

Infant Jesus Parish

Under the care of the Discalced Carmelite Friars

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22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

28 August 2011

First Reading Jer 20:7-9

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah

The word of the Lord God has meant derision for me.

You have seduced me, Lord, and I have
let myself be seduced;
you have overpowered me: you were the
stronger.
I am a daily laughing-stock,
everybody's butt.
Each time I speak the word, I have to
howl
and proclaim: 'Violence and ruin!'
The word of the Lord has meant for me
insult, derision, all day long.
I used to say, I will not think about him,
I will not speak in his name any more.
Then there seemed to be a fire burning
in my heart,
imprisoned in my bones.
The effort to restrain it wearied me,
I could not bear it.

This is the word of the Lord.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 62:2-6. 8-9. R. v.2

*(R.) My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord
my God.*

- 1 O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you
like a dry, weary land without water. (R.)
- 2 So I gaze on you in the sanctuary
to see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise. (R.)
- 3 So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a
banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy. (R.)
- 4 For you have been my help;
in the shadow of your wings I rejoice.
My soul clings to you;
your right hand holds me fast. (R.)

Second Reading Rom 12:1-2

*A reading from the letter of St Paul
to the Romans*

May you present your bodies as a living sacrifice.

Think of God's mercy, my brothers, and
worship him, I beg you, in a way that is
worthy of thinking beings, by offering
your living bodies as a holy sacrifice,
truly pleasing to God. Do not model
yourselves on the behaviour of the
world around you, but let your behaviour
change, modelled by your new mind.
This is the only way to discover the will

of God and know what is good, what it is
that God wants, what is the perfect thing
to do.

This is the word of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation See Eph 1:17-18

*Alleluia, alleluia!
May the Father of our Lord Jesus
Christ
enlighten the eyes of our heart,
that we might see how great is the
hope
to which we are called.
Alleluia!*

Gospel Mt 16:21-27

*A reading from the holy Gospel according
to Matthew*

Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself.

Jesus began to make it clear to his
disciples that he was destined to go to
Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the
hands of the elders and chief priests
and scribes, to be put to death and to be
raised up on the third day. Then, taking
him aside, Peter started to remonstrate
with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord,' he
said. 'This must not happen to you.' But he
turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me,
Satan! You are an obstacle in my path,
because the way you think is not God's
way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone
wants to be a follower of mine, let him
renounce himself and take up his cross
and follow me. For anyone who wants to
save his life will lose it; but anyone who
loses his life for my sake will find it. What,
then, will a man gain if he wins the whole
world and ruins his life? Or what has a
man to offer in exchange for his life?

'For the Son of Man is going to come in
the glory of his Father with his angels,
and, when he does, he will reward each
one according to his behaviour.'

This is the Gospel of the Lord.

Reflection

by Greg Sunter

This week's gospel is the first of three
predictions of Jesus' death and resurrection
in Matthew's gospel (see also Mark and
Luke). Despite Peter's confession of faith
that immediately precedes this passage
(see last week's gospel), the disciples still
do not have a very solid understanding of



Jesus' purpose. They may regard him
as the Messiah, but still do not fully
understand what that means. In this
passage, Jesus is beginning to prepare
them for the events of the passion – his
death and resurrection. He is trying to
lead them to a greater understanding
of his mission and message. But Peter
abruptly 'rebukes' Jesus and tells him
not to speak like that. One can almost
hear Peter saying, 'Look, Jesus, you've
got a good thing going here, don't spoil
it by talking about dying!' However,
Jesus responds to Peter very sharply,
suggesting that his lack of understanding
is inspired by evil and reflects human
thought, not divine wisdom.

The passage then leads in to a
description of the challenge of
discipleship. To be a follower of Jesus
means to 'deny' oneself, take up one's
cross and follow Jesus. In the context of
this passage, to 'deny' oneself means
to not be concerned about 'I' but to be
concerned about 'You' – to put others
before self. To be a follower of Jesus
means to be selfless, not self-centred. In
the ultimate example of this, Jesus tells
his disciples that whoever wishes to save
their life will lose it, but whoever loses
their life for Jesus' sake will find it. To
'save' your life is to hold back from giving
yourself fully to the message of Jesus –
to be 'half-hearted' in your faith. But to
'lose' yourself in the message of Jesus
is to fully give yourself over to living the
reign of God and through 'losing' yourself
in this way, Jesus tells us, is how to truly
find life.

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

I call to you all day long, have mercy on me, O Lord. You are good and forgiving, full of love for all
who call to you.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

O Lord, how great is the depth of the kindness which you have shown to those who love you.

Dear Parishioners,

If you missed reading my letter last weekend regarding the installation of solar panels on the church and parish centre buildings, then please collect a copy from the bulletin stands in the foyer. I ask that you read this letter and support this endeavour to reduce our parish expenditure in the long term. If you came unprepared for today's retiring collection, then please take an envelope from the pews. These can be returned next weekend.

Last week Fr. Tadgh and I travelled to Sydney for our annual gathering with the friars, where much time was spent discerning the activities and direction of the Order in Australia for the next three years. Please pray for us all, that the decisions made over the last week will bear much fruit for God's people.

I look forward to celebrating our Dedication Mass and lunch with you on Sunday 11th September. Please see the notice below and reply to the parish office as soon as possible, so that catering decisions can be made.

— Fr. Sunny



DEDICATION MASS & PARISH LUNCH

- a fun day for the whole family!

SUNDAY 11 SEPTEMBER, 2011

Mass at 9.30am, Lunch at 11.30am

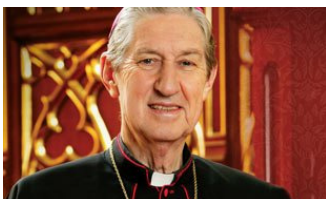
RSVP NOW TO THE PARISH OFFICE.

As both Fr. Sunny and Fr. Tadgh will be in Sydney for our usual Parish Week, the priests and the Parish Pastoral Council have decided to hold our annual dedication Mass and a parish luncheon on the above date. To enable this to be a truly inclusive celebration, the Italian community have been invited to join with the usual 9.30am Mass on this day, so that we can celebrate the Eucharist together before we share lunch in the parish centre.

After the Mass, the children can enjoy some games and a bouncy castle while the adults have a cup of tea and mingle. Then we will all go in to lunch in the hall at 11.30am. There will be some treats for the children and good food to share.

Please bring a plate of hot or cold finger food to share for the lunch, prepared and ready to serve, as well as any extra drinks you may like to bring - the parish will provide cool drinks, dessert and tea and coffee.

If you would like to be involved in planning the games for the children, your help would be greatly appreciated. Please contact Brendan Clifford or Pearl Chin via the parish office.

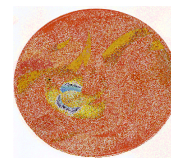


ARCHBISHOP'S EPISCOPAL VISITATION FRIDAY 16/17/18 SEPTEMBER 2011

Fr. Sunny will welcome the Archbishop for what will most likely be his last official visit to the parish before his retirement. While he is in the parish he will confirm 85 of our parish children and 5 young adults.

The main opportunity for the Archbishop to meet the parishioners will be at the **9.30am Mass on Sunday 18 September**. You are invited to come and celebrate with him and show your appreciation of his faithful service of the people of the Archdiocese and his example of faithful commitment to his vocation. After the Mass we will share morning tea in the hall where we will present the Archbishop with a gift from the parish. Please bring a small plate to share for morning tea.

PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAMME



**CONFIRMATION
PARENT / CHILD NIGHT
MONDAY 29 AUGUST
AT 7pm**

Parents of children enrolled in the Sacramental Programme are reminded that attendance at this workshop is a requirement of the programme. Children need to bring their pencil cases. Please arrive 5 minutes early so that the groups can start on time. Thank you.

For those families who wish to decorate their Confirmation sash, sashes may be collected from the parish office now. Thank you.

ENROLMENT FOR THE SACRAMENT OF FIRST RECONCILIATION



Parents of children who will make their First Reconciliation should have collected their enrolment pack at the Masses last weekend.

Please complete and return all the required forms to the parish office as soon as possible. Thank you.

—Sue Goodwin, Co-ordinator

"Christ is not a treasure meant for us alone; he is the most precious treasure we have, one that is meant to be shared with others... Be witnesses of Christian hope all over the world. How many people long to receive this hope! ...If you believe, and if you are able to live out your faith and bear witness to it every day, you will become a means of helping other young people like yourselves to find the meaning and joy of life, which is born of an encounter with Christ!"

— Pope Benedict XVI (Message for WYD'11)

This is not just for the young. Believe; and take action!

Important
DATE!

To Do:

Our Parish Events

Don't
Forget!

Reminder!

MINISTRY NEWS



ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

Parents please note that the training of new altar servers commenced on Monday 22nd August at 4.00pm in the church and will continue for the next four Mondays.

- Doug Nathanielsz, Altar Servers Co-ordinator



Reduce, Reuse, Recycle

Join us in the recycling process....

Cans can be placed in the bin bay in Smith Street.
Stamps (please do not detach from the envelope) and used glasses can be left in the boxes in the Church foyer.

PLEASE!
NOTE

COLES AND WOOLWORTHS SHOPPING VOUCHES

Infant Jesus Primary School is collecting shopping vouchers from Coles and Woolworths.

If you wish to support the School please place your vouchers in the Gold box in the church foyer.

Start collecting your vouchers today!

Wonderful Inspirational Concert

CHAPLAINCY CONCERT - Morley YouthCARE

Noranda Uniting Church,
97 Camboon Road, Noranda
Saturday 3rd September 2011
at 7.30pm



Admission \$20, Concession \$15 - Super Included

Enquiries Vera 9276 3578

All Proceeds aid School Chaplaincy in our area.

Welcome!

Please pray for these children, recently welcomed into the family of the Church:
Benjamin Wilathgamuwa, Konnor Peries, Samara Wyndham, Sophia Marevic, Luca Ortin Sieczka, Elyssa Pierre and Jackson Blackshaw.



CARITAS AUSTRALIA EAST AFRICA CRISIS APPEAL

The drought gripping East Africa is a humanitarian crisis. We wish to thank the Catholic Community for standing in solidarity with prayers and support for the 12.5 million men, women and children in urgent need of assistance. Caritas Australia is engaged in Kenya and Somalia and is working towards ensuring families have access to health care, food rations, clean water and nutrition for the sick. For updates and to support the East Africa Crisis Appeal, please visit www.caritas.org.au/eastafricacrisis; call 1800 024 413; or post donations to GPO Box 9830 SYDNEY NSW 2001.

HELP NEEDED

A parish family who are experiencing many difficulties need to sell their business urgently. It is a cafe / bar in the Morley area. If you know of anyone looking to buy into a business, please pass this information to them. Peter's Bar and Cafe - phone the owner on 0409 605 045.



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.

CELEBRATING MIGRANT SUNDAY

28TH AUGUST 2011

Today sees the end of Migrant and Refugee Week, when the worldwide church celebrates the one-ness of all people in Christ - the knowledge that we are "One Human Family".

"Every Sunday, Mass in Australia is celebrated in over 30 languages. Recent estimates find that 29% of church attendees in Australia are from non-English speaking backgrounds. This figure is testament to the success that Australian parishes are having in welcoming migrants into their community."

*"Solidarity means taking responsibility for those in trouble. For Christians, the migrant is not merely an individual to be respected in accordance with the norms established by law, but a person whose presence challenges them and whose needs become an obligation for their responsibility. **"What have you done to your brother"** (Gen 4:9).*

Most Rev. Gerard Hanna DD
Delegate for Migrants and Refugees
Bishop's Commission for Pastoral Life

If you would like a complete copy of the Bishop's letter or the Pope's Address for Migrant Sunday, please contact the parish office on 92768500

PRAYER FOR ONE HUMAN FAMILY

If you would like to join others around the world in this prayer, collect a sheet from the bulletin stands, which has the prayer in English and a number of

PILGRIM STATUE:

This week in the home of:



Around the Archdiocese

SACRED HEART HIGH SCHOOL, HIGHGATE PAST PUPILS REUNION

is being planned for 2012 during the 150th
Jubilee of the

Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions.

If you went to high school at Highgate and
would like to attend the reunion, please
register your interest by sending your
name and contact details to the Province
Office at 79 Seventh Avenue, Maylands or
email: rndmsecas@olm.org.au.

If you know anyone who was a past pupil
of Sacred Heart High School, Highgate,
please bring this to their attention.

Maltese Mass

A Mass in Maltese will be concelebrated by
Fr Gatt and Fr Marcellinus at the Maltese Club
in Bassendean, on **Sunday 4th September at
10.30am**. There will be Rosary and Confes-
sions before Mass, and Lunch will be available
after Mass.

Also, Rev. Fr. Mintoff will be visiting WA from
Malta. He is involved with the Justice and
Peace Commission in Europe and he will be
giving a talk at the Maltese Club on
Friday 16th September at 7.30pm. His talk
will cover issues relating to Malta and the
European Union. All are welcome.
Enq. Emmanuel Calleja. 92502212



Our Lady's Birthday Mass

Please join us to celebrate
Our Lady's Birthday on Sat-
urday, **3rd September at
Our Lady of the Mission**

Catholic Church,

270 Camberwarra Drive, Craigie
Holy Mass 8:30 am with Benediction
afterwards, followed by morning tea in
the parish centre. For further information
please contact Clare Ph: 0419 159 158.

PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS

Recently Deceased: Beth Carter, Arthur Pereira, Kevin Flood-Holmberg;

Anniversaries:

Deceased:

The Sick of the Parish: Bibiana Scully, Nola & Scott Leckie, Maria Tomich, Joe Corbett,
Margaret Hobbins, Paula Henriquez and all who are in continuing ill health.

Calendar of Saints



Around the Archdiocese



SAVE THE DATE – 1991 Mercedes Ladies

Calling all old girls in the cohort that left Mercedes College,
Perth in 1991.

Please register your name and details to

mercedescollege1991@hotmail.com and save the evening of

Wednesday 21 December 2011 to catch up at our
20th Year School Reunion at Mercedes College.

Invitations will be emailed out shortly.

Free e-Book Fr Ted Tyler of the diocese of Parramatta has written a book with the Gos-
pel 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/



PRAYER IN THE STYLE OF TAIZE

*Prayer, song and silence – in candle light – the symbol of Christ the
light of the world*

OUR LADY OF GRACE PARISH CHURCH

3 Kitchener St., North Beach

Contact 9448 4457 or 9448 4888

Next service – Thursday 1st September 7.30 – 8.30pm (1st Thursday of the month)

More info. aAbout Taize – www.taize.fr

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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