LOVE YOUR NEIGHBOUR

The rabbis in Jesus' time identified 613 commands (248 positive [you shall] and 365 negative [you shall not]) that were prescribed in the Torah, the first five books of the Old Testament. Given the impossible burden this posed, this prompted much argument as to which were the most important.

When, in the gospel today, the Pharisees, through a lawyer, ask Jesus which is the greatest commandment, they do it to trick him, knowing that he is unschooled in the intricacies of Jewish Law.

Jesus' reply is disarmingly simple and straightforward. Jesus is in no doubt about the first and greatest commandment. It is to love God with all your heart, and with all your soul, and with all your mind. But Jesus immediately goes on to state that the second commandment is to love your neighbour. Notice that he distinguishes these two commands, but he does not separate them.

Indeed, he indicates that, in a sense, they constitute a single command. His point is very clear: love of God and love of neighbour go hand in hand and, together, encapsulate what God requires of us.

But Jesus then adds a punch line that is a real challenge to his interlocutors: "On these two commandments hang all the law and the prophets." In other words, these two commandments are not simply the greatest or the most important. But all other laws (those 613 or any others that might be promulgated) fall under these two. Those two commandments are the core. They are like the pillars from which all else hangs and to which all others must adhere.

Here then we come to the very heart of Jesus' teaching about how we are to live our lives and express our discipleship. It is love that is commanded of us as his followers. This love is to be expressed in mercy, compassion and forgiveness, in generosity of heart and magnanimity of spirit, in our individual lives and in our life together as a community.

The reading from the Book of Exodus puts before us some very concrete demands of love of neighbour: we are not to wrong or oppress a resident alien. This surely prompts us to reflect in particular on our response, individually and collectively, to refugees and asylum seekers.

We are also urged not to abuse any widow or orphan, nor the defenceless or the vulnerable, the poor or oppressed. To meet these very practical and concrete demands of love of neighbour is an essential aspect of our Christian lives.

Jesus' teaching is so very simple and yet so profoundly challenging. Just as he challenged his listeners then, he challenges us today to reflect on our behavior in terms of our love of neighbour, and how we might do better, and on our love of God and how we might grow in loving God with

all our heart, soul and mind.

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29th October, 2023

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

Green

Today's Readings

Exodus 22:20-26

Thessalonians 1:5-10

Matthew 22:34-40

5th November, 2023

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

Green

Next Sunday's Readings

Malachi 1:14-2:2, 8-10 Thessalonians 2:7-9, 13 Matthew 23:1-12

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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 Counc	il Tuesday, 14th November Parish Centre, 6.45pm					

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The Sign

Advent and
Christmas
Daily
Reflections
2023
Coming soon!



Wednesday, 8th November Parish Centre at 7.30pm

All the very best to all who are sitting for year 12 and tertiary exams. You are in our prayers.



Praying For You



Recently Deceased

Reginald Crane, Chackochan Paracka

Death Anniversary

Fr O'Malley Jones CSsR, Darren Vernede

Deceased

Dorothy Beachall, Gladys Minjoot, Urban Minjoot, Francesco Picchio, Lawrence Stephen, Nora Stephen

Our Sick

Fran Vallis, 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

Feast Days this Week						
Oct 30	Mon	St Marcellus, St Thoger				
31	Tue	St Alfonso Rofriguez				
Nov 1	Wed	All Saints' Day				
2	Thu	All Souls' Day				
3	Fri	St Martin de Porres, St Winifride, St Malachy				
4	Sat	St Charles Borromeo				

Rosters for 28/29 October, 2023								
Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers		
Saturday 6.00pm	Rosa Ford Theresa Spicer	Clarence Pereira	Vilma Lyra	Volunteer	Sandra Wren Remi Biju	Carl Agus, Melanie Beacher Teron Bouzin, Athena Calupig		
Sunday 7.30am	Jennifer Barnes Jackie Hall	Jeanette Pedulla	Sean Mullins	Aruna Ratnasekera	Russell Lally Rod McAtee	Diobett Bangayan, Rosemary Saw Aydriel Ratnasekera, Richardson Saw		
Sunday 9.30am	Hanna Allen Jude Ayeni	Haizelmary Ani Jacob	Maureen Byrne	Dan Hewitt	Anne Brink Jim Brink	Olivia Justin, Aung Kintha Gellongya Kintha, Alisha Liyanage Keanu Malagui-Hicks, Julia Marano		
To	Tellers this week: Sue & Vincent Frawley, Darryl le Guay			Tellers	Tellers next week: Sidney & Esmie D'Souza, Faye Rodriguez			
Rosters for 4/5 November, 2023								
Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers		
Saturday 6.00pm	Sandra Wren Mercy Burton	Joshua Mahamu	Jemima Pinto	Colin Loh	Carina Limgenco Vivian Loh	Jacob Malou, Kyle Marquis Joshua Manda, Clinton Matthews		
Sunday 7.30am	Alan & Yvonne Da Silva	Ann Ralston	Chloé Pereira-Smith	Clint Barnes	Chloe Pereira-Smith Inoka Ratnasekera	Scott Tido, Caleb Watkins Callie Abogado, Jake Antu		
Sunday 9.30am	Debora Ayeni Veronica Ayeni	Kaye Cox	Lance Dcruz	Lenny Dcruz	Kerry Keys Cigi Dcruz	Patrina Paesu, Justus Shilo Martin Yatar, Carl Borlongan Florian Christstar, Leslie Dcruz		





All Saints Day - Wednesday 1st November

Mass will be celebrated at 8.00am and 7.00pm.

All Souls Day - Thursday 2nd November

Mass will be celebrated at 8.00am and 7.00pm.

October
The Month of
The Holy Rosary





First Friday Coffee Corner

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

Have you tried it yet? For everyone!

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

Our next Coffee Corner is Friday, 3rd November.



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.

November Masses for Deceased

November is the month where we especially pray for our loved ones who have died. Please enter in the Book of Remembrance the names of your loved ones for whom you wish us to pray. You may also write their names on the envelopes provided. These will be placed at the altar at all Masses during the month of November.

Memorial Plagues Special Price

Limited time only. Plaques for our Memorial Wall are available at the special price of \$350 until 12th November. A wonderful way to honour family members and/or former parishioners who have formed the history of this parish. Application forms are available in the church foyer and the Parish Office.

Columbarium Memorial Mass

Sunday, 12th November, 9.30am Mass will be dedicated to the memory of all those interred in our Columbarium or honoured on the Wall of Remembrance. Families concerned are invited to attend this Mass and the Annual Blessing of the Columbarium which will follow. Please bring a framed photo or memento of your loved one to place on the Memory Table. Other parishioners grieving the loss of a loved one are also invited to share the Memory Table and the light refreshments that follow in the Parish Centre.

New Rosters - Extraordinary Ministers and Acolytes

The roster covering the period November 2023 to March 2024, 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 November. Phone: 9398 2331 or email: secretary@gosnellsparish.org.au

Parish Busy Bee

Saturday, 11th November 8.30am onwards. Come along and help tidy the grounds and gardens. Many hands make light work! Any queries please contact Nigel or Kim through the parish office 9398 2331



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Golden Age Club

There is no club day this week, as members will be enjoying lunch at Treasure Palace Chinese Restaurant, Maddington

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.

New Rosters - Tellers - Out Now

Please collect your copy from the church foyer today. Remember to make your own swaps from the list when necessary. Thank you to all those who serve their parish through this ministry.

WA Young Salesian - Summer Camp 8th -12th January 2024

Are you between 11½ -15yrs or starting Year 7 in 2024? Come and join us for this 5 day fun filled camp at Nanga Bush Camp, Dwellingup. From only \$270 (less than \$54 a day). Contact Fr Philip, visit the website or contact Graham Maher on 0418 979 600 for more information. Early Bird pricing closes Friday, 17th November. Register now at: www.wayoungsalesians.com

WACMRO Seeking Help

The West Australian Catholic Migrant & Refugee Office (WACMRO) is seeking accommodation for a Ukrainian family (mother and young daughter). If you are able to assist or advise, please contact wacmro@perthcatholic.org.au or ring 0413 623 949. Many thanks, Deacon Greg Lowe.

St Munchin's Year 5 Mass

The year fives will be celebrating Mass on Friday, 3rd November at 9am. All are welcome to come and celebrate.

BJ Hickey Scholarships Now Open

BJ Hickey Scholarship in The Centre for Faith Enrichment is once again calling for applications to the BJ Hickey Scholarship! The scholarships are for Biblical studies of any length and at any level. You don't need to be an academic – just someone with a desire to further their knowledge of Scripture and to help others with that knowledge. To access application details and Application Form, please visit https://cfe.org.au/scholarships/
Please note that applications close at 5:00pm on Friday, 17th November 2023. For all related inquiries, please email cfe@perthcatholic.org.au or call 9278 0261

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. Little Sisters of the Poor from Glendalough are hosting a weekend Advent Retreat for young women, 1st to 3rd December.

Please have a look on our bulletin board for more information.



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