# Infant Jesus Parish

## Under the care of the Discalced Carmelite Friars

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#### Christ the King, Year A

#### 20 November 2011

#### First Reading Ez 34:11-12.15-17

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The Lord says this: I am going to look after my flock myself and keep all of it in view. As a shepherd keeps all his flock in view when he stands up in the middle of his scattered sheep, so shall I keep my sheep in view. I shall rescue them from wherever they have been scattered during the mist and darkness. I myself will pasture my sheep, I myself will show them where to rest - it is the Lord who speaks. I shall look for the lost one, bring back the stray, bandage the wounded and make the weak strong. I shall watch over the fat and healthy. I shall be a true shepherd to them.

As for you, my sheep, the Lord says this: I will judge between sheep and sheep, between rams and he-goats.

This is the word of the Lord.

#### **Responsorial Psalm** Ps 22:1-3, 5-6, R, v.1

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

- The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. (R.)
- 2. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. (R.)
- You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. (R.)
- 4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord's own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. (R.)

#### Second Reading 1 Cor 15:20-26.28 A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

He will hand over the kingdom to God the Father, so that God may be all in all.

Christ has been raised from the dead, the first-fruits of all who have fallen asleep. Death came through one man and in the same way the resurrection of the dead has come through one man. Just as all men die in Adam, so all men will be brought to life in Christ; but all of them in their proper order: Christ as the first-fruits and then, after the coming of Christ, those who belong to him. After that will come the end, when he hands over the kingdom to God the Father, having done away with every sovereignty. authority and power. For he must be king

until he has put all his enemies under his feet and the last of the enemies to be destroyed is death. And when everything is subjected to him, then the Son himself will be subject in his turn to the One who subjected all things to him, so that God may be all in all.

This is the word of the Lord.

#### Gospel Acclamation Mk 11:9-10

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord!

Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!

Alleluia!

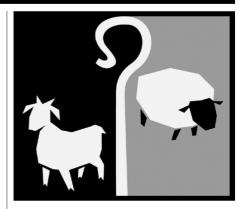
#### Gospel Mt 25:31-46

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

He will take his seat on his throne of glory, and he will separate men one from another

Jesus said to his disciples: 'When the Son of Man comes in his glory, escorted by all the angels, then he will take his seat on his throne of glory. All the nations will be assembled before him and he will separate men one from another as the shepherd separates sheep from goats. He will place the sheep on his right hand and the goats on his left. Then the King will say to those on his right hand, "Come, you whom my Father has blessed, take for your heritage the kingdom prepared for you since the foundation of the . world. For I was hungry and you gave me food; I was thirsty and you gave me drink; I was a stranger and you made me welcome; naked and you clothed me, sick and you visited me, in prison and you came to see me." Then the virtuous will say to him in reply, "Lord, when did we see you hungry and feed you; or thirsty and give you drink? When did we see you a stranger and make you welcome; naked and clothe you; sick or in prison and go to see you?" And the King will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you did this to one of the least of these brothers of mine, you did it to me." Next he will say to those on his left hand, "Go away from me, with your curse upon you, to the eternal fire prepared for the devil and his angels. For I was hungry and you never gave me food: I was thirsty and you never gave me anything to drink; I was a stranger and you never made me welcome, naked and you never clothed me, sick and in prison and you never visited me." Then it will be their turn to ask, "Lord, when did we see you hungry or thirsty, a stranger or naked, sick or in prison, and did not come to your help?" Then he will answer, "I tell you solemnly, in so far as you neglected to do this to one of the least of these, you neglected to do it to me." And they will go away to eternal punishment, and the virtuous to eternal life.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.



#### Reflection by Greg Sunter

This week's gospel is the final passage in Matthew's gospel before the passion narrative - the death and resurrection of Jesus. As such, it provides a powerful end point to the teaching ministry section of the gospel. In many ways this passage can be seen as a summary of Jesus' vision for the Kingdom - a world in which the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked and the imprisoned are treated with respect and dignity as a child of God. This is exactly what Jesus himself did throughout his ministry and it is what all Christian people are called

Like the virtuous people of the passage, there are many times when we do not know the good work that we do. There are many times when our positive interaction with another person can be the difference between hope and despair for that person - and we may never know the difference we have made in their life. The challenge presented by Jesus is that whenever we see a person in need our response to them should be as if we were responding to Jesus himself.

But what of the times we fail to respond to the hungry, the thirsty, the stranger, the naked and the imprisoned? Who are they for us? ... That irritating person who we've never been able to get along with? ... That person who's just arrived in the country and can't speak the language properly? ... That kid who always looks dirty and nobody talks to? ... That girl who's no good at relating to other people and everyone avoids her? The homeless man in the street who asks for money? ... The asylum seeker fleeing their country who didn't go through all the right channels to immigrate? ... Lord, when did we see you, and not come to your help?

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#### **ENTRANCE ANTIPHON**

The Lamb who was slain is worthy to receive strength and divinity, wisdom and power and honour: to him be glory and power for ever.

#### **COMMUNION ANTIPHON**

The Lord will reign for ever and will give his people the gift of peace.

Dear Parishioners,

I thank everyone who came to the Annual Community Meeting last Monday, and congratulate Tristan Kolay and Brendan Clifford who were re-elected to the Parish Pastoral Council. Minutes of the ACM are available in the foyer for those who would like to take a copy.

Today we have the Archbishop's Lifelink appeal for Christmas. I encourage you to give generously to the appeal, which supports many of the Archbishop's helping agencies in Perth.

Next week begins the season of Advent and also the first week in which we will be using the new wording of the Mass. I feel sure that this change will be a smooth one. We will have cards in every pew so that you may follow the new wording, and at most Masses we will also endeavour to have the new wording on the overhead screen. I am sure that it will not be too long before we all become familiar with the changes. – *Fr. Sunny* 

## **GALA CHRISTMAS DINNER DANCE**

(All proceeds to Infant Jesus Parish)

AT THE
MORLEY-NORANDA
RECREATION CLUB
85 McGilvray Avenue, Noranda
(behind the Noranda shopping centre)

# TICKETS ON SALE NEXT WEEKEND AFTER ALL MASSES



#### ON FRIDAY 9TH DECEMBER, 2011

7.30PM—12.30AM

Music for dancing by Malcolm De Kauwe Strictly no BYO—Bar facilities available

> Dress code: Ladies - After 5 Gents - Lounge

> > \$35.00 per ticket

Tickets available from the parish office or

# Let's try that again.... New Sunday / Daily Missals

We have just received confirmation from Gatto's Christian
Shop that the following St. Pauls missals (Australian edition) can now be preordered at a discounted price:

**SUNDAY MISSAL Green (Complete Edition):** Available March 2012. **If ordered by 28th November 2011, \$29.95.** After that date, the price will be \$39.95. Hardbound cover, durable edition for use year after year, two colour throughout with marker ribbons. Will contain all the prayers of the Missal, together with 3 year cycle, full Easter liturgies and Australian feasts.

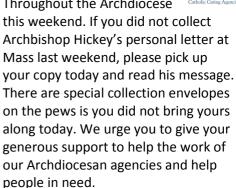
**SUNDAY MISSAL White** (Complete Gift Edition): Available March 2012. **If ordered by 28th November 2011, \$37.50.** After that date, the price will be \$49.95. Hardbound gift-boxed version containing everything included in the green missal described above.

DAILY MISSAL Blue (Complete Edition): Available June 2012. If ordered by 28th November 2011, 59.95. After that date, the price will be \$79.95. Hardbound cover, durable edition for use year after year, two colour throughout with marker ribbons. Will contain the Order of the Mass, along with the complete weekday cycle (Monday to Saturday only) of Scripture readings, the Proper of Saints and all of the Masses for special occasions. Arranged for Australia and New Zealand.

YOU MAY ORDER AND PAY NOW THROUGH THE PARISH OFFICE OR PIETY STALL BY 27TH NOVEMBER LATEST. Orders & payment will be taken at the Advent sales table next weekend.

#### The Archbishop's Christmas Appeal for Lifelink

This Appeal is being held Throughout the Archdiocese



LifeLink.

You may post your gift or return your envelopes during the collections in the coming weeks. Thank you.

# Carrying the Christ

# ADVENT PROGRAMME "Carrying the Christ"

Friday mornings at 10.00am or Tuesday evening at 7.00pm in the Infant Jesus parish centre.

You will soon be spending a lot of time and money preparing for Christmas. Why not spend a little time preparing your heart to receive the Christ child by attending the Advent reflection programme being offered in your parish? The programme is based upon the Sundays of Advent. Cost of resource: \$8.00

Friday morning facilitator: Ken Durnin Tuesday evening facilitator: Fr. Antony Please RSVP to the parish office or put your name down on the lists in the foyer.



# ADVENT SALES NEXT WEEKEND

The piety stall will be extended next weekend to

include a range of religious Christmas and Advent items including cards, gifts and reflection materials. The 2012 Columban calendar will also be on sale. A great opportunity to pick up a few early presents for the family!



# Our Parish Events





## **Prayer Concerns**

**Anniversaries:** Susan Connell, Henry & Molly Spiers, Michael Soon Poh, Frederick Baguley, Felix Perera, Gino Perlini, Diego Morobito;

**Deceased:** Douglas Armstrong, Patricia Pereira, Maria & Domenico , Lyn Hammett, Martin Peck;

**The Sick of the Parish:** Nola & Scott Leckie, Maria Tomich, Jenny O'Leary, Sam Rossi, Rosanna Scalletti and all who are in need of our prayers.

"It is good for me to be with the Lord and to put my hope in him."



INFANT JESUS CRAFT GROUP

#### **CHRISTMAS RAFFLE**

Outside the church today. Please stop and support the ladies raise money for varioius charities by buying some raffle tickets.

Who? Why? How? do innocent people find themselves

#### REFUGEES

and what happens to them? What are our responsibilities?

An INFORMATION EVENING conducted by Centrecare Catholic Migration Service will he held at **7.30pm on Wednesday 7th December** at Infant Jesus Parish hall.

There will be a question and answer session and time for discussion.

#### **ROAD WORKS ON WELLINGTON ROAD**

Please be aware that access to the church may be restricted from 21—25 November, due to the upgrading of Wellington Road. Please accept any inconvenience with patience and good humour while the work proceeds.

#### LITURGY TEAM MEETING

All liturgical ministry co-ordinators are reminded that there is a planning meeting for Advent and Christmas this Monday evening at 7.00pm in the parish hall. If you are unable to attend personally, please ensure you send a representative from your ministry.

# Welcome to the Family

We welcome the children recently baptised in our church: *Cameron Chami, Grace Allpike and Liam Phillip Morris*. Please pray for these children and their families.

# Marriages

Please pray for Corrina Lazaroo and Adam Patino and also Lourdes Allosada and Donald Laidlaw, who were married in our church this weekend. May the Lord bless their marriages and make these couples a lifetime gift to each other.



#### **PILGRIM STATUE:**

This week in the home of Mrs. J. Sbrocco, 51 Fitzgerald Road, Morley. Ph: 9276 4885

#### **Calendar of Saints**

21 Nov: PRESENTATION OF MARY
Mary's presentation was celebrated in Jerusalem
in the sixth century. A church was built there in
honour of this mystery.

22 Nov: St. Cecilia, Roman Martyr (3rd Century)

23 Nov: St. Columban, Missionary

515AD) St. Clement I, Pope (100AD?)

24 Nov: St. Andrew Dung-Lac and Companions, Missionaries & Martyrs



#### **NEW PROCLAIMERS NEEDED**

Do you love to read the Word of God? You are invited to join the Proclaimers ministry in our parish as we are always looking for people who are passionate about the Word of God and able to read with confidence in the Masses. The commitment can be as little or as often as you wish and involves being on a roster with another proclaimer to share the readings. Training will be provided. Please consider becoming part of the ministry which is so central to our liturgy.

An East Timorese man, who is in Perth to further his English studies until Easter 2012, is looking for

accommodation with an Australian family. John is in his early 30's, with a wife and three children back in East Timor. He is a trained police officer and attends Mass regularly.

If you think you may have a room to offer, please contact Br. Russell at russell147@hotmail.com or contact the parish office on 92768500.
Thank you.

### **Our Liturgical Life**

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

 $\textbf{Morning Mass:} \ \mathsf{Mon}\text{-}\mathsf{Fri:} \ \mathsf{7am} \ \& \ \mathsf{9am} \ \mathsf{,} \ \mathsf{Sat:} \ 8.30 \mathsf{am}$ 

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

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#### **AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE**

**THE FAITH CENTRE** - A new centre for Evangelisation and Catholic culture was recently opened by Archbishop Hickey. Located at 450 Hay St, Perth. Ph 6140 2420. Upcoming events include:

Mandorla Art Retrospective Exhibition:12-20 Nov. 10am-5pm. Winners of this major religious art will be exhibited. Free entry. Healing the Hurts We Don't Deserve: The Psychology and Spirituality of Forgiveness. Resolve past hurts and find peace. Thurs, 17 Nov - 15 Dec. 10am-12pm. 5wks. Bookings essential. Ph Paul 0402 222 578.

#### **SUMMER PRAYER DAY**

Penola by the Sea, Wed Nov 30, 10am-.30pm Cost: donation, lunch provided. Arrive 9.30am to meet the group. For more information call 9527 2517.

#### Central Europe 17th June-9th July 2012.

The tour will include Prague (Infant Jesus), Mariazell (miraculous wooden image of the Virgin Mary), Heiligenkreuz (Living monastery established in 1133, the largest Cistercian's monastery in Europe), Vienna, Bratislava, Budapest and Krakow (following the steps of beatified John Paul II.). Those interested are requested to contact Fr. Pavol Herda on 9279 8119 or 0401511302,

#### **Embrace the Grace**

youth conference "Of Life & Of Beauty"
2011 New Norcia 7<sup>th</sup>-11<sup>th</sup> December 2011.
16-25 years olds. . Through interesting speakers, prayers, fun, music and drama ETG gets into the big questions of life. How does God fit into a world that questions everything? Is it possible to live a fulfilling life? Who do I want to be and where does Jesus fit into the picture? For more information and registration contact the Respect Life Office Perth <a href="https://www.rlo.org.au/etg">www.rlo.org.au/etg</a> on

(08) 9444 5320 or <u>respect-life@perthcatholic.org.au</u>.

#### **HEALING MASS**

26 November 2011 6.30pm, St. Bernadette's Parish 49 Jugan Street, Mt. Hawthorn

Love Ministry Charismatic Team, including Fr. Hugh Thomas. Come and be prayed over, healed from past or present issues or stand in for a loved one who may be ill or facing problems. All Welcome. Contact Fr. Hugh Thomas or Gilbert on 0431570322

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