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Weekend Masses Saturday 6.00pm, Sunday 8.30am & 10.00am **Weekday Masses**: Tuesday – Friday 9.00am
Reconciliation: Saturday 5.00pm - 5.30pm **Adoration:** Thursdays 9.30am-10.30am



32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A — SUNDAY, 8TH NOVEMBER 2026

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON
Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord

FIRST READING *Wisdom 6:12-16*
Wisdom is bright and does not grow dim. By those who love her she is readily seen and found by those who look for her. Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them. Watch for her early and you will have no trouble; you will find her sitting at your gates. Even to think about her is understanding fully grown; be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you. She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her and graciously shows herself to them as they go, in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.
1. God, you are my God for you I long; for you my soul is thirsting. My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water.
2. So, I gaze on you in your sanctuary to see your strength and your glory. For your love is better than life, my lips will speak your praise.
3. So, I will bless you all my life, in your name I will life up my hands. My soul shall be filled as with a banquet my mouth shall praise you with joy.
4. On my bed I remember you. On you I muse through the night for you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings, I rejoice.

SECOND READING *1 Thessalonians 4: 13-18*
We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him.
We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So, we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
Alleluia, alleluia!
Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL *Matthew 25:1-13*
Jesus told this parable to his disciples: "The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as the lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, 'The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him.' At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, 'Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out.' But they replied, 'There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves.' They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. 'Lord, Lord,' they said, 'open the door for us.' But he replied, 'I tell you solemnly, I do not know you.' So, stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour."

COMMUNION ANTIPHON
The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.

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NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A
Proverbs 31:10-13,19-20,30-31
Ps 127: 1-5. R. v. 1
Thessalonians 5: 1-6
Matthew 25: 14-30

PLEASE TAKE BULLETIN HOME TO READ

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THE PARISH WEEK AHEAD

Monday 9th November
9.00am No Mass

Tuesday 10th November
9.00am Mass

Wednesday 11th November
9.00am Mass

Thursday 12th November
9.00am Mass
9.30am-10.30am Adoration

Friday 13th November
9.00am Mass

Saturday 14th November
5.00-5.30pm Reconciliation
6.00pm Mass

Sunday 15th November
33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time
8.30am Mass (Morning Tea)
10.00am Mass (Morning Tea)

CHRISTMAS EVE CHILDREN'S NATIVITY MASS

Inviting all the children to take part in singing and in the nativity play. If your child is interested please fill out slip provided in the foyer.

HOLY FAMILY CARE

To be involved or seeking more information about this outreach ministry or know anyone who may need some care, please contact Rose on 0451 191 944 or the office staff.

RETREAT - NEW NORCIA - APRIL 2027

The 4th Ave Prayer Group is planning a 2-day Retreat in New Norcia next year. 10 parishioners are booked to attend. There are places available to join them. There will be prayer, reflection, prayer time with the Monks in their chapel, discussion, good food and a comfortable bed; and, hopefully, a talk by a Monk.
Date: Friday evening 2nd April till Sunday afternoon 4th April 2027.
Cost: $160 per night – covers accom & all meals. (We can help with the cost if money is a difficulty.)
If you are interested in attending, please contact Tony Bray 0450 226 679 or Tony Pires 0418 900 046 within the next 3 weeks. We need to reserve places, as the Monastery Guest house is in high demand.

THE OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF THE ARCHBISHOP'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL FOR LIFELINK

LIFELINK is being held this weekend. If you did not receive an envelope last weekend, please take an envelope that have been placed on the pews this week. We ask you to give generously to help care for our brothers and sisters who are struggling in the community. You can also donate securely online at www.LifeLink.com.au

AFTER HOURS ACCESS

Parish have new electronic door locks for after-hours access. These locks are on the 'front door' and the 'side door'. If you require after-hours access, please email the office advising:
1. Why you require access
2. A personal 4-digit passcode.
3. If access is for front or side door
The current lockbox & key system will soon be removed.

ADVENT - OUR PATH TO CHRISTMAS

Parish Prayer / Discussion program is planned as we prepare for Christmas. Four evening sessions Wed 25th November till Wed 16th December, 7pm- 9pm in the Parish hall, for all aged 16 to 95. Supper included.
* Reflect together on Sunday readings
* Pray together
* Listen to Reflections
Register on the sheet in the foyer, to help with supper.

LIGHTING OF ADVENT CANDLE

Families who wish to take part in lighting the Advent candle during Sunday Masses are invited to add their names to the sign-up sheet on the Children's Liturgy noticeboard in the foyer.

MASS TIME SURVEY

There is a very short survey regarding feedback of the Saturday vigil mass changing to 5.00pm. The survey is in the foyer this week for you to complete and put in the general drop box. We will place this survey on the pews next week once the Lifelink Appeal is concluded.

MASS INTENTION REQUESTS

Parishioners who wish to offer Mass for special intentions, are warmly invited to contact Yunita Lay - Pastoral assistant.

During the month of November, all weekday and weekend masses are offered for all the departed souls. Parishioners are invited to write the names of their dearly departed in "The Book of the Names of the Dead." Throughout November, the book will be placed in front of the altar in remembrance. If you wish to make an offering, please refer to the noticeboard in the foyer for mass intention instructions.

THE POWER OF PRAYER LIST

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Norah Langshaw, Waminda Residents, Dragutin Markovic, Daisy Givens, Nadia O'Brien, Mary Hippolite, Reg & Joyce Groutsch, Ed Devereux, Heather Jordan, Ng Choon Bee, Ng Chai Hong, Caroline, Wayne, Ethan, Liam & Scarlett, Sonali, Sachini, Fe Fontanini, Michael, Nadia, Annie, Reg & May, Margaret & Arthur, Rhys, Brit, David, Anne Armstrong, Elaine Newman, Helen Peters, Canada family, Sarah, Molly, Fred, Patrick, Louise, Chris, Aria, David Rowe, Familia Becerra, Famia Cerinca, Annemarie, Jessie Amphlett, Barbara Kenny, Margaret Abbott, Serafini Family, Cain Family, Regina, Linda, Beverley Loraine, Fr Carroll, Maria O'Connor, Chris Lowry, Aldrin & Adrian Ong, Troisi family, Jean, Antonette, George, Declan & Family, John Joyce, Richard Newman, Kelley Mark, Eduardo & Mario Gomez, Anderson family, Vincent Scanlan, Sanderson family, Anna Alfonso, Samantha Wylie, Troy Skopelitis, Eliora Wijaya, Sophie, James, Toczylowski family, Lynne Klomp, Rena Widita, Stonowski family, Tan Ay Lian, Pam O'Connell, Beatrice & Nora Johnson, Jono, Darren, Michael R, Mitch Leonardo, Maria Ho, April Latoja, David Ford, Ced DeSouza, Darryn, Sean Crosby, Yik Hu Wei, Jason Hiew, Katherine, Erica Fonseca, Valerie, Bony Limas, Mary N, Theresa, Samantha Grace, Philomee Noronha, Abin Davis, Tom Core, Irene Winch, Winnie So, Elaine, Vera, Shien, Marie, Shauna, Jem Robin, Raven & A'Tei Carinan, Joan Mason, Nicole Yardley, Lachlan, Jason Hiew, Noah Hiew Birgita, Cecilia, Michael L&D, Anne Tiernan, Martina Keville, Michelle Chin, Richard Bonser, Peter Quinn, Michell Chin, Michael Zechulich, Marie, Moran Family, Winnie So, Shauna C, Shien C, Marie C, Jenn Robin, Jenn Rayen, Mondonedo Family, Marie & Phil Lacy

ADVENT BOOKLETS - $5.00 each

We still have a few Advent booklets available in the foyer. Please place cash in the barrel or use the tap-n-go machine for the 2nd collection.

WORLD YOUTH DAY

Interested parishioners can meet and greet fortnightly in the parish hall. Please contact Fr Dat for more information.

GOSPEL REFLECTION

Today's Gospel offers us a story regarding the meaning of life of each person. It is the parable of the ten virgins, called to go out to meet the bridegroom. Living is this: a grand preparation for the day when we will be called to go to Jesus! However, in the parable of the ten virgins, five are wise and five foolish. Let us see what constitutes wisdom and foolishness. Wisdom in life, and foolishness in life.

All those bridesmaids are there to welcome the bridegroom, that is, they want to meet him, just as we too desire a happy fulfilment of life: the difference between wisdom and foolishness is therefore not in goodwill. Nor does it lie in the punctuality with which they arrive at the meeting: they were all there. The difference between the wise and the foolish is another: preparation. The text says: the wise "took flasks of oil with their lamps"; the foolish, on the other hand, did not. Here is the difference: the oil. And what is one of the characteristics of the oil? That it cannot be seen it is inside the lamps, it is not conspicuous, but without it the lamps have no light. Let us look at ourselves, and we will see that our life runs the same risk: many times, we are very careful about our appearance. The important thing is to take good care of one's image, to make a good impression in front of others.

But Jesus says that the wisdom of life lies elsewhere: in taking care of what cannot be seen, but which is more important, taking care of the heart. Nurturing the inner life. This means knowing how to stop and listen to one's heart, to keep watch over one's own thoughts and feelings. How many times are we unaware of what has happened in our heart in that day? What happens within each one of us? The Gospel gives us the right advice so not to neglect the oil of inner life, the "oil of the soul": it tells us that it is important to prepare it. And in the account, we see, in fact, that the virgins already possess the lamps, but they must prepare the oil: they must go to the sellers, buy it, put it in the lamps. It is the same for us: the inner life cannot be improvised, it is not a matter of a moment, of once in a while, of once and for all; the inner life must be prepared by dedicating a little time every day, with constancy, as one does for every important thing.

So, we can ask ourselves: what am I preparing at this moment in life? Within myself, what am I preparing?

In short, how is the oil of my soul? Each one of us, let us ask ourselves this: how is the oil of my soul? Do I nourish it, do I keep it well?

12.11.2023, Angelus St Peters Square

PARISH FINANCE

WESTPAC ACCOUNT CLOSURE

The parish banking has been transferred to NAB. Please update your details below.

PARISH BANKING DETAILS

1st Collection Account

Bank: NAB **BSB:** 086-006 **Acc Number:** 331 331 103

2nd Collection Account

Bank: NAB **BSB:** 086-006 **Acc Number:** 839 893 940

See noticeboard for more information.

ARCHDIOCESAN NEWS

CHRIST THE KING YOUTH FESTIVAL

OFFICIAL LAUNCH OF WORLD YOUTH DAY SEOUL 2027

Catholic Youth Ministry warmly invites you to join us at St Mary's Cathedral for Christ the King Youth Festival and the ***official archdiocesan launch of our journey to World Youth Day Seoul 2027!***

This annual diocesan celebration is a chance for our community to come together in faith and friendship and It's completely FREE!

The night begins with a Youth Mass, followed by a Youth Festival. Join us as we celebrate Christ the King, enjoy an unforgettable night together as we officially begin our journey towards World Youth Day Seoul 2027!

EVENT DETAILS

Sunday 22 November 2026 - Youth Mass 5.00pm followed by the Youth Festival 6pm-9pm

Register online at www.christtheking.cym.com.au

Please note: This is a public all ages event. Participants under the age of 18 must be accompanied by a parent, guardian, or designated adult, duty of care for minors will not be provided.

If you would like to get involved and volunteer for the event, please put in your expression of interest below:

https://events.humanitix.com/christ-the-king-volunteer-eoi

40TH ANNIVERSARY - POPE ST JOHN PAUL II ADDRESS TO ABORIGINAL & TORRES STRAIT ISLANDERS PEOPLES

2026 marks the 40th Anniversary of this important address. The address was a pivotal moment because it spoke not only to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, but to the whole Church in Australia. Join the Archdiocese of Perth and Catholic Education WA in celebrating this significant anniversary

When: Sunday, 29 November 2026

Where: Catholic Education Centre, 50 Ruislip St, Leederville

Time: 4.45 pm. 5.00 pm start, concluding at 6.45 pm

Celebrate the Liturgy of the Word with the Most Rev Donald Sproxton, Auxiliary Bishop of Perth and Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Elders and listen to excerpts from the Address.

A sausage sizzle and cool drink will be available for purchase, with all funds raised going towards the Archbishop's 2026 Christmas Lifelink Appeal.

We hope that you can join us.

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES - CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF PERTH

The Catholic Archdiocese of Perth has employment opportunities for suitably qualified persons to join its team and continue the good work of the Church. For details on how to apply online, please see the noticeboard in the foyer or visit the Archdiocese website www.perthcatholic.org.au/Employment.htm

CHILDREN'S CORNER

Give Me Oil In My Lamp

Therefore keep watch, because you do not know the day or the hour. Matthew 25:13 (NIV)

Based on Matthew 25:1-13 (NIV)



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MIDNIGHT	WEDDING	TRIMMED	RANG	KINGDOM
BRIDEGROOM	LAMPS	WISE	WATCH	COME
DOOR	ASLEEP	HEAVEN	OIL	WOKE



It is easy to be ready for something to happen when we know the day and time to expect it. Today Jesus explains that we must always be ready for his return, even though no one knows when he will be coming.

LET US PRAY

Lord Jesus, we know that one day you will return, and we will be with you
in heaven. Help us to make each day our best, so that we will always be ready to greet you when you come.

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		SATURDAY 6.00PM	SUNDAY 8.30AM	SUNDAY 10.00AM
COMMENTATOR / READER				
7th/8th November	32nd Sunday in Ordinary time	C. Helen Mason R. Carolyn Watson EMHC Christina Sidi	C. Peter Messer R. Annette Newman EMHC Sible Rozario	C. Jennifer Low R. Tony Pires EMHC Muray Rosenberg
14th/15th November	33rd Sunday in Ordinary time	C. Carolyn Watson R. Helen Mason EMHC Margaret Loraine	C. Alex Wu R. Marianne Taylor EMHC Carem Carrasco	C. Fiona Wee R. Cecilia Bray EMHC Vicki Ha
ACOLYTES				
7th/8th November	32nd Sunday in Ordinary time	Hasan Sidi	Shajy Vadukoot	James Chong
14th/15th November	33rd Sunday in Ordinary time	Dimitrio Sidi	John Nemwan	Tony Bray



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