

Dear brothers and sisters,

In Matthew's Gospel the beautiful and inspiring Beatitudes are in the Sermon on the Mount. Today however, we hear the Lucan version of the Beatitudes (Lk 6:17, 20-26), from the Sermon on the Plain. In Luke there are 4 Beatitudes not 8 and we have 4 added woes. The tone is challenging and provocative. Jesus is speaking to his disciples while surrounded by many people seeking healing. He tells them that by adopting these values they too will become instruments of hope and healing for troubled people.

Being 'blessed' is not commending a moral attitude to be adopted. Rather it declares a person to be in a fortunate or advantageous position. It almost amounts to 'Congratulations!' in view of a coming action of God. Today's Beatitudes are not aspirational. We don't strive to be poor, hungry or sad, be still in God's favour if we are doing our best to follow Jesus in the midst of sadness, pain or misery. The First Reading (Jer 17:5-8) provides a background to this sense of being blessed or cursed based on whether we trust in God.

The Beatitudes and Woes are part of a major Lucan theme where the reign of God brings about a reversal of fortune. This is first expressed in Mary's Magnificat (Lk 1: 51-53):

He casts the mighty from their thrones and raises the lowly.

He fills the starving with good things, sends the rich away empty. (Lk 1:51-53)

God is on the side of the poor and marginalised rather than the proud, rich and powerful. The Beatitudes call for a willingness to be vulnerable in the light of this understanding of God and God's faithfulness. The Christian community can become for the afflicted an instrument of God's power. Being vulnerable makes the world a safe place for humanity. 'The poor' are all whose emptiness and destitution provides scope for the generosity of God.

COVID 19 and Infant Jesus Parish

As you know following the current Governmental and Church directives we require that all priests and ministers in our parish be vaccinated. However, the requirements for those who attend mass are simple: when attending mass or any meeting on Church property you are required to wear a mask, to sign in or to use the SafeWA App and to sanitise your hands. These requirements are relatively simple and straightforward. Unfortunately, hand sanitiser has a corrosive effect on a metal sacred vessels. They are very expensive to repair. For this reason, we have therefore taken the temporary step of using glass bowls to hold the hosts for the distribution of holy communion. We pray that everyone is kept safe in these times. - *Blessing, Greg*



Calling Our Parish Youth
Pizza night with Fr Greg
Sunday 13th February at 7pm

Are you 16 –19 yrs old?

We would love to invite you to come
and share your stories.

'What interests you?'

'What would you like to do?'

Come along to our "pizza night" on
Sunday 13th of February
at 7pm in the parish hall.

**There is also an invitation
for the 20-29 yrs old**

on Sunday 27th of February
at 7pm in the parish hall.

For catering purposes please RSVP to
secretary@infantjesusparish.org.au

The Spirit and the Cross Lenten Booklet

***\$5 from the piety stall
or parish office***



Written for busy individuals but easily adapted for groups, each day includes a scripture reading and a reflection upon it, some questions to aid prayer and discussion, and relevant quotes from Pope Francis.

The Spirit and the Cross will nourish and nurture prayer each day during Lent and into the first week of Easter.

The daily reflections will only require a few minutes for a person to read, reflect and pray, leading the reader into a deeper reflection on their daily life. As they 'look to Jesus' – in their families, workplaces and the community – they will walk as 'missionary disciples' on the path to Easter, and beyond. Don't forget to pick up a copy today.

VOLUNTEERS FOR PERSONAL ADVOCACY



All you have to do to become a volunteer in the Personal Advocacy ministry is to be a friend to a person with intellectual disability!

Sharing your faith with a person with intellectual disability is Faith in Action.

If you can spare two hours a week during school terms and you want to know more about becoming a volunteer, please phone Sue on 0497 163 387.



At the moment we are reflecting on the Sunday gospel of St Luke for this Year C. Our group meets every Thursday from 7pm to 8pm in the parish library. All welcome.



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PILGRIM STATUE

This week in the home of Sandra Haney

2 Richards Pl, Noranda. Ph: 0412 589 461

COLUMBARIUM NEWS

The Columbarium committee is now 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.



PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS

Recently Deceased: Fr Joe Walsh, Ana Žarković, Teo Ah Hoe (M'sia), Rennet Taylor, Gerald Wright, Achamma, Maria Latassa and Francesca Orifici;

Deceased: Beverley Silver, Arthur Chemello,

Anniversaries: Antonio Caravella,

The Sick of the Parish: Aurelio Parrinello, Roma Bamford and all who are in need of our prayers.

“A blessing on the man who puts his trust in the Lord”

YOGA at IJ

Join us each Tuesday in the parish hall on Tuesdays from 9.00am—11.00am. Please note: in line with WA Government mandate, you will need to be double-vaccinated to join the class. For enquiries please contact Marion on 0412633857

CALENDAR OF SAINTS

14 Feb: Sts Cyril, monk, and Methodius, bishop

IJ PLAYGROUP

CHANGE OF DAY

Welcoming all children from 0-4 years, along with their guardians, every **Wednesday** of the school terms from 9:30-11:00am in the parish hall.



There is plenty of play-based fun for the children and a cup of tea for the adults.

Enquiries to Lucy on 0411 362 080; lucy-ryan@hotmail.com or find us on Facebook at Infant Jesus Church Playgroup

Parish Flower Ministry Needs You



We need people who like to arrange flowers and have plenty of experience **or** people who like to arrange flowers but have no formal experience. You are all welcome.

Fresh flowers are crucial element in the celebration of the Church's major feasts and are a visual reminder of the glory of God. As our church is large it is usual to create large "in proportional" arrangements. Even if you are a little interested, leave your name and a contact number with the parish office and we will be in touch with you. Please call 9276 8500 or email secretary@infantjesusparish.org.au *Please note: In line with the Archdiocese requirement, you will need to be double-vaccinated. - Flower Ministry*

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 Bank Account Details

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Reference: PG-Your name

Our Parish Team

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Office hours: Monday - Thursday 9.30am -12.30pm
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WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2022
Friday 4 March 2022 10.30am followed by lunch
Uniting Church 79 Camboon Road, Noranda

'For I know the plans I have for you, plans to prosper you and not harm you, For I know the plans I have, plans to give you hope and a future.' Jer 29:11
Come join in hearing the stories of women who feel excluded, listen to the fear of a child refugee and learn to see the context of a multi-ethnic, multi-cultural, and multi-faith society in England, Wales and Northern Ireland (EWNI). This day is an invitation to place our trust in God through prayer for and with all who suffer, live the uncertainties of our time and the opposing views on how to respond to the moment. Participants are requested to provide **evidence of double vaccination** when attending the World Day Prayer at Uniting Church.

Listening to the Cry of the Earth
and the Cry of the Poor:
A Consideration of *Laudato Si*
When: Thursdays—17 and 24 February
Time: 9:30am – 11:30am
Cost: Free of Charge (2 sessions)
Presenter: Mrs Carol Mitchell (Director – Justice, Ecology and Development Office)
Location: Newman Siena Centre (Clune Lecture Theatre)
Details: www.cfe.org.au, Ph: 9278 0261

THIS WEEKEND —6th Sunday in Ordinary Time—13 February 2022				
Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	John Tomczak	Paul Wachtel	Chris Yapp	Chris Lambert
Altar Servers	Erin, Matthia, Royce and Savio	Cyril and Aaron	Andrei, Jules and Kim	Alex, Dorothy, Bryant, Alden
Proclaimers	Tang and Mellisa	Brian and Teresa	Mike and Julia	Fely and Pramila
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Tracy and Linda	Mike and Kathleen	Annette N and Josephine	Ivor and Tristan
Hospitality	Ann and Denise	Mavis and Volunteer	Julia and Roma	Julie and Eloise
Church Cleaning	Team D—Friday, 11 February @ 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 — 7th Sunday in Ordinary Time—20 February 2022				
Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Peter Nguyen-Le	Chris Lambert	Marion Wayne	Hari Geigenmuller
Altar Servers	Aaditya, Abhay and Abigail	Elizabeth and Meldon	Gabrielle, Victoria and Manuel	Tim, Dan and Ruben
Proclaimers	Sabrina and Clare	Liz and Joanne	Personal Advocacy (Chris A)	Rita and Dorothy
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Nevellene and Valerie	Noeline and Brian	Anna and Marlene	Maureen and Thuy
Hospitality	Lynette and Roopa	Angela and Francisca	Jeanette and Patrick	Brenda and Pramila
Church Cleaning	Team A—Saturday, 19 February @ 9.30am			
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