conference details and registration. Email Mario Borg at cornerstone.conference.perth@gmail.com or call 0411 641 245.

48 Hour Perpetual Rosary Bouquet

The 48hr Rosary Bouquet for Our Lady’s Birthday from 6pm Tuesday 5th September to 6pm Thursday 7th September. Presentation of the scroll of names will be made at the 12.10pm Mass at St Mary’s Cathedral on Friday 8th September.

Place your committed time slot/s on the roster in the church foyer. Your Rosary can be prayed wherever is convenient. For more information please visit: www.legionofmarywa.org or email: comitiumwa.secretary@gmail.com.



On The Bulletin Board

Various employment opportunities from the Archdiocese of Perth.

- WA Josephite Spirituality Brochure for 2023
 - Day With Mary Retreat, 9th September, Good Shepherd Church.
 - Free Movie screening - The Hope - tickets going fast
- Please have a look on our bulletin board for more information.



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