



Infant Jesus Parish

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Twenty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

29 August 2021

First Reading Dt 4:1-2, 6-8

You may add nothing to the word which I speak to you – keep the commands of the Lord.

Moses said to the people: 'Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today, and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you, and take nothing from it, but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them, and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, "No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation." And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God is to us whenever we call to him? And what great nation is there that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?'

(Quiet reflection time)

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 14:2-5. R. v.1

(R.) The just will live in the presence of the Lord.

1. Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain?
He who walks without fault;
he who acts with justice
and speaks the truth from his heart. *(R.)*
2. He who does no wrong to his brother,
who casts no slur on his neighbour,
who holds the goddess in disdain,
but honours those who fear the Lord. *(R.)*
3. He who keeps his pledge, come what may;
who takes no interest on a loan
and accepts no bribes against the innocent.
Such a man will stand firm for ever. *(R.)*

Second Reading

Jas 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

Be doers of the word.

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created.

Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you, and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves.

Pure, unspoiled religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it, and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world.

(Quiet reflection time)

Gospel Acclamation Jas 1:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Father gave us birth by his message of truth,

that we might be as the first fruits of his creation.

Alleluia!

Gospel Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

You forget the commandments of God and hold on to human tradition.

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus, and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees, and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow; and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, 'It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture:

This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations.

You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.'

He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge: fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'

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Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSA

The overarching theme of the readings for this Sunday is 'words spoken in truth'. On one level, the laws are the words of the covenant. They are part of the contract that was drawn up between God and the people. They are words of truth, because they are the reliable revelation of God and because they genuinely reflect righteous living. The biblical covenant laws are truly humane. Obedience to the words of the covenant leads to life and blessings, while disobedience results in the opposite.

Our religious customs always carry some profound religious meaning, but we may not know or care what it is – and yet we perform them. Do people know or care why we stand or sit or kneel during liturgy? Do people have a 'church' wedding because it is a religious event, or because 'that's the way we have always done it'? Religious practices do not always flow from a deep religious conviction. But once we realise our need for God, these practices become genuine expressions of religious sentiment.

When the word of God has taken root in us, everything becomes a religious practice. This word can come to us through the teachings of our faith, through the example of good people around us, through the wonder and mystery of creation. When it does take hold of us, our inner eye is opened, our hearts are softened, and we turn instinctively to God like a flower turns to the sun. When we are brought to birth in this way, covenant law becomes sacred, religious practices are cherished, and we are filled with the power that saves.

Entrance Antiphon: Ps 68 (67):36

Wonderful are you, O God in your holy place. The God of Israel himself gives his people strength and courage. Blessed be God!

Communion Antiphon: Cf. 1 Cor 3:16-17

You are the temple of God, and the Spirit of God dwells in you. The Temple of God, which you are, is holy (alleluia)

Dear brothers and sisters,

OUR CHURCH

This Sunday is the 29th anniversary of the dedication of our Church by Archbishop Barry Hickey in 1992. Our parish began in 1954 with a church/hall/school on Walter Road. The first church on this site was built in 1960. From the beginning Morley was a church community noted for its friendliness and enthusiasm. We have always had a young spirit!

The Church building tells us who we are and what we hold in common. We are made one as the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit are one. We are the Church - the temple of God built of living stones, where the Father is worshiped in spirit and in truth. From early times 'church' has also been the name given to the building in which the Christian community gathers to hear the word of God, to pray together, to receive the sacraments, and to celebrate the eucharist.

Morley is a beautiful parish which has a beautiful Church. Our Church is something for which today we rightly give thanks. To help us better appreciate the Church we have produced a beautiful little guidebook. It is available from this weekend at the bargain price of \$5.00.

OUR READINGS

In today's Gospel (Mk 7: 1-8, 14-15, 21-23) Jesus takes issue with the Pharisees, sincere dedicated lay people who took the priestly spirituality of the Temple and erected a body of rules and traditions around the Torah. They saw 'uncleanness' as something from outside that threatened to defile the basic holiness of the people of God. Therefore, it had to be warded off by washings and other rituals.

For Jesus holiness belongs essentially to God. Holiness comes from our relationship with God – which begins in the heart. Jesus, who was supremely in contact with God, went about touching 'unclean' persons like lepers and associating with tax collectors and sinners. For Jesus true holiness is inclusive rather than exclusive. God reaches out rather to us than withdrawing to a 'sacred' space.

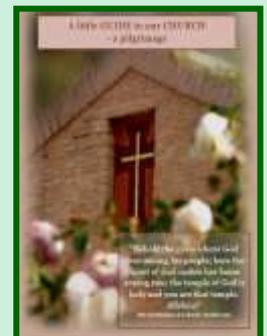
In the First Reading, (Deut 4:1-2, 6-8) the Hebrew word 'Torah', which we inadequately translate 'law', means not firstly a legal code but 'a light that shows the way'. It is a torch that lights up a path on a dark night. For the Jewish people the Torah is a body of wisdom showing how to live as the people of God. In the Second Reading (Jas 1:17-18, 21-22, 27) James tells us 'pure, undefiled religion' is 'coming to the aid of orphans and widows in their distress, and to keeping oneself unstained by the world'. This reading connects with this year's Social Justice Statement: *Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor*.

Blessings, Greg



Celebrating Together Our Parish Feast Day -
Let Us Rejoice and Be Glad
of our beautiful church
and wonderful community.

In addition to the community gatherings after the weekend Masses,
we also have, to celebrate this feast,
a little guide book, available this weekend,
that will take you on a tour of our Church.
\$5 each to cover printing costs.



SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY 29 AUGUST 2021

The Australian Catholic Bishops in their Social Justice Statement, *Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor*, challenge us to respond to Pope Francis's invitation to take a seven-year journey towards total ecological sustainability guided by the seven Laudato Si' Goals. The Statement provides theological foundations to ground and inspire our efforts to care for creation while responding to the needs of the disadvantaged and excluded.

The statement can be viewed at:
<https://socialjustice.catholic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2021/08/Social-Justice-Statement-2021-22.pdf>

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY PRAYER CRY OF THE EARTH, CRY OF THE POOR

Lord, when we listen with your ears we hear:
the bush grown more silent, the birdsong less vibrant,
the stream's sluggish ripple. Have mercy and open our ears.

Lord, when we look with your eyes we see:
the soil depleted, the sky smudged,
the oceans rubbished and the great currents slowed.
Have mercy and help us to see.

Lord, when we look with your eyes we see:
the workers who struggle to get by, the women subjected to violence,
the people who are excluded. Have mercy and help us to see.

Lord, when we listen with your ears we hear:
the sound of hungry children, the distress of the mentally ill,
the silent pain of homeless women and men.
Have mercy and open our ears.

Send your Spirit upon us Lord to renew our sight,
to restore our hearing, and to reclaim your reign of justice
for all people and peace for creation. AMEN

THANKSGIVING MASS

to celebrate the 80th birthday of Fr. Tadgh Tierney

SATURDAY 11TH SEPTEMBER AT 11.30AM



All are welcome to join Fr. Tadgh as he celebrates this milestone birthday and the 61st anniversary of his profession as a Carmelite.

NO BOOKING REQUIRED TO ATTEND THIS MASS

If you also wish to be at the lunch, please book as per below.

BIRTHDAY LUNCH FOR FR. TADGH'S 80TH BIRTHDAY & 61 YEARS OF PROFESSION BOOKINGS ESSENTIAL

Saturday 11th September at 12.45pm

Join Fr. Tadgh for a joyful celebration of his life and service as a Carmelite. Meal and drinks provided. The celebration will have an Irish flavour, so please wear something green (or your best leprechaun hat or shamrock shirt!)



In lieu of gifts, we suggest you use the envelopes provided on the bulletin stands to make a monetary contribution to Fr. Tadgh. These can be dropped into either of the collection bags at Mass.

SEATING WILL BE LIMITED AND RESERVED



Unfortunately, while we would love the whole parish to come to the lunch, due to space and catering limitations seating will be set at a capped number. Therefore, you **MUST** book either through the Eventbrite app/website (search—Fr. Tadgh's 80th birthday lunch) or by contacting the parish office during office hours (9.30am - 12.30pm Monday - Thursday 9276 8500).

No reservation, no entry—sorry! This applies to everyone, including ministers & choir members - please do not assume that because you have served at the Mass, you will have a place at the lunch.

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: Wed 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 —
47 Wellington Road, Morley 9276 8500 | secretary@infantjesusparish.org.au
Office hours: Monday - Thursday 9.30am - 12.30pm
Facebook: infantjesusmorley Web: www.infantjesusparish.org.au

HE WHO SINGS, PRAYS TWICE

Are you a musician or a singer? If so, your parish needs you. We are looking to building our music ministry as two of our choirs have moved on. Have a chat with Linda (0402 120 978). Thank you and God bless you.



CONGRATULATIONS...

We welcome our recently baptised little ones and pray that God will bless, guide and protect them— Aleiyah



Bonasera; Mia Catalano; Maiah Donnelly; Olivia Po; Jayden Park; Sophie Tobin; Ada Cross; Darragh Hickey; Rory Lukan; Darragh O'Neill; Giselle Ruggiero; Ethan Bickford; Luke Bickford; Tom Foley; Max Zaba; Theodore Leggett; Casper Snare; Max Snare; Milah Pirga; Thea Viljoen; Eva Vibin; Massimo Agnello; Joshua Grant; Xavier Grant; Harrison Orzel; Oliver Almonte; Emilikia De Rizzo; Michael Jenks; Frankie Achurch; Oscar Frenken; Lottie Holt; Audrey Italiano; Elizabeth Cusmano; Sebastian Cusmano; Madelene Kneeb.

A Dialogue with the Female Members of the Plenary Council THURSDAY 9 September 5.30-8.30pm

The Committee for the Council for Catholic Women Perth warmly invites you to a dialogue with the female members of the Plenary Council residing in Perth.

Come and listen to what inspires and enriches their faith experience and hear about their hopes for the Plenary Council. There will be an opportunity to ask questions and to contribute to this dialogue.

Venue : James Nestor Hall ,Catholic Education Office [60 Ruislip St West Leederville](#)

When: Thursday 9 September - 5.30pm - 8.30pm
(Light refreshments served 5.30pm - 6pm)

RSVP: Tuesday 7 September by mobile 0400 886 835 or email kerrymacfarlane2@hotmail.com
All welcome. Please share with your networks.

Jamberoo Abbey Online Retreat about Hope —Meet Me in the Middle

This retreat is based on Charles Peguy's Little Girl Hope from the book: "The Portal of the Mystery of Hope." Hope is both a virtue and a mystery. It is desirable yet elusive. Many dismiss it, misunderstand it, shrug it off and turn their backs on it, extolling faith and charity instead. Whilst faith and charity are absolutely critical in these times of uncertainty and fear in society, there is now a need for hope as never before since World War II. Retreat begins Sunday September 5, 2021. Cost of retreat \$250. More info on the foyer boards or register online at: jamberooabbey.org.au/retreats/online-retreats

**Invitation to Morning Reflection
for Parish Volunteers involved in Pastoral Work**
Catholic Mission, in partnership with Catholic Outreach, invites parish volunteers involved in pastoral work to a free morning of reflection, networking and brunch at the Catholic Pastoral Centre, 40A Mary Street, Highgate on Thursday 2 September 2021, 9am-2pm. The presenter will be Hugh McKay whose talk and workshop will be live-streamed from Sydney. Hugh is a renowned social commentator and author of 'The Kindness Revolution: How we can restore hope, build trust and inspire optimism'. Prior registration is essential—contact Francis Leong director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au /9422 7933 for more information.

PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS

Recently Deceased: Edward Seymour, Noel D’Cruze, Nancy Lobo, Suon Grazia Andreina Colangelo;

Deceased: Peter Meek, Glen de Silva, Rona D’Cruze;

Anniversaries: Br James Groth OCD, John (Nini) Zacconi, Santino Farina, Giuseppe Bianco, Laura Albanese, George & Helen Budge, Adelia Chan;

The Sick of the Parish: All the sick who are in need of our prayers.

“The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save.”



PILGRIM STATUE

This week in the home of
Mr and Mrs Fan Chung
22 Branwell Road, Morley. Ph: 9276 9451.

CALENDAR OF SAINTS — 03 Sep: St Gregory the Great

THE RECORD MAGAZINE

Official magazine for the Catholic Archdiocese of Perth

Feel free to pick up a copy from the church foyer. Featured in this edition are Euthanasia, Supperannuation, Vocation, newest churches in Jurian Bay and Chittering, Plenary, Queen’s Birthday Honors and more!

THIS WEEKEND —Dedication of our Church—28/29 August 2021

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Jeremy Nicoletto	Chris Wray	Chris Yapp	Hari Geigenmuller
Altar Servers	Aaditya; Abhay and Abigail	Madeleine and Frank	Andrei; Jules and Manuel	Alex; Dorothy and Bryant
Proclaimers	Chris A and Marian F	Joanne and Bernie	Mark and Josephine	Alan and Maureen
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Nevellene and Valerie	Josie and Carl	Patrick and Tanya	Marie and Maureen
Hospitality	John T and Emily	Barb and Veronica	Pat and Marlene	Rennet and Fely
Church Cleaning	Team D—Friday, 27 August @ 10.30am			

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 — 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time—04/05 September 2021

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	John Tomczak	Josephine Joseph-McManus	Chris Lambert	Tung Nguyen
Altar Servers	Ethan; Naethan and Meghan	Cyril	Gabrielle and Victoria	Tim; Dan and Ruben
Proclaimers	Teresa and Mellissa	Sacred Heart and Stella & Fleur	Marion O and Tony	Rita and Eloise
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Nevellene and Valerie	Josie and Carl	Patrick and Tanya	Marie and Maureen
Hospitality	Rose and Milly	Lyn and Mavis	Julia and Roma	Ancilla and Anne
Church Cleaning	Team A—Saturday, 4 September @ 9.30am			

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