TO BE A SERVANT FOR OTHERS

To be human is to experience desire and ambition. To know a person's deep desires is to see into that person's soul. Desire for good, such as world peace or the end of global warming, is a positive urge of the human spirit. Other desires that focus on personal happiness and success can also be positive. However, they may also become caught up with the 'dark side' of the human spirit leading to jealousy, blind ambition and ruthless disregard for others.

Throughout the drama of human life, desire and suffering are closely linked. This is evident, for example, in the works of Shakespeare: one thinks of the innocent, youthful desires of Romeo and Juliet, the dark and treacherous desires of Macbeth and Lady Macbeth, or the obsessive desires of King Richard III. In different ways, these desires all lead to tragic suffering.

The connection between suffering and desire is also a key insight of the Buddha who taught that all suffering is caused by human desire and that happiness or enlightenment consists in the elimination of all desires. How does this compare with the approach of our own Christian Scriptures?

The long history of Israel is one of suffering at the hands of external enemies and through internal divisions. Jesus' life-story is also one in which his efforts to bring about God's kingdom of justice and peace are thwarted by negative forces. Even Jesus' own disciples seem blind to his real mission and message.

Why are Jesus' disciples so dim-witted? In a word, they are so caught up with their petty desires and ambition for power and glory, they are unable to see Jesus for who he really is or to hear what he truly asks. They want to overcome suffering (as we all do); but they think the way to do this is in the worldly way of grabbing power, status and authority.

Jesus' response is to challenge their preconceptions: "Anyone who is to be great among you must be your servant; anyone who wants to be first among you must be your slave." Suffering is integral to our human lives. In this sense, compared to the Buddha, Jesus is more radical by insisting his followers embrace suffering as he does: "Can you drink the cup that I must drink?"

Jesus is not glorifying suffering for its own sake but shows us how to place suffering in its proper context. The message is foreshadowed by Isaiah who links positive acceptance of suffering with liberation from sin and practising justice. Acting for God's kingdom means putting one's life on the line—and even, as in Jesus' case, giving one's "life as a ransom for many".

There is another form of suffering Jesus shares with us because, like us, he experiences human weakness - though, the writer is careful to add, "he is without sin" (Hebrews). Sin is the ultimate cause of human suffering often expressed in our wayward human desires.

Jesus shows us the way to purify such desires through a life of servanthood.



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20th October, 2024

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B Green **Today's Readings** Isaiah 53:10-11 Hebrews 4:14-16v Mark 10:35-45

27th October, 2024

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B Green **Today's Readings** Jeremiah 31:7-9 Hebrews 5:1-6 Mark 10:46-52

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 Wednesday 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				

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.

A/c name: Gosnells Parish - 1st Collection Account, BSB: 086-006, A/c: 705883907, Reference: 1st Collection (your name optional)

Second Collection

Ongoing administration costs, funds for future growth and improvements of the Parish.

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Praying For You					
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Death Anniversary					
Mary Bone					
Our Sick					
Teresa Highland					
Alfredo Barbuzza, Ann Ralston,					
Kathleen Mansfield, Maria Siciliano,					
Susanne Carroll, Fran Vallis,					
Pat Simm, Ammini Jose,					
John Breag, Conrad Briggs,					
Joel Celine, Dennis Ford,					
Letecia Niembra, Wendy Kraft,					
Dolly, Elvira Panici-Allen,					
Annabelle McNess, Erika Magness,					
Abby Magness, Richard Bisnath,					
Wendy Price, Fran Wiffen					
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Feast Days this Week								
Oct 22	Tue	St John Paul II						
23	Wed	St John of Capistrano						
24	Thu	St Anthony Claret						

Parish Meetings

Parish Pastoral Council AGM Sunday 20th October, Parish Centre 11am

Vinnies

Wednesday 13th November, Parish Centre, 7.30pm

Rosters for 19/20 October, 2024								
Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers		
Saturday 6.00pm	Mercy Burton Rosa Ford	Carina Limgenco	Vilma Lyra	Graham Maher	Mark van Ingen Miriam Villan	Carl Agus, Melanie Beacher Jacob Malou, Joshua Manda		
Sunday 7.30am	Bette Lyra Vilma Lyra	Geoff Mills	Diobett Bangayan	Gerard Peters	Pay Tru Diana Chong	Scott Tido, Caleb Watkins Callie Abogado, Jake Antu		
Sunday 9.30am	Keanu Malagui- Hicks Silvana Sciorilli	Tiffany Mitchell	Jerlyn Patrick	Nigel Hayward	Carolina Hayward Alex Liyanage	Angel Garavillas, John Gilmore Gabino Htoo, Austin Jacob James Jacob, Liam James		
Tellers this week: Daniel & Jo Tomlinson, Darryl Le Guay				Tellers next week: Jim & Anne Brink, Kerry Keys				
Rosters for 26/27 October, 2024								
Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers		
Saturday 6.00pm	Theresa Spicer Sandra Wren	Joshua Mahamu	Clarence Pereira	Martin Loh	Sandra Wren Remi Biju	Kyle Marquis, Aydriel Ratnasekera, Clinton Matthews, Jacob Raymond		
Sunday 7.30am	Inoka Ratnasekera Sandra Reid	Jenny Mills	Greg Drew	Aruna Ratnasekera	Sue Frawley Vincent Frawley	Tom Antu, Bionney Bangayan Diobett Bangayan, Richardson Saw		
Sunday 9.30am	Andy Sciorilli Karen Suarez	Bec Malagui-Hicks	Ciara Malagui-Hicks	Dan Hewitt	Helen Magness Bec Malagui-Hicks	Kripa Jojo, Olivia Justin Aung Kintha, Gei Long Ya Kintha Alisha Liyanage, Julia Marano		

SVDP Emergency Relief Phone 1300 794 054 Marycare Maureen L 0414 937 440 Anne 0420 323 492 Maureen B 0411 691 959



Parish Annual General Meeting

Today after the 9.30am Mass in the Parish Hall. Please do come and support our parish and share a common vision for the future.

First Reconciliation



Many of our parish children will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Wednesday 23rd October at 6pm Mass. Please keep Jenny Antony Jeyaseelan, Luca Blancotti, Thomas Boddy, Georgia Bridge, Oakley Cahill, Myra Castillo, Jon Catayanathan, Alisha Coleman, Juan De Jesus, Daenerys Dona, Kaitlyn Francis, Mia Griffin, Samuel Henderson, Dominic Hozanouc, Jasmine Htoo, Nevan Joseph, Amelia Justin, Jaeden Kim, Prithik Logeswaran, Esther Manda, Sofia Matacsil, Myron Maunick, Monica Mawar, Lillyana Meacher, Steele Meyer, Mason Mullumby, Haizy Posidio, Jhayden Serrano, Beaudean Taiki, Jaxon Tyson, Christina Van Steyn, Carter Wheatley, Belinda Wilson, Benedict Wilson and their families in our prayers as they prepare for this important sacrament.



St Vincent de Paul

Looking for a practical Christmas present? Your SVDP Columban 2025 Calendars are now on sale at only \$10 each. Please place your money in the yellow envelopes provided and leave them in the Poor Box. Thank you for your generosity and God Bless !



Extraordinary Ministers and Acolytes - New Roster available now Please collect your new roster from the foyer today. Please arrange your own swaps from the list if unable to attend. Thank you to all who continue to serve the parish through these ministries. May God bless your generosity.

Proclaimers of the Word - New Roster available 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.

Memorial Plaques Special Price

Plaques for our Memorial Wall will be available at the special price of \$350 during the month of 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, 10th 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.



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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Youth Night

Join us for a Youth Night on Friday 1st of November from 6.30 pm to 9.00 pm for those in high-school. Please registration in the church foyer, through email or text. Expect a fantastic time filled with engaging activities, meaningful faith discussions and great food. We look forward to seeing you! Please contact Veronica on 0424 812 632 or email gosnellsyouth@gmail.com for more information.

Golden Age Club



The next Club Day will be in the Parish Centre Tuesday 22nd October 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.

WA Young Salesian - Summer Camp 6th -10th January 2025

Are you between 11½ -15yrs or starting Year 7 in 2025? 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, 15th November. Register now at: www.wayoungsalesians.com



Worldwide Marriage Encounter

Would you like to give yourself and your spouse quality time over a weekend that will focus on love, communication and relationship? We invite you to attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekend is:

8th to 10th November - Live-in at Vincentian Retreat Centre, Karrakup. For more information about coming Weekends please contact Brendon or Valerie on 0493 534 865, email WAbookings@wwme.org.au or visit www.wwme.org.au

Charismatic Healing Service

Catholic Charismatic Renewal is conducting a healing service following the 5:00pm Sunday Mass at St Emilie's Church, Canningvale, 27th October. This is a wonderful opportunity to bring friends and loved ones to receive the healing touch of our Lord, Jesus. The Mass will be the normal parish Mass, conducted by Fr Ted Miller, CCR Chaplain, and, following the Mass, prayer teams will be available to pray with all who are in need. For further information - Dan 0409 849 049.

Christ The King Youth Festival

St Mary's Cathedral, Sunday 24th November 2024, 5pm - 9pm Catholic Youth Ministry Perth invites you to join us for the Christ the King Youth Festival at St. Mary's Cathedral. This special day not only commemorates the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe but is also an annual diocesan celebration, instigated by Pope Francis for World Youth Day around the world. This is a free event that will include Mass to celebrate youth in our Archdiocese with a special blessing, along with a range of festival activities held on the Cathedral grounds, including live music, expo stands, food trucks and various other activities. Please visit https://christtheking.cym.com.au for more information.

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 Sateguarding ? 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 online training is at your own pace video and quiz.

On The Bulletin Board

Various pilgrimages, retreats, youth events and lots more! Please have a look on our bulletin board for more information.



