#### THE GOOD SHEPHERD ALWAYS LISTENS

The image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd tenderly carrying a sheep on his shoulders was one of the earliest images of Jesus in Christian art. It was found in the Roman catacombs, the ancient cemeteries outside the city of Rome where the early Christian martyrs were buried. It has remained a much-loved image of Jesus throughout the centuries.

Jesus teaches "I am the Good Shepherd" in this week's reading from the Gospel of John. Hence, this Fourth Sunday of Easter is traditionally known as Good Shepherd Sunday.

In the reading Jesus speaks evocatively of the relationship between the good shepherd and the sheep of his flock. "The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice; I know them and they follow me." The good shepherd knows his sheep so well that he knows them by name! They know him. They listen to his voice. He cares for them. They trust him. He leads them. They follow him. Indeed, the good shepherd, unlike a hired hand, lays down his life for his sheep. It is a relationship of trust, faithfulness, steadfast care and unwavering love.

Jesus goes on to speak just as evocatively of the relationship between himself and the Father: "My Father who has given them [the sheep] to me is greater than anyone, and no one can steal from the Father's hand. The Father and I are one."

The Father and I are one: this is an astonishing claim! Indeed, it will heighten the animosity in those religious authorities who oppose Jesus and escalate the already growing tension that will ultimately lead to his death.

In declaring that "the Father and I are one," Jesus is identifying himself with the God of Israel, the Shepherd whose praises resound in today's Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 99): "God, he made us, we belong to him; we are his people, the sheep of his flock."

That "the Father and I are one" means that Jesus, the good shepherd, is the very image of the Father, as Good Shepherd.

This much-loved image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd and our reading from John's Gospel remind us to keep our eyes on him, to listen to him, to follow him, and to hold firm to our faith and our trust in him. He is truly the Good Shepherd. He has laid down his life for us. His resurrection is the promise of ours. He calls us to live lives of faith, hope and charity, caring for our neighbour and for all creation.

As we prayed in the Responsorial Psalm, let us rejoice and be glad, for "how good is the Lord, eternal his merciful love. He is faithful from age to age." We are his people, the sheep of his flock. Alleluia.

And on this Mothers' Day, let us also give thanks for our mothers, and for all those people in our lives who have cared for us and shepherded us on life's journey.

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#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

#### Tuesday to Friday 9.00am - 1.30pm

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#### 11th May, 2025

4th Sunday of Easter

Year C

White

#### **Today's Readings**

Acts 13:14, 43-52 Revelation 7:9, 14-17 John 10:27-30

18th May, 2025

5th Sunday of Easter Year C

White

**Today's Readings** 

Acts 14:21-27

Revelation 21:1-5

John 13:31-35

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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 <b>SIX MONTHS</b> notice for preparation etc				



#### The Month of May, The Month Of Mary

Within the cycle of a year, the Church unfolds the whole of the mystery of Christ, from his incarnation and birth until his ascension, the day of Pentecost, and the expectation of blessed hope and of the Lord's return.. in celebrating this annual cycle of Christ's mysteries, the Church honours with special love Mary, the Mother of God, who is joined by an inseparable bond to the saving work of her Son. In her the Church holds up and admires the most excellent effect of the redemption and joyfully

contemplates, as in a flawless image, that which the Church itself desires and hopes wholly to be. CS 102, 103 We invite you to pray the Rosary everyday this month.

#### Safeguarding Our Children

Parents, thanks for bringing your children to Mass. Please make sure you accompany your child when they go to the toilets and stay with them when they are outside.

#### Praying For You



#### **Our Sick**

Adrienne Sweeney, Michele King, Warren Hoskins, Alfredo Barbuzza, Kathleen Mansfield, Maria Siciliano, Susanne Carroll, 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



Feast Days this Week							
May 12	Mon	Sts Nereus & Achilleus,					
		St Pancras					
13	Tue	Our Lady of the Most					
		Blessed Sacrament,					
		Our Lady of Fatima					
14	Wed	St Matthias, Apostle					

#### **Parish Meetings**

#### **Parish Pastoral Council**

Tuesday, 13th May Parish Centre, 6.45pm

#### Vinnies

Wednesday, 14th May Parish Centre, 7.30pm

Rosters for 10/11 May, 2025									
Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers			
Saturday 6.00pm	Mercy Burton Rosa Ford	Joshua Mahamu	Faye Mitchell	Richard Serrano	Carina Limgenco Ludette Van Der Spil	Joshua Manda, Clinton Matthews, Aydriel Ratnasekera, Kyle Marquis			
Sunday 7.30am	Wendie Almen Jennifer Barnes	Franklin D'Cruz	Greg Drew	Larry Cavallo	Diana Chong Volunteer	Scott Tido, Caleb Watkins Callie Abogado, Jake Antu Tom Antu			
Sunday 9.30am	Maureen Byrne Leslie Dcruz	Leslie Dcruz	Ben Gradisen	Dan Hewitt	Bec Malagui-Hicks Peta Phillips	Thejus Jojo, Olivia Justin Aung Kintha, Gei Long Ya Kintha Alisha Liyanage, Julia Marano			
Tellers tl	his week: Chloe Pereira	-Smith, Prisca Pereira,	Robert Szlezak	Tellers next week: Daniel & Jo Tomlinson, Darryl Le Guay					
	Rosters for 17/18 May, 2025								
Mass	Greeters	Reader	Commentator	Acolyte	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers			
Saturday 6.00pm	Theresa Spicer Sandra Wren	Jemima Pinto	Natasha Pinto	Graham Maher	Vivian Loh Christy Ravanez	Jacob Raymond, Carl Agus Lacey Beacher, Melanie Beacher			
Sunday 7.30am	Basel Black Franklin Dcruz	Jenny Mills	Geoff Mills	Geoff Mills	Sue Frawley Russell Lally	Bionney Bangayan, Rosemary Saw Diobett Bangayan, Ethan Nguyen Richardson Saw			
Sunday 9.30am	Bec & Keanu Malagui-Hicks	Ciara Jacob	Cecilia Jacob	Phillip Magness	Silvana Sciorilli Robert Szlezak	Brooklyn Minn, Marina Morales Alexander Paesu, Patrina Paesu Azwan Shelvan, Justus Shilo			



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#### Happy Mothers Day

Month of Mary our heavenly Mother. We give thanks and praise to the Lord our God for all our beautiful mothers, young and old.

Many thanks and best wishes today and always.

**catholic** Next Weekend's Catholic Mission Appeal will invite you to partner with our missionaries in Zambia to help vulnerable women overcome poverty and to give birth safely. Your gift will also assist many other similar Catholic Mission programmes throughout the developing world. Please give generously by using the appeal envelope provided, or going online at <a href="https://www.catholicmission.org.au//see-our-work-in-action/mission">www.catholicmission.org.au//see-our-work-in-action/mission</a>. Should you be keen to support the work of Catholic Mission through a bequest, or as a volunteer, or in other ways, please email Francis Leong at <a href="mailto:fleong@catholicmission.org.au">fleong@catholicmission.org.au</a> to explore the possibilities.

#### Men's Social Event

All men in the parish are invited to a social evening in the parish hall. We are planning a pizza and movie night for Friday, the 23rd of May, at 7 pm. We are looking forward to a great night of fun, food and fellowship. Cost is \$10. Please register via the sign-up sheet in the Church foyer or text Dan Tomlinson on 0403 988 181. We look forward to seeing you there!

#### **Bible Study - The Letter of James**

A 6-session presentation to be held at St Emilies Church, 151 Amherst Rd, Canning Vale, over 6 consecutive Saturdays, 3rd May - 7th June, 10.00am - 12.00 noon. This is an exciting new approach to bible study which is not so academically focused, but seeks to discover how God wants to heal and to guide us, and to invigorate our faith! The course will be presented by Catholic Charismatic Renewal Chairman, Dan Hewitt. Further queries to Dan on 0409 849 049 or <a href="mailto:daniel.hewitt5@bigpond.com">daniel.hewitt5@bigpond.com</a>.

#### **Catechists and Assistants Needed**

We are still looking for catechists and assistant catechists for our after school Religious Education program. Training will be provided. You will initially be held in reserve and called when needed. Please see Fr Brennan.

#### Thank you for supporting Project Compassion 2025

Thank you to all that have already bought in your Project Compassion box or envelope. If you still have these at home, please return them next week at Mass. You can still donate by scanning the QR code or securely online at: <a href="mailto:caritas.org.au/project-compassion">caritas.org.au/project-compassion</a> or by calling: 1800 024 413.

Jubilee Year Experience in Kalgoorlie: St Paul, Pilgrim of Hope

Join us on a journey of encounter and conversion, explore the theology and mission of Paul, the Apostle of Hope, during this Jubilee Year pilgrimage in Kalgoorlie. Led by Fr Errol Lobo, this experience blends study, prayer, and reflection with the local Catholic community. Includes optional daily Mass and stops at Merredin, Southern Cross, and Coolgardie, and visits to historic sites such as the Super Pit, the Goldfields Museum, Mt Charlotte and Kalkurla Bushland Park. For more information and to register email cfe@perthcatholic.org.au, phone (08) 9278 0261 or scan QR code.

#### **New Rosters - Extraordinary Ministers and Acolytes**

Safeguarding

The roster covering the period for June to September 2025, is soon to be drawn up. If you are aware that you will be away for any extended period during this time, please contact the Parish Office so new rosters may be ready for collection mid September. Phone: 9398 2331 or email: secretary@gosnellsparish.org.au

#### **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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#### **Gosnells Youth**

Come join the Gosnells Youth on the 16th of May for our third event! WOOT WOOT! There will be fun games, of-course our delicious foods, and most importantly our faithful reflections. Feel free to invite your friends as well. Please register via sign up sheet in the Church foyer, Google Forms, by texting Veronica Ayeni on 0424 812 632 or email us at <a href="mailto:gosnellsyouth@gmail.com">gosnellsyouth@gmail.com</a>. Just make sure you register by the 15th of May. See you all there!!

#### Golden Age Club

The next Club Day is in the Parish Centre Tuesday, 13th May 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

# come.

#### St Vincent de Paul

SVDP asks for your help with our Poor Box. Pick up a strong, sturdy, non-branded shopping bag in exchange for a Gold Coin donation. Only a limited number of bags available. God Bless!



#### **Volunteer Thanksgiving Mass - National Volunteer Week**

As part of National Volunteer Week, we will honour the invaluable contributions of our volunteers in the Catholic Archdiocese of Perth under the theme "Connecting Communities." Join us in thanking these dedicated individuals for their selfless service with Auxiliary Bishop Don Sproxton who will celebrate the Eucharist. To all volunteers, you are cordially invited to a Eucharistic celebration on Sunday, 25 May 2025, at 11am Mass at St Mary's Cathedral, followed by light refreshments at the Parish Centre. Please advise us of your attendance and dietary restrictions via <a href="https://www.trybooking.com/CZTLP">https://www.trybooking.com/CZTLP</a> at the latest Sunday, 11th May. We look forward to seeing you there as we come together in gratitude and unity.

#### 2025 Pathway Program Booklet - Centre for Faith Enrichment

Are you interested in deepening your knowledge of Theology and obtaining formal recognition of your studies in university? The Pathway Program may be the avenue for you! Scan the QR code or pick up your copy of the Program Booklet from the church foyer. This Pathway Program is for CFE who want to attain a formal Diploma of Theology which will be awarded through UNDA.

#### **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. Coming Weekends:

- 24/25 May at Corpus Christi College (live-out)
- 26/27 July at Bunbury Catholic College (live-out). Give yourselves a "just us" weekend away.
- 7 9 November at the Vincentian Retreat Centre, Karrakup (live-in)
   A WWME Weekend may be the best gift you can give to each other. For bookings or more information about coming Weekends contact Brendon or Valerie on
   0493 534 865, email <a href="www.wwme.org.au">WAbookings@wwme.org.au</a> or visit <a href="www.wwme.org.au">www.wwme.org.au</a>

#### 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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