in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld, should bend the knee at the name of Jesus and that every tongue should acclaim Jesus Christ as Lord, to the glory of God the Father.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

In 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia! / My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; / I know them, and they follow me. / Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mt 21:28-32

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

He went out moved by regret. The tax collectors and prostitutes will precede you into the kingdom of God.

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go", but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir", but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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Breaking Open the Word



TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

1 October 2023

INDIVIDUAL RESPONSIBILITY

While we are familiar with the notion of personal responsibility, it may come as a surprise to learn that it took some time to fully develop in the Old Testament. While the prophets Jeremiah and Ezekiel were not the first to invent the concept, they are major contributors to its development. In Ezekiel 18, the prophet is trying to convince the people of Israel that while it might seem harsh that each person is held responsible for their sins, there is also the possibility to change one's life. God will respect this change of heart and reward it.

As Jesus teaches in the Temple, he challenges the Jewish authorities to understand that what Ezekiel had spoken of continued to be true. Tax collectors and prostitutes took the opportunity that John the Baptist's preaching provided – to take responsibility for their lives and change. The parable of the two sons is a pointed commentary not only on the openness of sinners to John the Baptist but also on the opposition of the Jewish authorities. In the next few weeks, the lines of demarcation between Jesus and the authorities will continue to intensify.

The Christians of Philippi are encouraged by Paul to take responsibility for the building up of their community, a community which is to be marked by unity, and a profound valuing of the other person. He reminds them of a hymn they know well, a breathtaking hymn that talks of the sublime example of Jesus' humility and love which is the model for all Christian life.

Christopher Monaghan CP

FIRST READING

Ezek 18:25-28

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The sinner who decides to turn against sinfulness deserves to live.

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.'

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 24:4-9. R. v. 6

R. Remember your mercies, O Lord.

- 1. Lord, make me know your ways. / Lord, teach me your paths. / Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: / for you are God my saviour. R.
- 2. Remember your mercy, Lord, / and the love you have shown from of old. / Do not remember the sins of my youth. / In your love remember me, / because of your goodness, O Lord. R.
- 3. The Lord is good and upright / He shows the path to those who stray, / he guides the humble in the right path / he teaches his way to the poor. R.

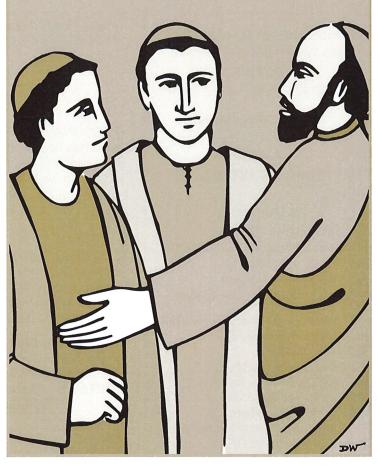
SECOND READING

Phil 2:1-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one



thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus:

His state was divine, yet he did not cling to his equality with God but emptied himself to assume the condition of a slave, and became as men are; and being as all men are, he was humbler yet, even to accepting death, death on a cross.

But God raised him high and gave him the name which is above all other names so that all beings



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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

26th Week in Ordinary Time YR A

01 Sun: 26th Sunday O/T

02 Mon: No Mass 03 Tues: Weekday Mass 04 Wed: St Francis of Assisi 05Thu: Weekday Mass

06 Fri: Weekday Mass 07 Sat Our Lady of the Rosary/

Vigil 27th Sunday in 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 terms.

PARISH SCHOOLS



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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.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

PERSONAL RESPONSIBILITY. We cannot spend all of our lives blaming others for what has happened to us. At a certain stage we must accept responsibility for our own lives and deeds. Sometimes we need to admit, 'I have done wrong. I am sorry. God, help me to do right in future.' Change is always possible. If we have the desire, God will guide us in the right path.

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						
Mass	Acolyte	Commentator	Readers	Extraordinary Ministers	Altar Servers	
Saturday 7 th Oct 6.00pm	Dave Daguit		G Ottaway T Hanson	C Lopera Sr Margaret	J Chapin B Kareng	
Sunday 8 th Oct 8.00am	Ashley Rebeiro	S Robinson	C Parnham D Gaskell	P Subrata L Millington	T Harding	
Sunday 8 th Oct 10.00am	Renato Gomes	J Intervencion	In-In Intervencion N Barker	J Branchi M Bijoux	R Vadakkel S Barker	
Sunday 8 th Oct 6.00pm	Pedro Borja		S Garcia J Fernandez	V Borja B Ryan	M Lanarolle	

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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. 30th September: T Rodrigues 365 Daly St, Cloverdale & V & H Heldt 31 Morago Cres, Cloverdale,

Altar Server Training

Altar Server Training continues this coming Monday -2nd Ocotber @ 3.30pm in the Church and continues 9th October.

RCIA Commencement for 2023/2024

If you know of anyone who would like to join the Catholic Faith Community, our RCIA has commenced, but it is not too late to join for the classes @ 7pm in the parish centre. Please contact Parish Office & details will be passed onto Ann. our coordinator.

Parish Thanksgiving Mass & Supper – 7th October

Fr Quynh & The Parish Pastoral Council cordially invite all parishioners who have assisted in the parish in any way during 2023 to a Mass to be celebrated in 'Thanskgiving' of your commitment to the life of the parish by your generous involvement.

Mass on Saturday 7th October 2023 @ 6pm followed by a light supper in the Parish Centre @ 7pm. For Catering purposes, please RSVP to the Parish Office or the RSVP Sheets at either entrance to the church by 1st October.

Final Figure for Project Compassion 2023

This year the Australian Catholic community donated a total of \$9.70 million nation-wide. Parishes contributed \$2.99 million towards that total. Archdiocese of Perth \$318.317. Our parish contribution towards that total was \$5,244.60. Thank you for supporting Caritas Australia.

Appeal for Banksia Grove Parish

Fr Vinh Dong PP of Banksia Grove Parish is calling on the assistance and support of our parish. The new church has now been built at Banksia Grove with cost of over \$6 million. They are a young parish and many of the parishioners of migrant back grounds on working visa whose finances are limited. Recently Fr Mark Baumgarten (parishioner of Belmont/Redcliffe) has release a CD titled 'Now and Not Yet'. These CD's will be available 14/15th October. No price is set, but a donation towards Banksia Grove Parish will secure you a copy.

Around the Archdiocese

Pope Francis Prayer Intention for October

Evangelisation for the Synod: We pray for the Church, that she may adopt listening and dialogue as a lifestyle at every level, and allow herself to be guided by the Holy Spirit towards the peropheries of the world.

Safeguarding Induction Training Online Course

Training Level 1 is for all church workers, paid or volunteers, who have not attended the course in the last 3 years. The overview provides and overview of the Safeguarding Policies & Procedures.

For more information Ph: 08 9221 7762 E: safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au or https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/.

Next Session is: Online Wednesday 4th October 10am. You can book online or phone Ingka 9221 7762.

Perth Vocations Morning Tea – 7th October 2023

St Mary's Cathedral 10am - 12noon: - It is part of our office's ongoing work in supporting those who would like a deeper relationship with Christ, particularly those who are suitable for the priesthood/ordained ministry or religious life. The morning tea is an opportunity for anyone discerning to be able to ask questions, hear stories and engage with our clergy, seminarians, religious sisters and Catholic laity.

Notre Dame Community

First Sunday of the Month Morning Tea & Food Stall Morning Tea will be served in the Parish Centre this Sunday 1st October after the 8am & 10am Masses. On Sale: Curry, Noodles, Spring Rolls, Curry Puffs, Lemon Butter & Assortment of Cakes. Proceeds of the Food Stall to the PBF.

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.



In Our Prayers...

In Memoriam

We commend to the Father's love all our faithful departed especially: Raymond Joseph Kessler, deceased members of Kim Nguyen's family, Theresa Remedios, Josephine, Mary Pereira, Gavin Dezolt,

Ernesto & Luigia Rocca, Rose & Americo Ratto, Caterina & Domenico Murace, recently deceased Blaga Juras. Avril Pears and all souls in Purgatory.

Parishioners who are unwell:

Peter Butcher, Deacon Al & Aileen Atkinson, Anne Redmond, Maureen & Oliver Daly, Ravi Ratnayake, Fran Carter, Marjorie Williams, Glen Arathoon, Wilton Ottaway & Sharon Bridger.