## THE TRUE VINE THAT FEEDS US

In these weeks after Easter and before the feasts of Ascension and Pentecost, our gospel readings come from Jesus' farewell discourses in the Gospel of John. These are the teachings which Jesus shared with his disciples in that precious time just before his arrest and crucifixion.

His teachings offered solace to his disciples who were soon to endure his passion and death. We now read and ponder them in the light of his resurrection and Ascension. They also offer comfort to us in our time and place, as we face life's challenges and sorrows.

Last week, the gospel recounted Jesus telling the disciples that he is the Good Shepherd, who knows his sheep by name, who cares for them and protects them, and whose love and care are so great that he lays down his life for his sheep. This image of the Good Shepherd and his sheep describes a relationship of steadfast love and care.

This week, Jesus describes his relationship to his followers differently, this time in terms of a vine and its branches. This image highlights the intimacy, interconnection, mutuality and reciprocity of the relationship of Jesus to us, of Jesus to the Father, and of Jesus and the Father to us, individually and as a community.

Jesus explains that he is the true vine, the Father is the vine grower, and we are the branches. The image reminds us that we, just like the vine and its branches, rely on each other in order to bear fruit.

But, most important of all, Jesus urges us: "Abide in me as I abide in you." To abide means to remain, to stay, to dwell, to make a home in, to endure, and to hold fast. This notion of 'abiding' is of utmost importance in John's Gospel. (Even in today's short reading this word, abide, occurs 8 times.)

Jesus is very clear: this abiding is essential and core to our relationship with him. It is this abiding in him and he in us that will result in great fruitfulness. The fruits will be life-giving fruits, internal as well as external, for us personally and for the community. They will be peace, freedom, justice, joy, and the flourishing of creation.

What then is the call and the challenge for us? It is to nurture our relationship with Jesus. This is the discipleship to which he calls us: it is abiding in him, keeping company with him, living in daily conversation with him. We are called to a life-long process of entering ever more deeply into this relationship with him, learning to abide in his love, and learning to love one another as God has loved us. It is learning to live like that every day!

And, in the process, we will gradually come to better see the world, ourselves, other people, and whatever situations we face with our hearts and minds attuned to his.



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# **Gosnells Catholic Parish**

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## 28th April, 2024

**5th Sunday of Easter** Year B White **Today's Readings** Acts 9:26-31 1 John 3:18-24 John 15:1-8

#### 5th May, 2024

**6th Sunday of Easter** Year B White **Today's Readings** Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48 1 John 4:7-10 John 15:9-17



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 of Gosnells** 1949 - 2024 75th Anniversary

The Parish of Gosnells established in 1949 – 75 years ago.

1980s - Lumen Christi College was established and neighbouring parishes, Armadale, Kelmscott, Gosnells, Maddington and Thornlie all provided assistance in the development. Children's Liturgy of the Word was instigated in our parish around this time and a Youth Group was formed. Fr Tom Prendiville celebrated the 40th Anniversary of his Ordination with the Gosnells Folk Group, providing music for the evening – some of its members are still in our Choir today. He passed away in November 1985 after serving the parish for 28 years. Fr Thomas O'Prey was appointed Parish Priest in 1986, and soon afterwards a Senior Parishioners' Dinner was held which resulted in the formation of our Golden Age Club, still providing fellowship today for those 50 years and over. (from Once, Twice, Three Times a Parish)

## Praying For You

Recently Deceased

Elsy, George Howie, Brandan Sharkey

Death Anniversary George Kessler

#### Recently Deceased

Enriqueta Antivola, Lourdes Soma Suvanaris, William Neo

#### Our Sick

Maria Siciliano, Susanne Carroll, Assunta Wambeck, 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.

#### **Baptised Recently**

Emilia Rose Stefanetti Daughter of Joel and Elanna

Feast Days this Week					
Apr 29	Mon	St Catherine of Siena			
30	Tue	Pope St Pius V, St Marie of the Incarnation, Our Lady, Mother of Africa			
May 1	Wed	St Joseph the Worker			
2	Thu	St Athanasius			
3	Fri	Saints Philip & James, Apostles			
4	Sat	St Conleth, St Jose Maria Rubio			

Rosters for 27/28 April, 2024						
Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Jemima Pinto Mercy Burton	Kaye Cox	Mary Ann Bombita	Martin Loh	Ludette Van Der Spil Miriam Villan	Carl Agus, Melanie Beacher Athena Calupig, Jacob Malou
Sunday 7.30am	Jennifer Barnes Alan Da Silva	Volunteer	Diobett Bangayan	Gerard Peters	Chloe Pereira-Smith Inoka Ratnasekera	Richardson Saw, Rosemary Saw Scott Tido, Caleb Watkins
Sunday 9.30am	Debora Ayeni Veronica Ayeni	Ciara Jacob	Cecilia Jacob	Dan Hewitt	Geraldine Pereira Peta Phillips	Keanu Malagui-Hicks, Julia Marano Patrina Paesu, Justus Shilo Martin Yatar, Carl Borlongan
Tellers this week: Chloe Pereira-Smith, Prisca Pereira, Robert Szlezak				Tellers next week: Sue & Vincent Frawley, Darryl le Guay		
Rosters for 4/5 May, 2024						
Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Rosa Ford Theresa Spicer	Pam Davies	Angel Donina	Colin Loh	Sandra Wren Remi Biju	Joshua Manda, Kyle Marquis Clinton Matthews, Jacob Raymond
Sunday 7.30am	Yvonne Da Silva Jackie Hall	Franklin D'Cruz	Greg Drew	Aruna Ratnasekera	Pay Tru Diana Chong	Callie Abogado, Jake Antu Tom Antu, Bionney Bangayan
Sunday 9.30am	Anne Brink Leslie Dcruz	Cecilia Jacob	Paige Jacob	Phillip Magness	Silvana Sciorilli Robert Szlezak	Florian Christstar, Leslie Dcruz Angel Garavillas, John Gilmore Gabino Htoo, Austin Jacob



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## **Congratulations!**

Congratulations to Father Errol Lobo on your Ordination to the Priesthood.



#### Coffee Corner Turns Seven! Come along this Friday, 3rd May and help us celebrate our seventh 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.

## 75th Anniversary of Gosnells Parish Celebration

Our Parish is celebrating 75 years on Sunday May 12th after the 9.30am Mass in the St Munchin's School Hall. As we have a diversity of cultures, we invite you to come in National dress and contribute a dish for the luncheon. Please indicate your attendance on the sign up sheet in the church foyer and if you would like to perform a dance or song, feel free to do so. Please see one of the Parish Councilors for further information.

### 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.

#### From the Parish Archives - Parish photos needed!

We would dearly love to have more photos of parishioners and/or parish functions that have been taken over the years included in our parish archives. If you are able to share, please provide the date and details of functions and names of parishioners included in the photo. Parish Privacy Document is available if required. Please email digital

prints to archives@gosnellsparish.org.au or leave hard copies at the Parish Office. Thanks, Maureen Byrne, Parish Archivist

## The Holy Rosary for Juniors

The Parish invites all Juniors (Years 5 and above) and their parents to pray the Rosary on the second Sunday of each month, immediately after the 7.30am Mass. It will take place at the statue of Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament and will last for half an hour. The wider parish community is also welcome. Contact Alan on 0491 141 103 to express your interest.

Parish Meetings		
Vinnies	Wednesday, 8th May Parish Centre at 7.30pm	
Parish Pastoral Council	Tuesday, 14th May Parish Centre at 6.45pm	



#### 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



#### Golden Age Club



The next Club Day will be in the Parish Centre Tuesday 30th April 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

The Vinnies Poor Box is located in the Church, next to the sliding doors. Your donations, however small, help us assist the most vulnerable and disadvantaged within our own community. God Bless.



#### **Catholic Youth Event**

"As I have loved you" Jn 15:12 Join us Sunday, May 5th, 4.30pm to 8.00pm at Our Lady of Fatima Parish in Palmyra. Come and meet other young Catholics from around Perth as we rejoice in this season of Easter celebration! We have an amazing evening ahead, a social night filled with music, drama by the Youth Mission Team, a talk by the amazing Fr. Christian Irdi, adoration and ultimately Mass to conclude! Join us at this SUMMIT event for an opportunity to reflect upon Christ's deep love for each of us and join in the source and summit of our faith! Please register for this free event online at https://events.humanitix.com/summitone-2024

### Time to Consider the Priesthood

A Priesthood Vocation Open Day for men from the age of 17 years and above at St Charles Seminary in Guildford, on Sunday 5th May 2024, from 9am to 1.30pm, including brunch. This Open Day will answer questions about the Seminary and discernment into Priesthood. For further information or to register attendance please call (08) 9279-1310 or email: stcharlesseminary@perthcatholic.org.au

### St Munchin's Enrolments 2025 - 2026

Families interested in securing a Pre Kindy or Kindy place in either 2025 or 2026 are asked to please submit an enrolment form at your earliest convenience. As 2025 will be our fourth year in offering Pre Kindy to our community, positions will be limited - first in, best dressed. We still require a waiting list for Four-Year-Old Kindy, Year 1 and Year 3! Limited Pre Kindy places available... Don't wait to enrol until the year before commencing. Enrol now for 2025, 2026... For enquiries concerning enrolments please contact Sharon Campbell at reception on 9234 7555 or email admin@stmunchins.wa.edu.au

#### 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 Safeguarding Proper 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.

#### All Saints Anglican Church Annual Mother's Day Fete

Come down to the corner of Dorothy and Hicks Streets, Gosnells, Saturday 4th May 8.30am - 1pm to explore many of our fantastic stalls including our famous Crafts and Gifts, Cakes & Preserves, Books, Puzzles and DVDs, Plants, Clothing, Linen & Shoes, Devonshire Teas, Sausage Sizzle, Children's activities, White & Golden Elephant stalls as well as a Giant Raffle with lovely prizes. Save the date and come down for a bargain.

#### **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.

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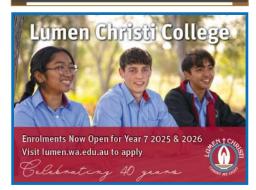
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## **Our Parish Columbarium**

A sacred place for all parishioners and former parishioners and their families. Brochures are available in the fover.

