Infant Jesus Parish

Under the care of the Discalced Carmelite Friars

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20th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

14 August 2011

First Reading Is 56:1.6-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I will lead the foreigners to my holy mountain.

Thus says the Lord: Have a care for justice, act with integrity, for soon my salvation will come and my integrity be manifest.

Foreigners who have attached themselves to the Lord to serve him and to love his name and be his servants – all who observe the sabbath, not profaning it, and cling to my covenant – these I will bring to my holy mountain. I will make them joyful in my house of prayer. Their holocausts and their sacrifices will be accepted on my altar, for my house will be called a house of prayer for all the peoples.

This is the word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 66:2-3 5-6. 8. R. v.4

(R).O God, let all the nations praise you!

- O God, be gracious and bless us and let your face shed its light upon us.
 - So will your ways be known upon earth
 - and all nations learn your saving help. (R.)
- 2. Let the nations be glad and exult for you rule the world with justice. With fairness you rule the peoples, you guide the nations on earth. (R.)
- Let the peoples praise you, O God; let all the peoples praise you.
 May God still give us his blessing till the ends of the earth revere him. (R.)

Second Reading Rom 11:13-15. 29-32

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

The gifts and call of god are irrevocable.

Let me tell you pagans this: I have been sent to the pagans as their apostle, and I am proud of being sent, but the purpose of it is to make my own people envious of you, and in this way save some of them. Since their rejection meant the reconciliation of the world, do you know what their admission will mean? Nothing less than a resurrection from the dead! God never takes back his gifts or revokes his choice.

Just as you changed from being disobedient to God, and now enjoy mercy because of their disobedience, so those who are disobedient now – and only because of the mercy shown to you – will also enjoy mercy eventually. God has imprisoned all men in their own disobedience only to show mercy to all mankind.

This is the word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation Mt 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia!
Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom
and healed all who were sick.
Alleluia!

Gospel Mt 15:21-28

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

Woman, you have great faith.

Jesus left Gennesaret and withdrew to the region of Tyre and Sidon. Then out came a Canaanite woman from that district and started shouting, 'Sir. Son of David, take pity on me. My daughter is tormented by a devil.' But he answered her not a word. And his disciples went and pleaded with him. 'Give her what she wants,' they said 'because she is shouting after us.' He said in reply, 'I was sent only to the lost sheep of the House of Israel.' But the woman had come up and was kneeling at his feet. 'Lord,' she said 'help me.' He replied, 'It is not fair to take the children's food and throw it to the house-dogs.' She retorted, 'Ah yes, sir; but even house-dogs can eat the scraps that fall from their master's table.' Then Jesus answered her, 'Woman, you have great faith. Let your wish be granted.' And from that moment her daughter was well again.

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Reflection by Greg Sunter

This week's gospel provides a fascinating illustration of Jesus' response to those in need. Jesus has travelled to the area of Tyre and Sidon – part of modern day Lebanon. He was physically removing himself from the place of his very active ministry and taking



a break. When the Canaanite woman approaches Jesus and his disciples, she is an interruption; a nuisance. Jesus is very abrupt with her. He tells her simply that his ministry is to the house of Israel - the Jews - and is not for her. But the woman is persistent and again asks Jesus to help her. Jesus is even more abrupt and tells her that it is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs. Through this use of metaphor, Jesus refers to the children of Israel (the Jews) and to the gentiles and pagans - sometimes referred to as 'dogs' to reflect their lowly status in the eyes of the Jewish tradition. Still the woman persists and turns Jesus' metaphor back on him, saying that even the dogs get to eat the scraps that fall from the table.

The woman's persistence and faith pay off. Jesus is moved by her faith and through that faith heals the woman's daughter. Despite his initial abruptness and reluctance, Jesus responds with compassion to the woman's request. It is as though she needed to demonstrate that she was really serious and that she did in fact believe that Jesus could make a difference in her life and the life of her daughter. This is an important story in Matthew's gospel. This gospel was written predominantly for Jewish Christians but this story reveals that the ministry of Jesus and the reign of God is open to anyone who believes.

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

God, our protector, keep us in mind; always give strength to your people. For if we can be with you even one day, it is better than a thousand without you.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

With the Lord there is mercy, and fullness of redemption.

Dear Parishioners,

Today, National Vocations Awareness Week draws to a close, with a particular focus on vocations to the Priesthood and religious life. Though we in the Perth diocese are very fortunate, with our seminaries full to capacity, there are many rural parishes which are already feeling the impact of a shortage of men in the priesthood; and around the nation, there are many diocese which are struggling to minister to the faithful.

We need to pray constantly, as Jesus has asked us to do, for faithful men and women to come when he calls them to the priesthood and religious life. Each one of us has a responsibility for this work; to pray for, to encourage and to form our young people, so that when they are called, their hearts are ready to respond. With the wonderful young people we already have in our parish, the seeds have already been planted; however they need to be fed and nurtured by us all.

This week is also a time for celebrating Christian Marriage - another vital vocation. Let us pray for all our married couples and those preparing for marriage, for their relationships form the basis of our society and it is within strong Christian marriages that vocations to the priesthood and religious life will grow. — Fr. Sunny



Feast of the Assumption

MONDAY 15 AUGUST

This is an important Marian Feast and a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses will be held at 7am, 9am and 7.30pm here in our church.

By her assumption we can understand that Mary, because of the dignity of her motherhood and her own personal submission to God's will at every stage of her life, takes precedence over everyone in the sharing of God's glory which is the destiny of all of us who die united with Christ her Son.

The Feast of the Assumption has always been loved dearly by the faithful who are children of Mary. It is a sign to us that someday, through God's grace and our efforts, we too may join the Blessed Mother in giving glory to God. - Fr. Eugene Lobo S.J.Rome



Caritas Australia's East Africa Crisis Appeal

10 million people are in need of food, water and basic requirements. Caritas is providing food relief, clean water and assisting families to maintain their livelihoods. For more information or to donate please visit www.caritas.org.au/eastafricacrisis; call 1800 024 413; or post donations to GPO Box 9830 SYDNEY NSW 2001.

Prayer:

God of all courage,
help us to walk alongside
our sisters and brothers in East Africa
as they struggle to feed their families
during this time of drought.
We know you hear the cry of the poor
and call on us to live out your desire for justice.
May we, through prayer and action,
show your love for the people of East Africa
as we share our bread with the hungry.
In Jesus' name Who shared bread with the hungry
and gave hope to those in despair.

Amen

Thank you so much for assisting us to support our long time partners in East Africa.

NEW WORDS FOR THE MASS

The time is soon approaching when we will begin using the new words for the Mass in our parish. The Liturgy committee have been meeting with the priests over the past year to plan how this will happen, but in the meantime, we have been offering ways for you to become familiar with the changes to the wording. The next instalment of Elizabeth Harrington's "New Words for the Mass" is available on the foyer stands today. If you have missed the previous instalments, you can collect a complete set from the parish office. "Understanding the New Translation of the Mass" is an excellent booklet, available from the piety stall for only \$2.00 and we are also offering the opportunity for you to order the excellent resource below, "Become One Body One Spirit in Christ". This is a multi dimensional resource about the Mass which offers much more than simply an explanation of the new translation. It is a resource which you will use again and again.



Become One Body One Spirit in Christ

This interactive DVD makes accessible the depth and richness of the layers of meaning of the new English translation of the Roman Missal.

This resource provides 5 pathways for exploring the Eucharist:

Pathway One: Exploring the Mass Pathway - Two: Receiving this English Translation Pathway Three: Crafting Art of Liturgy - Pathway Four: Celebrating the Eucharist

Pathway Five: Living a Eucharistic Life

More info at www.becomeonebodyonespiritinchrist.org.

Copies can also be ordered via the Parish Office @\$35.00 per copy.



World Youth Day Madrid August 15 - 21

Our prayers are with all the young pilgrims as they make their way to Madrid. To keep abreast of events in Madrid, Church Resources will stream daily news on *CathNews* (www.cathnews.com) and blogs each day from on-the-spot pilgrim bloggers. A series of six WYD Prayer Newsletters is available on the *CathNews* website at: http://www.cathnews.com/A%20Prayer%20Newsletter.aspx. Be a part of the World Youth Day

experience!





Our Parish Events







FIRST COMMUNION PHOTOS

Photos of children who received First Communion last weekend are available for viewing at the Parish Office.

Please note Parish Office hours: 9.30am -12.20pm, Mon - Thurs.



CWL Raffle Results

The Catholic Women's League would like to thank all who purchased tickets last weekend and to the generous people who gave a donations. We raised \$542.00 which will be forwarded to St. Charles Seminary.

1st Prize -**Pearl Chin** 7th Prize - Teresa Mooney 2nd Prize -Mary Vranjes 8th Prize - Gemma Scarparolo 3rd Prize -Enza Ganoli 9th Prize - Maria Speed 4th Prize -Benny Ong 10th Prize - Dick Paini 11th Prize - Angie Cunneen 5th Prize -**Pat Hemmings** 6th Prize -**Ester Roberts** Baby Raffle Prize - Chris Andrews

Do You Need a Friend

The Thursday night Personal Advocacy group has a vacancy for a female volunteer to link with a delightful young woman.

The program provides faith development for people with intellectual disabilities through friendship in a small group.

The group meetings follow the school term.

If you are interested to know more about this commitment please contact Personal Advocacy: jocelyn@paswa.org.au or 92755388

Chisholm Catholic College Heritage Gallery

The Heritage Gallery has been established to display the tradition and history of Chisholm Catholic College. We hope the display will provide snapshots of the evolution of Chisholm's unique identity and cultural heritage.

We are looking to consolidate our existing collection of memorabilia with items donated by former students and staff, members of their families or from the wider community.

So please, spread the word, as we would love to receive donations relating, not just to the past years of Chisholm, but also to our foundation schools, **St Mark's College, CBC Highgate, CBC Bedford** and **St Thomas Aquinas College**. Of particular interest would be items of uniform, photographs, movies, examples of student work, school diaries, memorabilia from camps and school trips, etc. Copies of items too precious to part with would also be most welcome.

For further information or to discuss arrangements for making donations please contact: Ingrid Chidlowat the College, by phone on **9208 2659** (Tues & Wed) or by email i.chidlow@chisholm.wa.edu.au

HELP NEEDED

HELP NEEDED! MORLEY MENTAL HEALTH WELL-BEING GROUP

The Morley group is looking for a liaison person between the group and the Emmanuel Centre which supports parish initiatives to improve the well-being of persons with mental health issues. Without the liaison person, the Morley group will have to fold. This person sits in on a planning meeting for the year and sets up for the group gatherings on the last Thursday of each month. If you are interested or need further information, contact Angela 9276 8500. Your assistance will be most appreciated by those who find these gatherings greatly beneficial to their well-being.

St. Vincent de Paul - Morley

A bed, mattress and wardrobe is required for a single mother in our district. If you can help please contact Mavis on 9276 8388.

Tust arrived! 'Glimpses of the Carmelite Way' by Mark Davis

The images in this book are extremely beautiful and help to give deeper meaning to the passages from scripture and short 'snapshot' words from the saints. The book would be a beautiful gift for someone you love. Available from the parish office or piety stall.



PROJECT COMPASSION RECEIPTS

If you have not collected your Project Compassion receipt please collect from the Sacristry today.

Parish Library - New Editions

First Comes Love - Finding Your Family in the Church and the Trinity.

Christian Meditation Collection - Over 500 Meditations Classic and Contemporary.

One Holy, Catholic, and Apostolic - The Early Church Was the Catholic Church.

Drop into the Parish Centre Library...



Silk flower posies for the Columbarium are available from the Parish Office. \$4.00 each.

Our thanks go to the generous parishioner who donates these to the parish.

PILGRIM STATUE:

This week in the home of: Mr & Mrs D Nathanielsz, 18 Cardwell Avenue, Noranda



PH: 9276 5048

Around the Archdiocese

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME-SAN GIOVANNI ROTONDO-MEDJUGORJE.

Leaving Perth 5th Oct. under the Spiritual Direction of Fr.Ronan Murphy. Pilgrimage consists of 3 nights Rome-2 nights San Giovanni Rotondo (Padre Pio) visit to Monte Gargano and Lanciano (Eucharistic Miracle) and 7 nights Medjugorje (where Our Blessed Mother has been reported to have been appearing daily since June 1981) Cost \$3,990 which includes:- flights (Emirates) bed, breakfast, evening meals, transfers, guide, taxes and tipping. Returning late 19th Oct.early hours 20th Oct. Excellent price. Eng. Eileen 9402 2480, mob 0407 471 256, email medjugorje@y7mail.com



We invite parishioners to join in the next

Conversations on Tap Monday, 15 August 2011 at 5.45pm in Foley Hall [ND1], Mouat Street, Fremantle

"Reconciling with a broken world" presented by Una Glennon (author of Ciara's Gift: Grief edged with gold). Donations appreciated. Light refreshments served. Please rsvp to Stacie O'Neill on 9433 0581 or by email at stacie.oneill@nd.edu.au

"I wake up each morning with a sense of gratitude knowing that whatever the day may bring I will be able to cope with it, because I have been through the very worst and have survived." (Una Glennon)

Sisters of the Missions, Catholic Mission and the Catholic Social Justice Council welcome you to hear

MR. SHAN ALI

Of the Grameen Foundation, Australia discuss with participants

MICRO-CREDIT: A BANKING SYSTEM DESIGNED TO WIPE OUT POVERTY!

7.30pm Tuesday 16 August, 2011

Our Lady of the Mission Pastoral Centre Mary Street, Highgate (enter off Harold Street). Supper provided. RSVP to Jennifer George 9271 0597 rndmsecaus@olm.org.au

PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS

Recently Deceased: Helen Fleming;

Anniversaries: Mervyn & Bob Fosberry, Harry Murphy, Natalie Gianotti, Natilda Sawain, Leonie, James & Michael Findlay, Michael Evans, Baylis Hopkins, Abdul Rahman-Majid;

Deceased: Domenico Laurito, Fred Perkins, Ester Coli, Mike Kerrison, Graham Taylforth,

William Ba Klien;

The Sick of the Parish: Nola & Scott Leckie, Maria Tomich and all who are in continuing ill

health.

"May the walls, which prejudice raises between us, crumble beneath the shadow of Your outstretched arm."

Calendar of Saints

15 August: ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

16 August: St. Stephen of Hungary, King (1038AD) 19 August: St. John Eudes, Priest (1680AD)

20 August: St. Bernard, Abbot (1153AD)

******Saint of the Day now available on iPhone******



Around the Archdiocese

Celebrate Love Marriage Enrichment Seminars

FEELING BURNT OUT?

Does your married relationship need a little "kick"?

Celebrate Love marriage enrichment program offers a weekend experience that will help couples through a framework of exercises in a private atmosphere that will remind them of how and why they fell in love!! The program helps each couple to see their marriage as more than a social norm but rather a sacramental vocation that requires us to be spiritually open to God and to each other. For many couples this is a new experience that truly deepens their commitment to each other. The weekend will be held on 20th and 21st August 2011 at The Siena Centre, Williamstown Rd, Doubleview. (very central with easy access from the freeway). Reminder that August around the corner and no bookings will be taken after the 16th of August!!! To book you can go online www.celbratelove.com.au or for further information call Kathy Musca 08 9302 2582.

Free e-Book Fr Ted Tyler of the diocese of Parramatta has written a book with the Gospel of each day of this liturgical year A-1 (Dec'10 to Nov'11), together with a Reflection for each day's Gospel. It carries the Imprimatur of the Bishop of Parramatta, Bishop Anthony Fisher OP. The title of the book is **Son of God: The Daily Gospel Year A-1**. The book is meant for the lay person. The e-book (in PDF or DNL format) may be downloaded onto your computer, e-reader or i-phone, free of charge, from this URL source:

www.catholic-thoughts.info/ebook/

MALTESE MASS- - Fr Marcellinus OFM celebrates Mass in Maltese at the Maltese Club in Bassendean on the 1st Sunday of each month. The next Mass is on Sun August 7th at 10.30 am. As usual, there will be Rosary and Confessions before Mass and Lunch will be available after Mass. Enq. Emmanuel Calleja 92502212.

MALAGA CHAPEL - Weekday Mass Available 3/24 Juna Drive

Confessions: Before Mass or by arrangement. Mass: - Of the Day: Monday 6.45am - Virgil: Monday - Friday 4.45pm. Closed on Public Holidays

Fr David Watt - Tel: 9376 1734

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OUR LITURGICAL LIFE

Morning Prayer of the Church: Mon-Fri, 6.40am; Sat, 7.45am

Morning Mass: Mon-Fri: 7am & 9am, Sat: 8.30am

Saturday Vigil Mass: 6.30pm

Sunday Masses: 7.30am, 9.30am (Children's Liturgy during school terms),

11.30am (Italian), 6pm (Youth Mass 2nd & 4th Sundays)

Reconciliation: Saturday 10-11am and 5-6pm.

Baptisms, Weddings & Sacraments: Please contact the Parish Office.

OUR DEVOTIONAL LIFE

Perpetual Novena in honor of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel:

Wednesday 7.15pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Friday 9.30am - 10.30am and 7.30pm - 8.30pm