

Dear Parishioners,

In today's **Gospel** (Mark 9:30-37) the focus lies on Jesus' attempt to educate his disciples about his coming fate in Jerusalem. They now know that he is the Messiah (8:29) but cling to the conventional understanding of the role: a ruler of David's line who would triumphantly restore the fortunes of Israel. They find it very difficult to set that understanding together with Jesus' insistence, heard again in today's Gospel, that he is to be betrayed and put to death. They do not fully understand what he is saying. They cling to the conventional hopes of wealth and glory that come with being close to the Messiah. They have been arguing about which of them would have the top roles and positions of honour in the coming messianic kingdom. Nothing in fact could be more at odds with what Jesus has been attempting to communicate than such disputes about greatness.

Jesus' gesture of embracing a child challenges the disciples' notion of messiahship. It goes to the heart of their – and our – understanding of God. Is God to be thought of as an extra-terrestrial supreme Ruler to whom nothing but fear and service is due? Or is the God revealed by Jesus a God whose primary gesture towards human beings is that of One who serves, who comes among us in the guise of a child? Jesus' gesture of hugging the child in front of all shows more powerfully than any words the preciousness of each and every human life, no matter how small, how insignificant, in the sight of God. As St Therese teaches us, we are all – in our 'littleness' rather than our achievement – hugged by Jesus in this moment.

The challenge to worldly values and estimation that the disciples found so difficult confronts the Church in every age. After the early centuries of persecution, the leaders of the Church emerged from the catacombs at the time of Constantine to take on many of the trappings and roles of Imperial Roman officials. We are now witnessing the end of that 'Constantinian Church', the Church where leaders are accorded honours and tributes more reflective of worldly power than the way of Jesus. The current sexual abuse crisis is hammering the last nail into the coffin of that church. The pain that goes along with this stripping of status and honour, of power, privilege and entitlement is like that experienced by the disciples of Jesus as they struggled to understand and live what he was saying. Today we are all on the way to Jerusalem with Jesus.

Blessings, Greg

Social Justice Statement 2018—2019

We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on 30th September. This year, the Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement is titled: 'A Place to Call Home: Making a home for everyone in our land'. The Statement challenges us all to confront Australia's growing rate of homelessness and unaffordable housing. For further details about the Statement, please visit the Australian Catholic Social Justice Council website: www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM—RECONCILIATION

Thank you to all the parents who have already submitted their child's enrolment form for Reconciliation. **For those who haven't yet submitted their forms, please send your child's enrolment form along with the necessary attachments as soon as possible.** If you have any queries, please email the Sacramental Coordinator Faith Rico at sacramental@infantjesusparish.org.au. Note that the parish office will be open as usual during the school holidays, Monday- Thursday from 9.30am till 12.30pm.

IMPORTANT DATES TO REMEMBER:

Reconciliation Commitment Masses

Saturday 13 October at 6:00pm OR
Sunday 14 October at 9.30am OR 6:00pm

Reconciliation Parents Night

Monday 22 October at 7pm

Family Retreat and Reconciliation Days

Monday 5 November at 5:30pm, 6:00pm and 6:30pm
Thursday 8 November at 5:30pm and 6:00pm



NEW TO OUR PARISH?

Welcome

If you have recently joined our parish, then welcome! Please take a family registration form from the foyer and complete it. Then drop it into the collection bag at Mass. It is good for us to know you are here!

ALSO JOIN US FOR MORNING TEA FOR NEW PARISHIONERS ON SUNDAY 7 OCTOBER AFTER THE 9.30AM MASS

All parishioners are invited to come along and meet the new and some "not so new" members of our community over a cuppa.



PUBLIC HOLIDAY—QUEEN'S BIRTHDAY

MONDAY 24 SEPTEMBER 2018

Mass at 8.30am only

and the Parish Office will be closed for the day.

PLEASE NOTE:

**HOLY HOUR FOR VOCATIONS
TO THE PRIESTHOOD AND RELIGIOUS LIFE
Sunday, 23rd September 2-3pm
HAS BEEN CANCELLED**

SPREADING JOY IN THE YEAR OF YOUTH



The Carmelite Sisters invite you to share their joy in celebrating
**THE FIRST PROFESSION OF VOWS
of**

Sister Marie-Chrissie of the Trinity
on Saturday 29th September, 10am

at Carmelite Monastery, 100 Adelpa Road, Dalkeith
Refreshments in the grounds after the ceremony.

Read more on Sr. Marie-Chrissie's journey from Sabah East Malaysia to Carmel in Nedlands, Western Australia on the vocations foyer board.

St Therese of Lisieux Retreat:

A Therese for Today

Reflections and Conversations on the Relevance of Her Life in Our Lives Today with key note speakers Dr Judith Schneider and Fr Greg Burke OCD.

Date: Monday 1st October 2018

Time: 9.30am to 12.30pm

Venue: Redemptorist Monastery Retreat House, 190 Vincent Street North Perth.

Cost: a donation to Catholic Mission's Myanmar Appeal
RSVP Francis Leong by Friday 28th September
on 0419 958140 or director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au.





WHAT'S HAPPENING



Parish Prayer Concerns

Recently Deceased: Mariangela Rossi Sputore, Wanda Pagacz, Ryszard Korzeniowski;

Deceased: George Wilkinson, Leo Matthews, Agnes Matthews, Robin Matthews, Philo Matthews, Lawrence Ferguson, Rex Wilson, Rebecca Yap, Hung Nguyen-Le, Michele Michelina, Joe Scaccia, Raffaele Colangelo;

Anniversaries: Maria Ferraloro, Donna Yeo, Doris Durel, Cynthia Blake, Pierina De Matteis, Dominico Fellissimo, Marty Ben Poggi, Peter Chin, Margaret Flanipan, Ho Beng Hiang, Alda Liva, Paddy Monaghan, Susan Verko;

The Sick of the Parish: Rona D'Cruze, Lucas Bendotti, Ossie Gonsalves, Bernard Spears, Edna Ross and all the sick who are in need of our prayers.

"Blessed be the Lord, my rock."

Infant Jesus 24:7 Morley Youth Group

Morley Youth Group meets every Friday 6.00-8.00pm (Gold coin donation) in the parish hall. All youth in Years 6-12 welcome. Come join us at our next youth group - **28 September**. For more info call Roger 0434 988 711 or Stephanie 0499 547 066.

Last but not least on our Old Testament exploration was Daniel and the 31 youth at our last gathering were captivated by modern day Daniel, a volunteer leader sharing about his life, at times where he had to be bold, strong and courageous, just like OT Daniel, whilst serving on Youth Mission Team and some funny stories whilst driving across Australia in his move to Perth all the way from Wollongong. A great night of handball, frisbee, card and group games, prayer and amazing food provided by wonderful parents.



The Sacraments are a privileged way in which nature is taken up by God to become a means of mediating supernatural life. Through our worship of God, we are invited to embrace the world on a different plane. Water, oil, fire and colours are taken up in all their symbolic power and incorporated in our act of praise. *Laudato Si* (2015) 235



PILGRIM STATUE: This week in the home of Mrs Jackie Sbrocco; 51 Fitzgerald Rd, Morley. Ph: 9276 4885

CALENDAR OF SAINTS

27 Sept—St Vincent de Paul

29 Sept—Sts Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

GOLDEN JUBILEE CELEBRATION ST JUDE'S PARISH LYNWOOD-LANGFORD

St Jude's Parish cordially invite former parishioners, families and staff, to the Golden Jubilee celebrations

on Sunday 28 October 9am Mass.

More details on the foyer board.

RSVP by 8 October: goldjubilee@stjudescatholic.org or Parish Office on 08 9458 1946.

Little Sisters of the Poor are most grateful to Infant Jesus Parishioners for supporting the ticket sales for their upcoming Food Fair on 30 September 2018 and the many generous donations totalling \$1,447.60.

Also heartfelt thanks from Maggie Box for the \$5500 parishioner contribution towards the Restore Project last month.

Thank You

LINE DANCING

Still toe-tapping in the Parish Centre!

Monday mornings 9.30 - 11:30 am

Thursday mornings 9.30 - 11:30 pm

(Tuesday afternoon group in recess for now)

Contact Genevieve 0400 776 681, if you are interested.



WARNING! WARNING!

**BE CAREFUL OF YOUR BELONGINGS
PLEASE BE AWARE THAT THIEVES HAVE
BROKEN INTO CARS IN OUR PARISH CAR
PARKS RECENTLY. DO NOT LEAVE ANY VALUABLES
VISIBLE IN YOUR VEHICLES.**



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.

Our Parish Team

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Web: www.infantjesusparish.org.au

THIS WEEKEND— 22/23 September—25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

| Ministry | Sat 6pm | Sun 7.30am | Sun 9.30am | Sunday 6pm |
|------------------------------|---|--|--|--|
| Acolytes | Jeremy Nicoletto | Eamon Delaney | Bob Collopy | Chris Lambert |
| Altar Servers | Melinda; Mathia; Aaditya and David | Jamie; Mary and Madeleine | Crissanto; Leandra; Victoria and Denver | Alex; Dorothy; Marcus and Oliver |
| Proclaimers | Marie M and Nikita | Joanne and Tang | Sylvia and Mark | Karolina and Michael |
| Extr. Ministers Of Communion | Team A—Lenna; Rosemary; Chris A; John T and Larissa | Team B—Brian; Noeline; Kerry; Kathleen; Cheryl and Genevieve | Team D—Maureen; Marlene; Darryl; Joan; Patrick and Errol | Team B—Ivor; Rita; Tristan; Teresa; Josephine and Anna |
| Hospitality | Rose and Milly | Mary and Mavis | Marlene and Deborah | Rennet and Mercedes |
| Church Cleaning | Team D—Friday, 28th September @ 10.30am | | | |

NEXT WEEKEND—29/30 September—26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

| Ministry | Sat 6pm | Sun 7.30am | Sun 9.30am | Sunday 6pm |
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| Acolytes | Bob Burns | Paul Wachtel | Chris Yapp | Tung Nguyen |
| Altar Servers | Marc; Ethan; Peter T and Teresa | | Franklin; Thomas and Waleska | Alexander; Aimee; Royce and Shaun |
| Proclaimers | Chris T and Thelma | Liz and Brian | Pat and Barry | Teresa and Anna |
| Extr. Ministers Of Communion | Team B—Chris A; William; John T; Thelma and Tracy | Team C—Tony; Roma; Brian; Debbie; Carl and Josie | Team A—Annette; Jeanette; Peter; Darryl; Tanya and Magdalene | Team A—Ivor; Rita; Marie M; Maureen; Luisa or Glenn and Thuy |
| Hospitality | Tracy and Stella | Mavis and Nancy | Sophie and Joan | Joanne and Anne |
| Church Cleaning | Team A—Saturday, 6th October @ 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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