

Dear brothers and sisters,

The Gospel today tells of Jesus healing a deaf man with a speech impediment (Mk 6:31-37). It deliberately links to our First Reading (Is 35:4-7). Jesus' act of healing fulfills the messianic promise. Typically, in Mark's Gospel Jesus performs this act of compassion in such a way as to attract as little attention as possible. Otherwise, the people would see him entirely in terms of their messianic expectations, which had a large political element bound up with it. He is not after power or popularity. His identity and mission will only be revealed by his suffering and death on the cross. Jesus who came 'not to be served but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many' (10:45).

Jesus does not use fancy mumbo jumbo or magic to heal but simply says 'Be Opened' (Ephphatha). How powerful is a healing word. The man's disabilities place him at a great disadvantage: he can neither receive verbal communication nor freely communicate his own thoughts, feelings and reflections to others. His condition is lonely and isolated. What Jesus does for this marginalised person is to bring him into the hearing and speaking community where interpersonal communication can truly flow.

Jesus was criticised for having meals with all sorts of unlikely characters, including tax collectors and public sinners. He was aware that they were people who needed help and not people to be avoided. James in the Second Reading (Jas 2: 1-5) warns us not to judge others and certainly not to favour those who are rich or powerful. To be honest who do we prefer to mix with? Our ears have been opened and our tongues are 'loosened' so that we can fully participate in the mission God gives us to bring healing and to set others free so that we may give thanks to God with unlikely others in the community of faith.

## DEDICATION CELEBRATION

Thanks very much to everyone who worked to make our celebrations last weekend the hugely enjoyable success they were. I think it was one of the best feast days ever. Thanks to all who came. What can we do next year for our 30th anniversary?

—*Blessings, Greg*

## 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.



## A Little GUIDE to our Church a pilgrimage

Our parish is so fortunate and grateful to have friends who came together, brainstorming, researched, created and published this beautiful pilgrimage booklet. It is designed to be your guide and it takes you on a walking tour as you read the story of our Church. The booklet points out to you all the carefully chosen artefacts and sacred items along with an explanation of the purpose behind the design and choice of materials. It is an interesting story told with pride and love. Don't forget to pick your very own copy today. Available at the piety stall for just \$5 each to cover printing costs.



## Join the ABC (Another Book Club)!

**When:** Monday 6th September from 6.30pm to 8pm.

**Where:** Infant Jesus Parish Centre, the Library.

**Facilitator:** Marion Wayne.

**Book:** *Women and the Words* by Sister Sandra Schniders. We are starting this new book and if you haven't got a copy, don't worry, we have some to borrow for a fee of \$5

Any enquiries, please email Marion at [goodnesstruthbeauty@yahoo.com](mailto:goodnesstruthbeauty@yahoo.com) or 0412 633 857



## CHURCH CLEANING TEAM STILL 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 on 9276 8500 in the parish office.



## CALENDAR OF SAINTS

**08 Sep:** The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary

## Fr Tadgh 80th Birthday Lunch Saturday 11th September



The booking for lunch is now at full capacity. If you have booked and couldn't make it, please let us know as we have a waiting list of people wanting to join in.

However, as there is no number limit applied in the church service, we invite you to join us at the Thanksgiving Mass at 11.30am. We are so excited and looking forward to a joyful celebration of our beloved priest's special milestone next Saturday.—Billie, parish secretary

### UNDERSTANDING LITURGY

#### A Gift is a Gift

##### *The Offertory, or more appropriately, 'The Preparation of the Gifts' explained*

This week is the first of a series of topics on all things liturgical. The church is dynamic and forever moving to serve the needs of the people of God in each century. It is easy to use language for things that have been



part of our growing in the faith. Church scholars have seen the need to change some terminology and rituals to help us move and grow more in our faith and resonate with us in modern times. Very often this new language assists us to discover new insights and find deeper meaning for the rituals and actions that participate in.

The handout is available in the narthex (foyer) of the church after Mass.

### COLUMBARIUM ENQUIRIES

The Columbarium committee is available each Wednesday in the parish centre for Columbarium enquiries and bookings, from 9.30am - 11.00am. If this time is not possible for you, please call the parish office on 9276 8500 to arrange a suitable time to meet with one of the committee.



### PILGRIM STATUE

This week in the home of  
Crystal Fernandez

445A Morley Drive, Morley. Ph: 0435 164 261

### PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS

**Recently Deceased:** Noel D'Cruz, Joe McAteer and Edward Seymour;

**Deceased:** Raquel Carver, Stella Dorloff, Doug Bolton, Rona D'Cruze, Edwin Bowers and Dionysius Hendricks;

**Anniversaries:** Fr Angelo Gatto, OCD; Adeline Chan, John Doherty, Gaetano Puglia, Mary Rodrigues, Lily Santa Maria, George and Helen Budge, Lilianne Conier, Den Roberts, and Michael Lewis;

**The Sick of the Parish:** Travis, Charles Reincastle and all the sick who are in need of our prayers.

*"To those who believe in Christ, may they receive true freedom and an everlasting inheritance."*



### POPE FRANCIS'S MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTIONS 2021

Month of September

**'An environmentally sustainable lifestyle'**

We pray that we all will make courageous choices for a simple and environmentally sustainable lifestyle, rejoicing in our young people who are resolutely committed to this.

### 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, Superannuation, Vocation, newest churches in Jurien Bay and Chittering, Plenary Council, Queen's Birthday Honours and more!

### 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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**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](mailto:kerrymacfarlane2@hotmail.com)

**Mercedes College Open Day - Tuesday 7 Sept**

Mercedes College is hosting an Open Day Tour on Tuesday, 7 September for prospective parents and families. The Open Day Tours provides an opportunity to hear from the Senior Leadership Team and enjoy a tour of College facilities led by some of our Student Representative Leaders. Two sessions are on offer at 8.30am and 11am. Please note the 8.30am session includes a morning tea, where you will also have opportunity to speak with some of our Senior Leadership members and teachers. To register, please visit our [www.mercedes.was.edu/open-morning/](http://www.mercedes.was.edu/open-morning/).

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

<u>Ministry</u>	<u>Sat 6pm</u>	<u>Sun 7.30am</u>	<u>Sun 9.30am</u>	<u>Sunday 6pm</u>
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	John T and Chris T	Yvonne and Kerry	Annette D'O and Aileen	Thuy and Ivor
Hospitality	Rose and Milly	Lyn and Mavis	Julia and Roma	Ancilla and Anne
Church Cleaning	Team A—Saturday, 4 September @ 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 — 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time—11/12 September 2021**

<u>Ministry</u>	<u>Sat 6pm</u>	<u>Sun 7.30am</u>	<u>Sun 9.30am</u>	<u>Sunday 6pm</u>
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Peter Nguyen-Le	Paul Wachtel	David Pham	Conan Dewitt
Altar Servers	Shawn; David; Josemiguel and Andres	Jamie; Mary and Elizabeth	Allan and Akash	Dylan; Shaun and Alyssa
Proclaimers	Marie and Naethan	Sally and Shirley	Mike and Julia	Marion W and Paul
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Tracy and Linda	Mike and Kathleen	Joan and Annette N	Tristan and Marie
Hospitality	Roopa and Marisol	Angela and Francisca	Jeanette and Patrick	Julie and Eloise
Church Cleaning	Team B—Thursday, 9 September @ 9.45am			

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