

Dear Parishioners,

Change in the Church: The Death Penalty

One of my abiding interests is history. Whatever else you will learn from history one clear lesson is that things never remain the same. For better or worse everything changes. This can be uncomfortable for us if we like and are used to the way things are. Yet it took four hundred years of prayer and reflection for the early Church to settle on the agreed wording for the doctrines of our faith in Christ and the Blessed Trinity. Jesus spoke of change when he compared the kingdom of God with the tiny mustard seed that becomes a tree that produces flowers and fruit giving life and home to birds and delight to people.

Some people believe that the Church's teachings can never develop. Yet Church teaching *has* changed regarding important social issues like slavery which was once seen as natural. Underlying this type of change is a developing understanding of the human dignity of all people.

There has been a fair amount of highly charged controversy in social media, mostly from Americans about a recent decision of Pope Francis to update the Catechism of the Catholic Church regarding the death penalty. Pope Francis's decision is in continuity with the teaching and actions of Popes John Paul II and Benedict XVI and is fundamentally pro-life, stressing the sanctity of human life from conception to natural death. Here is what the Catechism now states:

“ 2267. Recourse to the death penalty on the part of legitimate authority, following a fair trial, was long considered an appropriate response to the gravity of certain crimes and an acceptable, albeit extreme, means of safeguarding the common good. Today, however, there is an increasing awareness that the dignity of the person is not lost even after the commission of very serious crimes. In addition, a new understanding has emerged of the significance of penal sanctions imposed by the state. Lastly, more effective systems of detention have been developed, which ensure the due protection of citizens but, at the same time, do not definitively deprive the guilty of the possibility of redemption.

Consequently, the Church teaches, in the light of the Gospel, that “the death penalty is inadmissible because it is an attack on the inviolability and dignity of the person”,^[1] and she works with determination for its abolition worldwide.”

Blessings, Greg



THE SOLEMNITY OF THE ASSUMPTION—HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Wednesday 15th August—Masses at 7.00am, 9.00am (Whole School Mass) and 7.30pm

The Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary commemorates the death of Mary and her bodily assumption into Heaven, before her body could begin to decay—a foretaste of our own bodily resurrection at the end of time. Because it signifies the Blessed Virgin's passing into eternal life, it is the most important of all Marian feasts and a Holy Day of Obligation, which means all baptised Catholics are obliged to attend Mass.



PARISH FEAST DAY— WEDNESDAY 29TH AUGUST

Come celebrate this Feast of the Dedication of our Parish Church—All Welcome!

Mass at 6.30pm, followed by a shared meal in the parish centre.

For catering purposes, please RSVP on the list in the foyer if you are coming, and join the fun and camaraderie of belonging to a parish family by being part of the events team—put your names on the helpers list, also in the foyer.

Alpha @ Morley

The first two weeks of the program went very well. Thank you to everyone who has been praying, and we ask you to continue your prayers as the participants continue to explore some big questions about faith, life and meaning. This week we will be asking the question, “Why Did Jesus Die?”

A deep and sincere thank you, also, to everyone who has donated time, goods and effort to assist with the program and ensure that we have everything needed. It has been a tremendous community effort.

[PS. If anyone could assist with laundry of tablecloths and tea towels, please contact the parish office. It would be much appreciated by the team.]



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM—FIRST EUCHARIST

FIRST EUCHARIST—PARENTS' INFORMATION NIGHT

Monday 13 August, 7.00pm at Infant Jesus Parish Centre

The Sacramental Program requires that at least one parent/guardian attend the parents' information night. Please note that this meeting is for parents only. Please do not bring children.



IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER

- Parents Night Meeting Mon 13 Aug at 7pm
- Parents and Child Workshop Mon 27 Aug at 7pm
- Retreat and final practice Fri 7 Sept at 9.00am
- First Eucharist Masses: Sat 8 Sept at 6.00pm or Sun 9 Sept at 9.30am or 11.30am

CHILD PROTECTION WEEK COMPETITION

Competition is open to three age groups:

Kindy– Yr 3, Yrs 4-6 and Secondary School Age.

Just answer the questions on the form and be in the draw to win a \$500 gift voucher. Entry forms available in the foyer and must be submitted by Sunday 19 Aug.



BE WARNED— BEWARE BE CAREFUL OF YOUR BELONGINGS

There have been a number of car break-ins recently in our parish car parks. Please keep valuables out of sight and lock your cars.





WHAT'S HAPPENING



Parish Prayer Concerns

Recently Deceased: Regina Manuel, Danica Maurich, Carmela Belladonna, Alberto Gianatti, Anne Jennings;

Deceased: Jason Lo, Philip Chang, Mark Tseu, Thelma & Ray Kaine, Rebecca Yap;

Anniversaries: Victor Albert Raphael, Netilda Sawian, Devassy Ouseph, Alia Ouseph, Melvyn Fosberry, Bob Fosberry, Carmelo Tassone;

The Sick of the Parish: Puspasari Handojo, Sharon Rosielle, Mary Joseph, Josephine Ng, Loo Thye Ng, Bernard Spears, Lucas Bendotti, Ossie Gonsalves and all the sick who are in need of our prayers.

"Truly, God is my salvation, I trust, I shall not fear."



PILGRIM STATUE: This week in the home of Mr and Mrs D Nathanielsz, 18 Cardwell Ave, NORANDA. Ph: 9276 5048

CALENDAR OF SAINTS

14 Aug—St Maximilian Mary Kolbe, priest, martyr
15 Aug—The ASSUMPTION of the BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

World Day of Migrants and Refugees

We live in a very diverse cultural country and it is important that as a community of faith we open the door to understanding and acceptance of what that looks like in our worshipping community.

Sunday the 26th August is the World Day of Migrants and Refugees.



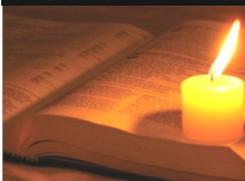
Let us include and recognise the gifts we all bring to the altar each time we celebrate Eucharist.



CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Our next meeting is on Tuesday 14th August—after the 9am Mass and Rosary—in the parish library. All Welcome.

Lectio Divina



The Winter series of the Lectio Divina Group will commence after 9am Mass on Monday 13th August in the parish library. The papers are now available for collection from the hospitality cupboard. Anyone interested to experience this form of prayer is welcome to come and observe. Just come to the parish library after Mass or enquire at the parish office.

Congratulations!!

Joan and Charles Reincastle

May God's abundant blessings be on you as you celebrate 56 years of marriage.



happy anniversary

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

If you know of anyone who is housebound and would like to receive communion at home, please contact the parish office.



Visit Of The International Centennial Pilgrim Image Of

Our Lady of Fatima

St. Joseph's Church, Bassendean

Sun 19th Aug 2018 at 7:00 pm

See flyer in foyer for more details.

Infant Jesus 24:7 Morley Youth Group

Food and games! Fellowship and faith!

25 were at Youth Group last Friday playing games at the start and having a great time relating to each other. We also had some food beautifully prepared for us by Mrs Suarez, which we shared as a group. We had a wonderful time during our challenge to find something someone did that started with a letter of the alphabet. This allowed us to learn a lot more about each other which then led to our main activity to help us discover more about the story of Moses where we had a relay to pick up parts of the story of Moses and then race to see who could put them in order first. It was a fun way to learn about such an important person in the Old Testament.

Morley Youth Group meets every Friday 6.00-8.00pm (Gold coin donation) in the parish hall. All youth in Years 6-12 welcome. For more info call Roger 0434 988 711/Stephanie 0499 547 066. Come join us at our next youth group -**10th August 2018**.



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

Eucharistic Prayer: Friday 7.00 - 8.00pm

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

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THIS WEEKEND— 11/12 August—19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes	Jeremy Nicoletto	Eamon Delaney	Chris Yapp	Chris Lambert
Altar Servers	Elysha; Carmen; Brian and Abigail	Jamie; Mary and Madeleine	Crissanto; Leandra; Victoria and Denver	Alex; Dorothy; Marcus and Oliver
Proclaimers	Chris T and Thelma	Liz and Brian	Pat and Barry	Fely and Rita
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Team A—Lenna; Rosemary; Chris A; John T and Larissa	Team B—Brian; Noeline; Kerry; Kathleen; Cheryl and Genevieve	Team B—Patrick; Annette; Eunice; Irene; Naveen and Shiny	Team B—Ivor; Rita; Tristan; Teresa; Josephine and Anna
Hospitality	Carmel and Ann	Mary and Mavis	Marlene and Deborah	Rita and Marina
Church Cleaning	Team B—Thursday, 16th August @ 10.30am			

NEXT WEEKEND—18/19 August—20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes	Brian Vertannes	Paul Wachtel	Eamon Delaney	Calvin Yapp
Altar Servers	Josemiguel; Angel; Aleena and Shawn		Franklin; Thomas and Waleska	Alexander; Aimee; Royce and Shaun
Proclaimers	Chris Andrews and Donna-Marie	Joanne and Sjen	PERSONAL ADVOCACY—T	Teresa and Anna
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Team B—Chris A; William; John T; Thelma and Tracey	Team C—Tony; Roma; Brian; Debbie; Carl and Josie	Team C—Evelyn; Linda; Denise; John J; Josephine and Aileen	Team A—Ivor; Rita; Marie; Maureen; Luisa or Glenn and Thuy
Hospitality	Rose and Milly	Mavis and Nancy	Emily and Haydee	Rennet and Mercedes
Church Cleaning	Team C—Saturday, 25th August @ 9.30am			

PLEASE NOTE: If you are unable to attend on your rostered day, please arrange for someone else in your Ministry to take your place.

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