

Dear sisters and brothers,

Since I started reviewing the Collects (Opening Prayer) of the Mass I have been struck by how ancient the prayers are. This is ironic when some denounce our 'new' mass as ignoring tradition. The reality is that most of the changes to our liturgy come from a greater knowledge of the history of Catholic worship and a richer sense of tradition. Here is this week's Collect: "By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God, may we walk eagerly in that same charity with which, out of love for the world, your Son handed himself over to death." Gerard Moore teaches us that the heart of the prayer is the struggle between death and love. It is love that motivates Jesus' willingness to be subject to the forces of death. The prayer's petition that we walk in the love of Jesus shown on the cross is certainly confronting for us. We seek from God as we journey through life the grace to travel as Christ did, countering 'death' wherever we meet it.

In the First Reading (Jer 31:31-34) Jeremiah records God's desire to forge a 'new covenant' with his wayward people. This covenant will not be imposed on us but will be 'written' deep in people's hearts in an intimate relationship with God. St Paul sees this promise fulfilled in the gift of the Spirit (2 Cor 3:3-6; Rom 8:2). The shedding of Christ's blood on Calvary inaugurates the 'new covenant'. Likewise, at the Last Supper (1 Cor 11:23-25) and (Lk 22:19-20) Christ says over the cup, 'this is ... the new covenant in my blood'. We renew this new covenant whenever we drink from the communion cup and so fulfil the Lord's command, 'Do this in memory of me'.

In the Gospel (Jn 12:20-33) Jesus speaks of his death using the image of a single seed that falls to the ground dying in order to produce an abundant fruit. He freely chooses (John 10:18) to be vulnerable and unprotected in the face of power held in place by domination and violence. The death is not his shame however, but his witness to the victory of love. He is like the bronze snake Moses held up to heal people during their exodus from Egypt. 'When I am lifted up from the earth, I will draw all people to myself'. The 'Greeks' in today's Gospel are forerunners of all people Jesus will draw to the Father and to his healing, peace and eternal life. In the Spirit of Jesus, our salvation, our victory over the powers of domination, violence and death is shown in humble faith, generous love, spiritual liberty and loving, nonviolent creativity.

—*Blessings, Greg*

2ND RITE OF RECONCILIATION THIS Wednesday 20 March at 7pm



Join us for an hour for this quietly reflective celebration of healing and reconciliation as part of your Lenten preparations for Easter. The word of God will be proclaimed 3 times as in Lectio Divina. In the quiet, allow His

words to speak to you.

The priests will be in full view of all present. Your confession is to be kept brief and you return to your seat for prayer— don't go home yet! Stay to give thanks together as a community as we rejoice in our renewed friendship and new life with God.

NO STATIONS OF THE CROSS ON THIS DATE.

PALM SUNDAY

Saturday 23 March 6pm & Sunday 24 March



For the past few years, the church has not supplied palms for you take home on Palm Sunday. Again, this year you are encouraged to cut a branch for yourself; olive tree, bottle brush or

whatever shrub is near you. Cutting a branch then coming to Church to wave it in the procession immerses you deeper into the scripture. As scripture says, '...leafy branches that they had cut in the fields...' (Mark 11:11.8). You may also like to cut 2; one for another person.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS - All welcome
✱ **Wednesdays 7pm** ✱ Also on **Fridays 2-3pm**

There will be no Wednesday Novena during Lent

Parish Busy Bee for Easter THIS Saturday 23 March from 9am - 12noon Put your name down on the list in the foyer today!

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.

CHOIR FOR EASTER VIGIL Saturday 30th March at 7pm Do you like to sing?



You are invited to come along and join the 'Easter Vigil's choir' on Saturday 30th March at 7pm. We are looking for cantors and singers for our Easter liturgy. If you would like to join, you **MUST** attend these practice sessions:

- Wednesday 20th March at 5.30pm to 6.30pm.
- Saturday 23rd March at 3.00pm to 4.30pm.
- Tuesday 26th March at 5.30pm to 7.00pm.
- Wednesday 27th March at 5.30pm to 6.30pm.

You do not have to be a regular member of a choir – just come along and sing with us. You will be made to feel very welcome. Please contact Bernie Kolay for further information on 0433 210 485.



COME TO THE PARTY! EASTER VIGIL AFTER MASS CELEBRATION Saturday 30th March

All parishioners and visitors are invited to join in celebrating with the newly baptised members of our parish after the Easter Vigil in the parish centre. To make it a really special celebration, please bring a savoury plate of finger food to share and our parish will provide a celebration cake. For setting up and catering purposes, please put your name and number of people coming on the list in the foyer.

PROJECT COMPASSION BOXES

Please remember to return your Project Compassion boxes on **HOLY THURSDAY** night. Baskets will be placed in the foyer for your boxes.



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 on 0421 637 491.

Parish Prayer Concerns

Recently Deceased: Anne Chan, Giuseppina Sparta, Helen Goh, Matthew Hayes and Gavin;

Deceased: Gregory Brough, Bill and Nettie Beukelaar, Beverley and Ashley Silver;

Anniversaries: Ross Lewis, Bert Rigg, Jesus Abellanosa, Elaine Veronica Luscombe, Anne-Maria-Nicola Scafetta and Joe Scacchia,

The Sick of the Parish: Rita D'Cruz and all those who are in need of our prayers.

*"The heavens proclaim his righteousness,
for he is a God of justice."*



The Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady

This week in the home of:

Nancy Phone: 0452 082 379

Project Compassion 5th Sunday of Lent 16 and 17 March 2024

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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 above.



Transport needed to Sunday 9.30am Mass

A couple of long-time Sunday Mass parishioners need a ride to come to Church, and then home again after as they no longer drive. They live at Cardwell Avenue in Noranda. Please contact Annette on 9276 5048 if you can assist.



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

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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
PARISH OFFICE: 47 Wellington Road, Morley 9276 8500
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St. John Paul II Pilgrimage 16 days Pilgrimage to Portugal, Spain & France

Depart Perth Sunday 1 September– Return Perth
Monday 16 September 2024
Portugal: Lisbon (St. Anthony) · Santarem
(Eucharistic Miracle) Fatima Spain: Salamanca ·
Alba de Tormes · Avila (St. Teresa) · Burgos ·
Garabandal· Loyola (St. Ignatius)
France: Lourdes (St. Bernadette)
From AU\$6,900 per person twin/double share (based
on 30 pilgrims)

Francis Williams - Travel Coordinator
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More information on the board in the foyer or contact
Francis.

Catholic Archdiocese of Perth—Employment Opportunities TENANCY LAWYER (DAYDAWN ADVOCACY CENTRE) – PERMANENT, PART-TIME (0.80 FTE)

Daydawn Advocacy Centre is an outreach agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Perth which seeks to assist Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples and advocate on their behalf. Services include provision of legal and social advocacy services for the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples.

The Tenancy Lawyer assists by providing legal advice, advocacy and representation for Daydawn clients in relation to tenancy matters. The Tenancy Lawyer supports the Director in their role and assists them to coordinate the Tenancy Advocate Assistants and volunteers. The Tenancy Lawyer works closely with and guides the Tenancy Advocate Assistants in the legal-related tasks to provide tenancy services to clients. The successful candidate must hold an unrestricted legal Australian Practising Certificate and have knowledge of the Residential Tenancies Act WA (1987). This position requires a positive and flexible approach and the ability to work as part of a team.

To apply and for more information, refer to SEEK <https://www.seek.com.au/job/74394784>
Applications close Tuesday, 26 March 2024. We reserve the right to begin shortlisting and interviews prior to the closing date.

THIS WEEKEND — 17 March 2024—5th Sunday of Lent

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Jeremy Nicoletto	Chris Wray	Marion Wayne	Chris Lambert
Altar Servers	Aaditya; Abhay; Matthia and Nathan	Elizabeth and Peter	Crissanto; Cesar and Leah	Denver; Marcus and Noah
Proclaimers	John and Sabrina	Sally and Bernie	PAS Mass (Joanne B)	Eloise and Alishia
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Tracy, Marie, Chris A and Chris T	Margaret; Andrew; Michael and John	Marilyn; Annette N; Annette D'O and Patrick	Maureen; Thuy; Ivor and Tristan
Hospitality	Roopa and Desmond	Barb and Veronica	Haydee and Josephine & Danny (PAS)	Julie and Adam
Church Cleaning	Team B— Thursday, 21 March 2024 @ 9.45am			

NEXT WEEKEND — 24 March 2024—Palm Sunday

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	John Tomczak	Marion Wayne	Conan Dewitt	Tung Nguyen
Altar Servers	Naethan; Meldon; Meghan and Lachlan	Aaron and Frank	Andrei; Jules and Kim	Dylan; Alyssa; Amy and Megan
Proclaimers	Chris A; Megan and Beblin	Joanne; Nevellene and Rita	Clair; Tony and Barbara	Maureen; Pramila and Nathan
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	John T, Valerie, Nevellene and Betty	Debbie; Brian; Josie and Carl	Josephine; Evelyn; Joan and Magdalene	Sr Le; Sr Chau; Ivor and Tristan
Hospitality	Ann and Donna-Marie	Catrina and Francisca	Sophie and Sr Chitra	Brenda and Ancilla
Church Cleaning	Team C— Saturday, 30 March (Holy Saturday) @ 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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