Dear brothers and sisters,

Today's **Gospel** (Lk 24:13-35) is eloquent and profound. In all the appearances of the risen Lord he meets people where they are in life: Mary Magdalene in her grief, Thomas with his doubts, the frightened group in the upper room and today two shattered and disillusioned disciples escaping from Jerusalem. He does not reveal himself immediately but simply accompanies them on the road. He listens to their experience. Only then does he respond and opens the Scriptures for them while reproaching their lack of understanding.

Captivated by this extraordinary companion the two disciples insist Jesus be their guest at the evening meal. Once at table the roles are a reversed. Instead of being the hosts they are guests at the table at which the risen Lord provides. At the breaking of the bread, a Eucharistic moment, they know him as truly risen. Then he vanishes from sight. Curiously, this causes them no distress. They return immediately to share the good news of what has happened with the others in Jerusalem of what had happened. To their amazement the disciples have their own Easter story to relate. This sharing of stories creates a deeper understanding that the Lord had indeed risen as the women had said.

The Emmaus story presents the life of the Church as fortified by the Spirit continuing the mission of Jesus. Fortified with the Scriptures (Word), the Church walks alongside disillusioned, hurt fellow-travellers along the common pilgrim way. In the Eucharist (Sacrament) we offer the same hospitality of the risen Lord. The journey to Emmaus is also our story today.

One of the great changes of our times is that faith is not handed on generationally through family, school or church community. What was once taken for granted is now a personal choice with the greatest social pressure now being to give priority to ourselves, our work, sport and relaxation. We cannot go back to the past. Like the risen Lord we are called to accompany people on their journeys, listening to their stories and sharing our own encounters and abiding relationship with the risen Lord.

Our **First Reading** (Acts 2:14, 22-28) has Peter preaching to those in Jerusalem who were responsible for the death of Jesus. He is straight talking, 'You killed him' but this is not an accusation or condemnation but an invitation to encounter the Lord's mercy, forgiveness and life. In the Second Reading (1 Pt 1:17-21) Peter reminds his audience of how precious they are in God's sight, since God paid so great a cost to ransom them. The resurrection of the Lord is an invitation to be loved by God and to open ourselves to walk with Jesus in the Spirit as companions of the wounded of our world.

—Blessings, Greg



PUBLIC HOLIDAY
ANZAC DAY—25th April 2023
Mass at 8.30am only
Parish Office will be closed.

WHOLE SCHOOL MASS
THIS THURSDAY 27 APRIL 9AM



Don't forget to join the YOUTH MASS <u>THIS</u> SUNDAY 6pm and every 4th Sunday of the month

Enquiries to Fr Adalbert: ap2@infantjesusparish.org.au

- COORDINATOR NEEDED You do not have to be

a Minister of the Eucharist!



We need a person who can make the initial contact with people requiring communion at home and assign a minister to visit. It would also involve some record keeping and liaison with the parish office and priests. Please contact Billie at the parish office if you wish to help or need more info on this role.

CALENDAR OF SAINTS

26 Apr: St Mark, evangelist

28 Apr: St Peter Chanel, priest, martyr29 Apr: St Catherine of Siena, virgin, doctor

PARISH ACTIVITIES UPDATE- NEW GROUPS

- ◆ CRAFT GROUP FOR UFO (un-finished objects)
 Thursday 27 April 9.30-11am enjoy a morning working on your craft, knitting, crochet, other projects in the company of others and have a cuppa and biscuit on the house.
- ◆ TAI CHI Tuesday 2 May at 9.45am in the in the parish hall. Please bring a small water bottle and wear a supporting lace-up shoes. Enquiries to Billie on 9276 8500 in the parish office.

GROUPS RESUMING after the Easter break

- ◆ INFANT JESUS PLAYGROUP Children aged 0-4 years are welcome on Wednesday 26 April from 9.30-11am in the parish hall. All children must be accompanied by their parent/guardian. Please bring your own children's morning tea. Enquiries to contact Lucy on 0411 362 080. See you there!!
- ◆ YOGA CLASSES with Marion Wayne Tuesday 2 May 9am in the Joseph Room. BYO yoga mat & water bottle. All welcome small fee applies.
- MEDITATION SESSIONS Monday 2 May OR Wednesday
 24 April Directed half hour meditation sessions are held in the Joseph Room, Parish Centre every Monday at 7pm or Wednesday at 9.30am. Everyone is welcome.

RESTARTING after Covid suspension

- Name Tag Sunday—all weekend Masses 6 & 7 May and every 1st Sunday of the month. Say hello, have a chat ...
- Sunday Children's Liturgy—Sunday 7 May 9.30 Mass and every Sunday 9.30 Mass (except 3rd Sunday and school holidays). The little children are invited to join a short organised activity learning about Jesus in a safe and fun environment.
- Healing Mass— Wednesday 10 May 9am Mass and every 2nd Wednesday of the month.

ROLL OUT THE RED CARPET!

If there is something we can all agree on, it is that the carpet in our church is desperately in need of replacement at it has become a safety issue.



and TOGETHER WE CAN DO IT!
THERE ARE MANY WAYS
YOU CAN HELP

We also have an issue with accessibility onto the sanctuary for wheelchair users and those with mobility issues.

After much thought, discussion and a number of quotes, it has been decided to proceed with both projects; replacing the carpet and providing access to the sanctuary. Though final quotes are yet to be accepted, we know that the projects will cost at least \$120,000.

To help meet this considerable cost, we are today launching our parish "Roll out the Red Carpet" fundraising campaign. We hope that all parishioners will get behind this campaign by joining in the planned fundraising activities over the next 12-24 months.

Some ways you can help

- If possible, consider offering a direct monetary contribution.
 This could be a once-off amount, or a smaller weekly or monthly contribution using the envelopes provided on the bulletin stands.
- Support our fundraising activities, by donating goods or prizes, buying from stalls or sausage sizzles, etc, encouraging your friends and family to come along with you to our planned fun social and other fundraising events.
- Approaching local businesses or Catholic businesses which may be happy to support our fundraising drives by donating goods for sale or prizes for raffles.
- Pray for us! We have a large target to meet and we will all be working hard to meet it, but asking God's help is very important.

If you have fundraising ideas or would like to join in preparation or organisation of a particular event, we would love to hear from you! Just call and talk to Billie 9276 8500.

PLEASE SUPPORT OUR **FIRST** FUNDRAISING EVENT

MOTHER'S DAY GIFT STALL SATURDAY 6TH & SUNDAY 7TH MAY

(after all Masses)

Come prepared to buy something lovely for your Mum, Nonna or other wonderful women in your life.

Beautiful succulent planters, gift boxed plants, hand made plant pot stands and other small timber items, hand made rugs, home made jams and preserves, hand made cakes and biscuits, flowers and more -

COLLECTION POINT

Over the months ahead, we will be needing many items which you may have sitting at home unused or have a friend or contact who could help.

We need

- * mangoes, figs or other fruits for chutney/jam
- * florist's boxes, gift wrap, ribbon, baskets and presentation boxes
- * new or unused toiletries
- * unused gift items suitable for silent auction/raffles
- * ceramic pots for plants, succulent cuttings
- * donations of fresh flowers (Chrysanthemum, etc to be delivered on Saturday 6th May only),
- * donations from local or family businesses

Donations may be bought to the parish office or arranged by phoning Billie on 9276 8500.

Please check the foyer boards now and again to see what new items are needed and how we are progressing in reaching our fundraising target of \$120,000.

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
Account Name: Carmelite

BSB: 066 132 **Account Number**: 0080 0015

Reference: Your name

Second Collection EFT Details

Account Name: Infant Jesus Parish Morley

BSB: 086 006 **Account Number**: 66860 6029

Reference: PG-Your name

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PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS

Recently Deceased: Antonio Bellisimo, Lucy Chan, Joe Versace,

Margaret (Peggy) Brown and Evelyn Byrde; **Deceased:** Edwin Lazaroo, Marcus Reisinger,

Bill and Nettie Beukelaar;

Anniversaries: Antonio Campanella, Rex Wilson and

John Bowley;

The Sick of the Parish: Philomena Piper and all who are in need

of our prayers.

"You will show me the path of life, the fullness of joy in Your presence."

An Introduction to Christian Meditation All are invited to talks at the Parish Centre Saturday 6 May, 10- 3pm

This is the most ancient form of prayer known in the Church that was developed by the Monks and Nuns in Egypt very soon after the Church was established. It still continues today around the world. Talks will give its history; Its foundations in Scripture. plus practical lessons on how you can make this a part of your spiritual life. Morning tea and afternoon tea will be provided; please bring your own lunch. Any enquiries ring Terry on 0429482921.

New Norcia retreat opportunity with Fr Robert Nixon, the Director of Benedictine Studies. See foyer board for full details.



PILGRIM STATUE

This week in the home of Annette and Doug—Ph: 9276 5048

Safeguarding Induction for all Church workers

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has broadened safeguarding to include adults at risk. ALL church workers (volunteers or paid) are to attend a 1-hour safeguarding induction. A church worker is anyone in the parish in any role – paid or voluntary. If you haven't attended the induction in the last 3 years, please register for the upcoming session. To register online please visit: https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/#induction Or phone 9221 7762 to book in.

Also a **FREE Cyber Safety & Digital Wellness Webinar** will be held 7-9pm Tuesday 2 May.
Register attendance at https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/

See the foyer board for the following events:

- Aim to Love course starts this week at Willetton and Gosnells parish
- Online Rosary During May with Catholic Mission
- 'Dare to Dream!', via Zoom, 5x Wednesday, 3, 10, 17, 24 & 31 May, 5.00-6.30 pm (AEST)
- Mission: Transform Lives theirs...and yours with PALMS

THIS WEEKEND — 3rd Sunday of Easter—23 April 2023				
Ministry	Sat 6pm	<u>Sun 7.30am</u>	<u>Sun 9.30am</u>	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Peter	Paul	Chris Y	Hari
Altar Servers	Shawn, Josemiguel, Andres and Matthia	Madeleine and Frank	Crissanto, Cesar and Larissa	Alex, Dorothy, Bryant and Alden
Proclaimers	Tang and Donna-Marie	Bernie and Sally	Mark and Marion O	George and Dorothy
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Nevellene and Valerie	Mike and Kerryn	Aileen and Joan	Ivor and Tristan
Hospitality	Rose and Milly	Barb and Veronica	Deborah and Haydee	Joanne and Maureen
Church Cleaning	Team C—Saturday, 29 April 2023 @ 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.

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