



Infant Jesus Parish

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First Reading Ez 37:12-14

I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live.

The Lord says this: I am now going to open your graves: I mean to raise you from your graves, my people, and lead you back to the soil of Israel. And you will know that I am the Lord, when I open your graves and raise you from your graves, my people. And I shall put my spirit in you, and you will live, and I shall resettle you on your own soil; and you will know that I, the Lord, have said and done this – it is the Lord who speaks.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 129. R. v.7

*(R.) With the Lord there is mercy
and fullness of redemption*

1. Out of the depths I cry to you, O Lord,
Lord, hear my voice!
O let your ears be attentive
to the voice of my pleading. (R.)
2. If you, O Lord, should mark our guilt,
Lord, who would survive?
But with you is found forgiveness:
for this we revere you. (R.)
3. My soul is waiting for the Lord,
I count on his word,
My soul is longing for the Lord
more than watchman for daybreak.
(Let the watchman count on daybreak
and Israel on the Lord.) (R.)
4. Because with the Lord there is mercy
and fullness of redemption,
Israel indeed he will redeem
from all its iniquity. (R.)

Second Reading Rom 8:8-11

If the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he will give life to your own mortal bodies.

People who are interested only in unspiritual things can never be pleasing to God. Your interests, however, are not in the unspiritual, but in the spiritual, since the Spirit of God has made his home in you. In fact, unless you possessed the Spirit of Christ you would not belong to him. Though your body may be dead it is because of sin, but if Christ is in you then your spirit is life itself because you have been justified; and if the Spirit of him who raised Jesus from the dead is living in you, then he who raised Jesus from the dead will give life to your own mortal bodies through his Spirit living in you.

Gospel Acclamation See Jn 11:25, 26

*Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!
I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;
whoever believes in me will not die for ever.
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!*

Gospel Jn 11:3-7, 17, 20-27, 33-45 or longer form Jn 11:1-45

I am the resurrection and the life.

The sisters Martha and Mary sent this message to Jesus, 'Lord, the man you love is ill.' On receiving the message, Jesus said, 'This sickness will end not in death but in God's glory, and through it the Son of God will be glorified.'

Jesus loved Martha and her sister and Lazarus yet when he heard that Lazarus was ill he stayed where he was for two more days before saying to the disciples, 'Let us go to Judaea.'

On arriving, Jesus found that Lazarus had been in the tomb for four days already. When Martha heard that Jesus had come she went to meet him. Mary remained sitting in the house. Martha said to Jesus, 'If you had been here, my brother would not have died, but I know that even now whatever you ask of God, he will grant you.' 'You brother' said Jesus to her 'will rise again.' Martha said, 'I know he will rise again at the resurrection on the last day.' Jesus said:

'I am the resurrection and the life.

*If anyone believes in me, even though he dies
he will live,*

*and whoever lives and believes in me
will never die.*

Do you believe this?'

'Yes, Lord,' she said 'I believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into this world.' Jesus said in great distress, with a sigh that came straight from the heart, 'Where have you put him?' They said, 'See how much he loved him!' But there were some who remarked, 'He opened the eyes of the blind man, could he not have prevented this man's death?' Still sighing, Jesus reached the tomb: it was a cave with a stone to close the opening. Jesus said, 'Take the stone away.' Martha said to him, 'Lord, by now he will smell; this is the fourth day.' Jesus replied, 'Have I not told you that if you believe you will see the glory of God?' So they took away the stone. Then Jesus lifted up his eyes and said:

'Father, I thank you for hearing my prayer.

I knew indeed that you always hear me,

but I speak

for the sake of all these who stand round me,

*so that they may believe it was you who sent
me.'*

When he had said this, he cried in a loud voice, 'Lazarus, here! Come out!' The dead man came out, his feet and hands bound with bands of stuff and a cloth round his face. Jesus said to them, 'Unbind him, let him go free.'

Many of the Jews who had come to visit Mary and had seen what he did believed in him.

Entrance Antiphon

Cf. Ps 42:1-2

Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

Communion Antiphon

Cf. Jn 11:26

Everyone who lives and believes in me will not die for ever, says the Lord.

Dear friends,

Each day the Coronavirus pandemic affects us more and more. As of midday we will close the church in accordance with the directives of the Federal Government. This will be a sad loss for many of us.

Instead of lamenting what we do not have we need now to nourish the sources of our faith, hope and love at home.

1. We need to pray in ways that strengthen our personal relationship with Jesus. Our prayer can begin with being relaxed, silent and aware of the presence of the Lord with us. We need to have a sense of allowing ourselves to be known, affirmed and loved by God. Prayer is a dynamic relationship. It begins with a basic trust in the love of God, it grows in humble fidelity and creative love. What happens then is up to us and God's Holy Spirit.
2. We need to read the Scriptures and quietly let them speak to us and then to reflect on them. A good place to start is to read the Scripture readings for each day from the mass and to meditate on them.
3. We also need to reflect on the liturgy of Holy Week and Easter by reading the Readings and prayers of the ceremonies. The prayers of the liturgy are a balanced spiritual diet. Over time they change how we see God and ourselves and how we pray.
4. The mass is essentially a wonderful prayer of thanksgiving to God for all he has given us in Christ. To be a Eucharistic Christian is to be grateful for the life we have been given. Not the life we might have had in our dreams but the life we have been given, we need to be grateful for everything.

To find the daily scripture readings online a good starting place is bibleclaret.org/liturgy/ it contains commentary and food for reflection.

I will make available the texts for all the Holy Week Masses and ceremonies closer to Palm Sunday.

If you want to follow a celebration of the mass online there are a number of sites with masses from different places. If you know Italian you can follow Pope Francis's daily mass as it is live streamed. If you want an English translation and summary go to <https://www.vaticannews.va/.../mass-casa-santa-marta.pagelist...>

I can also recommend the mass of Fr Kevin Bates, one of my teachers, who is now a parish priest in Sydney. His parish has a YouTube page <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCYqNs5RO54Tck2IikMyH9zQ>

Each day Frs Tadgh, John Pallipaddan and I concelebrate the Eucharist in our priory chapel. We pray especially for all our parishioners and all who suffer as a result of the Covid-19 pandemic anywhere in the world.

Every blessing, *Greg*

COLUMBARIUM COMMITTEE INFORMATION

We advise that the Committee is available for immediate interments only, where someone is recently passed away and the family wishes to have the ashes interred. All other applications are temporarily suspended until further notice.



Should you need to make contact with the committee please phone the parish office and speak to one of the staff or leave a message. Thank you.

CANCELLED

VISIT OF THE RELICS OF ST THERESE AND HER PARENTS

It is unfortunate the planned visit of the Relics to our parish has been cancelled due to the developing public health situation with COVID-19. The **Relic's committee shares your disappointment.** We hope to see the relics in our parish in the not too distant future.



"Mass at Home" parish Facebook group



If you are on Facebook and would like another way of keeping in touch with your community and sharing your experiences of practicing your faith at home, or wish to explore on-line faith opportunities, please join our Facebook group.

24:7 Morley Youth Group
SUSPENDED



Due to the current health crisis, Youth Group will not meet in the parish hall until further notice. Any enquiries, please call Steph on 0499 547 066 or Joe on 0499 038 223 for more details.

Please also note that these following parish groups are temporarily suspended:

Line dancing	Yoga	Playgroup
Friendship	Alpha	Connect
Tai Chi	Bible Study	Meditation
Lectio Divina	Infant Jesus of Prague Prayer	
Vinnies Meeting	Keeping in Touch	

FIRST EUCHARIST AT INFANT JESUS PARISH

In line with the directives of Archbishop Timothy Costelloe, the Celebration of all First Eucharist, Confirmation and First Reconciliation have been temporarily suspended.



As the situation continues to develop, all parents and guardians will be informed of any changes that might occur. Please do not hesitate to speak to Fr Greg if you have any concern or thoughts that you would like to discuss. You are also welcome to send an email to Faith Rico (Sacramental Co-ordinator) at sacramental@infantjesusparish.org.au

PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM SUSPENDED

The Catechist Service of the Archdiocese of Perth, in line with the Archbishop's directives regarding the COVID-19 virus, has recommended that all PREP classes be suspended from Monday 23rd March until further notice.



Therefore, PREP classes at Infant Jesus will not meet again until further advice is received from the Catechist Service.

Parents and Guardians will be contacted soon with further information by the PREP Co-ordinator, Sue Goodwin.

WHAT DO YOU DO WHEN YOU CAN'T GO TO MASS?

It is important, in times like these, to remain connected to your community. We may not be able to celebrate Mass together, physically, but we can still come together with others by sharing in Mass on Demand:

<https://www.northsydney Catholics.com/spirituality/liturgy/mass-on-demand> OR any of the other Masses from around the world on YouTube.

We can also continue to pray with and for each other. Why not join in Morning and Evening Prayer of the Church - available online for free at universalis.com. This site also has the daily readings and prayer resources for you to pray daily. If you like to pray with other voices, you might like to join in praying the Rosary on YouTube:

<https://youtu.be/OouX72ADvSA>

And of course, as Christians who live in the hope of Christ, we can help to share the Good News by remaining positive and hopeful and not giving into a climate of fear. God is with us now as always was and always will be.

Parish Prayer Concerns

Recently Deceased: Ashley D'Silva and Constantini Kandie;

Anniversaries: Raquel Carver;

The Sick of the Parish: Molly (Mary) Williams, Lisa Nettleton; Sam Bonnanella, and all the sick who are in need of our prayers.

"With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption."



PILGRIM STATUE: This week is in the home of Sandra Haney; 2 Richards Pl, Noranda.
Ph: 0412 589 461

The Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation

Following the directive from the Archbishop, the Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation (First Rite) scheduled on our Church for every Saturday will be suspended from this weekend until further notice. However please contact Frs Greg, Tadgh and John for individual requests for the Sacrament.

The directive from the Archdiocese regarding to the Sacrament of Penance/Reconciliation is as follow:

Only the First Rite of Penance (individual confession and absolution) can be celebrated, because of the restrictions on numbers. Priest will do their best to respond to individual requests for the Sacrament, but it is not possible to establish and publicise particular times when the sacrament will be available. People who identify within themselves the need for confession should contact their parish clergy. It is also important to remember that in these extraordinary circumstances we are still able to come before God in sorrow and seek his forgiveness, confident that he is "full of mercy and compassion". As I said above many things are changing, but God's compassion, mercy and forgiveness never change. - Pastoral letter dated 24 March

BE KIND AND LOOK OUT FOR EACH OTHER

At this period of unprecedented health crisis and restrictions imposed to safeguard everyone, there will be many people in our community feeling isolated and vulnerable. There will be also some who experience job losses. We ask you to be kind and look out for each other. Check in with your families, friends, neighbours to see if they are OK. If you know anyone who is alone, we are happy to give them a call. Please contact parish office

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PROJECT COMPASSION 2020
Parish Donations during Covid-19 Restrictions

DONATION METHOD	ACTION REQUIRED
Weekly PC envelope or donation box	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> If by cash, either deliver to the parish office or deposit at an NAB branch (see Caritas Australia's banking details below) If by credit card or cheque, either deliver to the parish office or mail to Caritas's Highgate office (see address below)
PC Website	If by credit card: https://lent.caritas.org.au/#blank
EFT	Caritas banking details: BSB: 086 006 Account No: 826 198 877 Account name: Caritas Australia WA Project Compassion Reference: Parish name e.g. "Infant Jesus"
Cheque	Either deliver to parish office or mail to Caritas' Highgate office (see address below)
Cash	Deliver to parish office or deposit at NAB branch (see Caritas banking details above)
Phone	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> (08)9422 7925 Caritas Highgate, Monday to Friday 1800 024 413 Caritas National Office
Mail	If by cheque or credit card: 40A Mary Street, HIGHGATE WA 6003
In person	If by cash, credit or cheque: Leave at reception, Catholic Pastoral Centre (CPC), 40A Mary St, Highgate, WA. Monday to Friday, 9am to 5pm, subject to change during Covid-19 emergency



Fifth Sunday of Lent

Tawonga is a 10-year-old girl, living with a disability. She lives in a village in northern Malawi in a region plagued by food insecurity and poverty. For most of her life, her parents have struggled to put meals on the table. Tawonga often had to miss school because she was too sick from hunger. The family also faced

discrimination in their community due to her disability. Since participating in a Caritas Australia supported program, Tawonga's life has transformed. Her family now grows enough food to provide three meals a day, ending the struggle of malnutrition, and helping her thrive at school.



Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 to help uplift vulnerable communities and support the rights of indigenous peoples around the world.

Let's Go Further, Together. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

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