

Dear brothers and sisters,

Today we begin five Sundays of readings from chapter six of John's Gospel. John 6 consists Jesus feeding a the large crowd with a few loaves and fishes (Jn 6:1-15), followed by a long discourse on the Bread of Life. The First Reading (2 Kings 2:42-44) recalls an event in the life of the prophet Elisha. He tells his servant to feed the crowd with the twenty barley loaves. As with the loaves and fishes in today's Gospel everyone is satisfied, there is plenty left over. When the Lord supplies, the generosity is unstinting.

The context for the feeding of the hungry people described in the Gospel (John 6:1-15) is the Jewish feast of Passover, a feast celebrating the liberation of the Israelites from slavery in Egypt and their formation into the covenant people of God. For a hungry people Jesus himself is the 'Bread of Life'.

He takes responsibility for feeding them although the resources available are minimal. Jesus instructs the disciples to have the people sit down upon the green grass. The word translated 'sit down' has the sense of 'recline as if for a banquet'. For Jesus, it is not a question of 'buying' anything but rather of becoming instruments of the divine generosity. He takes the bread and fish that are available, blesses them and then shares them. Note we use the same verbs in our Eucharists. Our eucharistic celebrations through the ages continue Jesus' witness to the hospitality of God. Jesus invites people to share the food he provides as a sacrament of his own life. We have to be open to receive his gift.

In our Second reading (Eph 4: 1-6) Paul urges us to live with humility, gentleness and patience which build up the unity and peace of the Church and of the world. This is a call to live our Baptism fruitfully and united as one because we have one Lord, one Faith one Baptism. Faced with hunger on a global scale, the challenge of Jesus, 'Where can we buy bread for these people to eat?' remains. It is not just an economic or political question for Christians it also a religious question.

HAPPY GRANDPARENTS DAY!

Today is the first Grandparents Day proclaimed by Pope Francis. For those of us who are old, it is a day to express gratitude for the gifts of age. For the young it is a day to express gratitude for the wonderful presence in their lives of their grandparents. Joy and peace to all families today!—*Blessings, Greg*

### MODERN SLAVERY

The Catholic Archdiocese of Perth invites all parishes and families to take up 'ethical purchasing' (slavery-proof purchasing) as an act of neighbour love. We can put our faith into action by simply choosing one item (eg: coffee, tea, chocolate) and checking that the product displays one of these certification logos: Fairtrade, UTZ or Rainforest Alliance. For more information contact: Archdiocesan Modern Slavery Officer, 9220 5950 or



### CHURCH CLEANING TEAM NEEDS YOU!

Do you have an hour to spare once a month? Our Thursday morning church cleaning team needs your help. We need another pair of hands to help with vacuuming our church. Please if you could assist, contact Billie in the parish office.



### PRAYER FOR THE FIRST WORLD DAY FOR GRANDPARENTS AND THE ELDERLY

I thank You, Lord, for the comfort of Your presence:  
even in times of loneliness,  
You are my hope and my confidence,  
You have been my rock and my fortress since my youth!



I thank You for having given me a family  
and for having blessed me with a long life.  
I thank You for moments of joy and difficulty,  
for the dreams that have already come true in my life and for those that are still ahead of me.

I thank You for this time of renewed fruitfulness to which You call me.

Increase, O Lord, my faith, make me a channel of your peace, teach me to embrace those who suffer more than me, to never stop dreaming and to tell of your wonders to new generations.

Protect and guide Pope Francis and the Church,  
that the light of the Gospel might reach the ends of the earth.  
Send Your Spirit, O Lord, to renew the world,  
that the storm of the pandemic might be calmed,  
the poor consoled and wars ended.

Sustain me in weakness and help me to live life to the full in each moment that You give me,  
in the certainty that you are with me every day,  
even until the end of the age.  
Amen.

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM**  
**First Holy Communion**



**Please note that the enrolment for First Holy Communion is now closed.**

**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.

**Vinnie Winter Appeal**

A big thank you to all the Parishioners who generously donated to the winter appeal held last weekend for the SVDP Morley/Dianella conference. A total of \$3,444.60 was given that will greatly help the poor and homeless within our community. Thank you.—Chapter President, Lou Daily



**Understanding the Liturgy**

The readings from the Word of God are to be **LISTENED to REVERENTLY** by everyone, for they are an element of the greatest importance in the Liturgy. Although in the readings from Sacred Scripture the Word of God is addressed to all people of whatever era and is understandable to them, a fuller understanding and a greater efficaciousness of the word is nevertheless fostered by a living commentary on the word, that is, by the **HOMILY**, as part of the liturgical action.

GIRM 29



**PILGRIM STATUE**

This week in the home of  
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**PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS**

**Recently Deceased:** Joseph Tran, Grace Rodrigues and Oliver Pelpola (Sri Lanka);

**Deceased:** Bernard Teo;

**Anniversaries:** Michael and Patrick Mascarenhas, Rex Wilson, Peter Panizza, Laura Leembruggen, Lawrence Ferguson, Patricia Wilson, Robert Bruske and Joe Byrne;

**The Sick of the Parish:** Fr Francis Ly and all the sick who are in need of our prayers.

*"The hand of the Lord feeds us;  
he answers all our needs."*

**CALENDAR OF SAINTS**

**26 Jul: Sts Joachim and Anne**

**29 Jul: St Martha**

**31 Jul: St Ignatius of Loyola, priest**

**Archdiocesan Marriage Mass,  
Saturday, August 28 at 10am at St Mary's Cathedral**

The Annual Archdiocesan Marriage Mass for couples celebrating 10, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 or 50+ years of marriage will be celebrated on August 28. The Bishops would like to give these couples a special commemorative certificate as part of the celebration. Couples can register for a milestone anniversary certificate at <https://bit.ly/marriagemass2021>. Please note that all certificate requests must be received prior to August 19. Enquiry to Derek Boylen at 9241 5000.



**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 Office.—Ph: 9276 8500

**Our Parish Team**

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**Can you help?**

St John of God Midland Public & Private Hospitals needs **Volunteer Extraordinary Ministers** to offer



Holy Communion to our Catholic patients. We are looking for volunteers to help set up for a weekly Wednesday 10.30am Mass, then administer Holy Communion afterwards. **Volunteers are also needed for Holy Communion on Sundays. (Rotating monthly roster)**

If you are a trained Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist and you can spare some time we would love to hear from you. Please contact Jenni Brown on 9462 5409 or [jenni.brown@sjog.org.au](mailto:jenni.brown@sjog.org.au)  
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**THIS WEEKEND — 17th Sunday of Ordinary Time—25 July 2021**

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Bob Burns	Chris Wray	Chris Yapp	Hari Geigenmuller
Altar Servers	Aaditya; Abhay and Abigail	Cyril	Crissanto; Cesar and Leah	Denver; Marcus and Noah
Proclaimers	Chris A and Melissa	Sjen and Nikita	Rod and Barbara	Marion W and Paul
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	John T and Chris T	Yvonne and Kerry	Tanya and Annette D'O	Marie and Maureen
Hospitality	Ann and Denise	Lyn and Mavis	Sophie and Joshila	Luisa and Anne
Church Cleaning	Team C—Saturday, 24 July @ 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 — 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time—1 August 2021**

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Jeremy N	Paul W	Naveen J	Chris L
Altar Servers	Shawn, David, Josemiguel and Andres	Jamie, Mary and Elizabeth	Andrei, Jules and Manuel	Alex, Dorothy and Bryant
Proclaimers	Marie and Naethan	Sacred Heart (Stella and Fleur)	Marion O and Tony	Maureen and Alan
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Tracy and Linda	Mike and Kathleen	Aileen and Joan	Thuy and Ivor
Hospitality	John T and Emily	Angela and Mercia	Sagay and Roma	Joanne and Maureen
Church Cleaning	Team D—Friday, 30 July @ 10.30am			

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