

NO SUCH THING AS TOO MUCH LOVE

In the Book of Samuel, we find two mortal enemies, David and Saul, in conflict. Saul is the anointed King of Judah and David has been anointed to succeed him. What happens next is an all too familiar human story. David is jealous of Saul's power; Saul is suspicious of David's motives.

How often family feuds and human relations take on these negative forces of jealousy and suspicion, resulting in the breakdown of relationships. We also see this operating at the international level between ethnic groups and nations, resulting in open conflict and even warfare.

To return to the story of King Saul and the yet-to-be appointed King David, there is a glimmer of light. Previously, in a rage, Saul had attempted to kill David by throwing a javelin at him! In this week's story, David has the opportunity to kill Saul, but relents. Choosing not to kill your enemy is a good first step! Even here we note David's motives are not entirely pure. He acts partly out of guilt, fearing divine anger if he was to kill one of God's anointed.

However, fear of God has its role as a pathway to a more authentic and loving life.

Let us now compare this approach to the words of Jesus in the gospel: *"Love your enemies; do good to those who hate you"*. At a logical level, Jesus' reasoning is difficult to dispute: *"If you only love those who love you, what thanks can you expect?"* No, says Jesus, you must overcome all those narrow views of love and forgiveness: *"Be compassionate as your Father is compassionate"*. Moreover, *"don't judge others, don't condemn, always forgive"*.

We may complain that Jesus is asking too much of us! Surely all this love and forgiveness will be seen as pure weakness, leading us to being eaten up, spewed out and trodden underfoot by our enemies! Yet, something within us knows we must break the cycle of violence and vengeance if we are to achieve peace, harmony and goodwill among people and nations. This is the way of the gospel as lived and proclaimed by Jesus.

This is also the centre-point of Pope Francis' encyclical *Fratelli Tutti* (2020), where Francis uses the parable of the Good Samaritan to insist that love must go beyond tribe, family and nation to include stranger, migrant and refugee. We also note Francis' joint statement with Grand Imam Ahmad Al-Tayeb in Abu Dhabi (2019) which acknowledged that *"God has created all human beings equal in rights, duties and dignity, and has called them to live together as brothers and sisters"*.

In today's world, 'loving your enemy' is best expressed in terms of commitment to dialogue and mutual respect among peoples of diverse religions and cultures. This enables us to open our hearts to become people of love, service and compassion. This way, we allow God's love to enter our lives and world, mindful of Jesus' words: *"The amount you measure out is the amount you will be given back!"*

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23rd February, 2025

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year C

Green

Today's Readings

1 Samuel 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Luke 6:27-38

2nd March, 2025

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year C

Green

Today's Readings

Sirach 27:4-7

1 Corinthians 15:54-58

Luke 6:39-45

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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 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

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Praying For You



Recently Deceased

Dax Moss

Death Anniversary

Cynthia Una Fischer, Calvin LeGuay

Our Sick

Alfredo Barbuzza, Kathleen Mansfield,
Maria Siciliano, Susanne Carroll,
Fran Vallis, Pat Simm,
Ammini Jose, John Breag,
Conrad Briggs, Joel Celine,
Dennis Ford, Letecia Niembra,
Dolly, Elvira Panici-Allen,
Annabelle McNess, Erika Magness,
Abby Magness, Richard Bisnath,
Wendy Price, Fran Wiffen

Baptised Recently

Logan James and Theo Hudson Bantleman
Sons of Jamie and Stephanie



Feast Days this Week

Feb 27	Thur	St Gregory of Narek
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Parish Meetings

Parish Pastoral Council

Tuesday, 11th March Parish Centre, 6.45pm

Vinnies

Wednesday, 12th March Parish Centre,
7.30pm

Rosters for 22/23 February, 2025

Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Theresa Spicer Sandra Wren	Sandra Wren	Mary Ann Bombita	Martin Loh	Faye Mitchell Christy Ravanez	Clinton Matthews, Jacob Raymond Kyle Marquis, Aydriel Ratnasekera
Sunday 7.30am	Alan & Yvonne Da Silva	Jenny Mills	Greg Drew	Larry Cavallo	Rod McAtee Lorna Mitchell	Diobett Bangayan, Ethan Nguyen Richardson Saw, Rosemary Saw
Sunday 9.30am	Daniel Tomlinson Francis Xavier	Paige Jacob	Cecilia Jacob	Nigel Hayward	Alex Liyanage Bec Malagui-Hicks	Gei Long Ya Kintha, Alisha Liyanage Julia Marano, Brooklyn Minn Marina Morales, Alexander Paesu
Tellers this week: Daniel & Jo Tomlinson, Darryl Le Guay				Tellers next week: Jim & Anne Brink, Kerry Keys		

Rosters for 1/2 March, 2025

Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 6.00pm	Faye Mitchell King Oreste	Pam Davies	Volunteer	Colin Loh	Christy Ravanez Bridget Soh	Carl Agus, Lacey Beacher Melanie Beacher, Caleb Mahama
Sunday 7.30am	Jackie Hall Bette Lyra	Chloé Pereira-Smith	Inoka Ratnasekera	Geoff Mills	Chloe Pereira-Smith Inoka Ratnasekera	Scott Tido, Caleb Watkins Callie Abogado, Jake Antu Tom Antu
Sunday 9.30am	Hanna Allen Jude Ayeni	Helen Magness	Jomy Jose	Lenny Dcruz	Helen Magness Peta Phillips	Patriona Paesu, Azwan Shelvan Justus Shilo, Martin Yatar Sebatson Arylpalan, Carl Borlongan

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Parish Sacramental Program Enrolments

Our thoughts and prayers are with our young people enrolling at Saturday 6pm and Sunday 9.30am Masses this weekend to receive the Sacrament of First Penance, First Eucharist and Confirmation. Let us support these children and their families at this special time in their faith journey through witness and prayer.



Ash Wednesday - Wednesday 5th March

Masses will be celebrated at 9.00am and 7.00pm.
There will be no 8.00 am Mass.



Real men do not do Church wrong....

....But living out your faith can be pretty tough, and most of us need help. If you are a bloke over 18 years, consider this. On the 15th & 16th March 2025 experienced leaders from Men Alive Team will be running a menALIVE weekend here at Our Lady of the Most Blessed Sacrament, in the Parish Centre for Catholic men. Come along and be inspired, encouraged and rediscover God's purpose for your life. Details and registration forms are available in the church foyer. For further information and enquiries, please contact: Daniel Tomlinson, 0403 988 181, danieltomlinson@gmail.com; Vincent Watson, 0406 831 972, vincewtsn@yahoo.com.au; Clement Ayeni, 0420 666 355, clementayeni@gmail.com or Phil Magness, 0424 829 548, philipmagness1956@gmail.com

Metanoia - Lenten Program 2025

Daily reflections for Lent and Easter

*"The Greek word **Metanoia** speaks of a fundamental change in one's mind and heart - a reorientation towards God. Lent is an invitation to **Metanoia**, to confront all that creates distance between God and us, and to embrace the path of mercy and hope."* Most Rev Brian G Mascord DD, Bishop of Wollongong. Now available in the foyer.



RCIA

Considering being Catholic? If so, you are not alone. Other adults and young people are doing so, beginning to explore what being a Catholic Christian means today. Committing yourself to Christ may be the most important decision of your life. Come on the journey to discover why. Parishioners are encouraged to invite family members or friends to consider taking this step. Speak to Fr Brennan, contact the parish office or Gen De Souza 0408 717 809 to express interest.



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.

Wanted: Your Old Palms

Please bring your old palms from last year's Palm Sunday celebration. These will be burned for ashes for Ash Wednesday. A box is in the foyer to receive the palms.



Charismatic Prayer Group

The Prayer group meets Thursday evenings, 7.15pm in the church. All are welcome to join us as we worship our Lord, Jesus Christ, and share His gospel among us. We gather together also to discover the power of the Holy Spirit available to each one of us. ... come and see! For further details please phone Dan Hewitt on 0409 849 049.



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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This month, we welcomed a new volunteer to the Vinnies' Team. Many hands make light work and, if you have a couple of hours to spare a week or a month, please join us at our next Meeting in the Parish Hall at 7.30 pm on Wednesday 12th March to explore the various options open to you. God Bless

Golden Age Club



The next Club Day will be in the Parish Centre Tuesday 25th February 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.

Jubilee Year 2025 Place Of Grace And Pilgrimage Schoenstatt Shrine

All Catholics are encouraged during the Jubilee Year 2025 to undertake a Pilgrimage. In the Archdiocese of Perth, the Schoenstatt Shrine at Mt Richon has been designated as a place of Grace and Pilgrimage. Schoenstatt means a beautiful place. The Schoenstatt shrine is nestled among an expanse of grounds and natural bushland, providing an atmosphere of peace and tranquility. The mission of the Schoenstatt Marian Movement is to bring the presence of Christ to all we meet, discovering God's love in every person, in all creation and in every event of our lives. To arrange a parish or individual pilgrimage during 2025 please contact Sr Lisette on 0400 234 910.

Charismatic Renewal Opening Year Mass - Friday 28th February

Catholic Charismatic Renewal will hold our Opening Year Mass at Holy Family Church, Thelma St, Como, commencing with Prayer & Praise at 7.30pm, followed by the Mass. Come along to celebrate the beginning of this wonderful year with the Lord and to ask His abundant blessings on us all. Please invite family and friends and bring a plate for a light supper, if possible. For further information contact Dan 0409 849 049 or daniel.hewitt5@bigpond.com. See notice board flyer.

St Mary's Cathedral Tour Guides Information Event

Thursday 20th March 2025, 10:30am

Ever wanted to have a tour of our beautiful Cathedral, St Mary's? We are looking to expand our tour guide numbers and our very enthusiastic band of volunteers who conduct these tours of the Cathedral are having an 'Open Day' for those individuals who are available during the week and would like to find out more of what is involved in the Ministry. Join us for a tour followed by a light morning tea in the Cathedral's Parish Centre. You'll be able to ask questions, meet the other guides and perhaps decide to join us. Your commitment would only be determined by your availability and may be just one tour every month or so for approximately 1hr. All necessary training and resources are provided. To register your attendance, or for more information, please contact Carol Young (Tour Guide Co-ordinator) on 0417 097 455, or email caroly7@bigpond.com.

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.

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