

Dear Parishioners,

On Receiving Holy Communion:

At the last Supper Christ took the bread and the chalice, gave thanks, broke the bread and gave it to his disciples, saying: Take, eat and drink: this is my Body; this is the chalice of my Blood. Do this in memory of me. Hence, the Church has arranged the entire celebration of the Liturgy of the Eucharist in parts corresponding to precisely these words and actions of Christ, namely:

- a) At the Preparation of the Gifts, bread and wine with water are brought by the faithful to the altar, the same elements which Christ took into his hands.
- b) In the Eucharistic Prayer, we give thanks to God for the whole work of salvation, and the offerings become the Body and Blood of Christ.
- c) Through the fraction (the breaking of the Eucharistic bread) and through Communion, the faithful, though many, receive from the one bread the Lord's Body and from the one chalice the Lord's Blood in the same way that the Apostles received them from the hands of Christ himself.

Holy Communion has a fuller form as a sign when it is received under both species. We are more clearly following Jesus' command to take and eat and to take and drink. (Mt 26:26-27)

Our liturgy is not a private act of devotion but a communal act of the Body of Christ. When we go up to receive communion we are in fact in a liturgical procession which is accompanied by our singing which expresses our unity in spirit. By walking solemnly, we give a visible sign of reverence. The Bishops of Australia have retained the ancient custom of standing as the normal posture to receive Holy Communion. They have also determined that the sign of reverence prior to receiving the Body of Christ will be a bow. "When approaching to receive Holy Communion the faithful bow in reverence of the Mystery that they are to receive." The bow should not interrupt the distribution of Holy Communion.

We receive the Body of Christ that we together may be more truly the Body of Christ in the world. In the words of St Augustine: "If then you are the Body of Christ and its members, it is your own mystery that you receive... you say Amen to what you are and in saying Amen you subscribe to it. Be a member of Christ's Body then, so that your Amen may ring true!" *St Augustine, Sermon 272*

—*Blessings, Greg*

UNDERSTANDING THE LITURGY

Within the cycle of a year, the Church unfolds the whole 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. *SC 102, 103*

Senior Altar Ministers Training Course
Saturdays 2 June, 9 June & 16 June 2018
Venue: Infant Jesus Parish Centre
Time: 10.00am – 12.00pm

In the absence of an Acolyte, a Senior Altar Minister does all that is required to facilitate the dignity of the celebration of the Mass under the supervision of the parish priest or chaplain. The minimum age requirement for Senior Altar Ministers is 18. Men and women can be Senior Altar Ministers.

Areas covered in the three Training Sessions: overview of what is required for the celebration of the Mass, setting the Altar, understanding the Roman Missal and understanding the Lectionary.

If you are interested and would like to find out more, please call parish office on 9276 8500 or speak to Fr Greg.

"I have seen that person at church for years and I know their face but I don't know their name!"



Don't forget! Name tag

Sunday is next Sunday, 9.30am Mass only. After Mass, please join our new parishioners for morning tea in the parish centre.



MORNING TEA FOR NEW PARISHIONERS

All new parishioners are invited to come for morning tea after the 9.30am Mass on Sunday

Anyone who 'feels' new is welcome! Come along and meet some other newcomers and some of the "not so new"! **All parishioners welcome**

NEW ALTAR SERVER TRAINING



Training for new altar servers (junior) will begin soon in May. The altar server ministry is looking for dedicated children who have received their First Communion and would like to take part in the celebration of the Mass. Parents who wish to have their children trained, please call parish office on 9276 8500 to register your interest.



WHAT'S HAPPENING



Parish prayer concerns

Recently Deceased: Joseph Tran, Giuseppe Bertinazzo, Pierina De Matteis;

Deceased: Jason Lo, Hung Nguyen-Le;

Anniversaries: Goan Bauxita, Dora Pegrum, Johnny Wee, Cecilia Maria Pham Thu Thuy; Concetta Midiri, Duy Phat John Nguyen & Thi Duyen Anna Nguyen;

The Sick of the Parish: Jack Reardon, Josepine Ng, Noreen Riggs-Long, Corrine Grattan, Luigi Di Fava, Lucas Bendotti, Bernard Spears, Denise Bendotti, Ossie Gonsalves, Trudy Berhuber, Ann Marie Green and all the sick who are in need of our prayers.

"Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord."



PILGRIM STATUE: This week in the home of Mrs Marlene Roze; 4/120 Alfreda Ave, Noranda. Ph: 0407 389 583

CALENDAR OF SAINTS

2 May—St Athanasius, bishop, doctor
3 May—Sts Philip and James, apostles

YEAR OF YOUTH -

VERITAS 2018: Catholic Youth Festival

Early bird registration price (saving up to 50%) ends this weekend 30th April 2018!

Our BIGGEST 'Year of Youth' event - VERITAS is a teens & young adult event taking place 6th - 8th of July at Corpus Christi College, Bateman. Last year over 600 young people attended the event from across Western Australia. It is a weekend filled with faith formation, live bands, workshops for teens and young adults, youth rallies and fun. Early bird registration price (saving up to 50%) ends this weekend 30th April 2018! Hurry and register to benefit from these savings! To find out more information and to register, visit www.veritasperth.com or for general enquiries contact Catholic Youth Minis-

YOUTH GROUP

Meets every Friday 6.00-8.00pm (Gold coin donation) in the parish hall. All youth in Years 6-12 welcome

PROJECT COMPASSION RECEIPTS NOW AVAILABLE FROM THE SACRISTY. PLEASE ASK THE ACOLYTE OR ONE OF THE PRIESTS FOR ASSISTANCE.

PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES—Please remember to return your Project Compassion boxes or envelopes **as soon as possible** to the collection bags or the parish office. Many thanks to all how have contributed to our Caritas collection.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2018—CONFIRMATION

Please return your child's Saint and sponsor card as soon as possible.



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

- Parents Night**—Monday 7 May at 7pm
- Parent and Child night**—Monday, 21 May at 7pm
- Retreat, Visitation and Final Practice**—Thursday, 7 June at 9am

Pilgrimage to the Holy Land

In the footsteps of Jesus. Dep Sep 17, 2018 for 21 days visiting Petra, Jericho, Galilee and Jerusalem. Back Oct 8th. Cost @ \$5785. Last few places remaining. Ring Fr John Jegorow 9249 1247.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY IS ON HOLIDAYS!

Wishing all our families a safe and restful break during the school holidays. There will be no Children's liturgy during this time. We will gather again on Sunday 6th May at the 9.30am Mass.

In our church

- Morning Prayer of the Church:** Mon-Fri, 6.40am; Sat 8.00am
- Morning Mass:** Mon-Fri: 7am & 9am, Sat and Public Holidays: 8.30am
- Sunday Masses:** 6pm (Saturday), 7.30am, 9.30am (Children's Liturgy during school terms), 11.30am (Italian), 6pm (Youth Mass 2nd Sundays)
- Reconciliation:** Saturday 10 - 11am and 5pm - 5.30pm

- Perpetual Novena in Honour of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel:** Wednesday 7.00pm
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:** Friday 9.30 - 10.30am & 7 - 8pm
- Baptisms, Weddings & Sacraments:** Please contact the Parish Office.

Our parish team

- Parish Priest:** Fr. Greg Burke - pp@infantjesusparish.org.au
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