

WELCOME

ST BENEDICT'S CATHOLIC PARISH — 8 OCTOBER 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 @10am, gathering @9.45am (new time)

Baptisms: By appointment

Marriages: By appointment

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27th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

GOSPEL REFLECTION BY Greg Sunter

This week's gospel must be read in conjunction with the first reading (Isaiah 5:1-7) and the responsorial psalm, because the message of these passages is implicit in the parable told by Jesus. As soon as Jesus began to describe the vineyard – fenced around, a winepress dug and tower built – his audience would have immediately known that he was reflecting the Isaiah description of Israel as the vineyard of the Lord. Isaiah's condemnation of Israel in that passage is so strong that one can almost imagine Jesus' audience cringing in anticipation of where this story was leading.

The imagery Jesus used would have been so familiar to his audience that it was almost mundane, and yet Jesus, as usual, gives the image a twist. He describes a vineyard owner whose tenant farmers rebel, beat and murder his servants. Any one of these acts was punishable by death and the audience may well have expected the story to end there. And yet the landowner sends further messengers – hopeful of a change of heart from the tenants and allowing them the opportunity to do what is right. After these messengers are also murdered, the landowner sends his own son to collect the harvest from the tenants.

Jesus, of course, is drawing on the familiar image of Israel as the vineyard of the Lord. God, the landowner, has entrusted this beautifully prepared land to the people of Israel and yet they have taken ownership for themselves and forgotten their Lord. Messengers, in the form of prophets, have been sent to call the people back to God but they were ignored and even murdered. Now, the Son has been sent to the people and received much the same response. When Jesus asks his audience of chief priests and elders what the landowner should do, they are acutely aware that he is asking them how God should deal with them.

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"The kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit."

Matthew 21:43

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PARISH NOTICES

EVENTS

- ◆ 8 OCTOBER — PARISH MORNING TEA AFTER 7.30AM MASS (ROSTER: RITA ILICH & VALERIE LEE)
- ◆ 12 OCTOBER TO 16 NOVEMBER — ALPHA COURSE, THURSDAYS @6.30-8.30PM
- ◆ 21 OCTOBER — SCHOOL FAMILY MASS @6PM
- ◆ 22 OCTOBER — ST BENEDICT'S SCHOOL 70TH ANNIVERSARY MASS @9.30AM FOLLOWED BY MORNING TEA
- ◆ 27 OCTOBER — VOLUNTEERS SUNDOWNER @6PM
- ◆ 29 OCTOBER — COOKIES, CUPPA & CHAT AFTER 9.30AM MASS
- ◆ 3 NOVEMBER — FIRST FRIDAY FRIENDS @11AM

INTRODUCTION TO CATECHIST FORMATION

Have you thought about becoming a Parish Catechist? There will be an information session hosted by the Catechist Service for anyone interested in training as a Catechist in 2024. Come and learn about the formation and support you will receive in this important ministry.

Friday 13 October 2023 from 10am to 12.30pm, morning tea provided, Catholic Education Centre, 50 Ruislip Street, West Leederville.
RSVP to Mildred by Thursday 5 October with your full name, email address and best phone contact.
Phone: 08 9380 1722.
Email: catechist@cewa.edu.au

WINNERS OF VINNIES RAFFLE

The St Vincent de Paul raffle had three prize winners:

Maribel Villegas, Marina Hayward and Nick Mansfield.

Congratulations to the winners and thank you to all who supported the raffle and generously donated money to help with the work done for our community.

Volunteers — A gift to our community



St Benedict's Parish has many volunteers who selflessly give their time to make the life of our church thrive and we would like to say Thank You!

Please join us for a special Thanksgiving Gathering in the Fr Albert Lynch Room

Friday: 27 October 2023 @6pm

Please sign in your attendance on the sheets at the entrance of the church.

Thank you



YOUTH CORNER

1. Youth Mass — **11 November @6pm**
2. Youth Events are scheduled on the 1st & 3rd Sundays of every month after the 6pm mass.

PARISH MORNING TEA INVITATION



**SUNDAY,
8 OCTOBER 2023
AFTER 7.30AM MASS**

**ROSTER:
RITA ILICH & VALERIE LEE**

Public Rosary on Saturday 14 October 2023 immediately following 7.30am mass in the St Benedict's car park.

This public rosary is part of a nationwide initiative to commemorate the 106th anniversary of the miracle of the sun in Fatima. Public rosary demonstrates our love and devotion to Mary.



You are invited to

*St Benedict's
School*

70th Anniversary

Sunday 22nd October 2023
Commencing @ 9.30am
Followed by Morning Tea

RSVP ADMIN OFFICE 6217 3500 OR
admin@stbenedicts.wa.edu.au

Catholic Youth Ministry Perth

We are the official youth ministry agency in the Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Perth, assisting young people aged 13-30 to build a deep and lasting relationship with Jesus. We want to accompany them in their faith journey as individuals, in communities, and help them discern their place in the Church and in the world. cym.com.au

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please keep the following people in your prayers:

Myrtle Nimmo, Sr Carla, Truus Botman, 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.*



PLEASE PRAY FOR RECENTLY DECEASED:

Patrick Thomas & Assunta Antonietta Forlano

ANNIVERSARIES:

Rose Byrne, Francis Tan, Cecilia McGurk, Bonny Menezes, Hilary Yurkov, Terry Ryan, Richard O'Connor and all deceased benefactors of the parish and all departed family and friends. *Thank you.*



SAFEGUARDING INDUCTION TRAINING – LEVEL 1

Wednesday, 11 October 2023 at 6.30 pm @ Our Lady Help of Christians, East Vic Park
 Thursday, 19 October 2023 at 2 pm – Online
 Tuesday, 24 October 2023 at 7 pm – Online
 Tuesday, 07 November 2023 at 7 pm – Online
 Friday, 17 November 2023 at 10 am – Online
 To register <https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/#induction>.
 Further info: safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au or 08 9221 7762.

Chaplets of the Divine Mercy.

A beautiful, prayerful, sung devotion held at **St Thomas More Catholic Church, Dean Road Bateman**, on the second Wednesday of each month commencing at 7.30pm. The next devotion will be held **on Wednesday 11 October 2023 commencing at 7.30pm**. Enquiries to George Lopez on 0419 910 039.



Healing Mass in honour of St Peregrine for cancer sufferers and all in need. This Mass is also for their care givers and members of the family. Mass will be celebrated at **Sts John & Paul Catholic Church, Willetton on Thursday 12 October @7pm**. There will be Anointing of the Sick and Blessings with the Relic of St Peregrine.

Refugee Family Sponsorship

To celebrate Migrant & Refugee Sunday, The West Australian Catholic Migrant & Refugee Office (WACMRO) would like expressions of interest from parishioners for the Refugee Family Sponsorship. Refugee Family Sponsorship requires 5-8 volunteers to form a group to financially sponsor a family from a refugee camp to live in Perth. Refugee Family Sponsorship is overseen by Federal Government and is fully safeguarded. This is also a wonderful opportunity for a parish and school community to practise welcoming a displaced family in need. To register your interest or for inquiries, please contact: wacmro@perthcatholic.org.au.

Why Be Catholic “Behold” Parish Retreat will be held on **Wednesday 11 October 2023** at **St Joseph Pignatelli Church, Attadale**. Lauds at 8.30am followed by Holy Mass at 9am. Morning Tea Break 9.45am-10am. Retreat Session 10am - 12.30pm. Theme: **“Lord to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life”**. Visiting speakers from Catholic Answers, include Tim Staples, Dr Stacy Trasancos and Cy Kellett. 12.30pm -1.30pm Adoration /Meet the Speakers. This is a free event. A collection will be taken to cover travel costs. For more information visit www.evangelisationaustralia.com/events. Come and join us for an amazing day of prayer and discovery - with talks, Adoration and Liturgy - that will inspire you to an understanding and love of our Eucharistic Lord.

Presence

What is present to me is what has a hold on my becoming. I reflect on the Presence of God always there in love, amidst the many things that have a hold on me. I pause and pray that I may let God affect my becoming in this precise moment.

Freedom

God is not foreign to my freedom. Instead, the Spirit breathes life into my most intimate desires, gently nudging me towards all that is good. I ask for the grace to let myself be enfolded by the Spirit.

Consciousness

When I return to my everyday tasks, remind me, Lord, that you are always there beside me. I need never despair.

Conversation

How has God’s Word moved me? Has it left me cold? Has it consoled me or moved me to act in a new way?

I imagine Jesus standing or sitting beside me, I turn and share my feelings with him.

Conclusion

I thank God for these few moments we have spent alone together and for any insights I may have been given concerning the text.

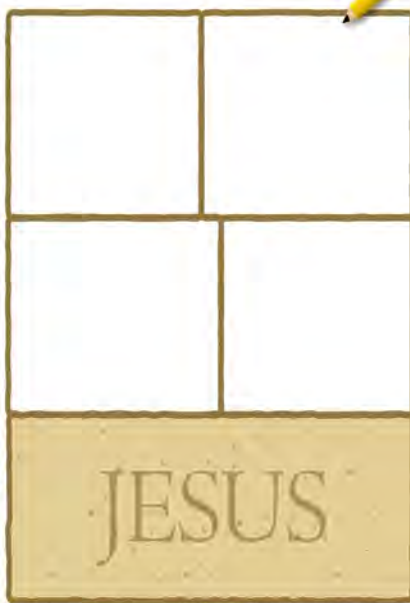
Amen

CHILDREN’S CORNER



Jesus says that we shall be given God’s kingdom if we work hard to do what is right.

With Jesus as the cornerstone of our faith, fill in the other stones with pictures of yourself doing things that make you a good worker for God.



JUNIOR WORDSEARCH

The vineyard of the Lord is the house of Israel

Is 51-7
 Ps 80:8 & 11, 146:15ab & 139 R, Is 57:6
 Phil 4:6-9
 Mt 21:33-43

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Try to find these words:

- follow
- grapes
- harvest
- hill
- important
- offer
- servants
- son
- stones
- tower
- vines
- wall

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.



NEXT WEEK’S READINGS: 28th Sun in Ord Time, Year A

1st: Is 25:6-10

Ps: 22

2nd: Phil 4:12-14, 19-20

Gospel: Mt 22:1-14



READINGS FOR THE DAY

Entrance Antiphon Cf Esther 4:17

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

First Reading Isaiah 5:1-7

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

The vineyard of the Lord God of hosts is the House of Israel.

Let me sing to my friend the song of his love for his vineyard. My friend had a vineyard on a fertile hillside. He dug the soil, cleared it of stones, and planted choice vines in it. In the middle he built a tower, he dug a press there too. He expected it to yield grapes, but sour grapes were all that it gave.

And now, inhabitants of Jerusalem and men of Judah, I ask you to judge between my vineyard and me. What could I have done for my vineyard that I have not done? I expected it to yield grapes. Why did it yield sour grapes instead?

Very well, I will tell you what I am going to do to my vineyard: I will take away its hedge for it to be grazed on, and knock down its wall for it to be trampled on. I will lay it waste, unpruned, undug; overgrown by the briar and the thorn. I will command the clouds to rain no rain on it. Yes, the vineyard of the Lord of hosts is the House of Israel, and the men of Judah that chosen plant. He expected justice, but found bloodshed, integrity, but only a cry of distress.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 79:9. 12-16. 19-20. R. Is 5:7

(R.) The vineyard of the Lord is the House of Israel.

1. You brought a vine out of Egypt; to plant it you drove out the nations. It stretched out its branches to the sea, to the Great River it stretched out its shoots. (R.)
2. Then why have you broken down its walls? It is plucked by all who pass by. It is ravaged by the boar of the forest, devoured by the beasts of the field. (R.)
3. God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see. Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted. (R.)
4. And we shall never forsake you again: give us life that we may call upon your name. God of hosts, bring us back; let your face shine on us and we shall be saved. (R.)

Second Reading Philippians 4:6-9

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

Do these things and the God of peace will be with you.

There is no need to worry; but if there is anything you need, pray for it, asking God for it with prayer and thanksgiving, and that peace of God, which is so much greater than we can understand, will guard your hearts and your thoughts, in Christ Jesus. Finally, brothers, fill your minds with everything that is true, everything that is noble, everything that is good and pure, everything that we love and honour, and everything that can be thought virtuous or worthy of praise. Keep doing all the things that you learnt from me and have been taught by me and have heard or seen that I do. Then the God of peace will be with you.

Gospel Acclamation See John 15:15

Alleluia, alleluia!
I call you friends, says the Lord, because I have made known to you everything I have learnt from my Father. Alleluia!

Gospel Matthew 21:33-43

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

He leased his vineyard to other farmers.

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'Listen to another parable. There was a man, a landowner, who planted a vineyard; he fenced it round, dug a winepress in it and built a tower; then he leased it to tenants and went abroad. When vintage time drew near he sent his servants to the tenants to collect his produce. But the tenants seized his servants, thrashed one, killed another and stoned a third. Next he sent some more servants, this time a larger number, and they dealt with them in the same way. Finally he sent his son to them. "They will respect my son," he said. But when the tenants saw the son, they said to each other, "This is the heir. Come on, let us kill him and take over his inheritance." So they seized him and threw him out of the vineyard and killed him. Now when the owner of the vineyard comes, what will he do to those tenants?' They answered, 'He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants who will deliver the produce to him when the season arrives.' Jesus said to them, 'Have you never read in the scriptures:

It was the stone rejected by the builders that became the keystone. This was the Lord's doing and it is wonderful to see?'

'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you and given to a people who will produce its fruit.'

Communion Antiphon Lam 3:25

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE — 14 & 15 OCTOBER 2023

	SAT 6PM	SUN 7.30AM	SUN 9.30AM	SUN 6PM
ACOLYTE	SIMON CARRICK	ROD DOWLING	LUKE HANDCOCK	PETER MOORE
ALTAR SERVERS	LUKE CARRICK LEO & DOMENICO DE FELICE	TOM, OLIVIA & JOEL DOWLING	JOSHUA TSIA CHRISTOPHER XANTHIS JACKSON HANDCOCK	JERARD & JONAH VINCENT SACHA AUTON
COMMENTATORS	ELAINE DIAS	JACQUIE HERON	PAUL CICCARELLI	MAUREEN BRIGHT
COLLECTORS	IONE COORAY STEPHEN DONOVAN	JAMES GALVIN	TERRY BOLAND ROGER BUNN	ADRIAN DARGIE
READERS	MILDRED REGO ELIZABETH YUSTIRA	SALLY HOBDAY LORNA D'SOUZA	GERARD DE SOUZA MOIRA BUNN	BEV PICHE JACKIE WONG
EMOHC	MICHELLE CARRICK COLLEEN MORRIS	ALICE BATY	MELISSA TROLIO TERET BROCKWAY	KEVIN AUTON JILL NORTON

ALTAR SOCIETY: JOSEPHINE YUSTIRA

PILGRIM STATUE: BRADLEY NEWMAN

COUNTERS: MEGAN DOWLING, LYNLEY BIANCUZZO, ANTONELLA HENDERSON & CHRISTIE STIPINOVIC

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: —