Alleluia, alleluia! / The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord, / and you also will be my witnesses. / Alleluia!

GOSPEL Mt 10: 26-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

Do not fear those who can kill the body.

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncovered, and everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the house-tops.

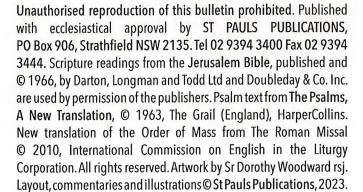
'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

'So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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Breaking Open the Word



TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

25 JUNE 2023

FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING

St Anselm defined theology as faith seeking understanding. As people of faith, we seek to understand and respond to how God's plan is unfolding in our own lives. One of the most difficult hurdles for a person of faith to overcome is coming to terms with the fact that proclaiming the will of God can lead to persecution and suffering. The first reading and the Gospel address this challenge calling us to be steadfast and faithful in times of persecution and rejection. Jeremiah's natural response to persecution was calling on God to intervene and avenge him in the present. When Jesus commissioned the disciples, they were invited to respond in a different way. Disciples of every age are called to trust that our present faithfulness in times of persecution will not be forgotten or go unrewarded.

One of the tasks that faced Paul was teasing out and explaining to his contemporaries how Jesus' suffering and rejection fitted into God's saving plan. What looked like disaster and failure he had come to see as the dawn of a new age. Comparing Jesus to Adam provided Paul with the means to share his understanding that what had been lost by Adam's sin had now finally been regained, and more than regained, through the death of Jesus. God did not avenge Jesus' death but transformed a moment of violence into the most extraordinary moment of grace. Disciples are called to not only understand this mystery but let it penetrate our lives in times of suffering and rejection.

Christopher Monaghan CP

FIRST READING

Jer 20: 10-13

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah.

He has delivered the soul of the needy from the hands of those who are evil.

Jeremiah said:

I hear so many disparaging me,

"Terror from every side!"

Denounce him! Let us denounce him!' All those who used to be my friends watched for my downfall,

'Perhaps he will be seduced into error.

Then we will master him

and take our revenge!'

But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero; my opponents will stumble, mastered, confounded by their failure;

everlasting, unforgettable disgrace will be theirs.

But you, Lord of Hosts, you who probe with justice,

who scrutinise the loins and heart, let me see the vengeance you will take on them,

for I have committed my cause to you. Sing to the Lord,

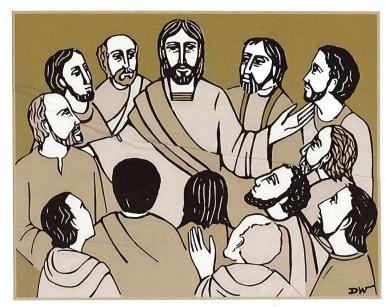
praise the Lord,

for he has delivered the soul of the needy from the hands of evil men.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESP PSALM Ps 68: 8-10, 14, 17, 33-35. R. v. 14 R. Lord, in your great love, answer me.

- 1. It is for you that I suffer taunts, / that shame covers my face, / that I have become a stranger to my brothers, / an alien to my own mother's sons. / I burn with zeal for your house / and taunts against you fall on me. R.
- 2. This is my prayer to you, / my prayer for your favour. / In your great love, answer me, O God, / with your help that never fails: / Lord, answer, for your love is kind; / in your compassion, turn towards me. R.



3. The poor when they see it will be glad / and God-seeking hearts will revive; / for the Lord listens to the needy; / and does not spurn his servants in their chains. / Let the heavens and the earth give him praise, / the sea and all its living creatures. R.

SECOND READING

Rom 5: 12-15

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

God's gift to us is nothing like our sin against him.

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift.

■ The word of the Lord.



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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

12th Week in Ordinary Time YR A

25 Sun: 12th Sunday in O/T

26 Mon: No Mass 27 Tues: Weekday Mass

28 Wed: St Irenaeus 29 Thu: Sts Peter & Paul 30 Fri: Weekday Mass

01July Sat: Weekday Mass/ Vigil

13th Sunday of O/T

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

PARISH SCHOOLS

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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.

TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

DO NOT BE AFRAID. In the face of many attacks, Jesus courageously proclaimed the Good News of the kingdom. His courage stemmed from his firm belief in the Father's love for him. Likewise, the prophet Jeremiah was not destroyed by intense opposition because he knew that his cause was with God. May we also be courageous witnesses to the values of the gospel knowing that God's love for us far outweighs any opposition we may encounter.

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.

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| LITURGICAL MINISTRIES ROSTER | | | | | | |
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| Mass | Acolyte | Commentator | Readers | Extraordinary Ministers | Altar Servers | |
| Saturday 1 st July 6.00pm | Dave Daguit | | G Ottaway T Hanson | J Fardy C Lopera | M Coutinho I Sharp | |
| Sunday 2 nd July 8.00am | Ashley Rebeiro | S Robinson | A Sali D Rodrigues | D Rodrigues H Heldt | N Nolan | |
| Sunday 2 nd July 10.00am | Renato Gomes | A Semaan | C Neville J Branchi | A Semaan V Erskine | A & M Alacantra | |
| Sunday 2 nd July 6.00pm | Pedro Borja | | V Conier G Godfrey | J & R Fernandez | S Surin | |

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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 Maskwearing 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. June 25th: Y Devisser 349 Abernethy Rd, Belmont & V Everett 14 Treffone St, Redcliffe.

Footy Tipping AFL Season 2023 Round 14

1st: 83pts: P McLean 2nd: 82pts: B Walker 3rd: 80pts: C& E Grieves. No changes to the leader board. See notice boards for Top Tipsters. We are in search of one of our entrants 'Allin Patrick', if you are this person or know of this person, contact John York on 92774984 or Leonie in the Parish Office.

Silent Auction – Framed Crucifix

The Crucifix is mounted on a White bevelled edge mirror with gold surround, glow in the dark cross & pearls as a feature. Its size is 76cm X 59cm. Should you like to make a bid or offer on this item, please place name & contact details on the sheet which is available at both sides of the church. All proceeds to the PBF. The Artist of this Crucifix will come and mount on the wall for the lucky recipent.

Planned Giving Envelopes for 2023/2024

Envelopes for 2023/2024 are now available for collection. Just a reminder to please take the same number as last year and tick your name off the list. Also please check that all contact details are correct. Forms for Direct Debit for the Parish & Presbytery Account are available. Thank you for your ongoing support of the parish. New envelopes begin next weekend – 1st/2nd July 2023

Pregnancy Assistance – Donation Request

Pregnancy Assist are requesting help with donations of nappies for newborns, new born baby clothes & toiletries for mothers. These can be left in the tub provided in the church. If you wish to make a cash donation, place in an envelope mark "Pregnancy Assist" and place it in 2nd collection. For more information contact Leonie in the Parish Office.

First Sunday of the Month Morning Tea

Morning Tea will be available after the 8am & 10am Masses next Sunday 2nd July in the Parish Centre. For Sale: Lemon Butter, Marmalade and an Assortment of Cakes & Treats.

Around the Archdiocese

Safeguarding Induction Training Safeguarding Induction Training Level 1, Sacred Heart Thornlie Thursday 29th June @ 7pm. This is for all church workers, paid or volunteers who have not attended the course in the last 3 years. For more information Ph: 08 9221 7762

E: safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au or https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/.

Employment Opportunities Archdiocese of Perth

The Catholic Archdiocese of Perth has a number of employment opportunities Full Time & Part Time for suitable qualified persons to join its team and continue the good work of the Church. For details refer to: https://www.perthcatholic.org.au/Employment.htm. List of employment on offer is available from the parish office for those interested.

Wanted Used Stamps – Mary Mackillop Today (MMT) MMT is helping the poorest of the poor with used stamps! Every dollar we raise makes a difference in the lives of the poor and disadvantaged. If you have used stamps, you can send them to Janienne Wood, St Thomas More College, 48 Mounts Bay Rd, Crawley. WA 6009.

The Record & Catholic Magazines - Winter Editions: Available at both entrances of the Church. Good articles in both. Free to good homes.

Notre Dame Community

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: Raymond Joseph Kesler, Ida Spini, deceased members of Kim Nguyen's family, Cyril & Ollie Kingston, deceased members of the

Kingston & Glass Families, Kate Mirosevich, recently deceased Brian Aitken, Eva Johnson and all souls in Purgatory.

Parishioners who are unwell:

Peter Butcher, Deacon Al & Aileen Atkinson, Anne Redmond, Maureer, Daly, Ravi Ratnayake, Fran Carter, Marjorie Williams, Blaga Juras, Glen Arathoon & Wilton Ottaway.

Wedding

Congratulations to Dominic Piliae & Caitlin Elizabeth Coombe who were married in Notre Dame Church on Saturday 24th June 2023. May they have a long & happy life together.