

A NEW WAY OF TEACHING

In today's gospel, the Evangelist Mark, from whose gospel we will take the readings this year (Year B), tells us about the very beginning of Jesus' public ministry. Last week, we learnt of Jesus choosing his disciples. This week, Mark describes Jesus' first public action. In important ways, this portrayal of Jesus here at the outset of his public life encapsulates the key elements of Jesus' person and ministry that inform Mark's whole gospel. In this brief passage we learn two vital things about Jesus: he teaches with authority and he has power over evil.

In the first few verses, Jesus goes to the synagogue in Capernaum. He is, after all, a faithful Jew. It is the sabbath. And there he begins to teach. To the utter amazement of those in the synagogue - for no one knows Jesus, has heard of him or where he's from - he teaches with extraordinary authority.

But this puzzling thing is then followed by another astonishing thing: an exorcism, when Jesus commands and rebukes an unclean spirit to come out of an afflicted man; here too he demonstrates extraordinary authority. Even a demonic spirit obeys him.

In this way, Mark describes that, in his very first public appearance, Jesus teaches with authority and performs an exorcism with similar authority. The people perceive something radically new here, and there is something compelling about the congruence of Jesus' teaching and his actions. They exclaim: "What is this? A new teaching—with authority!"

It is interesting to note that it is the unclean spirit - not the synagogue goers - who actually recognises Jesus and calls him by his name: "Jesus of Nazareth . . . I know who you are, the Holy One of God." Notice too that the synagogue goers exclaim "What is this?" not "Who is this?" At the end of this gospel, the centurion will exclaim the truth Mark wants us to understand: "Truly this man was the Son of God."

So Jesus not only teaches with authority (and his listeners were clearly used to teachers who teach without authority), but what he teaches in word and in action is very clearly a NEW teaching!

His teaching is the good news of the coming of the Kingdom; his actions enact the good news he proclaims, demonstrating his power and authority.

As we go through this liturgical year, our readings from Mark's gospel will highlight these essential characteristics of Jesus' person and ministry: Jesus as teacher, who teaches with authority and whose teaching is the truth; and Jesus as victorious over the forces of evil and darkness, even death.

He is indeed the Holy One of God. Let us place our faith and trust in him, listen to him, and follow him. He doesn't promise that it will be easy, but he does promise that he is the Way, the Truth and the Life.

Anne Hunt

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28th January, 2024

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

Green

Today's Readings

Deuteronomy 18:15-20

1 Corinthians 7:32-35

Mark 1:21-28

4th February, 2024

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

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Job 7:1-4, 6-7

1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23

Mark 1:29-39

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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

Feast Days this Week		
Jan 30	Tues	St Aedan of Ferns
Jan 31	Wed	St John Bosco, St Alban Roe, St Thomas Green
Feb 1	Thur	St Brigid, St Henry Morse
Feb 2	Fri	The Presentation of the Lord
Feb 3	Sat	St Oscar, St Blaise, St Laurence of Canterbury, St Dunstan of Canterbury, St Theodore of Canterbury, St Werburg, St Anne Line


Praying For You

Recently Deceased
Carol Classen, Denzil DeVisser, Ramon Escoto, Brenda Ring

Death Anniversary
Linus A, Marc G, Barbara Ingram, Adolph Malagui, Catherine Malagui, Ece Panici, Luigi Panici, Peppino Panici, P. C. Simon, Clayton Pereira, Stephen T, Ivan Tims

Deceased
Peter K.P., Thresia K.P., Paul U Shel Law, Victoria Sebastian

Our Sick
Bethwyn Johnson, Owen D'Souza, Fran Vallis, Pat Simm, 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.



On The Bulletin Board
Various employment opportunities from the Archdiocese of Perth.
Garden of Eden, Young Catholics Ball, 17th February 2024.
Please have a look on our bulletin board for more information.

Rosters for 27/28 January, 2024						
Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Sandra Wren Mercy Burton	Lynette Lieveaux	Carina Limgenco	Volunteer	Faye Mitchell Christy Ravanez	Clinton Matthews, Jacob Raymond Carl Agus, Melanie Beacher
Sunday 7.30am	Alan & Yvonne Da Silva	Jenny Mills	Geoff Mills	Clint Barnes	Chloe Pereira-Smith Inoka Ratnasekera	Diobett Bangayan, Richardson Saw Aydriel Ratnasekera, Rosemary Saw
Sunday 9.30am	Silvana & Andy Sciorilli	Ben Gradisen	Leslie Dcruz	Dan Hewitt	Helen Magness Bec Malagui-Hicks	Gei Long Ya Kintha, Alisha Liyanage Keanu Malagui-Hicks, Julia Marano Patrina Poesu, Justus Shilo
Tellers this week: Sidney & Esmie D'Souza, Faye Rodriguez				Tellers next week: Chloe Pereira-Smith, Prisca Pereira, Robert Szelezak		

Rosters for 3/4 February, 2024						
Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Rosa Ford Theresa Spicer	Vilma Lyra	Clarence Pereira	Colin Loh	Bridget Soh Mark Van Ingen	Athena Calupig, Jacob Malou, Joshua Manda,
Sunday 7.30am	Bette Lyra Vilma Lyra	Jeanette Pedulla	Ann Ralston	Larry Cavallo	Pay Tru Diana Chong	Callie Abogado, Jake Antu, Scott Tido, Caleb Watkins
Sunday 9.30am	Robert Szelezak Francis Xavier	Cecilia Jacob	Ciara Jacob	Philip Magness	Lorna Mitchell Clarence Pereira	Carl Borlongan, Florian Chrstar, Leslie Dcruz, Angel Garavillas, John Gilmore, Martin Yatar

Parish Religious Education Program Enrolments for 2024

After school classes for Children attending non-Catholic Schools are held each Wednesday in Term time from 4.30pm - 5.30pm to prepare the children for reception of the Sacraments. Preparation for each Sacrament is:

Reconciliation – 1 year, First Eucharist – 1 year, Confirmation – 2 years

Enrolments will be in the Parish Centre Wednesday 31st January 4.30pm- 5.30pm.

If this is the first time you are enrolling your child, please bring a copy of his/her Baptism Certificate. Classes begin the second week of the school term, Wednesday 7th February. Enquiries are welcome. Please phone Genevieve De Souza (RE Coordinator) 0408 717 809 or Parish Office 9398 2331.

Catechists and Assistants Needed

WE are looking for catechists and assistant catechists for our after school religious Education program. Training will be provided. You will initially be held in reserve and called when needed. Please register in the foyer.

Feast of the Presentation of the Lord

Forty days have passed since the Feast of Christmas. We have long taken down our Christmas decorations with their multi-coloured lights. But hopefully the Light of Christ continues to shine brightly among us. The candles we use in liturgy remind us that Christ is our Light and that we, in turn are called to reflect this light to all nations.

On Friday, we will be blessing all candles brought to Mass for this Feast.

Greeters are needed

New rosters are being drawn up soon. New volunteers are especially invited to join this ministry and add their names to the list in the foyer. All those on the current roster are asked to recommit by also adding their name to the list.



First Friday Coffee Corner

First Friday of every month in the Parish Centre.
8.30 - 11am. It's for everyone! And it's free!
Treat yourself to some time out, come relax,
meet someone new and enjoy!

Why not join us for our next Coffee Corner
this Friday, 2nd February after Mass.

8:30 - 11:00

First Friday of every month


Charismatic Prayer Group

The Charismatic Prayer Group will recommence their weekly meetings at 7:15pm on Thursday, 1st Feb, in the church. The Charismatic spirituality is about helping people to meet Jesus in a very tangible and personal relationship of love, and to discover the real power of the Holy Spirit available to change our lives for the good! All are welcome to attend. Entrance is from Corfield Street.

For further details, contact Dan on 0409 849 049.

Car Batteries Wanted!!

Do you have any old car batteries (or any other scrap lead) you are willing to donate for a special parish project? If so, please contact Dan on 0409 849 049 to arrange pickup.



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 23rd January 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.

Young Adults

Our first event of 2024 is on Saturday 3rd February at 7pm. If you are in year 12 onward, join us for friendly dinner and discussions in the church hall. Register your attendance on the sheet in the church foyer.

Gosnells Youth

Join us for an exciting "Back-to-school" Youth Night on Friday 9th February from 7pm to 9pm for those in year 7 onward. Registration is available in the church foyer or alternatively register through email or text. Expect a fantastic time filled with engaging activities, meaningful faith discussions and delightful food.

We look forward to seeing you! Please phone Veronica on 0424 812 632 or email gosnellsyouth@gmail.com

Catholic Faith Renewal

Invites you, to bring your Family & friends to enjoy this evening of Songs & Praise. Sharing by Fr Vincent Glynn on "Experiencing the Presence of God in our lives - The Lens of Sacramentality" Thanksgiving Mass Fellowship & Light supper. Friday 2 Feb 2024 7.30pm St John & Paul's Church PINETREE GULLY ROAD WILLETTON

Bring along with you any petitions as they will be taken up during Offertory.

Teenagers and the Sacraments

A process to accompany young people towards lifelong discipleship is available. Some interest has already been expressed. Families, with teens or young adults who may wish to complete the Sacraments of Initiation and become full members of the Church are urged to contact the parish office ASAP. A start date early in February is possible. We look forward to hearing from you.

RCIYP Workshops – will help participants discover the richness and diversity of 'Come and See', the Archdiocesan resource created for use with teenagers and young adults. The workshops are ideal for current or prospective, PREP Catechists, RCIA team members, parish priests, High School teachers, or indeed anyone interested in supporting young people in their faith development.

RCIYP Workshop Dates:

Tuesday 20th February 9.30am – 1pm, CEWA course @ Newman Sienna, morning tea provided. Registrations close Tuesday 13 February. Cost \$10

Saturday 24th February 9.30am-2.30pm, St Thomas More Parish, Dean Rd, Bate-man. Light refreshments provided for morning tea. Please bring a plate for a shared lunch. Registrations close Monday 19th February. Cost \$10

Registrations for either of the above to: christian.initiation@perthcatholic.org.au

Personal Advocacy Service

Personal Advocacy Service is an agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Perth and is committed to the inclusion of people with intellectual disabilities. We have a place in our Sacred Heart Thornlie group for volunteer to become a catechist to a Friend with intellectual disabilities. You would experience a different approach to faith development. You would learn to slow down and explore the simple things of life. You would experience belonging in its truest form- and be accepted just for who you are! "Let us ask the Lord that we may all be men and women who keep the memory of God alive in ourselves and are able to awaken it in the hearts of others." Pope Francis 2013

Please explore our website paswa.org.au or contact

Karen Toledo 0407 468 044 or Paulin Chua 0411 196 899

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