

WELCOME

ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC PARISH — 30 JULY 2023



"The Love of Christ must come before all else." (Rule of St Benedict)

WEEKLY SERVICES

Mass Times:

Mon: Communion - Service @7am (after the service, the church will be closed)

Wed/Fri: 7am

Tues/Thurs: 9am

Sat: 7.30am & Vigil 6pm

Sun: 7.30am, 9.30am & 6pm

**HOLY HOUR (STARTS WITH MASS)
FRIDAYS @7AM**



Reconciliation:

Sat: 4.30PM - 5.30PM

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Thursday: 9.30am—5pm

Friday: 8am—5pm

Rosary Groups:

Tue: 9.30am, Wed/Fri: 7.30am

Cenacle: Thurs: 9.30am

Prayer Group:

Mary Mother of Sorrows: Meetings on

Thursdays @1pm

Catholic Women's League (CWL)

Meet the 2nd Tuesday of the Month in the Fr Albert Lynch Room @1pm

Baptisms: By appointment

Marriages: By appointment

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Handyman/Gardening: Louis Bove

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17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

GOSPEL REFLECTION BY Dianne Bergant CSA

Two themes seem to weave through the readings for this Sunday: treasure and delight. The treasure is the extraordinary gift that comes from God; the delight is the joy that we experience when we realise that the treasure is ours. A third theme, which is found in the first reading, picks up a theme that we have considered several times during this period of Ordinary Time, namely, service of others.

The treasure is the kingdom of heaven. It is the prize that gives meaning to the present, and its fullest delight draws us into the future. The reign of God is the fulfilment of our deepest desires and our fondest hopes. Nothing in the world can compare with it, and that is why we are willing to sacrifice everything to attain it. The treasure that we find is really a gift that is given. We need not work to attain the kingdom, nor can we earn it in any way. It is given to us by God. All we have to do is accept it.

Solomon chose to be of service to others. In this he is a model for disciples to follow. We have discovered the treasure in the field; we have found the pearl of great price. What we have been given, we must now give to others. In giving we will lose nothing. In fact, we gain an abundance of blessings. All things work for good, and God is glorified in all. Such is the character of the kingdom of God.

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PARISH NOTICES

EVENTS

- ◆ 30 JULY — COOKIES, CUPPA & CHAT AFTER 9.30AM MASS
- ◆ 1 AUGUST — ANOINTING MASS @9AM
- ◆ 4 AUGUST — FIRST FRIDAY FRIENDS @11AM
- ◆ 8 AUGUST — CONFIRMATION PARENT-CHILD WORKSHOP @4.30PM OR 6PM
- ◆ 9 AUGUST — CONFIRMATION PARENT-CHILD WORKSHOP @5PM
- ◆ 13 AUGUST — PARISH MORNING TEA AFTER 7.30AM MASS (ROSTER: LINDA ROBERTSON & MARY ALVARO)
- ◆ 15 AUGUST— FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION @9AM (SCHOOL & PARISH) AND @7PM
- ◆ 16-18 AUGUST — PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL AT CHURCH
- ◆ 19 AUGUST — CONFIRMATION SACRAMENT @2PM
- ◆ 27 AUGUST — CONFIRMATION SACRAMENT @2PM

PARISH MORNING TEA INVITATION



**SUNDAY,
13 AUGUST 2023
AFTER 7.30AM MASS**

**ROSTER:
LINDA ROBERTSON &
MARY ALVARO**

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES NOW AVAILABLE

The envelopes for **this financial year** is out for collection. Please remember to collect your box with your name on it (box number may change). If your envelopes are not there, please advise the Parish office on 08 9364 1120.



Another way of supporting the Parish through Planned Giving Programme is through the direct debit system, either by Direct Debit or Credit Card. Forms are available on the tables in the foyer or you may wish to contact the Parish office. Tap & Go machines are also available for 1st & 2nd collections.

The planned giving programme (Second Collection) is an important part of the Parish finances as it allows us to maintain the Church, Presbytery and Parish Administration Centre.

If you would like to join the Planned Giving Programme, please email applecross@perthcatholic.org.au or call the Parish Office on 08 9364 1120.

Thank you for your generous commitment and continued support to the Parish.

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

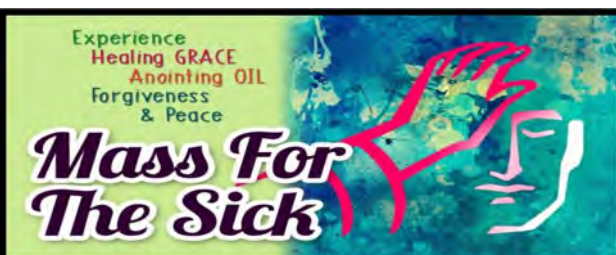
Myrtle Nimmo, Sr Carla, Truus Botman, Patrick Thomas, Ng Chai Hong, Beatrice Leong, Helen Overman, Shalini Saldanha, Ng Choon Bee, Nick Odoriso, Michelle O'Brien, Liesel Beukes, Helen Teo, James Kelly, Thomas McGuire Marris and all others who are not included in this list. *Thank you.*



YOUTH CORNER

1. Youth Mass — **12 August @6pm**
2. Youth Events are scheduled on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of every month after the 6pm mass.

**COOKIES, CUPPA & CHAT
SUNDAY, 30 JULY 2023
AFTER 9.30AM MASS**



**TUESDAY, 1 AUGUST @9AM
ALL WELCOME**

FIRST FRIDAY FRIENDS

The next First Friday Friends on **4 August** will be a normal gathering @11am in the Fr Albert Lynch room. All are welcome to attend and if you are staying for lunch please bring along a savoury plate to share. Any queries just give Maureen a ring on 0413 831 357.



Prayer and Faith development small groups in our parish:

Mary Mother of Sorrows: a prayer group that spends quiet time of reflection, prayer, hymns of praise & thanksgiving and fellowship.

Meets Thursday @1pm in Albert Lynch room
Enquiries: Elspeth 0488 683 310 Judy 9364 9249

Build My Life: focuses on growing faith through fellowship, loosely structured bible study & prayer.
Meets weekly Thursday evening @7pm in St Benedicts school staff room

Enquiries: Steve 0412 207 750

Christian Life Community (CLC) is based on Ignatian Spirituality which is a powerful way of helping us make God-based decisions in our lives. clcaustralia.org.au

ignatianspiritualitywa.com.au

Enquiries: Kevin Wringe 0407 511 104

The next ALPHA COURSE alpha.org.au

Starting 31/8/2023 @6.30-8.30pm at St Benedicts Church www.stbenedicts.net.au

Registration: alphaatstbenes@gmail.com

Enquiries: Dom 0404 803 408 or Nicole 0429 859 308

PLEASE PRAY FOR RECENTLY DECEASED:

Robin Sy Suan, Lawrence (Laurie) Basire & Terrence Blair.

ANNIVERSARIES:

Setiawan Barin, Edith Pix, Petronella Vermeulem, David Casey and all deceased benefactors of the parish and all departed family and friends. *Thank you.*



SAFEGUARDING INDUCTION TRAINING – LEVEL 1

Monday 7 August, Online, 10am-11am
 To register <https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/#induction>.
 Further info: safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au or 08 9221 7762.

Archdiocesan Marriage Mass, Saturday, August 19 @10am, St Mary's Cathedral.

All parishioners are warmly invited to attend this special Mass. A blessing will be bestowed on ALL married couples who attend. In addition, do you know a couple celebrating a milestone anniversary 10, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 or 50+ years of marriage? The Bishops would like to give these couples a special commemorative certificate as part of the celebration. Couples can register for a milestone anniversary certificate at <https://bit.ly/marriagemass2023>

This year, 2023, marks the 70th anniversary of the commencement of Dr John Billings' research in finding a natural, reliable method of Fertility Awareness for couples. **During Natural Fertility Awareness Week, in August, a special, free webinar in recognition of Dr John Billings' work, entitled "Understanding Couple Fertility: the Male Perspective" will be held on Monday 21st August 2023 at 7.30pm AEST.**

As well as highlighting the male perspective in using the Billings Ovulation Method®, couples will reflect on how it has helped them in understanding their joint fertility, as well as benefiting their relationships and family life.

Please follow the link to register for the Webinar on Eventbrite.
<https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/understanding-couple-fertility-the-male-perspective-webinar-tickets-678382479257?aff=oddtcreator>

Presence

Every moment is alive with the glorious presence of God. As I give myself more and more to intimate communion with the One who created me, I find that I simply have no time worry.

Freedom

Lord, you granted me the great gift of freedom. O Lord, grant that I may be free from any form of racism or intolerance. Remind me, Lord, that we are all equal in your loving eyes.

Consciousness

Lord, you gave me the night to rest in sleep. In my waking hours may I not forget your goodness to me. Guide me to share your blessings with others.

Conversation

The gift of speech is a wonderful gift. May I use this gift with kindness. May I be slow to utter harsh words, hurtful words, and words spoken in anger.

Conclusion

Filled with the loving presence of God, I ask Him to bless me and guide my steps. As I go to do His work in my daily life. may have been given concerning the text.

Chaplets of the Divine Mercy.

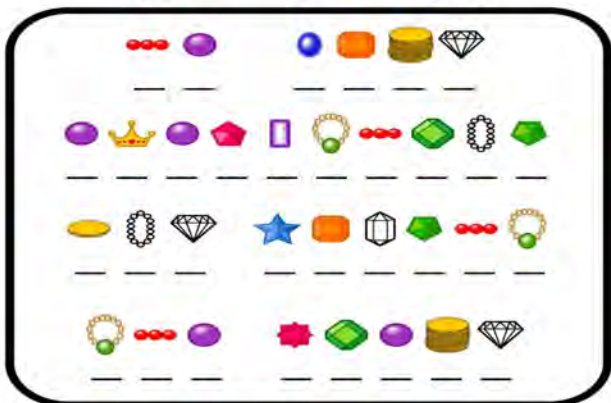
A beautiful, prayerful, sung devotion held at **St Thomas More Catholic Church, Dean Road Bateman**. The next devotion will be held on **Wednesday 9 August 2023 commencing @7.30pm**. Enquiries to George Lopez on 0419 910 039.



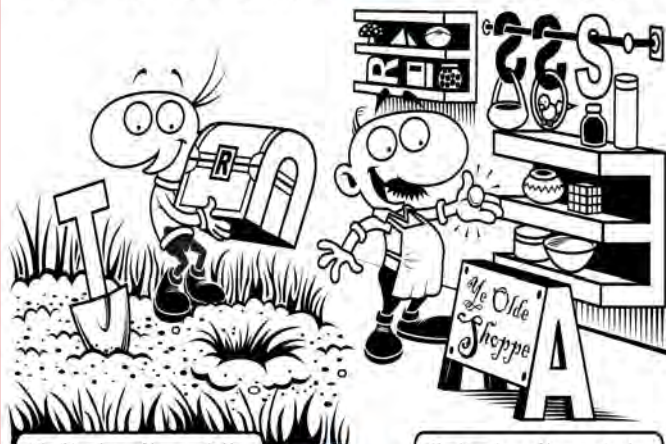
We welcome you all on **Wednesday 2 Aug @10.15am to attend a Cenacle of prayer with Bishop D'Ercole**. Bishop D'Ercole Emeritus, was Head of the Vatican secretariat to St. Pope John Paul II for 26 years and Pope Benedict for 5 years. He is a bishop of profound spirituality with a great love of Medjugorje and is now living in a Trappist monastery in Algeria to pray and do reparation for humanity. Bishop D'Ercole has been affiliated with the Marian Movement of priests for many years and we are highly fortunate to have him here in Perth for this very short time. Bishop D'Ercole visit is sponsored by The Marian Movement of Priests Perth. Unfortunately he departs Perth the afternoon of Wednesday 2 August, therefore, this is our last opportunity to hear and pray with this holy and inspiring priest. Please do not miss this opportunity to be inspired on **Wednesday 2 August @10.15am at Our Lady of the Mission Church, Camberwarra Drive, Craigie**. On conclusion of Cenacle we will freely distribute Rosary Beads which have received Our Lady's Blessing during Her apparition in Medjugorje.

CHILDREN'S CORNER

What did the man do after he found the treasure hidden in the field? Use the key below to decipher the code.



Can you find the letters that spell the word **TREASURE** hidden in the pictures below?



The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field, which someone found and hid; then in his joy he goes and sells all that he has and buys that field.



The kingdom of heaven is also like a merchant in search of fine pearls; on finding one pearl of great value, he went and sold all that he had and bought it.

Church/School Parking – Reminder

Please park on the allotted bays in the church carpark and in the school carpark at Ainess Street. **Do not park on the neighbouring residents' lawns across the road from the church.** Thank you.



NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: Transfiguration of the Lord, Year A

1st: Dan 7:9-10, 13-14
 2nd: Pet 1:16-19

Ps: 96:1-2, 5-6, 9
 Gospel: Mt 17:1-9



READINGS FOR THE DAY

Entrance Antiphon Cf Psalm 67:6-7,36

God is in his holy place,
God who unites those who dwell in his house;
he himself gives might and strength to his people.

First Reading 1 Kings 3:5.7-12

A reading from the first book of the Kings

You have asked for wisdom.

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'Lord, my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its numbers cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil, for who could govern this people of yours that is so great?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this. 'Since you have asked for this' the Lord said 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you.'

Responsorial Ps 118:57. 72. 76-77. 127-130. R. v.97

(R.) Lord, I love your commands.

1. My part, I have resolved, O Lord,
is to obey your word.
The law from your mouth means more to me
than silver and gold. (R.)
2. Let your love be ready to console me
by your promise to your servant.
Let your love come to me and I shall live
for your law is my delight. (R.)
3. That is why I love your commands
more than finest gold.
That is why I rule my life by your precepts:
I hate false ways. (R.)
4. Your will is wonderful indeed;
therefore I obey it.
The unfolding of your word gives light
and teaches the simple. (R.)

Second Reading Romans 8:28-30

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

He predestined us to become true images of his Son.

We know that by turning everything to their good God cooperates with all those who love him, with all those that he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son, so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this; those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory.

Gospel Acclamation See Matthew 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;
you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.
Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 13:44-52

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

He sells everything he owns and buys the field.

Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.

'Have you understood all this?' They said, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Well, then, every scribe who becomes a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out from his storeroom things both new and old.'

Communion Antiphon Psalm 102:2

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and never forget all his benefits.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE — 5 & 6 AUGUST 2023

	SAT 6PM	SUN 7.30AM	SUN 9.30AM	SUN 6PM
ACOLYTE	PIERRE SEQUEIRA	MIKE KILROE	LUKE HANDCOCK	PETER MOORE
ALTAR SERVERS	JAKE & JOSHUA GOLDING DANIEL SETIAWAN		JACKSON HANDCOCK LETICIA AVERY CHARMAINE VOGLER	SACHA AUTON VALERIE & RAPHAEL WIBAWANTA
COMMENTATORS	ELIAS SANTIMANO	ADELE PARSONS	MARGARET HANDYSIDE	MAUREEN BRIGHT
COLLECTORS	ANTONIO VARNAKULASINGHAM ELIZABETH YUSTIRA	VOLUNTEER NEEDED	ROGER BUNN LILI ORIFICI	JOE CINANNI CHRIS JOSEPH
READERS	YVONNE GARBIN AYLMYR SEQUEIRA	GAY PULKER SALLY HOBDBAY	CAROL CURNOW CHRIS HACKETT	MAISIE CINANNI BEV PICHE
EMOHC	KELLY DWYER MILDRED REGO	MONICA ANDERSON	SARAH NEALE MARGARET SANDFORD	KEVIN AUTON LINDA ROBERTSON
ALTAR SOCIETY: VERONICA SOEGANDHI			PILGRIM STATUE: MAY ARNOLD	
COUNTERS: PIERRE SEQUEIRA, LILI ORIFICI, JENNIE COWIE, LUCY LIU & BRIAN LIU			CHILDREN'S LITURGY: —	