# OVERCOMING THE PAIN OF REJECTION

The three main characters in today's readings suffer rejection and humiliation. Their pain is summarised in today's Psalm: "Indeed, all too full is our soul with the scorn of the rich, with the proud man's disdain."

Sometimes, following God means being a witness to people who do not respect us or our faith. As the prophet Ezekiel hears in the first reading, the task of the faithful disciple is to keep witnessing to our faith, "whether they listen or not".

In the second reading, St Paul explains how he perseveres when he is confronted with rejection and humiliation. Paul's second letter to the Church in Corinth was motivated by a vicious attack on his ministry and reputation. Some within the community, who styled themselves as 'super apostles', disparaged Paul and his teaching. Instead, they boasted about the incredible visions and secret knowledge they had received, which proved their superiority over Paul.

Instead of trying to compete with his rivals' boasting, Paul brags about his own weaknesses and failures. Paul does not go into detail about what he means by the "thorn in his flesh." Theories have included health difficulties, reoccurring temptations, or difficult people around him.

Struggles like these that seem to get in the way of us trying to live out his faith should be familiar to all of us. However, Paul explains that God sometimes allows these obstacles in our lives because our weaknesses make the grace and love of Jesus most evident.

Instead of succumbing to the temptation to boast about his accomplishments, Paul uses his weaknesses to constantly remind himself of his dependence on God's power. Through his weaknesses, Paul learns about the self-sacrificial kind of service that God desires. As a result, God's presence and activity in Paul's life are even more present because of the weakness that appears on the surface. Paul is a better witness of God's power because he demonstrates with his life what Christ can do with any person in any situation.

Jesus himself embraces this way of living in today's gospel. Previous chapters of Mark's Gospel make Jesus seem unstoppable. Disease, demons and even death all give way before him. However, Jesus' mission appears to have stalled when he does not overcome Nazareth's lack of faith.

Perhaps Jesus could have forcefully displayed his power when he returned to Nazareth and broken down the barriers of unbelief. But what is a faith in God that is based on overpowering, dominating, and controlling? It would eliminate the opportunity for people to encounter God's love and mercy and for the spiritual change towards selfless love that God most desires.

Jesus most clearly proves that he is from God in his acceptance of suffering. His rejection by those closest to him is another step towards the cross, where he will demonstrate to the world and all history what God's love truly means.

Our weaknesses can invite us to deepen our loving relationship with God and invite others to encounter Jesus. Let us always.

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7th July, 2024

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

Green

**Today's Readings** 

Ezekiel 2:2-5 2 Corinthians 12:7-10

Mark 6:1-6

14th July, 2024

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**Today's Readings** 

Amos 7:12-15

Ephesians 1:3-14 Mark 6:7-13

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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					
<b>Buckley Caring Centre</b>	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 Council	Tuesday, 9th July Parish Centre at 6.45pm				
Vinnies	Wednesday, 10th July Parish Centre at 7.30pm				

## Want to support your Parish?

You can now deposit your contribution directly into parish accounts.

First Collection - Supports our Parish Priest, Priests in smaller Parishes or remote Parishes that require assistance.

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# **Praying For You**



# **Recently Deceased**

Owen D'Souza, Collin Vallis

# Death Anniversary

Joss Breen, Cecilia Loh, Malcolm Theodore, Darlene Pereira

### Our Sick

Maria Siciliano, Susanne Carroll, Assunta Wambeck, 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.



Feast Days this Week							
July 9	Tue	St Augustine Zhao Rong & Companions					
11	Thu	St Benedict					
13	Sat	St Henry, Blessed Virgin Mary					

(your name optional)									
Rosters for 6/7 July, , 2024									
Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers				
Jemima Pinto Mercy Burton	Carina Limgenco	Vilma Lyra	Colin Loh Mark van Ingen Miriam Villan		Melanie Beacher, Athena Calupig Jacob Malou, Joshua Manda				
Eric Almen Wendie Almen	Ronan Roach	Jack Roach Gerard Peters Sue Frawley Vincent Frawley		Diobett Bangayan, Richardson Saw Rosemary Saw, Scott Tido					
Keanu Malagui- Hicks Silvana Sciorilli	Ben Gradisen	Florence Ayeni	Nigel Hayward	Peta Phillips Silvana Sciorilli	Gei Long Ya Kintha, Alisha Liyanage Keanu Malagui-Hicks, Julia Marano Patrina Paesu, Justus Shilo				
Tellers this week: Sidney & Esmie D'Souza, Faye Rodriguez			Tellers next week: Sue & Vincent Frawley						
Rosters for 13/14 July, 2024									
Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers				
Rosa Ford Theresa Spicer	Joshua Mahamu	Clarence Pereira	Richard Serrano	Sandra Wren Remi Biju	Kyle Marquis, Clinton Matthews Aydriel Ratnasekera, Jacob Raymond				
Jennifer Barnes Alan Da Silva	Diobett Bangayan	Sr Savarie	Aruna Ratnasekera	Russell Lally Rod McAtee	Caleb Watkins, Callie Abogado Jake Antu, Tom Antu				
Andy Sciorilli Karen Suarez	Silvana Sciorilli	Ciara Jacob	Dan Hewitt	Robert Szlezak Evelyn Yozzi	Martin Yatar, Carl Borlongan Florian Christstar, Angel Garavillas John Gilmore, Gabino Htoo				
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#### St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal

Your Vinnies launch their WINTER APPEAL this weekend. Help us assist people within our community experiencing homelessness and those struggling with cost-of-living pressures. Your donations, however small, help us provide for immediate practical assistance and long-term support. Please use the Winter Appeal Envelopes at the Vinnies table or scan the bar code to donate today. Write your name and address on the envelope if you would like a Tax Deductible Receipt. God Bless.



# 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.

#### **Funeral Notice**

The Funeral Mass for Owen D'Souza will be held here at
Our Lady of The Most Blessed Sacrament Church
Monday, 8th July at 1.00pm. Burial will be at 3:15pm at Fremantle.
Rosary will be held at Seasons Canning Vale chapel, 6.30pm, Sunday 7th July.



#### Term 3 2024

Welcome to third term of adult faith formation. Please see bulletin board for upcoming adult faith learning opportunities onsite, online and throughout the various parishes of our archdiocese. For more info, visit <a href="https://cfe.org.au/courses-events/">https://cfe.org.au/courses-events/</a>, contact <a href="mailto:cfe@perthcatholic.org.au">cfe@perthcatholic.org.au</a> or phone 9278 0261. We hope to see you soon.

# **Parish Planned Giving Program**

**Envelopes:** If you are currently enrolled in our program, please collect your envelopes from the foyer today. If any of your details have changed or you wish to change the amount or frequency of your pledge, please complete a Planned Giving Card. Those wishing to join the program and contribute regularly to the welfare of the parish are also asked to complete a Card. Cards may be placed in the Collection, left with Fr Brennan, in the Parish Office 'In Box' in the church foyer or left at the Parish Office.

**Direct Debit:** If you have nominated to contribute via Direct Debit or wish to alter the amount or frequency already deducted, **you are required** to complete a **new** Direct Debit Request form, available in the foyer, and then return as soon as possible.

We are grateful for the generosity of many new contributors, the support of our long-term members and for all those able to increase their offerings.

Your parish needs your support!

#### Praying for the Sick

Safeguarding

Continuing prayer for those we love is very important to all involved. However, we need to keep our parish prayer list current and meaningful. It is the responsibility of the person requesting a name on our Parish Sick list to advise the parish office periodically if prayers are still required.

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

### **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

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#### Golden Age Club

The next Club Day is in the Parish Centre Tuesday, 9th July with indoor activities from 9am and monthly meeting at 10.45am. BYO Lunch. Bingo at 12.15pm! All parishioners, 50 years and over are welcome.



#### CFR Retreat 2024

Save the date Saturday, 27th July 2024. Retreat with Fr Greg Donovan on "This is My Son, The Beloved; Listen to Him" 9am to 3pm at Mary McKillop Centre, York St, South Perth. \$20/per person, includes morning tea (Coffee, Tea & Biscuits). Please BYO Lunch. SPACE IS LIMITED PLEASE REGISTER EARLY. For more info please call: Charles 0413 755 799, Ivan 0428 898 833 or Email Catholicfaithrenewal@gmail.com

#### 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

# Catholic Earthcare Convocation for the Season Of Creation (2024) Wonder, Weave, Heal

You are invited to participate in the Catholic Earthcare Convocation for the Season of Creation, Thursday 12th to Saturday 14th of September. We are called to Wonder', 'Weave' and 'Heal' Earth and the whole of creation. Gather online during Day 1 and 2 to engage in keynote presentations, workshops, discussions and spiritual experiences. Day 3 of the convocation has us gathering together in our diocese to transform our learnings into action. The Perth hub will be held at the Catholic Pastoral Centre in Highgate. For more info visit https://jedo.perthcatholic.org.au/. Please register at <a href="https://www.caritas.org.au/soc-convocation">https://www.caritas.org.au/soc-convocation</a>.



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## 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.

#### **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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