

Dear brothers and sisters,

An Australian Scripture scholar, Jesuit Fr Brendan Byrne, has written an excellent commentary on the Gospel of Matthew entitled "Lifting the Burden". My comments today are dependent on his insights. In today's Gospel, (Matt 11:25-30) Jesus invites us: 'Come to me, all you who labour and are overburdened and I will give you rest. Shoulder my yoke and learn from me, for I am gentle and humble in heart.' Jesus bears and lifts humanity's burdens. For Matthew humanity is weighed down and burdened by a multitude of afflictions (4:23-25; 8:16-17; 9:35-36; 14:13-14). In a way that recalls the 'Servant' figure of Isaiah (12:15-21; and Is 42:1-4; 49:1-6; 50:4-9; 52:13-53:12) Jesus lifts that burden, which includes, among much else, the burden of sin.

Jesus is highly critical of the scribes and Pharisees because by their emphasis on observance of laws and rituals they make life even more burdensome: 'They tie up heavy burdens, hard to bear, and lay them on the shoulders of others; but they themselves are unwilling to lift a finger to move them' (23:4). For Jesus the essential rule for interpreting the law is mercy: 'What I (God) want is mercy not sacrifice' (Hos 6: 6) (see Matt 9:13; 12:7). And so Jesus tells us that his yoke is easy and his burden light.

Jesus draws us into his intimacy and knowledge of God. We are called to share his divine life and joy (grace). Jesus joyfully blesses the Father because he has shared the experience of the heart of God to the disciples and each one of us. The First Reading (Zech 9:9-10) rejoices that the Messiah is not a brutal ruler but the compassionate, burden-bearing figure emerging from the Gospel. The invitation of Jesus is to rejoice that while we can never earn the love of God we can receive it as a gift.

On Leave

We Morley Carmelites have been in Sydney for the past week reviewing our Carmelite life and work in Australia and electing a new leadership team. However, while I am home this weekend, I am taking annual leave from 11 July. I will be away for four Sundays returning for the weekend 12/13 August.

Every Blessing,
Greg

Annual Vinnies Winter Appeal

The Vinnies Morley/Dianella chapter would like to give a huge thank you to the Infant Jesus's parishioners for the generous donations of \$4,169.00 towards the vinnies winter appeal two weeks ago. A special result that has greatly assisted us with our "good works" to the poor, disadvantage and homeless in our community. May God bless you and your families abundantly. —**Gus Formato, President.**



Update on our 'Red Carpet' Appeal

Thank you to everyone for your generosity in contributing to our Appeal. More personal donations via fundraising envelopes and bank deposit, and from fresh produce sale, we received \$2,197.67 this week. The total amount raised is \$71,500.00. We are more than half way to our target. Thanks everyone for your continuing support.

Collection Point

November event:

- ◆ It is not exactly gardening weather, but please pot up some plants for us ready for the event in November. If you could let us know that you are potting some things, that would be a great help.
- ◆ Or, if you are a little bit crafty or good at sewing, consider making some items for a craft stall - especially anything with a Christmas theme.
- ◆ Any older "vintage items" (pre 1990's) suitable for a vintage stall would be most welcome.

A reminder for Our Dinner Dance

Don't forget it is a BYO event, so remember to bring your own alcohols or soft drinks. Tea, coffee and water will be provided. Dress warmly and bring cash for our raffles and silent auction.

CHURCH HEATING

The under-floor heating system is 'on' and being maintained at a level that takes the chill out of the icy winter air. Even with our solar panels operating, the system is expensive to run. We estimated a cost of \$60 per day of operation. Over a 3 months period in this winter, this will equate to around \$5,400.00. We thank you, sincerely, for your support, and continue to appreciate your contributions to our parish.



Transport needed

A parishioner with a walking aid is looking for a ride to Mass. It is going to be a weekly pick-up and drop-off to Saturday vigil Mass. If you could assist, please contact Billie in the parish office.

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 an upcoming online session:

5 July 2-3pm 21 July 10-11am 25 July 7-8pm
7 Aug 10-11am 16 Aug 2-3pm 31 Aug 7-8pm

To register online please visit: <https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/#induction>

Or phone 9221 7762 to book in.



PILGRIM STATUE
This week in the home of
Monica Chin
Ph: 9275 1736

PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS

Recently Deceased: Carmela Puglia;

Deceased: Bill and Nettie Beukelaar, Arthur Chemello, Ivan, Ante and Slavka Krsticevic;

Anniversaries: Andrew Arthur, Sharon Rosielle, Jeanette Fernandes, Xavier Pereira, Oresto Ando, Joseph Nguyen and Maria Vu;

The Sick of the Parish: Mervyn D'Castro and all who are in need of our prayers.

"Blessed are the people whose God is the Lord."



World Youth Day 2023
Tue, 1 Aug 2023 – Sun, 6 Aug 2023

Please Pray for Our Pilgrims

Our pilgrims are getting ready to depart for World Youth Day. We invite everyone to pray for those attending to keep them safe and grow in their faith through this experience.

ALL WELCOME

Catholic Youth UNITE—25th August
Notre Dame Drill Hall, Mouat St, Fremantle

Inviting all youth to join CYM and experience the energy and joy of World Youth Day in Perth! Featuring special guest Fr Rob Galea, DJ, Live Music, testimonials from our WYD pilgrims, food trucks and expo stands. This is an all ages event, a celebration for young people that will ignite your heart. Further information can be found online at www.unite.cym.au



COMMON GROUND

CYM runs a weekly meeting for young adults on Wednesday nights in Highgate called Common Ground. It is a place for Catholic youth to come together and belong in our Church. We have several breakout spaces for young people to engage in and invite young adults to join this space. Further information can be found in our website www.cym.com.au

CALENDAR OF SAINTS

11 Jul: St Benedict, abbot

15 Jul: St Bonaventure, bishop, doctor



SACRAMENT OF EUCHARIST 2023

Parents will be sent the link to the **online Enrolment Form** on Monday 17th July 2023. **Enrolments will close on Monday 24th July 2023 at 12:00 noon.** Please read all instructions carefully and ensure all information provided is accurate before submitting the online form and booking your mass.

First Eucharist Program dates are as follows:-

Parents Night: 14th August (Monday) at 7.00pm at the Parish Centre

Commitment Masses: 19th August (Saturday) at 6.00pm &

20th August (Sunday) at 9.30am and 6.00pm

Parent & Child Workshop: 21st August (Monday) at 7pm at the Parish Centre

Retreat: 1st September (Friday) at the Parish Centre & Church

First Eucharist Masses: 9th September (Saturday) at 11.00am OR 2.00pm - to be booked online via the Eventbrite booking system from Monday 17th July 9.30am and will close on Monday 24th July. Link and instructions will be provided within the enrolment form.

Should you have any enquiries, please email Theresa - sacramental@infantjesusparish.org.au

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

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Reference: Your name

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BSB: 086 006

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Heart of Life Seminars – Semester 2. Please join us! What better way to rejuvenate your spirituality, learn something new and meet a great bunch of people – join Heart of Life seminars in-person or online from the comfort of your own community on a Monday or Wednesday morning for the next two terms. From 17 Jul - 9 Nov. Days and times vary according to the Seminars chosen. For descriptions of all of the Seminars, please go to <https://www.heartoflife.melbourne/seminars-and-reflection-events/seminars/>

Are You Retired or Seeking A Deeply Rewarding Ministry to Others? We invite you to join Heart of Life's Taster Session 2 on Saturday 5 Aug, 9.30-11am, via Zoom, where we'll share with you information on our formation programs to become a spiritual director, pastoral supervisor, spiritual leader and contemplative listener to others. Our programs develop a compassionate, listening heart. The session will include a facilitated reflection session led by formation team members at Heart of Life Centre for Spiritual & Pastoral Formation. Bookings via <https://www.heartoflife.melbourne/events/taster-session/?> or email info@heartoflife.melbourne for more details.

Retreat in Everyday Life – Moments of Grace – over five weeks, beginning Mon, 31 Jul and concluding 28 Aug (at Heart of Life, Malvern, or via Zoom) Flexible timing. The Retreat in Everyday Life involves a commitment to daily prayer and weekly spiritual accompaniment for an hour per week over five weeks with this year's theme 'Moments of Grace'. Register your interest <https://www.heartoflife.melbourne/events/retreat-in-everyday-life-moments-of-grace/> or info@heartoflife.melbourne and we will be in touch to have a conversation. Cost: Donation

THIS WEEKEND — 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 09 July 2023				
Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Peter Nguyen-Le	Marion Wayne	David Pham	David Ward
Altar Servers	Aaditya; Abhay; Matthia and Lachlan	Elizabeth; Peter and Aaron	Andrei; Jules and Kim	Ruben, Marcus and Larissa
Proclaimers	Donna-Marie and Sylvia	Bernie and Sally	Rod and Tony	Maureen and Alan
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Tracy and Marie	Brian and Debbie	Annette D'O and Roma	Maureen and Teresa
Hospitality	Ann and Donna-Marie	Mavis and Quinn	Haydee and Barbara	Julie and Eloise
Church Cleaning	Team B—Thursday, 13 July 2023 @ 9.45am			
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 — 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 16 July 2023				
Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	John	Chris W	Marion	David D
Altar Servers	Shawn, Josemiguel, Andres & Nathan	Madeleine and Frank	Crissanto, Cesar and Ruben	Alex, Dorothy, Bryant and Alden
Proclaimers	Tang and John	Rita and Marie	Personal Advocacy—Joanne	Marion W and Pramila
Extr. Ministers of Communion	Nevellene and Valerie	Josie and Carl	Aileen and Pearl	Ivor and Tristan
Hospitality	Marisol and Rose	Barb and Veronica	Deb and Loretta & Christie	Ancilla and Chrystal
Church Cleaning	Team C—Saturday, 22 July 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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