Dear brothers and sisters.

Our scriptures this week tell us that God is the giver of life and the restorer of relationships. This is relevant to our response at this time to the W.A. law on Voluntary Assisted Dying. In the Gospel Jesus brings back to life a dead child. But the First Reading, from the Book of Wisdom (1:13-15; 2:23-24) prepares the way, offering an interpretation of the creation story in Genesis. The author insists that human beings have been created to share eternal life with God. The intertwined miracles told in the Gospel (Mark 5:21-43) dramatically present Jesus as the conqueror of death. Jesus heals a woman and gives life back to a dead girl.

Another theme is ritual holiness. The rules surrounding holiness sought to protect the holiness of God and God's people by prohibiting contact with anything deemed unclean. So dirt, skin diseases (e.g. leprosy), blood and dead bodies were all unclean. To touch or be touched by them was to be unclean and unable to pray with others. This led to social exclusion.

The woman with the chronic haemorrhage for 12 years was ritually unclean. She seeks not to draw attention to herself. So, in the midst of the scrum she touches Jesus' garment. He then asks the seemingly ridiculous question: 'Who touched my clothes'. He calls the woman 'daughter' opening the way for her to resume the life of a Jewish woman that had been off-limits to her. Jesus puts an end to her uncleanness and exclusion. By bringing her out in public Jesus offers her social rehabilitation. By praising the woman's faith Jesus makes her an example to us of bold and trusting faith.

The number 12 reappears with the 12 year old girl, in ancient times the threshold of marriage. With only her immediate family and his disciples present there is calm. Jesus does not perform wonders for the crowd. In an intimate family setting Jesus touches the body of the girl. He takes her hand and says to her 'Little girl, I tell you to get up'. By his gentle touch he rewrites the law of holiness and restores her to life, her family and her future. In the words of the Responsorial Psalm: you have changed my mourning into dancing, O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. In the Eucharist Jesus touches us intimately, heals us and reconciles us to one another as he feeds us with his Body and Blood. And so, we joyfully and gratefully thank God for him in the Eucharistic Prayer.

Blessings, Greg

SUPPORTING MY PARISH

Our parish church has an essential role in making Christ present to our local community but it is us, the people who gather in this building, who *are* the Church.

Our parish provides a place for people to gather and worship. We have a committed teams of volunteers who reach out and selflessly give their time, continuing the mission of the world-wide Church. This is only possible because of the generosity of those who financially support the parish every week by contributing to the second collection at Mass.

The **SECOND COLLECTION** is the main source of parish income, which includes the money pledged to the **Planned Giving Program**. It supports the day-to-day running of our parish, repairs and maintenances, wages, insurance, utilities and all that is needed to keep our parish functioning & flourishing. Besides this, the second collection also allows our parish to assist new or poorer parishes in the Perth Archdiocese via our twice yearly payment to the Archdiocese, based on their assessment of our parish finances.

You can help by pledging a regular contribution to our Planned Giving Program. You can do this by completing a green pledge card, available today in the foyer on the trestle with boxes of Planned Giving packs.

If you are already a contributor with envelopes option, please take your new envelope pack home today.

If you rarely carry or use cash anymore, and would like to support your parish, we have direct bank transfer and direct debit options. Please contact Darren or Billie in the parish office for more information.

thong you very much!

Thank you for your support and commitment to your parish, this means the work of the parish will continue.

WHOLE SCHOOL MASS

Our Infant Jesus school children will be joining us to celebrate Mass on this Thursday 1st of July at 9am. We are so glad they are able to do so now since COVID restrictions have made it impossible these last 16 months.



Church Flower Ministry

We are in need of some help with flower arranging, If you have any skills in this area we would love to hear from you please contact Annette on 0408 092 057

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM—First Holy Communion

In light of the current COVID pandemic and to mitigate this health risk, enrolment will be conducted online. Parents will be sent the link to the online



form on 28th June. Enrolments will close on 13th July at 12:00 noon. Please note your preferred mass should be booked online via the Eventbrite booking system (link and instructions will be provided within the enrolment form).

First Communion Program dates are as follows:

- Parents Night—Monday 26th July at 7.00pm at the Parish hall
- Commitment Masses—Saturday 31st July at 6.00pm
 OR Sunday 1st August at 9.30am OR 6.00pm
- Parent & Child Workshop—Monday 9th August at 7pm at the Parish Centre & Church
- Retreat—Friday 13th August
- First Communion Masses—Thursday 19th August at 6.00pm, Saturday 21st August at 11.00am and 2.00pm

Any enquiries, please contact Sacramental Coordinator, Theresa Choo at 9276 8500.

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PILGRIM STATUE

This week in the home of Mr & Mrs C Reincastle 10 Cooper Rd, Morley. Ph: 9276 9439

PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS

Recently Deceased: Margaret Tindale, Paul Stillitano, Cesare Maio and Maria Bice Masotti;

Deceased: Peter Meek, Walter and Regina Manuel,

Anniversaries: Fr Albert McKeogh, OCD, Fr Ross Collings, OCD, HP (Bill) Jones, Americo Colonico, Anton Ly, Angela Colace, Rocco Tassone Jim and Gert Harding;

The Sick of the Parish: Louis Cantem and all the sick who are in need of our prayers.

"The Lord is kind and merciful."

VINTAGE STAMP COLLECTION

An extensive vintage stamp collection has been donated to our Parish. A full catalogue of the contents is available, including information regarding the face value of all the stamps. Please contact Sue on Ph: 0497 163 387 if you would like more information.

DONATION OF A SINGLE BED

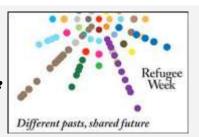
A single bed is to be given away by one of our parishioners. Please contact Beverley on Ph: 0408 188 867 if you would like more information about the bed.

BOOK REQUEST

Peter Calvay—Hermit: A Personal Rediscovery of Prayer by Fr Rayner Torkington. If anyone has a copy they wish to pass on, please contact Fran Clifford on 9276 8336.

Refugee Week

We take this opportunity to learn, to reflect and to pray for the many Refugees & people seeking asylum in our world, but especially those in our own country and under our care. Aware of Jesus' call to 'welcome the stranger', we pray for compassionate hearts in ourselves and in our leaders.



In Our Church

Morning Mass: Mon-Fri: 7am & 9am , Sat and Public Holidays: 8.30am Sunday Masses: 6pm (Saturday), 7.30am, 9.30am, 11.30am (Italian), 6pm

Reconciliation: Saturday 10 - 11am and 5pm - 5.30pm

Perpetual Novena in Honour of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel: Wednesday 6.30pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday 9.30 - 10.30am

Eucharistic Prayer: Friday 6.30 - 7.30pm

Baptisms, Weddings & Sacraments: Please contact the Parish

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Come and See—What is happening in our Parish?

Line Dancing—Mondays 9.30am to 11am in the parish hall with a short break for a cuppa and a chat—All welcome-small fee applies



Silent Meditation—Mondays 7.00pm in the Joseph Room. Please contact Pedro on 0419 934 108.

YOGA—Tuesdays at 9am in Joseph Room BYO yoga mat & water bottle. All welcome-small fee applies. Please contact Marion on 0412 633 857.



Vinnies—Tuesdays at 7pm in the Library. All welcome.

Lectio Divina—Wednesdays 9.30am in the Library.

Playgroup—Children aged 0-4 years are welcome on Thursdays from 9.30-11am in the parish hall. All children must be accompanied by their parent/



guardian. Please bring your own children's morning

tea. If able, we always love a gold coin donation to help with the costs of water, electricity, tea and coffee. For further details, feel free to contact Parish office on 9276 8500

Bible Study—join Fr Tadgh for bible study on Thursdays at 7pm in the Library.

For more information, please ring parish office on 9276 8500.

THIS WEEKEND — 13th Sunday of Ordinary Time—27 June 2021						
Ministry	Sat 6pm	<u>Sun 7.30am</u>	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm		
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Bob Burns	Chris Wray	Josephine Joseph-McManus	Chris Lambert		
Altar Servers	Ethan; Naethan; Meghan and Andres	Madeleine and Frank	Allan and Akash	Denver; Marcus and Noah		
Proclaimers	Donna-Marie and Valerie	Liz and Brian	Mark and Josephine	Marion W and Paul		
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Tracy and Linda	Noeline and Bryan	Joan and Annette	Thuy and Ivor		
Hospitality	Ann and Denise	Barb and Veronica	Sagay and Roma	Luisa and Anne		
Church Cleaning	Team C— Saturday, 26 June @ 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.

NEXT WEEKEND — 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time—4 July 2021						
Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	<u>Sun 9.30am</u>	Sunday 6pm		
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Jeremy Nicoletto	Chris Wray	Naveen Joseph	Tung Nguyen		
Altar Servers	Shawn; David; Josemiguel and Andres	Cyril	Crissanto; Cesar and Leah	Alex; Dorothy and Bryant		
Proclaimers	Marie and Naethan	Sacred Heart and Stella & Fleur	Marion O and Tony	Rita and Eloise		
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	John T and Chris T	Delia and John S	Josephine and Anna	Tristan and Marie		
Hospitality	John T and Emily	Lyn and Mavis	Ancilla and Marlene	Joanne and Maureen		
Church Cleaning	Team D—Friday, 2 July @ 10.30am					

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