Dear loving sisters and brothers,

Today's gospel, although it includes images of the Good Shepherd, it is also full of other imagery and themes. Indeed, Jesus' statement "I am the Good Shepherd" tends to divert our attention from the deeper meaning of the text. For one thing there is the follow-up statement, "The Good Shepherd lays down his life for his sheep." This may seem obvious to us, hearing these words on the other side of the cross and resurrection, and on the other side of two thousand years of reflection on the meaning of Jesus' life, death, and resurrection.

Jesus continues His work of being our Good Shepherd through His Church. This is an important but often difficult message in our world today. It does not mean that the Church shepherds us perfectly. Jesus alone is the Good Shepherd. But He uses His Church to try and lead us through life in this world. He does not save us individually but together. There is a German hymn, "He who believes is never alone." And again, a French saying, "A Catholic alone is a Catholic in danger." We do not live our faith in isolation. Jesus does not just relate to us individually in a vacuum. We are not lone sheep in the world. We are members of a flock. We belong to one another, and together we belong to Christ. We are sometimes scattered, divided, but Jesus seeks to bring us together, to unite us in one-fold.

The Good Shepherd, rather than allowing us to focus on our personal, exclusive relationship with Jesus Christ, invites us to extend the loving embrace of Jesus Christ to the whole world, to those outside the fold, as well as those who are closest to us. That's our mission, that's our task as followers of Jesus in the world today. "What a blessing it is to know Christ, the Good Shepherd, to know Him as the Redeemer who laid down His life for the sheep, to know Him as the Risen Lord, the source of everlasting joy and life. What a blessing it is to know the Good Shepherd and to believe in Him. This gift of faith is the greatest blessing we could ever receive in life." (St Pope John Paul)

Blessings of the Risen Lord, Fr. John

ANZAC DAY (Public Holiday) **THIS Thursday 25 APRIL** Mass at 8.30am

Please note that the Parish Office will be closed on Thursday.

> CALENDAR OF SAINTS **25 Apr:** Anzac Day 26 Apr: St Mark, evangelist



The Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady This week in the home of: Maria Valton Ph: 0414 859 369



Youth

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From me, Fr Adalbert, to all youth at Infant Jesus - God bless...and more -

Starting on Sunday 28 April, 6pm and every fourth Sunday of the Month, we are restarting the Youth Initiative at IJ Parish.

Please come along to the gathering after the Mass for some food, fun, and fraternity.

We have some activities planned for the year. Above all, we are looking at seeing how best to serve you, the young people of the parish, and give you a space to explore your faith.



PARISH COLUMBARIUM - New conditions from 29 April Members of the Columbarium Committee will be available in the parish centre on Monday mornings 9.30am-11.30am, or by appointment. Appointments may be made by email: columbarium@infantjesusparish.org.au or contacting the parish office on 9276 8500.



Home-made Jam Sale for Caritas Project Compassion

THANK YOU to all who supported our weekend sales. It was a great effort - over \$550 was raised.

"For all future generations"

NEW CRAFT GROUP - Let's ORIGAMI

Every Thursday from 9.30-11am in parish library. All welcome to join in whenever you can.

A fun activity to enjoy together while making new friends! Origami is a widely-used practice that encourages mindfulness and creative expression.



This is a donation-led playgroup.



Please come join us every p L A Y C R O U P Wednesday 11am - 1pm, commencing Wednesday May 1st.

All parents with children aged 0-4 years old welcome.

Join us for free play, games, song and rhymes, outdoor playground time and more! Meet other parents in the community and school!

Bring an egg and nut free morning tea for you and your bub.

Looking forward to seeing you there. Please feel free to contact Lin 0432 942 483 for more details.



"Time to Consider the Priesthood". A Priesthood Vocation Open Day for men from the age of 17 years and above at St Charles Seminary in Guildford, on Sunday 5th May 2024, from 9am to 1.30pm, including brunch.

This Open Day will answer questions about the Seminary and discernment into Priesthood. For further information or to register attendance please call (08) 9279-1310 or email: stcharlesseminary@perthcatholic.org.au



SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION for Infant Jesus Church Parish Children **Online Enrolments closes this Monday 22 April**

Parents should have received the link to the online forms. Enrolments and preferred Mass bookings on Evenbrite will close this Monday 22nd April 2024.

Confirmation Program dates are as follows:

Parents Night: 6 May (Monday) at 7.00pm at the Parish Centre Commitment Masses: 18 May (Saturday) at 6.00pm & 19 May (Sunday) at 9.30am and 6.00pm Parent & Child Workshop: 20 May (Monday) at 7pm at the Parish

Centre Retreat: 28 May (Tuesday) at the Parish Centre & Church

Confirmation Masses: 8 June (Saturday) at 11.00am OR 2.00pm

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

Pentecost Mission 2024 - Thursday, 16 May Get ready for a grace-filled few days of prayer and discovery this Pentecost as we learn to live out Jesus' final command!



•Our Lady of Lourdes Rockingham: Thursday evening 16 May - free

Our Lady of The Mission Whitford: Friday evening 17 May - free

 Sacred Heart Highgate: Saturday 17 May all day - \$30 per person

For details, please visit <u>bit.ly/Missio24</u> or scan the QR code.

The Sisters of Saint Joseph warmly invite to a Day of Prayer and Contemplation

Tuesday 30 April at Kilmolee, 182 Arcadia Drive Safety Bay Extra parking: 27 Penguin Road, Safety Bay.

RSVP: Essential by Friday 26 April. Cost: \$20 or donation. Contact person: Sr Dianne Colborne; Ph: 9527 3240 Or Email: safety.bay@sosj.org.au

Please arrive for morning tea at 9.30am. Session to begin at 10.00am and concludes at 1.00pm with a light lunch provided.



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Infant Jesus School Share Your Memory

1954 - 2024 Celebrating 70 YEARS

We are inviting you to share your favourite or lasting memory of your time at Infant Jesus School. Please submit your story and image/s by completing the

Whether you are a current student, past student, parent, teacher or friend of the school we want to hear from you. A selection of stories will be featured throughout 2024 as we celebrate 70 years as a school.

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Supporting Our Parish Financially

First Collection EFT Details Account Name: Carmelite BSB: 066 132

Account Number: 0080 0015

Account Name: Infant Jesus Parish Morley **BSB:** 086 006

In Our Church

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

Office hours: Monday - Thursday 9.30am -12.30pm Facebook: infantjesusmorley Web: www.infantjesusparish.org.au

Parish Prayer Concerns

Recently Deceased: Bob Gomes;

Deceased: Jean-Claude Conier, Luigi Pracilio, Anna and Nick Altieri, Ado Clozza, Leo and Agnes Matthews, George Wilkinson, Philip Matthews, Robin and Philo Matthews;

Anniversaries: Antonio Campanella, Juliusz (Joe) Gsodam, John Bowley, Lola Carlucci, Giocondo Colantonio, Alfredo Tenaglia, Claude Laventure, Bill and Nettie Beukelaar and Margaret Erneste;

The Sick of the Parish: All those who are in need of our prayers.

"Give thanks to the Lord for he is good; His love has no end."

May Pilgrimage at Schoenstatt Shrine Talus Drive, Mt Richon Sunday 5 May, 2.30-4.30pm



Rosary procession, Reflections, PMA Coordinators' Recommissioning, Benediction, Refreshments

You are welcome to bring flowers; children are invitied to dress in white for the procession.

Year of Prayer 2024 - "Mary, Teach us to pray." www.schoenstattwa.org.au



April - Draw closer to The Blessed Sacrament Spend time in Adoration or attend another Mass during the week in addition to your Sunday obligation.

Saint Mother Teresa of Calcutta said, "The time you spend with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the best time you will spend on earth. Each mo-

ment that you spend with Jesus will deepen your union with Him and make your soul everlastingly more glorious and beautiful in Heaven, and will help bring about everlasting peace on earth."

Throughout the past 70 years, many colourful and lively characters have walked the grounds and shared our classrooms. It is those memories and stories which have shaped the community we are today.

form https://forms.office.com/r/ yysH4BJ932 or via the QR code

Second Collection EFT Details

Account Number: 66860 6029

Our Parish Team

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EASTER MESSAGE, CONCERT & VIDEO

Light reading for Eastertide - Easter Message from Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB video or pdf https://perthcatholic.org.au/Our_Archdiocese-Archbishop-Latest_News-2024-2024_Easter_Message.htm or pick up a printed copy from the church foyer stands

Catholic Mission Lifted Up for Mother's Day: A violin & piano recital on Sunday 12th May from 3pm in the Braham Reach out. Give life. Auditorium at Trinity College, East Perth. After the Mother's Day lunch or before the Mother's Day dinner, your

mum and grandmum are sure to be lifted up by an hour of beautiful music from two highly regarded classical musicians in Daniel Carney on violin & Tommy Seah on piano. Tickets are available online for a donation to Catholic Mission in support of other mums and their children escaping domestic violence and homelessness at the House of Mercy refuge in Mongolia. To book online visit https:// www.trybooking.com/CQFOU Online bookings are essential because seating is limited. For further details contact Francis at director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au

God's call - A collection of short stories from St Charles Seminarians on how they answered God's unique call to commence their vocations journey into ordained ministry. You can view these short stories free from YouTube. More information on the poster in the church foyer, and free "movie tickets" with the QR code to direct you to the site are available on our foyer bench.

THIS WEEKEND — 21 April 2024—4th Sunday of Easter				
Ministry	<u>Sat 6pm</u>	<u>Sun 7.30am</u>	<u>Sun 9.30am</u>	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Peter	Chris L	Chris Y	David
Altar Servers	Ethan, Meldon and Nathan	Elizabeth and Peter	Victoria, Manuel, Ruben	Alyssa, Amy and Megan
Proclaimers	Meghan and Naethan	Clare and Marie	PAS Mass—Chris A	Maureen and Nathan
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Betty; Sejin; Chris A and Marie	Brian; Debbie; Carl and Josie	Marilyn; Josephine; Marlene; Joan; Evelyn and Christina	Ivor; Tristan; Eloise and Maureen
Hospitality	Manisha and Megan	Barb and Veronica	Sr Chitra; Josephine and Christie (PAS)	Anne and Pramila
Church Cleaning	Team C— Saturday, 27 April 2024 @ 9.30am			
NEXT WEEKEND — 28 April 2024—5th Sunday of Easter				
Ministry	<u>Sat 6pm</u>	<u>Sun 7.30am</u>	<u>Sun 9.30am</u>	<u>Sunday 6pm</u>
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Jeremy	David	Josephine	Tung
Altar Servers	Shawn, Josemiguel and Andres	Aaron and Frank	Crissanto, Cesar and Leah	Tim and Dan
Proclaimers	Donna-Marie and Sabrina	Nevellene and Valerie	Rod and Mark	Dorothy and Anna
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Tracy; Chris T; Betty and Sejin	Valerie; Nevellene; John and Kathleen	Magdalene; Anna; Roma; Errol; Tanya and Sr Justin	Emily; Sr Chau; Sr Le and Sr Oanh
Hospitality	Roopa and Desmond	Angela and Selina	Deb and Loretta	Julie and Adam
Church Cleaning	Team D— Friday, 3 May 2024 @ 10.30am			

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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