**Dear Brothers and Sisters,**

In each of today's parables the behaviour, response and attitude of the person who loses something precious images the behaviour, response, and attitude of God towards human beings 'lost' through sin. Taken together, the parables show that the chief issue at stake is not sin and forgiveness but the loss and recovery of human beings, who are so precious in God's sight. The whole mission of Jesus is to reclaim human lives for God and to show people how much God values them by publicly celebrating that reclamation. The 'foolishness' of each of the main actors in the parables images in some way the supreme 'foolishness' of God's love shown by Jesus on the Cross (cf. 1 Cor 1:21-25).

Without qualification or exclusion, Jesus is on the side of those who are "worn out." They may be "worn out" by being lower-class people who do all the heavy lifting, or it may be those who are "worn out" by the demands imposed by those who make the Torah filled with judgment and exclusion. Jesus' quarrel is with those who made the Law of God excessively demanding and restrictive. The burden of discipleship to Jesus is easy in contrast to the rigorist teachers of yesterday and today. They make obedience to God exhausting, by specialising in trivialities while disregarding justice, mercy and faithfulness (cf. Mt. 23:23).

The third parable (the 'Lost Son') introduces a further character: the older brother, who reacts so angrily to his father's reinstatement of his brother to full status as son. His attitude shows the difficulty human beings have in coming to terms with such a vision of God. Conversion is not just a matter of turning from overt acts of sin. It also means confronting one's own anger and resentment at God's unbounded generosity to others. The older brother did not think his younger sibling deserved to be treated so indulgently. But what human beings might or might not 'deserve' does not control or limit the love of God.

FAMILY MATTERS

I was sorry to miss the 30th Anniversary Celebrations for the Dedication of our Church. Congratulations to all who worked so hard to make it a great success. As you know, I have been in Sydney to be with two family members who are very ill. My brother Chris is receiving palliative care at home. My cousin, Br Gerard, is in a similar situation in the MSC monastery in Kensington. As well, I celebrated the wedding of my nephew Jack Wallace to Pip Grant. All in all, it was important to be there. Though getting around Sydney during the trains dispute didn't make things smoother.

**Blessings, Greg.**

SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY

The Parish of Infant Jesus and the Diocese of Perth are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. Mindful of the theme for National Child Protection Week, may we work together to ensure all people feel safe and supported.

You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: **www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday**

20-22 OCTOBER 2022
**evangelise** ENCOUNTER DISCIPLESHIP MISSION

Registrations are now open for *Evangelise*, an online conference for all Catholics, hosted by the Bishops Commission for Evangelisation, Laity and Ministry. You can find further details about the conference and register at **www.evangelisation.catholic.org.au**.

***Evangelise*** is for all Catholics, speaking into both leadership and ministry settings, and the role and life of laity in the world. It will be livestreamed over the conference dates and also available on demand in the weeks following.

Playgroup ☺ Welcoming all children from 0-4 years, along with their guardians, every Wednesday of the school term 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

The devastating floods in Pakistan have left a trail of destruction across the country, claiming the lives of more than 1,100 people. The United Nations estimates that around 33 million Pakistanis have been affected by the flooding.

More than one third of the country has been completely submerged by the heaviest recorded monsoon rains in a decade. There are fears that the death toll will continue to rise.

**Caritas Australia's partners are responding to support flood-affected communities who need immediate assistance. Your generous support can help provide emergency aid to help families recover and rebuild from disaster.**

**Donate now by visiting https://www.caritas.org.au/donate/emergency-appeals/pakistan-floods or scanning the QR code.**

Congratulations! On Saturday 66 children received their First Communion in a beautiful celebration in our church, supported by their families, teachers and staff from the Infant Jesus School and Infant Jesus PREP program. We congratulate all of the children and ask you to pray for them as they continue to know Jesus more

## Safeguarding Induction for All Church Workers IJ Parish Hall, Morley Registration essential

We invite ALL church workers (volunteers or paid) to attend the face-to-face safeguarding induction. A church worker is **anyone** in the parish in **any role** – **paid or voluntary.**

The session will cover the Safeguarding Policies and Procedures, the importance of Safeguarding in the parish and the role of the Parish Safeguarding Officer.

**Don't miss out - due to limited places, please register as soon as possible at**
www.safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au *or* ph: 9221 7762

Available dates are:

- Thursday 15 September at 10am
- Thursday 22 September at 7pm

## INFANT JESUS COLUMBARIUM AND MEMORIAL GARDEN

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.

Join the Catholic Youth Ministry Team on the **Saturday 17th of September** as we hike to the top of Mount Cooke, Perth's highest peak!
Bring a friend and experience the beauty of creation as well as celebrateing Mass and eat lunch at the summit.
An awesome opportunity to do something adventurous and meet other passionate young Catholics from the Archdiocese of Perth!
This event is for young people aged 18-30 years. For more information, check out the registration link via our events page **at cym.com.au/events**.
Registration closes on the *Tuesday 13th of September*.

## PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS

**Recently Deceased**: Stephan Min Pohrmen;

**Deceased:** Fr. Tadgh Tierney, OCD; Rona D'Cruze, Nicholas Nunis, Allen Pereira, Ignatius, Flory, Lucio & Joaquim De Mello, Arthur Chemello;

**Anniversaries:** Den Roberts, Maria & Michele Cicchini, Primo Patroni, Sr. Andrea Sawain, Simon Sawain, George & Helen Budge, Liliane Conier, Rocco Lemme, Rudy Fairman, Basil & Merlyn Yorke, Carmela Rogantini, Ines Gianotti;

**The Sick of the Parish:** all who are in need of our prayers.

***"Gather to me my faithful ones, who made a covenant with me."***

**PILGRIM STATUE**
This week at the home of
Sandra Haney
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## CALENDAR OF SAINTS

**13 Sep:** St John Chrysostom, bishop, doctor
**14 Sep:** The Exaltation of the Holy Cross
**15 Sep:** Our Lady of Sorrows
**16 Sep:** Sts Cornelius, pope, martyr, and Cyprian, bishop,

## AFRICAN FOOD CRISIS

Drought and conflict in the Horn of Africa have left over 18 million people facing severe hunger. Four consecutive failed rainy seasons have devastated the crops of millions across the region.

Caritas AUSTRALIA Visit www.caritas.org.au/food-crisis or call 1800 024 413 toll free to donate

## 1st and 2nd Collections

First Collection— is for the Carmelite friars living expenses and upkeep of the priory.
Second Collection—is for parish running expenses and upkeep of the church and parish centre.

## In Our Church

**Morning Mass:** Mon - Fri: 7am & 9am, Saturday and Public Holidays: 8.30am
**Sunday Masses:** 6pm (Saturday), 7.30am, 9.30am, 11.30am (Italian), 6pm
**Reconciliation:** Saturday 10 - 11am and 5 - 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 - 9276 8500 | enquiries@infantjesusparish.org.au

## Supporting Our Parish Financially

**First Collection EFT Details**
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## Our Parish Team

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**Facebook:** infantjesusmorley
**Web:** www.infantjesusparish.org.au

## CYM'S OPEN INVITATION

**SUMMIT is a space for teens and young adults to encounter Christ and community.**

**WEDNESDAYS SEP 14 & SEP 28**
**ST KIERAN OSBORNE PARK**
**6PM MASS 6.30PM ADORATION**
**E: admin@cym.com.au T: 9422 7912**

## POPE FRANCIS'S PRAYER INTENTIONS

**Month of September—Abolition of the Death Penalty**

**We pray that the death penalty, which attacks the dignity of the human person, may be legally abolished in every country.**

## *Embrace the Call to Global Mission*

Palms Australia

American Samoa, Cambodia, Kiribati, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste and Zambia are requesting Australian Catholics to live in and share their skills with parish communities. Embrace one of these Mission opportunies abroad and mentor those with little other opportunity. You will be well prepared and supported by Palms Australia who have engaged Australian Catholics in this mission since 1961.
Enquire online or **Ph: 0422 742 567** and Register for a Webinar on **Saturday September 24th at 11:30am** where you can talk directly with Veronica Lawson who is mentoring teachers in Pago Pago, American Samoa now. Or visit others already engaged in Mission with Palms on our 13-day Encounter Tour to Timor-Leste from October 16th to 28th.

| THIS WEEKEND —24th Sunday in Ordinary Time—11 September 2022 | | | | |
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| **Ministry** | **Sat 6pm** | **Sun 7.30am** | **Sun 9.30am** | **Sunday 6pm** |
| Acolytes/Altar Ministers | John Tomczak | Paul Wachtel | Josephine Joseph-McManus | Hari Geigenmuller |
| Altar Servers | Shawn; Josemiguel and Andres | Cyril | Victoria; Manuel and Leah | Tim; Dan and Ruben |
| Proclaimers | Sabrina and Clare | Liz and Brian | Mike and Julia | Eloise and Dorothy |
| Extr. Ministers of Communion | Chris T and Tracy | Teresa and Andrew | Anna and Marlene | Ivor and Tristan |
| Hospitality | John T and Emily | Mavis and Volunteer | Julia and Vernon | Julie and Eloise |
| Church Cleaning | Team C—Saturday, 17 September 2022 @ 9.30am | | | |

| NEXT WEEKEND —25th Sunday in Ordinary Time—18 September 2022 | | | | |
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| **Ministry** | **Sat 6pm** | **Sun 7.30am** | **Sun 9.30am** | **Sunday 6pm** |
| Acolytes/Altar Ministers | Peter Nguyen-Le | Chris Lambert | Marion Wayne | Tung Nguyen |
| Altar Servers | Erin; Matthia; Royce and Savio | Elizabeth and Aaron | Andrei; Jules and Kim | Dylan and Alyssa |
| Proclaimers | Donna-Marie and Valerie | Sally and Sjen | Personal Advocacy (Chris A) | Pramila and Alisha |
| Extr. Ministers of Communion | Marie and Chris A | Mike and Kathleen | Magdalene and Linda | Maureen and Thuy |
| Hospitality | Rose and Milly | Angela and Francisca | Lyn and Marlene | Brenda and Pramila |
| Church Cleaning | Team D—Friday, 23 September 2022 @ 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.** | | | | |

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