

WHAT IS IN OUR HEARTS MATTER

Having observed that Jesus' disciples were not complying with the religious purification laws of the time which required one to wash one's hands thoroughly before eating, the Pharisees challenged Jesus once again.

Not following those laws meant that the disciples were eating with hands that were deemed to be "unclean" or "impure". The Pharisees were infuriated Jesus appeared to be unconcerned about this matter of ritual purification.

"You hypocrites," Jesus replied. *"You disregard God's commandment but cling to human tradition."* The hand-washing law, he implied, is a human tradition, a man-made regulation. Jesus threw the challenge back at them: ritual purity is not a matter of cleaning one's hands, he insists, but of purity of heart! He explains: *"Nothing that enters one from outside can defile that person; but the things that come out from within are what defile."*

By Jesus' time, the rabbis had identified 613 commands that were prescribed in the Torah (the first five books of the Bible), not just the 10 commandments given to Moses. It was the impossible burden of compliance with all 613 commands that prompted the Pharisees, on another occasion, to ask Jesus which was the greatest commandment. With simplicity and clarity, he replied: love God with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind, and love your neighbour as yourself. It is love that is commanded of us as his followers.

Jesus' challenge to the religious leaders also applies to us and to the Church in our time. Jesus firstly challenges all of us as Church to reflect very carefully on the rules and regulations we set before people. Are they God's commandments? Or are they human constructs? Are they in fact burdens that we have imposed on people? Might some of our rules and regulations actually impede people's progress on their faith journey? The rules may be well-intentioned, but they might also be misguided, not in fact closely aligned to God's commands.

Jesus leaves us in no doubt as to what really matters: it is what is in and comes from our hearts. It is, as the Psalmist says, a matter of justice. *"One who does justice will live in the presence of the Lord."* Here is the benchmark! It is justice.

Justice pertains to the way we live our daily lives, how we relate to others; it is right judgement, right intention and right action in all of our dealings. What I want, says God to the prophet Hosea, is mercy. As Jesus stressed, it is a pure heart that is demanded of us; a heart that lives justly, shows mercy, responds compassionately and loves tenderly. The Letter of James echoes the same message: *"Be doers of the word and not hearers only."*

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1st September, 2024

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

Green

Today's Readings

Deuteronomy 4:1-2, 6-8
James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27
Mark 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

8th September, 2024

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

Green

Today's Readings

Isaiah 35:4-7
James 2:1-5
Mark 7:31-37

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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

Thomas Ross, Aley Jean Josephs,
Joseph Paul, Brian Buckworth

Our Sick

Ann Ralston, Kathleen Mansfield,
Maria Siciliano, Susanne Carroll,
Assunta Wambeck, Fran Vallis,
Pat Simm, Ammini Jose,
John Bregg, Conrad Briggs,
Joel Celine, Dennis Ford,
Letecia Niembra, Wendy Kraft,
Dolly, Elvira Panici-Allen,
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Wendy Price, Fran Wiffen



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Second Collection

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and improvements of the Parish.

A/c name: Gosnells Parish, **BSB:** 086-006, **A/c:** 773984777,
Reference: 2nd Collection (your name optional)

Feast Days this Week		
Sep 3	Tue	St Gregory the Great
5	Thu	St Teresa of Calcutta

Parish Meetings
Parish Pastoral Council Tuesday 10th September, Parish Centre 6.45pm
Vinnies Wednesday 11th September, Parish Centre, 7.30pm


Rosters for 31 August/1 September, 2024						
Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Faye Mitchell Jemima Pinto	Vilma Lyra	Joshua Mahamu	Colin Loh	Faye Mitchell Christy Ravanez	Carl Agus, Melanie Beacher Jacob Malou, Joshua Manda
Sunday 7.30am	Alan & Yvonne Da Silva	Franklin D'Cruz	Diobett Bangayan	Larry Cavallo	Sue Frawley Vincent Frawley	Callie Abogado, Jake Antu Tom Antu, Bionney Bangayan
Sunday 9.30am	Silvana & Andy Sciorilli	Yuriy Volikov	Robert Szlezak	Lenny Dcruz	Lorna Mitchell Clarence Pereira	John Gilmore, Gabino Htoo Austin Jacob, James Jacob Liam James, Kripa Jojo
Tellers this week: Chloe Pereira-Smith, Prisca Pereira, Robert Szlezak				Tellers next week: Daniel & Jo Tomlinson, Darryl Le Guay		

Rosters for 7/8 September, 2024						
Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Mercy Burton Rosa Ford	Ayden Ratnasekera	Jemima Pinto	Richard Serrano	Bridget Soh Ludette Van Der Spil	Carl Agus, Melanie Beacher Jacob Malou, Joshua Manda
Sunday 7.30am	Bette Lyra Vilma Lyra	Jenny Mills	Greg Drew	Geoff Mills	Russell Lally Rod McAtee	Callie Abogado, Jake Antu Tom Antu, Bionney Bangayan
Sunday 9.30am	Karen Suarez Robert Szlezak	Florence Ayeni	Hanna Allen	Dan Hewitt	Peta Phillips Silvana Sciorilli	John Gilmore, Gabino Htoo Austin Jacob, James Jacob Liam James, Kripa Jojo

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

Safeguarding Sunday

As we approach National Child Protection Week we will mark the start with Safeguarding Sunday next weekend. Our Parish of Gosnells and the Diocese of Perth are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. Mindful of the theme for National Child Protection Week, "Every child, in every community, needs a fair go" and "Every conversation matters!", may we work to create safe spaces where we can have meaningful conversations with children and adults at risk about their safety. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at www.catholic.au/s/article/Safeguarding-Sunday-2024.



48 Hour Perpetual Rosary Bouquet for Our Lady's Birthday

The 48hr Rosary Bouquet for Our Lady's Birthday from 6pm Thursday 5th September to 6pm Saturday 7th September. Presentation of the scroll of names will be made at St Joachim's Catholic Church, Shepperton Rd, Vic Park. The Rosary will be said at 10.30am, followed by Mass at 11am on 7th 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, email: comitiumwa.secretary@gmail.com or phone Legion of Mary on 0421 580 783.



St Munchin's Year 4 Mass



The year fours will be celebrating Mass on Friday, 6th September at 9am. All are welcome to come and celebrate.

St Vincent de Paul

Your Vinnies meet in our Parish Hall on Wednesday 11th September at 7.30pm. Come, join us, and explore how best you could help us assist those in need within our own community. God Bless!



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, 14th September at 9.30am, celebrated by The Most Reverend Bishop Don Sproxtton. All are invited to join us after Mass for lunch in the St Munchin's School Hall. Thank you and God bless.



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.

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, 6th September after Mass.

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 3rd 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.

Why Be Catholic - A Family Conference

Discover God's love and your unique calling at this year's WBC24 Family Conference, a transformative retreat for all. Themed "*Beloved: We love, because he first loved us*" (1 John 4:19), this is an invitation to three days of prayer and discovery as we reflect on God's love and His plans for us, both individually and as families. Join us for this weekend of faith, love, and purpose that will inspire you to embrace God's unique plan for your life. Early bird registration is now open invest in your spiritual future at WBC24! See bulletin board for conference overview. For more information and registration, visit www.evangelisationaustralia.com/events.



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Save The Date - Launch of the 2024-25 Social Justice Statement

Thursday, 5th September 2024

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference (ACBC) Social Justice Statement for 2024-25 will be launched in Perth by Aux. Bishop, Don Sproxtton, 9.45am (for a 10am start) at John XXIII College. We would love to see you at the 2024-25 launch of what is sure to be another insightful and very timely document, focusing on '*Truth & Peace: A Gospel Word in a Violent World*'.



Convocation for the Season Of Creation Wonder, Weave, Heal



Join us for the Catholic Earthcare Convocation in 2024

as we come together to 'wonder,' 'weave,' and 'heal' creation. Thursday 12th & Friday 13th September: Online sessions with keynote presentations, workshops, and spiritual experiences. Saturday 14th September: Join us in person at diocesan hubs across the country to put our learnings into action. The Perth hub will be held at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 40A Mary Street, Highgate (online option is also available). Scan the QR code to get your tickets for one, two or all three days. We look forward to your participation in this transformative event!

For more info visit <https://jedo.perthcatholic.org.au/>.

Please register at <https://www.caritas.org.au/soc-convocation>.

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.

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