

Dear sisters and brothers,

In the midst of the sorrows and losses of life, we rejoice at the resurrection of Jesus and the life, hope and joy he brings. The **Easter Gospel** (Jn 20:1-9) shows the confusion and chaos of the disciples when they discover that Jesus' body is missing from his tomb. Mary Magdalen is the first to make this disturbing discovery. She thinks that grave robbers have committed the final, shameful indignity by stealing his body. There is a sense of despair, emptiness and loss. Later she will meet the risen Lord and be commissioned to be 'the apostle to the apostles', the first one chosen to announce that Jesus had risen from the dead.

Hearing Mary's testimony Peter and the unnamed 'disciple Jesus loved' set out to verify the facts. The disciple arrives first, bends low and sees the linen cloths which wrapped the body of Jesus lying on the ground. Peter goes into the tomb. He sees the neatly rolled up cloth that covered Jesus' face in a place by itself.

When the 'disciple Jesus loved' then enters the tomb he realises that Jesus' body was not taken by grave robbers. Thieves don't neatly fold up the things they leave behind. The disciple saw and recalled the words of Jesus 'I am the Resurrection and the Life' (11:25) and his words that he had the 'power to lay down his life and to take it up again' (10:18). He 'believes' in the resurrection of the Lord Jesus. We may not speak with, see or touch the risen Lord as did Mary Magdalene, Peter or Thomas. Yet, we too, as beloved disciples, believe in God's power to bring life out of death.

The **First Reading** (Acts 10:34, 37-43) gives an account of the sermon Peter preached in the house of the pagan Roman centurion Cornelius. It is the heart of the gospel. There are two conversions in this account: that of Cornelius to faith in Christ and that of Peter. Peter is converted when he realises that Jesus excludes no one. The Lord's embrace of all people overcomes the alienation of this world. Pope Francis continually invites us to be embrace others who are different from us as Jesus did and so to bring them the love and blessing of God.

In the **Second Reading** (Col 3:1-4) Paul reminds us that even now through baptism we share in the risen life of the Lord. Christ's triumph over sin and death lightens our journey of life with hope and joy.

Today's **Collect Prayer** expresses this faith: "O God, who on this day, through your Only Begotten Son, have conquered death and unlocked for us the path to eternity, grant, we pray, that we who keep the solemnity of the Lord's Resurrection may, through the renewal brought by your Spirit, rise up in the light of life."

The Resurrection is not an historical event in the past. Christ's defeat of death is a present reality even in our time. Sin and death will never have the last word. Risen life displaces death through the waters of Baptism. This is an on-going work in each of us through the power of the Spirit who is the gift of the resurrected Lord to the church (Jn 20:22).

So, today, we sing with joy: Christ has risen, Alleluia! He has truly risen! Alleluia! Alleluia! Alleluia!

Every blessing of the risen Lord from all of us,

*Frs Greg, John, Ad and Harvey (Javier)*



A HAPPY AND BLESSED EASTER TO ALL VISITORS & PARISHIONERS  
*May the joy of Easter fill your heart with renewed faith and hope.*  
*Happy Easter!*

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### Masses in Our Church

#### Public Holidays & Saturdays

Morning Prayer 8am - Mass 8.30am

**Morning Prayer of the Church:** Monday - Friday 6.40am

**Morning Mass:** Monday - Friday 7am & 9am

**Sunday Masses:** 6pm (Saturday), 7.30am, 9.30am, 11.30am (Italian) and 6pm

- ♦ *Children's Liturgy at Sunday 9.30am Mass for children 3-8 years of age (during school terms)*
- ♦ *Personal Advocacy Mass for People with Intellectual Disabilities at 3rd Sunday 9.30am Mass (Feb-Nov)*
- ♦ *Nametag Sunday at 1st Sunday of the month (getting to know your community)*

**Reconciliation:** Saturday 10-11am and 5.00-5.30pm

### Praying with our Community

**BIBLE STUDY** Thursday 6.30pm Parish Centre - Library

#### CENACLE PRAYER GROUP

Monday after 9am Mass: 9.30-10.15am - Church

#### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Friday 9.30-10.30am - Church

**EUCHARISTIC PRAYER** Friday 5.30-6.30pm - Church

**HEALING MASS** 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday 9.00am Mass - Church

#### INFANT JESUS OF PRAGUE PRAYER GROUP

Thursday 2.00-3.00pm Church - Blessed Sacrament Chapel

#### MEDITATION

Monday group 7pm Parish Centre - Joseph Room

Friday group 9.30am Parish Centre - Library

#### NOVENA TO OUR LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL

Wednesday 6.30-7.00pm - Church

**PILGRIM STATUE OF OUR LADY OF LOURDES** Weekly roster in the church foyer, at home - private devotion

**TERESIAN PRAYER** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday 5.30 - 6.30pm

### Praying for our Community

**Recently Deceased:** Mary Preston, Norma Falloon, Raffaele Ardizzone and Rita D'Cruz;

**Deceased:** Bosco Lu, Chow Van Kong, Catherine Won, Chin Pong King and Louis Claude Mirthil;

**Anniversaries:** Fr Tadhg Tierney, OCD, Joe Versace, Irena Bruske, Eddie Chemello, Nida Herman, Wency Ebreo, Guido D'abbondio, Robyn Pinkerton and Rudolph Ludgwick;

**The Sick of the Parish:** Terry Flanagan, Rosanna Scaletti and all those who are in need of our prayers.

*"Keep me safe, O God; You are my hope"*



#### PILGRIM STATUE

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

### Our Parish Team

**We're here to assist with any enquiries ►**

**Parish Priest:** Fr Greg Burke OCD - pp@infantjesusparish.org.au

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Parish Inclusion Coordinator: Sue Baile - suebee444@hotmail.com

Infant Jesus Primary School: Principal Mel Allen - info@infantjesus.wa.edu.au

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**Phone: 9276 8500**

**Office hours: Monday - Thursday 9.30am - 12.30pm**

**Facebook: infantjesusmorley**

### Here for the Community

**Baptisms, Weddings, Sacraments (adults) and Hall Bookings:**

Please contact the Parish Office 9276 8500

Email: secretary@infantjesusparish.org.au

**PREP - Parish Religious Education Program for school children**

Please contact Sue: prep@infantjesusparish.org.au

**Sacramental program for parish children**

Please contact Theresa: sacramental@infantjesusparish.org.au



We are blessed with a community of willing people! Thank you to everyone who came to prepare for the Easter Triduum liturgies in so many ways; the busy bee helpers and those who prepared the environment for the church to be ready for our large Easter Mass gatherings; those who worked together to ensure our liturgies were sacred and dignified by faithfully carried out their liturgical ministries and the many working behind the scenes. We thank God for you and your work.

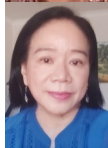
Be one with us in our celebrations ♥  
 Contact Billie - we look forward to hearing from you.



## Congratulations!



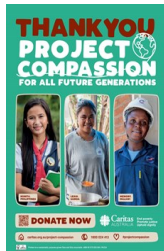
A warm welcome to the new members of our community, **Doris Lim and Sylvie Thornton** who were baptised and received fully into the Church at the Easter Vigil. May they, and all of us here at Infant Jesus, discover ever more deeply the depth of God's love and mercy and be always joyful in the Lord. Rejoice!



The wheelchair and disability access to the sanctuary has been completed, enabling our brothers and sisters with a disability to fully participate in the Mass/other celebrations with ease. Thank you once again to all who helped us raise the funds for this and our new carpets. ♥

Congratulations to **Caterina and Dominico Monteleone** on your 50th wedding anniversary.

May God bless the two of you and may your love grow ever more deeply.



### Happy Easter from all at Caritas Australia!

Thank you for your continued support through Project Compassion. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow, for all future generations.

Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia's Project Compassion 2024 Lenten appeal.

You can still donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](https://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) or by calling 1800 024 413.



## Some Special Things about IJ Church



### A Little GUIDE to our Church—a pilgrimage

If you are visiting or even a parishioner, A Little Guide is a beautiful booklet designed to be your guide as it takes you on a walking tour of Infant Jesus Church. The story of our Church unfolds as the booklet points out to you all the carefully chosen artefacts and sacred items and explains also the purpose behind the design and choice of materials. It is an interesting story told with pride and love. Don't forget to pick up your very own copy today. Available at the piety stall and from parish office for just \$5 each to cover printing costs.

### ✦ PARISH COLUMBARIUM ✦

Our columbarium currently has both double and single niches, which are able to hold the ashes of one or two people. The Columbarium also incorporates niches and a memorial garden for babies and children in the St. Therese Childrens' Garden.



### ► IMPORTANT CHANGES TO NOTE

Due to the unexpected demand for niches in our columbarium, the committee, with approval of Fr. Greg, have updated the Columbarium General Conditions with regard to who may apply for a niche and who may be interred in the columbarium.

**These new conditions will take effect from MONDAY 29TH APRIL, 2024.**

After this date, **those who may apply for a niche** are:

- A current or former parishioner who wishes to apply on behalf of a spouse or partner or dependent child who is deceased.
- A current or former parishioner aged 65 years or older who wishes to reserve a niche in advance for themselves, their spouse or partner; and/or
- A current or former parishioner who is terminally ill and wishes to reserve a niche in advance for themselves.

Similarly, after this date, **those whose ashes may be interred** in the columbarium are:

- ♦ A current parishioner or a former parishioner approved by the committee;
- ♦ A current or former parishioner and their spouse or partner; and/or
- ♦ A parishioner's dependent child, including a child by adoption or who is a member of the parishioner's step-family, or other non-dependent children as approved by the committee.

Any applications prior to 29th April, 2024, will be covered by the current General Conditions. If you have any concerns or queries regarding these changes, please contact the Columbarium Committee at [columbarium@infantjesusparish.org.au](mailto:columbarium@infantjesusparish.org.au).

If you would like to make an appointment to submit an application or discuss the changes to the General Conditions, please phone the parish office on 9276 8500 and one of the committee will be in touch. Also, a member of the committee is always available on Monday between 9.30am and 11.00am.

## How the church continues its mission...part 1 - through generous hearts

**A Legacy of Love - leaving a perpetual gift to your parish community.**

Think about it ... your parish has been present at most of the important milestones in your life: your baptism, your first communion, at times of great celebration and at times of great sadness.

The work of the many ministries of the Catholic Church is far-reaching, life-giving and life-saving ... every day.

By leaving a gift to your Church in your will, you will leave a legacy of faith, a legacy to help ensure that the mission and pastoral outreach, which has been important to you, will continue and grow both for today's needs and for those of our children and our grandchildren.

**With help through the 'money in the bag' at Mass**

**THE FIRST COLLECTION** supports the priests in our parish and sick or elderly priests in the Perth Archdiocese, as well as sick and elderly Carmelites and those training to be Carmelite friars.

**THE SECOND COLLECTION** is the main source of income for our parish. It also assists new or poor parishes in Perth Archdiocese, retired priests and seminary costs, etc.

How you can contribute:

- Direct debit • Planned giving envelope • Cash
- In a cashless situation via Bank transfer - Please see parish bank details in the church foyer.

## STUDY, SUPPORT & SOCIAL Groups in our Parish

More details on the foyer boards - all welcome, always

### Join the ABC (Another Book Club!)

This Club is about exploring our Faith with a sense of joy, serious fun as a group with a book.

**When:** Monday, 8th April (meet monthly) - 6.30pm to 8pm.

**Where:** Infant Jesus Parish Centre, the Library.

**Book:** Abounding in Kindness: writings for the people of God by Elizabeth A Johnson CSJ

**Facilitator:** Marion Wayne.

Any enquiries to Marion

[goodnesstruthbeauty@yahoo.com](mailto:goodnesstruthbeauty@yahoo.com) or 0412 633 857

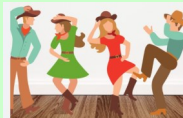
**BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT GROUP** 1st Tuesdays of the month 9am Mass, followed by morning tea in Parish Centre - April Mass is on 2 April 9am.



### NEW CRAFT GROUP - Let's ORIGAMI

A fun activity to enjoy together while making new friends! Origami is a widely-used practice that encourage mindfulness and creative expression. Starts Thursday 18th April from 9.30-11am in parish library

**LINE DANCING** Monday 9.30-11.00am parish centre with a short break for a cuppa and chat. A small fee applies.



**ST VINCENT DE PAUL** Tuesday 7.30-8.30pm parish centre - Library; recruiting new members now - see notice below



**TAI CHI with Christie** every Tuesday 9.45-11.15am in the parish hall. Christie has over 25 years experience in practising and teaching this gentle exercises that create harmony between the mind and body.



## Safeguarding Induction for all Church workers

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has broadened the scope of safeguarding of children to include adults at risk.

This induction provides an overview of the: -

- Catholic Safeguarding Standards, Policies and Procedures.
- Understanding Abuse, Grooming and Prevention.
- Reporting of concerns.
- Role of the Safeguarding Officer.
- Collective Responsibility and Care.

ALL church workers (volunteers or paid) are to attend a 1-hour safeguarding induction. A church worker is anyone in the Archdiocese in any role – paid or voluntary.

Please register for the upcoming session if you haven't attended the induction in the last 3 years.

The upcoming session is as follow: -

Saturday 13 April 2024 10-11 am

at Our Lady's Assumption, 356 Grand Promenade, Dianella

Registration: <https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/#induction>

Or phone 9221 7762 to book in.



## HOLY LAND GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Not too late to donate—

envelopes for donation are in the church foyer

This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment, housing. Parishes, and orphanages. It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus.

Due to the ongoing war, the Church and people of the Holy Land are still struggling with reduced income due to fewer pilgrims and lower church attendance around the world.

Supporting the Church in the Holy Land is an historic mission. Since the time of St. Paul, who urged his missionary churches not to forget the needs of the Church in Jerusalem, Christians worldwide have understood the responsibility to support the land where Jesus walked. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land this Easter. Thank you for your generosity.

## How the church continues its mission...part 2 - through willing hands

Much of what happens at Mass through the various Liturgical Ministries and in the parish via various groups - Baptism preparation, Sacramental Programme, Cleaning Groups, many committees, event volunteering and more - are carried out by our many volunteers, young and older.

There are many ways to assist - just enquire at the Parish Office. Billie and Theresa would love to hear from you.

### Playgroup - Coordinator needed!

#### Do you have a toddler at home?



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 on 9276 8500..



### ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY

An invitation is extended to all who are interested in living out the Gospel message by offering a compassionate hands to people in need, within the Morley/Dianella area. The weekly commitment of about 2 hours in the afternoon to deliver food to the needy in the Morley/Dianella area is flexible to allow for time away as needed. All activities are shared, supported by the Society and completely voluntary. For more information, please contact our President, Gus Formato on 0421 637 491.

### CLEANERS NEEDED



We thank all who have helped make our Church and Parish Centre clean, safe, and presentable for our Easter and weekly services.

Our Thursday morning cleaning team needs more hands to make light work, of the various cleaning requirements - vacuuming, dusting, window cleaning. The commitment is from 9.45 - 11am once a month. Please contact Billie at the parish office if you can assist.

## How the church continues its mission...part 3 - through our sponsors

If you would like to see your business represented in our weekly parish bulletin in a larger format, contact Darren 9276 8500

### T & T Garden and Home 0423 774 190

Lawn mowing, hedges, clean ups, gutters, flat pack assembly and more

### Holiday Home Rental - Jurien Bay 0402 214 111

Self-contained 4x2 residential home for up to 8 guests

### Bathroom Renovations Perth.com 9248 7160

Showroom at 34 Industry Street, Malaga

### Home Sale Realty - George Bidawid 0414 760 765

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