

Holy Family Parish Bulletin

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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – Year C



Sunday 31st August 2025

The Liturgy of the Word

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long. O Lord, you are good and forgiving, full of mercy to all who call to you.

FIRST READING

Sirach 3:17-20.28-29

My son, be gentle in carrying out your business, and you will be better loved than a lavish giver. The greater you are, the more you should behave humbly, and then you will find favour with the Lord; for great though the power of the Lord is, he accepts the homage of the humble. There is no cure for the proud man's malady, sin and evil growth has taken root in him. The heart of a sensible man will reflect on parables, an attentive ear is the sage's dream.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

R. God, in your goodness, you have made a home for the poor.

SECOND READING

Hebrews 12:18-19.22-24

What you have come to is nothing known to the senses: not a blazing fire, or a gloom turning to total darkness, or a storm; or trumpeting thunder or the great voice speaking which made everyone that heard it beg that no more should be said to them. But what you have come to is Mount Zion and the city of the living God, the heavenly Jerusalem where the millions of angels have gathered for the festival, with the whole Church in which everyone is a 'first-born son' and a citizen of heaven. You have come to God himself, the supreme Judge, and been placed with spirits of the saints who have been made perfect; and to Jesus, the mediator who brings a new covenant.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Take my yoke upon you; learn from me, for I am gentle and lowly in heart. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Luke 14:1.7-14

Now on the sabbath day he had gone for a meal to the house of one of the leading Pharisees; and they watched him closely. He then told a parable, because he had noticed how they picked the places of honour. He said this, 'When someone invites you to a wedding feast, do not take your seat in the place of honour. A more distinguished person than you may have been invited, and the person who invited you both may come and say, "Give up your place to this man". And then, to your embarrassment, you would have to go and take the lowest place. No; when you are a guest, make your way to the lowest place and sit there, so that, when your host comes, he may say, "My friend, move up higher". In that way, everyone with you at the table will see you honoured. For everyone who exalts himself will be humbled, and the man who humbles himself will be exalted.' Then he said to his host, 'When you give a lunch or a dinner, do not ask your friends, brothers, relations or rich neighbours, for fear they repay your courtesy by inviting you in return. No; when you have a party, invite the poor, the crippled, the lame, the blind; that they cannot pay you back means that you are fortunate, because repayment will be made to you when the virtuous rise again.'

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

How great is the goodness, Lord, that you keep for those who fear you.

Next Sunday's Readings:
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wisdom 9:13-18

Psalm 89:3-6, 12-14, 17

Philemon 9:10. 12-17

Luke 14:25-33



PARISH DIARY

1st – 7th September 2025

MONDAY 1st September

9.00am No Mass

TUESDAY 2nd September

9.00am Mass

WEDNESDAY 3rd September

9.00am Mass

THURSDAY 4th September

9.00am Mass

9.30am-10.30am Adoration

FRIDAY 5th September

9.00am Mass

SATURDAY 6th September

5.00-5.30pm Reconciliation

6.00pm Mass

SUNDAY 7th September

FATHER'S DAY

23rd Sunday of Ordinary time

8.30am Mass (Morning Tea)

10.00am Mass (Morning Tea)



Fathers' Day Raffle DRAWN TODAY after 10am Mass

There are 2 hampers to be won

Tickets are:

1 for \$2

3 for \$5

8 for \$10

20 for \$20

A Line Draw is also available for \$2 to win a bottle of prosecco
Get in quick for your last chance to win a hamper for Dad for Fathers Day



TODAY IS SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

This year, the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement is titled:

"Signs of Hope on the Edge – Serving Homeless People with Mental Ill-Health"

On this Social Justice Sunday, Australia's Bishops invite us to seriously consider our Christian responsibility to those who are in homelessness and mental ill-health. Like Jesus, we are to "offer service, to our sister and brother created in the image of God."

You can download the 2025-2026 Social Justice Statement at:

<https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/>



HEALING PRAYERS

An accredited Archdiocesan Catholic Charismatic prayer team, Keith and Colleen Morgan, is offering their ministry to support our parishioners who seek comfort, hope, and healing, whether in body, mind, or spirit. The prayer session takes just 5 to 15 minutes and will be held in private at the front of the chancel after a weekend Mass, once a month. If you are interested, please sign the sheet in the foyer or contact the parish office, indicating your preferred time: The plan is to pilot this in September.



The Novena for Our Lady of Good Health commenced Thurs 28th August during morning rosary. This Novena will be held before each weekday mass, concluding Fri 5th September. All parishioners welcome to attend.



CAN YOU PLAY THE PIANO, KEYBOARD OR ORGAN?

The music ministry is looking for anyone who can play the organ, piano or keyboard and available to play at the Saturday night mass. If you are interested in joining this ministry, please contact the office if you are interested on 94505921 or como@perthcatholic.org.au

MASS INTENTIONS:

Recently Deceased: Clinton Marriott

Norah Langshaw, Waminda Residents, Dragutin Markovic, Daisy Givens, Nadia O'Brien, Mary & Ben Bianchini, Mary Hippolite, Reg & Joyce Groutsch, Ed Devereux, Heather Jordan, Ng Choon Bee, Ng Chai Hong, Paddy Embry, Caroline, Wayne, Ethan, Liam & Scarlett, Sonali, Sachini, Fe Fontanini, Kerry & John Hardwick, Jake Manricks, Michael, Nadia, Adrian, Annie, Reg & May, Margaret & Arthur, Edith Johnson, Rhys, Brit, David, Anne Armstrong, Elaine Newman, Helen Peters, Carmel, Msgr Brian O'Loughlin, Rosa Canada, Eileen Teuchert, Mercedes Rivera, Nelly Baez, June Robertson, Teresa Garcia, Yvonne Druce, M Love, Mel L, Brian Jarvis, Jeffry Zoysa, Karin Holly Grant, Giorgia Schmalkuche, Yolanda, Sarah, Molly, Fred, Mark, James, Chris, Doris Teo, Ben, Bahar, Margaret, L H Lee, Albert, Natasha Sanderson, Mark Oh, Hayley VanDerHeyden, Carey family, Daniel, Sanjana & family, Andrew Sanderson, Patricia Whyte, James Chandler, Nubia William, Aura Diego, Familia Becerra, Fania Cerinca, Annemarie MacPherson, Gladys, Gloria, Hector, Cristina-Miriam, Bill Staude, Ong Ay Hwa, Barbara Kenny, Sergio Manricks, Maggie Doyle

FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

On Sunday, 14th September we celebrate the Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross.



The Feast of the Exaltation of the Holy Cross invites the faithful to look upon the One who was lifted up, drawing all people to himself. Please wear **RED** and bring along your crucifix or cross and place them on the table at the altar for Father to bless.

NEXT PARISH PILGRIMAGE

Our 2nd parish pilgrimage will on Monday 29th September, at St John Paul II in Banksia Grove & St Anthony's in Wanneroo. Please fill in a slip & place in the general drop box in the foyer if you are interested

GLUTEN FREE HOSTS

If you would like to receive a gluten free host, **please contact the office** advising what mass you would like to receive the host. 94505921 or email como@perthcatholic.org.au

TAP AND GO MACHINE 1ST AND 2ND COLLECTION

Tap each machine selecting the amount you wish to offer OR insert cash into the 2 cash chutes next to each machine.

PLANNED GIVING CONTRIBUTIONS via DIRECT DEBIT

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A/C number 790041

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NEW DECREE ON MASS INTENTIONS

There is a new clarification of Mass Intentions and collective offerings as decreed by Pope Francis on Easter Sunday this year. This can be viewed on the Vatican website.

<https://www.vaticannews.va>

The announcements in mass and publications of mass offerings for the parish have changed. This change will commence in September as follows:

ANIVERSARY OF DEATH

The names of loved ones on their anniversary will no longer be announced in the mass. The names can be placed in ***"The Mass Offering Book"*** as a perpetual offering each year during that month. This book is to be placed permanently near the Baptismal font during the weekend masses. A prayer will be added to the prayers of the faithful – 'For all those in our ***"Mass Offering Book"***, who's anniversary appears at this time'.

RECENTLY DECEASED

The individual names of loved ones who have recently deceased will be mentioned in the prayers of the faithful and published in the bulletin. If you wish to make an offering to Father, this can be done through the Tap N Go machine in the foyer or handing an envelope to Father on the day. If you have any questions, please contact the office.

One of the late Pope Francis's favourite phrases was "the culture of encounter", which is illustrated perfectly in today's readings. We are called to be attentive to those around us, especially those who suffer in any way. God has always been the friend and champion of those on the edges of society, and our challenge as Christians is to do likewise, no matter our discomfort or fear. In fact, the humble solidarity of Jesus and his followers is how the Gospel comes alive in our time. In the Gospel, Jesus gives a direct example of the culture of encounter. We see how he valued those living in poverty, or with disability. He ate, drank and partied with them, taking the humblest place at the table. Jesus reverses the human tendency to rank people in society and only associate with like people. Rather, it is a privilege to invite those who are poor to our tables; it is not a duty. Something special happens when we are friends with those who are outcast, even when the rewards are not immediately obvious. As a poor church of the poor, how do we demonstrate that we are equal as both guests and hosts? On this Social Justice Sunday, we are encouraged to be pilgrims who find hope on the edges of society. Let us really encounter and listen to those who are living with homelessness and mental ill-health. As Pope Francis said in a homily on 23rd of September 2016, it is "not just seeing, but looking; not just hearing, but listening, not just passing people by, but stopping with them; not just saying 'what a shame, poor people!', but allowing yourself to be moved with compassion; "and then to draw near, to touch and to say: 'Do not weep' and to give at least a drop of life." This is not only personal call, but a challenge to society. The vision in Hebrews, spurs us to urgent action to support and counteract homelessness and mental ill-health right now. The Social Justice Statement concludes: "Together with our homeless sisters and brother, we are all pilgrims of hope. We are on a journey together towards the day when we will all live in happiness in the Father's house. No more suffering, exclusion, loneliness. When we challenge the superficiality and indifference which prevails in society and seek to serve those who are homeless and mentally ill with love and respect, we offer a powerful sign of hope that this day will come"

"In this Jubilee Year, Pope Francis reminded us, as Christians, of our "fundamental vocation to be, in the footsteps of Christ, messengers and builders of hope." We appeal to all Christians to join us in going to the edge of society to befriend our fellow Australians who are living on the streets, who are often struggling with serious mental ill-health, to be signs of hope, to be the good news that God's unfailing loves embraces everyone."

Archbishop Timothy Costelloe, SDB
President, Australia Catholic Bishops Conference

Chief Justice Peter Quinlan to speak at Catholic Man Breakfast Series

The Chief Justice of Western Australia Peter Quinlan will speak at the Catholic Man Breakfast Series hosted by Most Rev. Don Sproston, Auxiliary Bishop of Perth, details as follows: Thursday 11th September 2025, 07:00 - 09:00, Duxton Hotel. Enquiries Ray Gourlay 0408 923 068
Tickets <https://app.tickets.org.au/MA/CMBSPer25>

PATER NOSTER CATHOLIC CHURCH MYAREE MASSIVE BOOK FAIR – THIS WEEKEND

Pater Noster Catholic Church, Cnr Marmion and Evershed Streets, Myaree are having a Massive Book Fair, this Sunday 9am to 3pm. Books just \$2.00 each and EFTPOS available. Tea, coffee and snacks available gold coin donation. *Further info contact Ann Chew*
sacraments@paternostermmyaree.org.au.

EVERY WEDNESDAY EVENING
COMMON GROUND - FAITH EDUCATION FOR YOUNG ADULTS

Wednesdays 6pm to 8.30pm, Catholic Pastoral Centre, 40A Mary St, Highgate (enter through Harold St). Common Ground is a space where Young Adults who share similar values and beliefs come together and belong. Ask questions, share your struggles, and receive encouragement and guidance. Come along!
For more information visit www.cym.com.au.

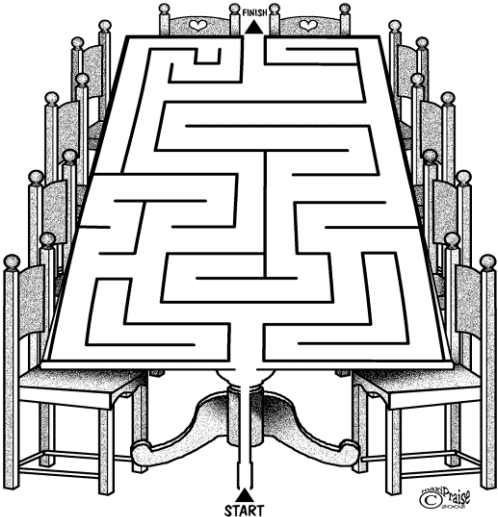
PILGRIMS OF HOPE: GLOW IN THE DARKNESS
"the spiritual quest is a journey without distance. You travel from where you are right now to where you have already been." (Anthony de Mello 2012)

Reality or Illusion. How awake and self-aware are we on our pilgrim journey? In this session employing De Mello's writings, we explore *the freedom of coming home* and the reality of the most radiant light that shines in the darkness.
Date: Thursday 18th September – 9.30am – 3.00pm
Presenter: Geraldine Taylor
Cost: \$40.00 (morning tea provided, bring own lunch)
Registration and enquires: Sr Catherine Warner on 93850684

KIDS' CORNER

The Seat to Take

Move from the bottom of the table to the head. Then you can colour in the maze.



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X	O	R	O	U	C	O	R	R	I
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MEAL	GUESTS	PARABLE
WEDDING	FRIEND	EXALTS
HUMBLD	LUNCH	RELATIONS
REPAY	COURTESY	POOR



WEEKEND ROSTER

		Saturday 6:00 pm	Sunday 8:30 am	Sunday 10:00 am
COMMENTATOR/READER				
30 th / 31 st August	22 nd Sunday in Ord	C. Dimitrio Sidi R. Carolyn Watson EME Linda Hernawati	C. Annette Newman R. Geraldine Taylor EME Murray Rosenberg	C. Rebecca Machado R. Jennifer Low EME Grace Toczylowski
6 th / 7 th September	23 rd Sunday in Ord	C. Sean De Souza R. Kimberley De Souza EMHC Marie Tiley	C. Jill Browne R. Geraldine Taylor EMHC Lyn Hope-Hume	C. Fiona Wee R. Pascale Tin EMHC Carem Carrasco
13 th / 14 th September	24 th Sunday in Ord	C. Michelle Teo R. Amanda Johnson EMHC Christina Sidi	C. Ralph Newton R. Lynne Newton EMHC Jill Browne	C. Cecilia Yap R. Michael Danager EMHC Grace Toczylowski
ACOLYTES				
30 th / 31 st August	22 nd Sunday in Ord	Hasan Sidi	John Newman	Tony Bray
6 th / 7 th September	23 rd Sunday in Ord	Hasan Sidi	Shajy Vadukoot	James Chong
13 th / 14 th September	24 th Sunday in Ord	Dimitrio Sidi	Michael Taylor	Leo Burke
ALTAR SERVER				
30 th / 31 st August	22 nd Sunday in Ord	Elizabeth Morris Hugh Morris	Lilyanna Bell Patrick Newman	Ethan George Delena Tran
6 th / 7 th September	23 rd Sunday in Ord	Elizabeth Morris Hugh Morris	Lilyanna Bell Claudia Taylor-Beard	Martina & Samantha Teran-Carrasco
13 th / 14 th September	24 th Sunday in Ord	Edith Johnson Raegen Tanuwidjaja	No servers	Saheli D'Silva Sierra Ong

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