

Infant Jesus Parish

Under the care of the Discalced Carmelite Friars

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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

24 July 2011

First Reading 1 Kgs 3:5.7-12

A reading from the first book of the Kings

You have asked for wisdom.

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'Lord, my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its numbers cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil, for who could govern this people of yours that is so great?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this. 'Since you have asked for this' the Lord said 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you.'

This is the word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 118:57. 72. 76-77. 127-130. R. v.97

(R.) Lord, I love your commands.

- 1 My part, I have resolved, O Lord, is to obey your word.
The law from your mouth means more to me than silver and gold. (R.)
- 2 Let your love be ready to console me by your promise to your servant.
Let your love come to me and I shall live for your law is my delight. (R.)
- 3 That is why I love your commands more than finest gold.
That is why I rule my life by your precepts:
I hate false ways. (R.)
- 4 Your will is wonderful indeed; therefore I obey it.
The unfolding of your word gives light and teaches the simple. (R.)

Second Reading Rom 8:28-30

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

He predestined us to become true images of his Son.

We know that by turning everything to their good God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those that he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son, so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this; those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory.

This is the word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation See Mt 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;

you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 13:1-23

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

He sells everything he owns and buys the field.

Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.

'Have you understood all this?' They said, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Well, then, every scribe who becomes a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out from his storeroom things both new and old.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



Reflection

by Greg Sunter

The twin parables of today's gospel – the treasure in the field and the pearl of great value – reveal a paradoxical truth about the kingdom of Heaven. Throughout the gospels, Jesus presents the kingdom as 'now but not yet'; as 'present but future.' This paradox is captured in these twin parables. In both cases, the kingdom is likened to something of great value that is discovered but cannot be immediately grasped. In both parables, the finder must go away and sell everything so that they can eventually come to possess the treasure they have discovered.

By comparing this experience with the kingdom of Heaven, Jesus suggests that most of us can only ever catch glimpses of what it means to live in the kingdom. For most of us, only in the future reality of heaven will we ever fully come to understand the kingdom. However, those glimpses that we catch – those moments of inspiration and connection with God and with one another – are like the treasures of the parables. They are enough to inspire us to do what it takes to make sure that we will one day enter into that kingdom reality.

The third parable of this gospel passage reveals yet another truth about the kingdom. The dragnet thrown into the sea is like the message of Jesus – it is flung far and wide and does not discriminate about where it falls or on whom it falls. This parable rounds out the chapter that began with the parable of the sower and the image of casting the net is a neat parallel to the indiscriminate casting of seed. It is not up to the one who casts the net, the seed or the Word. Rather it is up to each individual to determine how they will respond to receiving the Word.

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

God is in his holy dwelling; he will give a home to the lonely, he gives power and strength to his people.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

O bless the Lord, my soul, and remember all his kindness

Dear Parishioners,

Today we welcome Francis Leong, from the Catholic Mission Office, who will speak to us about his work of supporting our missionaries throughout the world. As a missionary priest myself, I understand the importance of the work of Catholic Missions, who provide missionaries in every way—financially, spiritually and practically. Without this support, neither lay or religious missionaries would be able to carry on the work of taking the light of Jesus to our brothers and sisters in the world. I urge you to give generously today and to pray everyday for the men and women who risk even their lives to fulfil the Lord's command to "Go out and share the Good News".

Today after all Masses, we will again have available tickets to the concert by Peter Kearney on Sunday 31st of July. This should be a wonderful and very different way of exploring the life and spirituality of this great Saint, Francis of Assisi - a very worthwhile way to spend a Sunday afternoon. Due to the cold weather, the heating will be on in the church, so that it may be a comfortable experience for us all. Please consider buying a ticket today. - Fr. Sunny

"Good Morning,, Good People" is the name that Peter Kearney has given to his musical presentation which explores the life and spirituality of St. Francis of Assisi. It is being performed around the state, including the Cathedral. This concert has had excellent reviews in the Eastern states and we are very privileged to be able to present the concert here in our own church. Please come and be suprised.!

Peter Kearney's
GOOD MORNING GOOD PEOPLE!

"A Moving and Prayerful Journey"

This unique concert weaves song, music & narration to tell the life of St. Francis of Assisi—an extraordinary and inspiring man. Australian Capuchin-Franciscan priest Fr. Francis Merlino wrote of 'Good Morning Good People': "This is an honest and real presentation of the life of the saint focusing on the important aspects of his life".



"A pilgrimage of the heart through the life of St. Francis of Assisi".

Fr. Phillipe Yates OFM
England

Hosted by the Infant Jesus Parish, Morley
Sunday 31st July at 2pm in the church

Infant Jesus Parish, 47 Wellington Road, Morley

\$10 per person

Devonshire Tea at interval. \$5 p/p

Peter's CDs & Music will also be available for purchase

Tickets available now from the office - enquiries 92768500



**Burmese and Mauritian Communities
Food Fair to Support Construction of
the New Saint Helena of the Holy Cross
Church at Ellenbrook**

Sunday, 7th August

11am - 2pm

Good Shepherd Church Hall, cnr Altone Road and Morley
Drv

Asian Food - Cake Stall - Tea, Coffee and Cold Drinks

Enquiries: Agnes - 0435 636 518, Monique 0401 639 058,
Josie 0416 594 134, Judith 0437 908 793, Geraldine 9297 3073



**Maranatha Centre for Adult Faith
Formation**

Term Three Units begin on Tuesday, 2
August

Newman Siena
Centre
33 Williamstown
Road, Doubleview

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MISSION**
Reach out. Give life.

Maranatha offers daytime and evening courses for adults wishing to deepen their knowledge and understanding of their Catholic Faith and the living of it.

FR. JOHN REA—HEALING MASSES AUGUST 1ST -21ST

Fr. John Rea has been praying with people for healing since 1974 and many documented healings have occurred after his prayers. Healing Masses, services and rallies will be held across suburbs and towns in W.A. , including Gosnells, Osborne Park, St. Patrick's Basilica and culminating with a healing Mass at St. Mary's Cathedral on 18th August.

For further information please contact Michelle Cruise or Reg Firth on 9202 6868. Hosted by the Disciples of Jesus Community and the Catholic Charismatic Renewal.

Important
DATE!

To Do:

Our Parish Events

Don't
FORGET!

Reminder!



CARMELITE SPIRITUALITY - A GUIDE TO LIVE BY

With Fr. Greg Homeming OCD

Friday 12 August, 7-9pm -
Saturday 13 August, 8.30am - 5pm

at Infant Jesus Parish

In an increasingly secular and complex world,
with all its distractions and voices,
how do we keep God at the centre of our lives?

Fr. Greg Homeming is the Congregational leader of
the Discalced Carmelite Order in the Australia-
Oceania region.

Cost: \$50.00.

Registration is essential. Please contact the parish
office on 92768500 or email ijparish@carmelite.com

Registrations close 5th August



PARENT NIGHT FOR CONFIRMATION

Parents of children preparing for the Sacrament of
Confirmation are reminded that the parent night is
on: **MONDAY 8TH AUGUST AT 7PM**
in the parish hall.

Attendance at this meeting by at least one parent
or guardian is a requirement of the Sacramental programme.
Sponsors are also encouraged to attend.

- Sue Goodwin, Sacramental Co-ordinator



TRAINING OF NEW ALTAR SERVERS

Would all parents who wish to have their
children train to be altar servers please
collect an "Expression of Interest" form from
the church foyer. To be able to receive training,
children must have received their First Holy
Communion. Older children who have never served are
also welcome to receive training if they wish to do so.

HELP NEEDED

CAR LOAN

A parishioner whose car was recently writ-
ten off by a driver running a red light is in
need of the loan of a car until she is able to
receive the funds from her insurance com-
pany to buy a new car. A car is needed to
enable her to visit her mother who was re-
cently moved to a nursing home some dis-
tance away.
If you are able to assist, please contact the
parish office.

PLEASE CONTACT US!

The parish is trying to make contact with the
following parishioners:

Van Hoang Dao

Van Thi Thanh Tran

Harold Sylvester Fernandez

as we wish to return official documents to them.

Welcome!

Please pray for these
children, recently
welcomed into the family
of the Church:



Caleb Riley Chee-Peng
Chew, Grace Margaret Seeber, Mack
Rocco Wilson, Summer Johnston, Ariella
Johnston, Marcus Ting Xuan Xiong,
Madison Jade Newhill, Aditya Henry
Antony, Jacob Peter Carlson, Ariyan Rye
Mathews, Qui Toan Van Luong, Qui Minh
Khoa Luong, Qui Gia Phuc Luong, Leah
Veronica McManus and Alex Anthony.



Holy Hour for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life

Please join us in the church
today at 2pm to pray before
the Blessed Sacrament for the vocations
we need to the Priesthood and religious
life. All welcome, bring a friend!
We congratulate Fr. Shane on his ordina-
tion to the priesthood last Saturday.

- Morley Vocations Awareness Group

PILGRIM STATUE:

This week in the home of:
Mr. H. Triscari,
335C Coode Street,
Dianella. Phone: 92762965



Around the Archdiocese



Achieving Pregnancy Naturally

The Billings Ovulation Method™ can assist you in having the baby of your dreams. If you have been trying to have a baby without success, our teachers can provide essential information, which will give you the best chance to achieve your pregnancy naturally. For a free information leaflet, please call Billings LIFE on 1800 335 860

SACRED HEART HIGH SCHOOL, HIGHGATE PAST PUPILS REUNION

is being planned for 2012 during the 150th Jubilee of the

Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions.

If you went to high school at Highgate and would like to attend the reunion, please register your interest by sending your name and contact details to the Province Office at 79 Seventh Avenue, Maylands 6051 or email: rndmsecaus@olm.org.au.

If you know anyone who was a past pupil of Sacred Heart High School, Highgate,

Sisters of the Missions, Catholic Mission and the Catholic Social Justice Council welcome you to hear

MR. SHAN ALI

Of the Grameen Foundation, Australia discuss with participants

MICRO-CREDIT: A BANKING SYSTEM DESIGNED TO WIPE OUT POVERTY!

7.30PM Tuesday 16 August, 2011

Our Lady of the Mission Pastoral Centre Mary Street, Highgate (enter off Harold Street). Supper provided.

RSVP to Jennifer George 9271 0597 rndmsecaus@olm.org.au

PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS

Recently Deceased: Peg Quartermaine, Guiseppe Laurito, Jonathon De Celis, Sergio Di Giacomo;

Anniversaries: Denzil Owen, Sr. M. Germaine, Laura Leembruggen, Lucy Stitt, Joe Byrne, James Elliott, Robert Bruske;

Deceased: Flora Monteiro, Bob Billiwicz, Joseph Coggins, Paul Dunning;

The Sick of the Parish: Tracy & Hung Nguyen, Albert Tan and all who are in continuing ill health.

"God our Father, help us to cherish the gifts that surround us."

Calendar of Saints

25 July: St. James, Apostle

26 July: Ss. Joachim & Anne, parents of the B.V.M.

28 July: St. Martha, Disciple

30 July: St. Peter Chrysologus, Bishop & scholar (450?AD)



"let us put on the complete image of our Creator so as to be wholly like him, not in the glory that he alone possesses, but in innocence, simplicity, gentleness, patience, humility, mercy, harmony, those qualities in which he chose to become, and to be, one with us." - St Peter Chrysologus

Around the Archdiocese

Spirituality & The Sunday Gospels

Tuesday 26th July

How do we find the 'Pearl of great price' in our daily lives?

Presenter: Norma Woodcock

7pm-8pm at St Benedict's School

Hall Alness St Applecross.

There will be a collection to cover costs. Enq: 94871772 or

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME-SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO-MEDJUGORJE.

Leaving Perth 5th Oct. under the Spiritual Direction of Fr.Ronan Murphy. Pilgrimage consists of 3 nights Rome-2 nights San Giovanni Rotondo (Padre Pio) visit to Monte Gargano and Lanciano (Eucharistic Miracle) and 7 nights Medjugorje (where Our Blessed Mother has been reported to have been appearing daily since June 1981) Cost \$3,990 which includes:- flights (Emirates) bed, breakfast, evening meals, transfers, guide, taxes and tipping. Returning late 19th Oct.early hours 20th Oct.Excellent price.

Enq. Eileen 9402 2480 mob 0407 471 256 email

medjugorje@y7mail.com

PRAYER IN THE STYLE OF TAIZE—OUR LADY OF GRACE PARISH CHURCH

3 Kitchener St., North Beach Contact 9448 488 or 9448 4457

Prayer, song and silence – in candle light – the symbol of Christ the light of the world

Thursday 4th August 7.30 – 8.30pm (first Thursday of the month)

More info. about Taize www.taize.fr or

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4tXdVjwEgPl>

Our Lady of Grace is on *youtube*, plus you will find many more lovely songs from Taize and other communities

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE (WA) Inc.

Beginning Experience (WA) Inc. is running a **WEEKEND PROGRAMME**, designed to assist and support people in learning to close the door gently on a relationship that has ended, in order to get on with living. People who have had similar loss experiences themselves facilitate the programme. If you feel that this programme could benefit you or someone you know, you are invited to contact us.

The next weekend programme dates are: Fri 12th – Sun 14th August 2011.

For further information please contact: Ros: 9448 5987, Helen 9246 5150

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OUR LITURGICAL LIFE

Morning Prayer of the Church: Mon-Fri, 6.40am; Sat, 7.45am

Morning Mass: Mon-Fri: 7am & 9am, Sat: 8.30am

Saturday Vigil Mass: 6.30pm

Sunday Masses: 7.30am, 9.30am (Children's Liturgy during school terms), 11.30am (Italian), 6pm (Youth Mass 2nd & 4th Sundays)

Reconciliation: Saturday 10-11am and 5-6pm.

Baptisms, Weddings & Sacraments: Please contact the Parish Office.

OUR DEVOTIONAL LIFE

Perpetual Novena in honor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel:

Wednesday 7.15pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Friday 9.30am - 10.30am and 7.30pm - 8.30pm