

Dear sisters and brothers,

The **Collect** of today's mass is an ancient prayer which invites us to be aware of our failings, limitations and sins but not to be disheartened by them for we have received God's mercy and forgiveness: "O God, author of every mercy and of all goodness, who in fasting, prayer and almsgiving have shown us a remedy for sin, look graciously on this confession of our lowliness, that we, who are bowed down by our conscience, may always be lifted up by your mercy." While our conscience may tell us we are unworthy to lift our heads God, the source of all goodness and compassion, comes down to us and lifts us up.

Our **First Reading** (Ex 20:1-17) places the moral code within the context of God's covenant of love for his people. This is the God who came down to his people enslaved in Egypt and set them free. The God who calls them to be holy, and beloved. It isn't an imposed set of laws but is an invitation to be fully alive as God intended us to be from the beginning. Behind the commandments lies Israel's covenant which is a love relationship with God who set his people free from slavery in Egypt and who faithfully travels with them through history.

The **Gospel** (Jn 2:13-25) shows us Jesus scandalised by the commercialisation of the Temple. In trashing the money tables and driving out the animals Jesus undermines the Temple worship. It is no longer business as usual. His own body now becomes the 'place' or sanctuary where God is present and is to be worshipped. Jesus' mission, through his death and resurrection, is to bring about our abiding, being 'at-home' with God.

The suffering and death of Jesus were confronting in the ancient world yet Paul glories in them. In our **Second Reading** (1 Cor 1:22-25). Jesus is an innocent victim of human sin. He enters into the depths of human suffering. Lent invites us to a communion with the Crucified Lord and all who suffer unjustly in our world. Christ is the saving power and wisdom of God who comes down to lift us up

Lent is a time of renewal through prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Led by the Spirit our hope is to live by the Beatitudes which Jesus gave us (Matt 5 1-12). Being Poor in Spirit, Gentle, Empathetic, Meek, Hungering for Right Relationships, Merciful, Pure of Heart, Peacemakers, and counted among those Persecuted in the Cause of Right. If we live like this both in Lent and in Ordinary Time we can 'rejoice and be glad for our reward will be great in heaven'.

—*Blessings, Greg*



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Parish Busy Bee for Easter Saturday 23 March from 9am - 12noon.

Even as we prepare our hearts for the great feast of Easter, we need to prepare our parish grounds and centre so that they are clean and fresh for our



Easter celebrations as a community and with our many visitors. There will be gardening, cleaning and small maintenance jobs to be done. Children are very welcome to come with their parents to help. Morning tea will be provided for all helpers.

It would be nice to see some new faces!

Community / Christian service hours opportunity—High School students are welcome to use this opportunity to complete their community service hours. Please call Billie, parish office 9276 5800 to register your interest.

LETTER-BOX DROP FOR EASTER

Invitations to our Palm Sunday and Holy Week celebrations are now available in the foyer. Please help bring our brothers and sisters back to Mass this Easter by letterbox dropping your area.



PLEASE ONLY DELIVER WITHIN THE PARISH

BOUNDARIES and remember to mark off the streets you will deliver to, so that we do not have any doubling-up. This is such a simple way for us to spread the Good News. If you have not joined in the letterbox drop in the past, why not do it this year?

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - All welcome

✧ **Wednesdays 7pm** ✧ Also on **Fridays 2-3pm**

There will be no Wednesday Novena during Lent

PLEASE PRAY FOR US

As their Baptism draws nearer, please pray for the Elects; Sylvie Thorton and Doris Lim, who have been accepted by the Archbishop last week as ready to receive this Sacrament of Initiation at the Easter Vigil.

PALM SUNDAY

Saturday 23 March 6pm & Sunday 24 March



A gentle reminder to all parishioners, your relatives and friends that there will be no palms or branches supplied at the church for Palm Sunday. As scripture says, '... leafy branches that they had cut in the fields..' (Mark 11:11,8) So we invite you to cut a branch from a shrub near you before coming to the Masses on 23 & 24 March.

SYNODALITY

"Walking and growing together" - What does it mean for us and the Church today?



During the pandemic, Pope Francis presented us with a new image of church: that, no matter who we are, we were together in the same boat. The worldwide Synod process came out of that desire to engage with our changing world and with those on the margins to regain a renewed sense of purpose and mission. However, putting this into practice is not so simple.

As a Church, we don't necessarily have good ears of listening to voices on the margins and connecting to people's lives. Join us for a conversation with

Presenter: Dr Sandie Cornish

When: Saturday 16 March at 2.00pm to 4.00pm

Where: Redemptorist Retreat House, 190 Vincent St North Perth

Cost: Free but donation appreciated

RSVP: Essential for registration and catering purposes

For further details or to register your interest in attending this event, please email: ignatianspiritwa@gmail.com



ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

An invitation is extended to all, particularly those who may be retired, or close to retirement, and who may wish to join a group of like minded people of faith, interested in living out the Gospel message

by offering a compassionate "hand up" to people in need, within the Morley/Dianella area. Ideally, the volunteer would be available for rostering one day per week, for about 2 hours in the afternoon, to deliver food to the needy in the Morley/Dianella area. This can be a life changing experience for both volunteers and those people who we help. All activities are shared, supported by the Society and completely voluntary. Breaks from any activity may be taken at any time and of any duration. For more information, please contact our President, Gus Formato

Playgroup - Coordinator needed! All is ready for toddler play but just needing a person to coordinate the weekly sessions which mainly involves set up and pack up of the resources currently stored at the parish hall. The structure of each session is entirely up to the members. Guidance and support will be given. If interested, please contact Billie at the parish office.



Parish Prayer Concerns

Recently Deceased: Mary Mathew and Barbara Finos;

Deceased: Peter Meek, Pamela Copeland, Maria Christina Martinez, Tom and Irene Anderson Smith;

Anniversaries: Theo D'Rozario, Denys and Dora Pegrum, Grace Shang, Amalia Monteleone, Bianca McLearn, Maria Giuseppa Demasi and PJ Heneghan;

The Sick of the Parish: Bob Gomes, April Canary, Maria Moore and all those who are in need of our prayers.

*"The Lord is my rock, my fortress and my deliverer;
my God is my rock, in whom I take refuge."*



BEREAVEMENT GROUP

MARCH MEMORIAL MASS

Tuesday, 5th March at 9am

All welcome to join us at Mass in praying for all our deceased family members and friends.



The Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady

This week in the home of:

Fan Chung

Ph: 9276 9451; 0405 833 358

CONGRATULATIONS

We welcome our recently baptised little ones and pray that God will bless, guide and protect them— Liam Cartwright; Katie Lam; Leo McCarthy; Imogen Browne; Harper Henry; Kingsley Henry; Lucy Andrews; Charlie Andrews; Isla Fitzpatrick; Kayla Gentile; Theo Dwyer; Ivy Fermie; Sophie Walsh; Sienna Chiera; Sofia Monastra; Milo Wait; Harrison Hodge; Olive Huynh; Imogen Saw; James Saw; Ella Italiano; Matteo Milici; Levi Polestico; Lenix Ricciardello and Luke Johnson.

Supporting Our Parish Financially

First Collection EFT Details

Account Name: Carmelite

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Second Collection EFT Details

Account Name: Infant Jesus Parish Morley

BSB: 086 006

Account Number: 66860 6029

Our Parish Team

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In Our Church

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Morning Mass: Monday - Friday: 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 but not in Lent (Stations of the Cross 7pm)
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday 9.30 - 10.30am
Eucharistic Prayer: Friday 5.30 - 6.30pm
Baptisms, Weddings & Sacraments: Please contact the Parish Office - enquiries@infantjesusparish.org.au | Ph: 9276 8500
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Project Compassion 3rd Sunday of Lent 2nd and 3rd March 2024

Not having access to a reliable source of clean water was very difficult for Leaia and her family. But with the support of Caritas Australia, a water tank was installed at their home, improving their health and living conditions.




Please donate to Project Compassion. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413 or via the QR code



PROJECT COMPASSION
FOR ALL FUTURE GENERATIONS

LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY
MONDAY 4 MARCH
MASS AT 8.30AM ONLY



I invite you to attend the **Chrism Mass** which I will concelebrate with the Priests of the Archdiocese of Perth at St Mary's Cathedral on

Tuesday 26 March at 7.00pm

During this Mass the Holy Oils will be blessed and the Oil of Chrism consecrated.

The Priests will also renew their Ordination commitment.

+ Timothy Costelloe SDB
Most Reverend T Costelloe SDB, Archbishop of Perth

Term 1 Brochure for 2024 listing all the Adult Faith Education courses and events are available in the church foyer.

THIS WEEKEND — 3 March 2024—3rd Sunday of Lent

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	John Tomczak	Marion Wayne	Josephine Joseph-McManus	Chris Lambert
Altar Servers	Shawn; Josemiguel; Andres and Nathan	Frank	Andrei; Jules and Kim	Tim; Dan and Larissa
Proclaimers	Sylvia and John	Rita and Clare	Tony and Barbara	Alan and Nathan
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Emily; Chris A; Chris T and John T	John; Michael; Debbie and Brian	Anna; Errol; Roma and Aileen	Maureen; Thuy; Ivor and Tristan
Hospitality	Emily and Milly	Quinn and Francisca	Sophie and Sr. Chitra	Maureen and Anthony
Church Cleaning	Team D— Friday, 8 March 2024 @ 10.30am			

NEXT WEEKEND — 10 March 2024—4th Sunday of Lent

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	John	Chris Lambert	Chris Yapp	David Ward
Altar Servers	Erin; Abigail; Savio and Ethan	Cyril	Victoria; Manuel and Ruben	Alex; Dorothy; Bryant and Alden
Proclaimers	Meghan and Naethan	Shirley and Valerie	Mike and Rod	Anna and Marion W
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Valerie; Nevellene; Betty and Sejin	Carl; Josie; Kathleen and Kerryn	Marlene; Linda; Tanya and Sr Justin	Maureen; Thuy; Ivor and Tristan
Hospitality	Manisha and Megan	Angela and Selina	Deb and Loretta	Anne and Pramila
Church Cleaning	Team A— Saturday, 16 March 2024 @ 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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