

# WELCOME

ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC PARISH — 27 AUGUST 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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## 21ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

### GOSPEL REFLECTION BY Greg Sunter

Like last week's gospel, this week's story takes place in a region that was outside predominantly Jewish territory. Caesarea Philippi (north of Galilee and in the region of modern day Syria) had long been a centre of pagan worship. It was used originally by the Canaanites as a site of worship; the Greeks built a temple to one of their gods there; in 20 BCE Herod the Great built a temple to Caesar Augustus; and after his death, Herod's son, Phillip, renamed the city Caesarea Philippi after Tiberius Caesar and himself. It is intriguing that Matthew's gospel chooses such a site as the location for such a significant revelation of faith.

Jesus asks the disciples who people say he is. They report that people associate Jesus with one of the great prophets of Jewish tradition. By people identifying Jesus with other great prophets they were projecting Jesus into the same mould as that prophet. What they were saying was that Jesus will be a great leader in the style of John the Baptist, or Elijah or even Jeremiah. The expectation of a messiah was running very high at the time of Jesus and everyone had their own idea about what that messiah would be like — usually aligned with some previous leader. They didn't seem to understand that Jesus was breaking the mould and was not going to fit in with any of those expectations. To see him as one of the great prophets come again is always going to be an inadequate understanding of Jesus as messiah.

When Jesus pushes the disciples for their own ideas, it is Simon Peter who speaks up and identifies Jesus as being the Son of the living God. Making a play on Peter's name (in Greek, petros = Peter and petra = rock), Jesus states that hereafter, Simon Peter will be known as Peter and upon the rock of his profession of faith the church will be built.

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## PARISH NOTICES

### EVENTS

- ◆ 26-27 AUGUST — CATHOLIC MISSION 2023 APPEAL WEEK
- ◆ 27 AUGUST — COOKIES, CUPPA & CHAT AFTER 9.30AM MASS
- ◆ 27 AUGUST — CONFIRMATION SACRAMENT @2PM
- ◆ 29 AUGUST — RECONCILIATION PARENTS' THEOLOGY NIGHT @7PM (STARTS @6.30PM FOR HOSPITALITY)
- ◆ 30 AUGUST - 13 SEPTEMBER (EVERY WEDNESDAY @7.30PM-8.30PM) — SACRAMENTS OF HEALING: ENTERING INTO COMMUNION WITH GOD AND THE CHURCH
- ◆ 31 AUGUST — ALPHA COURSE STARTS @6.30-8.30PM
- ◆ 1 SEPTEMBER— FIRST FRIDAY FRIENDS @11AM
- ◆ 2 SEPTEMBER — RECONCILIATION COMMITMENT MASS @6PM & 3 SEPTEMBER — COMMITMENT MASS @9.30AM
- ◆ 5 SEPTEMBER — SENIORS SPRING LUNCH @11.30AM

A member of our parish is in very difficult circumstances and is looking for a 3 or 4 bedroom property to lease. The family has an excellent rental history but currently live far away from Applecross. If anyone who has a property which they are able to lease to a reliable tenant in the foreseeable future, and are prepared to do so at less than current market rental, please speak with Fr Nelson.

#### FIRST FRIDAY FRIENDS

The next First Friday Friends will be having a speaker from the organization, Stay on Your Feet, on Friday 1st September @11am in the Fr Albert Lynch room. Please bring along a plate of something savoury to share for lunch. All are welcome to attend. Queries please ring Maureen Bright on 0413 831 357.



#### The next ALPHA COURSE

Starting **31/8/2023 @6.30-8.30pm**  
at St Benedicts Church [www.stbenedicts.net.au](http://www.stbenedicts.net.au)  
Registration: [alphaatstbenes@gmail.com](mailto:alphaatstbenes@gmail.com)  
Enquiries: Dom 0404 803 408 or Nicole 0429 859 308



#### TERM 3 2003 — Adult Faith Education Programme

**30 Aug - 13 Sep SACRAMENTS OF HEALING: ENTERING INTO COMMUNION WITH GOD AND THE CHURCH**

**Wednesdays, 7.30pm to 8.30pm, (3 sessions) Applecross Parish, Canning Hwy & Ardross St, Applecross.**

The experiences of sin, suffering, illness, and death are fundamental to every human life. The Church responds to these experiences by offering healing and reconciliation through Jesus Christ, the true healer of our souls and bodies.

There are two sacraments of healing in Catholic sacramental life: the Sacrament of Reconciliation and the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.

This course will discover the Biblical origins and the historical development of these sacraments, as well as invite participants to recognise the need for healing and forgiveness in their own lives. Suggested donation \$20. Presenter, Dr Carmel Suart.

**Further info or to register**, email [cfe@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:cfe@perthcatholic.org.au) or call 08 9278 0261.

#### 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 Odorisio, Michelle O'Brien, Liesel Beukes, Helen Teo, James Kelly, Thomas McGuire Marris, Paul Heron, Lorraine Healey and all others who are not included in this list. *Thank you.*



#### YOUTH CORNER

1. Youth Mass — **9 September @6pm**
2. Youth Events are scheduled on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of every month after the 6pm mass.

### PARISH BUSY BEE

**gardening & window cleaning**



**A BIG THANK YOU**

**COOKIES, CUPPA & CHAT  
SUNDAY, 27 AUGUST 2023  
AFTER 9.30AM MASS**



**INVITATION TO ALL ST BENEDICT'S SENIORS**

**SENIORS'  
SPRING  
LUNCH**

**TUESDAY 5 SEPTEMBER AT 11.30AM**

**PLEASE RSVP BY 29 AUGUST 2023**

to the parish office on 08 9364 1120 or  
Email to [applecross@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:applecross@perthcatholic.org.au)

NOTE- NUMBERS WILL BE LIMITED DUE TO SPACE

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR RECENTLY DECEASED:

##### ANNIVERSARIES:

Patricia Marrable, Esther Fitzpatrick, Marina Gavin, Tom Gollop, Ian Crawford, Fr Charles O'Malley, Paul Perrott, Bill Back, Eric Walsh, and all deceased benefactors of the parish and all departed family and friends. *Thank you.*





**THIS WEEKEND** we are asking for your prayers & generous response to this year's Catholic Mission Appeal. You will be helping our medical missionaries provide life-saving healthcare to vulnerable communities in East Timor & throughout the world. Please give generously by using the appeal envelope provided, or going online at [www.catholicmission.org.au/timor](http://www.catholicmission.org.au/timor). Email Francis Leong at [director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au), if you'd like to know about what's involved in volunteering through Catholic Mission.

## PRAYER FOR THE DAY

### Presence

Jesus waits, silent and unseen, to come into my heart. I will respond to His call. He comes with His infinite power and love. May I be filled with joy in His presence.

### Freedom

Lord grant me the grace to have freedom of spirit. Cleanse my heart and soul so I may live joyously in your love.

### Consciousness

There is a time and place for everything, as the saying goes. Lord, grant that I may always desire to spend time in your presence, to hear your call.

### Conversation

Lord, you have engraved my name on the palm of your hand. Even if others forget me, you never will.

### Conclusion

Filled with the loving presence of God. Ask Him to bless you and guide your steps. As you go to do His work in your daily life.

**Days for Girls** will be holding a sewing day in the Albert Lynch room on **Saturday 9th Sept 10am - 3pm**.

Days for Girls provide reusable menstrual kits and education to girls in third world countries. These kits help women & girls to manage their periods & engage in livelihood activities. Hope you can come along and help us make our beautiful life changing kits, more hands means more girls and women will receive these kits.

**We need sewing machines or overlockers.** For non-sewers we have lots of jobs!

Please come for the day or an hour it all helps.

Bring along a share plate for lunch and Tea n Coffee provided.

### St Charles Seminary Vocations Sunday Morning Tea

Young men, aged 17yrs and above, are you tired of trying to change the world all by yourself. Come along and have a chat, celebrate Mass and share in a wonderful morning tea with our Seminarians. **Sunday, 10<sup>th</sup> September @9.30am at St Charles Seminary, 30 Meadow Street, Guildford.** RSVP by 7<sup>th</sup> September via email: [stcharlesseminary@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:stcharlesseminary@perthcatholic.org.au) or telephone: 9279 1310.

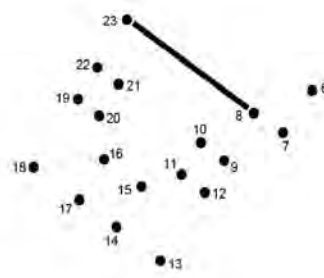
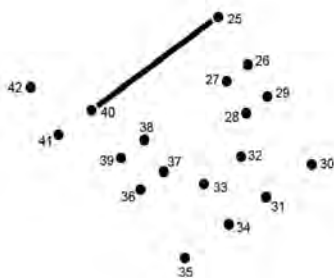
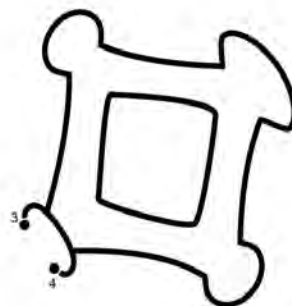
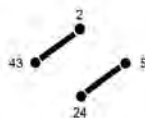
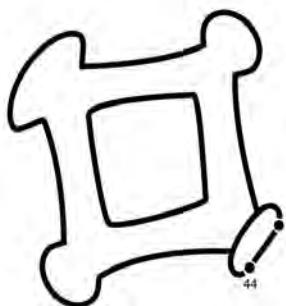
### FOOD FAIR 2023 - SALE OF TICKETS

The Little Sisters of the Poor at Glendalough Home will be holding a Food Fair. This event is on **Sunday 1st October 2023 from 9.30am till 3.30pm**. We will help them to raise funds to meet the ever increasing operating costs as well as have a day of food, fun and fellowship among the members of the community at their premises. **The tickets would be sold here at St Benedict church after all Masses on the weekend of 9th and 10th September 2023. Do bring along some cash to support their good works.**

## CHILDREN'S CORNER

Join the dots and complete the picture!

You are Peter; to you I will give the keys to the kingdom of heaven.



### Church/School Parking – Reminder

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

Please Do Not Drive Or Park On Grass

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: 22nd Sun in Ord Time, Year A

1st: Jer 20:7-9

Ps: 62:2-6, 8-9

2nd: Rom 12:1-2

Gospel: Mt 16:21-27



READINGS FOR THE DAY

**Entrance Antiphon** *Cf Psalm 85:1-3*

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;  
save the servant who trusts in you, my God.  
Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the  
day long.

**First Reading** *Isaiah 22:19-23*

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

*I place the key of the House of David upon his  
shoulder.*

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master  
of the palace:

I dismiss you from your office,  
I remove you from your post,  
and the same day I call on my servant  
Eliakim son of Hilkiyah.  
I invest him with your robe,  
gird him with your sash,  
entrust him with your authority;  
and he shall be a father  
to the inhabitants of Jerusalem  
and to the House of Judah.  
I place the key of the House of David  
on his shoulder;  
should he open, no one shall close,  
should he close, no one shall open.  
I drive him like a peg  
into a firm place;  
he will become a throne of glory  
for his father's house.

**Responsorial Psalm** *Ps 137:1-3. 6. 8. R. v.8*

- (R.) Lord, your love is eternal;  
do not forsake the work of your hands.
1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,  
you have heard the words of my mouth.  
Before the angels I will bless you.  
I will adore before your holy temple. (R.)
  2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love  
which excel all we ever knew of you.  
On the day I called, you answered;  
you increased the strength of my soul. (R.)
  3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly  
and the haughty he knows from afar.

Your love, O Lord, is eternal,  
discard not the work of your hands. (R.)

**Second Reading** *Romans 11:33-36*

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

*From him, through him, and in him are all things.*

How rich are the depths of God – how deep his wisdom  
and knowledge – and how impossible to penetrate his  
motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know  
the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor?  
Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything?  
All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him.  
To him be glory for ever! Amen.

**Gospel Acclamation** *Matthew 16:18*

Alleluia, alleluia!

You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church;  
the gates of hell will not hold out against it.

Alleluia!

**Gospel** *Matthew 16:13-20*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

*You are Peter, to you I will give the keys of the kingdom  
of heaven.*

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he  
put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the  
Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the  
Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the  
prophets.' 'But you,' he said 'who do you say I am?' Then  
Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the  
Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jo-  
nah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and  
blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven.  
So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will  
build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can  
never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the  
kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be  
considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth  
shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the  
disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the  
Christ.

**Communion Antiphon** *Cf Psalm 103:13-15*

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord;  
you bring forth bread from the earth  
and wine to cheer the heart.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE — 2 & 3 SEPTEMBER 2023

	SAT 6PM	SUN 7.30AM	SUN 9.30AM	SUN 6PM
ACOLYTE	SIMON CARRICK	MIKE KILROE	TERRY MEO	PETER MOORE
ALTAR SERVERS	DAVID & DANYCKA FERNANDES LUKE CARRICK		CHARMAINE VOGLER DANIEL & CHRISTIAN VINCI	ALEX & OLAF RIJKS NOEL & ELOUISE LIU
COMMENTATORS	MILDRED REGO	ADELE PARSONS	MARGARET HANDYSIDE	MAUREEN BRIGHT
COLLECTORS	ANTONIO VARNAKULASINGHAM ELIZABETH YUSTIRA	JAMES GALVIN	ROGER BUNN LILI ORIFICI	JOE CINANNI CHRIS JOSEPH
READERS	ELAINE DIAS YVONNE GARBIN	RITA ILICH ALICE BATY	ANUSHIA SUPPIAH GERARD DE SOUZA	BEV PICHE JILL NORTON
EMOHC	MICHELLE CARRICK MEGAN DOWLING	ANGELA SCOTT	JUDY PHILLIPS LILI ORIFICI	MARIA HILL DONNA ARTINGSTALL
ALTAR SOCIETY: MILDRED REGO			PILGRIM STATUE: RUTH THORN	
COUNTERS: TONY & YVONNE GARBIN, ROSEMARY PACKER & ROBERT BOURNE			CHILDREN'S LITURGY: —	