

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Happy are the poor in spirit.

Seeing the crowds, Jesus went up the hill. There he sat down and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to speak. This is what he taught them:

‘How happy are the poor in spirit;
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.
Happy the gentle:
they shall have the earth for their heritage.
Happy those who mourn:
they shall be comforted.
Happy those who hunger and thirst for
what is right:
they shall be satisfied.
Happy the merciful:
they shall have mercy shown them.
Happy the pure in heart:
they shall see God.
Happy the peacemakers:
they shall be called sons of God.
Happy those who are persecuted in the
cause of right:
theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

‘Happy are you when people abuse you and persecute you and speak all kinds of calumny against you on my account. Rejoice and be glad, for your reward will be great in heaven.’

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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Breaking Open the Word

WORKING FOR GOD'S KINGDOM

There is a consistency between the Old Testament reading and the Gospel of today in that they speak of the qualities that should mark the life of faith in the face of difficulty – integrity, humility, truthfulness, and steadfastness. There is a call to hope that despite the presence of obstacles, misunderstanding, and sometimes rejection, God still has the power to intervene in our world. For the people in exile, it was no easy matter to continue to believe that God would intervene to re-establish the faithful in their own land. Would it have been any easier for the people of Jesus' time to hear the words of the beatitudes that proclaimed comfort for mourners, or a sumptuous banquet for those who were starving? There is a fundamental challenge that underlies both these readings: do we really believe that God's kingdom can be established in our midst? Secondly, are we prepared to work to bring that kingdom into reality?

While the Christians of Corinth felt they were living in that reality Paul knew that while there was division the process of conversion still had a long way to go. Paul was convinced that there is no place for competition or envy. He had already used the example of Jesus' humble death to show them that jealousy is misplaced in the Christian community since Jesus displayed his power in humble service. He now goes one step further reminding the Corinthians that their own humble origin is a sign that God's call is best received with humble gratitude.

Christopher Monaghan CP

THE SAVING WORD

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

29 JANUARY 2023

FIRST READING

Zeph 2: 3; 3: 12-13

A reading from the prophet Zephaniah

In your midst I will leave a humble and a lowly people.

Seek the Lord
all you, the humble of the earth,
who obey his commands.
Seek integrity, seek humility:
you may perhaps find shelter
on the day of the anger of the Lord.
In your midst I will leave
a humble and lowly people,
and those who are left in Israel will seek refuge
in the name of the Lord.

They will do no wrong,
will tell no lies;
and the perjured tongue will no longer
be found in their mouths.
But they will be able to graze and rest
with no one to disturb them.

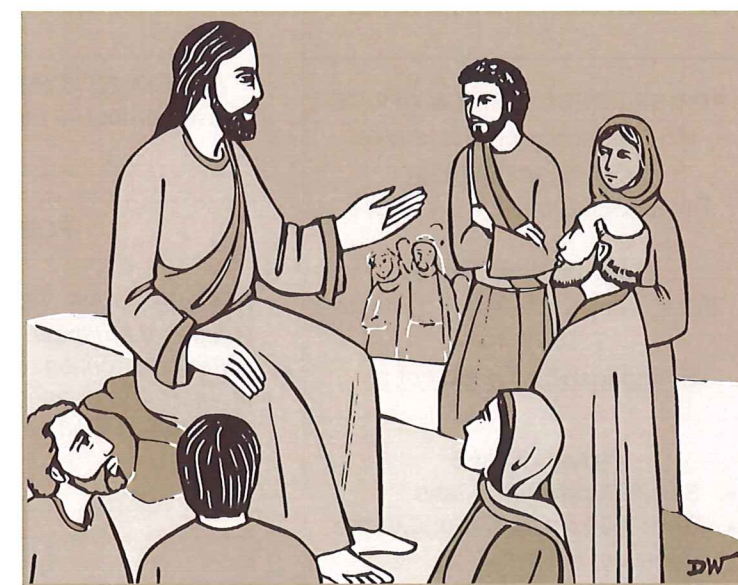
■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 145: 7-10

R. Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! (or Alleluia!)

1. It is the Lord who keeps faith for ever, / who is just to those who are oppressed. / It is he who gives bread to the hungry, / the Lord, who sets prisoners free. **R.**
2. It is the Lord who gives sight to the blind, / who raises up those who are bowed down, / the Lord, who protects the stranger / and upholds the widow and orphan. **R.**
3. It is the Lord who loves the just / but thwarts the path of the wicked. / The Lord will reign for ever, / Zion's God, from age to age. **R.**



SECOND READING

1 Cor 1: 26-31

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

God has chosen what is weak by human reckoning.

Take yourselves, brothers, at the time when you were called: how many of you were wise in the ordinary sense of the word, how many were influential people, or came from noble families? No, it was to shame the wise that God chose what is foolish by human reckoning, and to shame what is strong that he chose what is weak by human reckoning; those whom the world thinks common and contemptible are the ones that God has chosen – those who are nothing at all to show up those who are everything. The human race has nothing to boast about to God, but you, God has made members of Christ Jesus and by God's doing he has become our wisdom, and our virtue, and our holiness, and our freedom. As scripture says: if anyone wants to boast, let him boast about the Lord.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 5: 12

Alleluia, alleluia!

Rejoice and be glad:
your reward will be great in heaven.
Alleluia!



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MASS TIMES

- **Sat: 6.00pm Vigil Mass**
- **Sun: 8.00am, 10.00am, 6.00pm**
- Tuesday: 5.30pm
- Wednesday: 8.45am
- Thursday - Saturday: 8.30am

4th Week Ordinary Time YR A

29 Sun: 2nd Sunday Ordinary Time

30 Mon: No Mass

31 Tues: St John Bosco

01 Feb Wed: Weekday Mass O/T

02 Thu: The Presentation of the Lord

03 Fri: Weekday Mass O/T

04 Sat: Weekday Mass O/T/Vigil 5th Sunday O/T Yr A

SACRAMENTS & PRAYERS

- Reconciliation: Sat 9am-9.30am
- Rosary: Sat 8am
- Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Fri 9am-5pm
- Novena to Our Mother of Perpetual Help: Wed 6.30pm


For Baptisms & Weddings


Please call the Parish Office

PARISH FAITH FORMATION

- **Bible Studies:** Tuesday @6pm in the Parish Centre - All welcome.
- **RCIA:** Tuesday @7.15pm.
- **Children's RE/Sacrament Prep:** Thursday @4.30pm during school terms.

PARISH SCHOOLS

 **Notre Dame Catholic Primary**
360 Daly Street, Cloverdale WA 6105
6272 7100 | www.nds.wa.edu.au

 **St Maria Goretti's Catholic School**
64 Morrison Street, Redcliffe WA 6104
6279 2000 | www.smg.wa.edu.au

WELCOME TO MASS! A very warm welcome to all, especially to new visitors.

Remember to hand sanitise on entry, face masks are optional wear whilst in church. Thank you for your cooperation.

FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME-- YEAR A

BLESSED ARE YOU. The Beatitudes are among the best-known verses of the Gospel of Matthew. They offer an assurance of God's care for those who mourn or suffer persecution. They contain promises that God will bless the merciful, the pure of heart, the peacemakers and those who work for justice. Ultimately, all who put their trust in God and do what is right will rejoice in God's kingdom.

MASS COLLECTIONS

Dear Parishioners, the COVID-19 crisis has impacted our liturgies and church celebrations. However, we still want to provide you with spiritual support, and we must continue to pay the bills. Please continue your monetary support to the Parish. Sign up to our Planned Giving program or you can use direct debit (contact Parish Office for details). Thank you.

PARISH BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS	First Collection EFT Details		Second Collection EFT Details	
	A/C Name:	Cloverdale Presbytery	A/C Name:	Cloverdale Parish
	BSB:	086 006	BSB:	086 006
	Account #:	140 608 771	Account #:	667 172 433
	Reference:	Name	Reference:	Name

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER

Mass	Acolyte	Commentator	Readers	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers
Saturday 4th Feb 6.00pm	Dave Daguit		T Hanson R Bennett	J Fardy R Bennett	M Coutinho I Sharp
Sunday 5th Feb 8.00am	Ashley Rebeiro	L Blake	T Tiu D Rodrigues	L Blake D Rodrigues	N Nolan
Sunday 5th Feb 10.00am	Renato Gomes	F Brown	J Branchi C Neville	A Semaan V Erskine	R Vadakkal A & M Alacantha
Sunday 5th Feb 6.00pm	Pedro Borja		J Fernandez B Parasuraman	V Borja T Doan	A Pravin Leo

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Parish Events

Masses in the Parish

As of Friday 4th November 2022, the State Government announced that WA was no longer in a State of Emergency, however some restrictions will still apply.

Sunday 4th September 2022, 'The Sunday Obligation' for the faithful was re-instituted by Archbishop Timothy Costelloe. This means that you are required to attend Sunday Mass, unless you are unwell. Although Mask-wearing is no longer mandatory in places of worship, it is your right to exercise common sense. If you wish to continue to wear a face mask while attending Mass, you are free to do so. Please hand sanitise as you are entering the church. If you are unwell or have a cold, please stay home until feeling better.

Mass at Home available on CH10 6am Sunday morning or go www.massforyou.com.au

Pilgrim Statues

If you wish to have one of 'Our Lady's' statues visit your home for a week, please contact Sandra Robinson on H: 9277 2872 or M: 0405 117 138. **January 28th 2023: J Turner U6/30c Chester St Belmont & A Colum 12 Pearl Rd Cloverdale.**

After School Religious Classes for 2023

For those children attending non Catholic schools. Religious Instructions will commence with Registration on **Thursday 2nd February 4.30pm – 5.30pm** in the Parish Centre. If you wish to enrol your school aged child in the class please bring Baptism Certificate to the enrolment day. More details contact Muriel Bijoux.

Parish Fundraiser – February 18th 2023

Multicultural Friendship Dinner Dance

Saturday 18th February, 2023 in the **Parish Centre. 7.30pm – 10.30pm** Live Music by our wonderfully talented Rozario Family, a 3 Course Banquet; of Entre, Main and Dessert. BYO Drinks & Drinkware. Coffee & Tea included. **Tickets are \$35.00 per person** and will be available from Rita: 0419 900 455 or Rosemary: 0421 580 783. There will be Door Prizes & Raffles. Seats are limited to 80 People. First in best dressed. All Proceeds of this event will go to the Parish Building

Footy Tipping AFL Season 2023

Yes it is back for the 2023 Season. Forms will be available as of next week. Invite family members and friends to participate. The more entrants the bigger the prizes. Thank you to Katie for taking on this from John who did it for many years.

First Sunday of the Month Morning Tea & Food Stall

Next Sunday 5th February after the 8am & 10am Masses. Morning Tea will be served. Also on offer to purchase are Curries, Fried Rice, Rice & Sweet Treats. Curries will be priced at \$10.00. EFTPOS available but cash is preferred.

Filipino Monthly Mass – Sunday 29th Janaury

In the Church at 3pm followed by fellowship in the parish centre. All invited to attend.

Start of the New School Year

Schools return this week for the start of Term 1. Please be mindful of '**School Zone Speeds**'.

Around the Archdiocese

Praying with Pope Francis

The Pope's Worldwide Prayer Network is an international movement that is more than 170 years old. Each month, the Pope puts forward a prayer intention and asks Catholics around the world to join him in prayer. These intentions cover all sorts of areas of life.

January 2023: Intention for evangelisation – For Educators. We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.

Centre for Liturgy – Upcoming Workshops

Proclaimers of the Word: Saturday 11th February 10am – 12pm @ CFL 28 Marda Way Nollamara. \$10.00 per person.

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion:

Saturday 18th February 9.30am – 11.30am @ CFL 28 Marda Way Nollamara.

To book E: cfl@perthcatholic.org.au or phone 9207 3350.

Safeguarding Induction Training Level – 1

Online courses for Church workers (Paid/Unpaid) Will be held on the following dates: 2nd Feb @ 10am, 13th Feb @ 2pm & 21st Feb @ 7pm. For further information safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au or click onto <https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/>

Notre Dame Community

St Columban Calendars on Sale

At the school side entrance to the church. \$10.00 each.

Containers for Change

The parish has registered for the Containers for Change Scheme. Take your cans, bottles & plastics to 'TOMRA RECYCLING CENTRE' 41 - 43 Abernethy Rd Belmont (just past Wheeler St) scan the bar code and follow instructions. All monies will be paid into the 'Parish Building Fund Account'. Flyers available with all details on including the 'barcode' to scan.



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In Our Prayers...

In Memoriam

We commend to the Father's love all our faithful departed especially: *Denis & Margaret Saldana, Victoria, John & Ralph Jackson, Anastella & John Saldanha, Michael, Florence, Rosalind, & Josephine Sandon, Alfonso Del Borrello, Gerard Douglas, Katrina Jayne Hammond, deceased members of Kim Nguyen's Family, recently deceased Mrs Janina Grigs and all souls in Purgatory.*

Parishioners who are unwell:

Peter Butcher, Deacon Al & Aileen Atkinson, Anne Redmond, Maureen Daly, Ravi Ratnayake, Fran Carter, Elizabeth Allen, Glen Arathoon & Maria Di Franco.

