

GOSPEL

Mk 1: 40-45

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.

The leprosy left him and he was cured.

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.

■ The Gospel of the Lord.



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Breaking Open the Word



THE SAVING WORD

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / B

11 FEBRUARY 2024

BE AS CHRIST

Today's Gospel brings our focus again to Jesus' healing through a person identified only as "a leper". This person is described without gender (although masculine pronouns follow), without ethnicity, family name, geography or any human connection. The title "a leper" encapsulates the stigma of separation, being unclean and having to live apart (see Lev. 13, first reading). We read that "a leper" came to Jesus pleading on his knees, "If you want to you can make me clean" (v. 40). This phrase indicates that "a leper" recognises Jesus' power and authority. Moved with the deepest gut-wrenching compassion, Jesus reaches out his hand and touches him. Simultaneously with his touch, Jesus says "I do choose. Be made clean" (v. 41). Jesus' touch is redeeming in itself. Jesus touches the untouchable. Though warned not to say anything and show himself to the priest, the person "went out and began to proclaim freely and spread the word" (v. 45). We witness "a leper" becoming a proclaimer of the Good News. In our world today there are people with titles like "a leper", as we have "homeless" or "refugee" among us bereft of identity and dignity, untouchable. How can we "touch" like Jesus?

Paul's words to the Corinthians invite us to take him as the model as he takes Christ. This invitation together with the healing of one on the margins calls us to be as Christ, open to all and to be agents of healing wounds and separation.

Dr Rosemary Canavan

FIRST READING

Lev 13: 1-2, 44-46

A reading from the book of Leviticus.

As long as he is unclean, he must live alone, outside the camp.

The Lord said to Moses and Aaron, 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to Aaron, the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons.

'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean." As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart; he must live outside the camp.'

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 31: 1-2, 5, 11. R. v. 5

R. I turn to you, Lord, in time of trouble, and you fill me with the joy of salvation.

1. Happy the man whose offence is forgiven,/ whose sin is remitted./ O happy the man to whom the Lord/ imputes no guilt,/ in whose spirit is no guile. **R.**

2. But now I have acknowledged my sins;/ my guilt I did not hide./ I said: 'I will confess/ my offence to the Lord.'/ And you, Lord, have forgiven/ the guilt of my sin. **R.**

3. Rejoice, rejoice in the Lord,/ exult, you just!/ O come, ring out your joy,/ all you upright of heart. **R.**



SECOND READING

1 Cor 10: 31-11: 1

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

Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ.

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved.

Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Lk 7: 16

Alleluia, alleluia!

A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people.

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

6th Week in Ordinary Time YRB
11 Sun: Sixth Sunday in O/T
12 Mon: No Mass
13 Tues: Weekday Mass O/T
14 Wed: Ash Wednesday
15 Thu: After Ash Wednesday
16 Fri: After Ash Wednesday
17 Sat: After Ash Wednesday/ Vigil
1st Sunday of Lent


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
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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.

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR B

JESUS TOUCHED HIM. Jesus included the healing of lepers among the list of miracles which would authenticate his mission. He also communicated this power to his disciples (Mt 10: 8). In today's gospel, he not only heals a leper; he lays his hand upon him. It is a gesture of acceptance (and perhaps even of solidarity) with a social outcast.

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 17th Feb 6.00pm	Greg Kempton		M Jackson M Carino	Sr Margaret T Khoo	S Lopera F & B Kareng D Patrick
Sunday 18th Feb 8.00am	Jerome Can Truong	S Robinson	M Piliae C Neville	D Rodrigues L Millington	C Rozario
Sunday 18th Feb 10.00am	Andy Nguyen	A Semaan	V Erskine S Bradshaw	Ranjit Ratnayake A Semaan	M & M Fernandes Dodsley
Sunday 18th Feb 6.00pm	Pedro Borja		S Irene S Garcia	T Doan J Manning	A P Leo J Mai

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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. **10th February 2024:** J Turner U6/30C Chester St, Belmont & R Saldanha U3/15 Ellard St Belmont.

Footy Tipping AFL Season 2024

It is back for the 2024. Tipping Forms are available from both entrances of the Church. All the instructions are on the Form. Cross out the losing teams for all the rounds for the whole season. It is easy to do. Return your completed entry with the \$10 per form to John York, the Parish Office or place in an envelope and put in the 2nd collection prior to the First Round – March 7th. The more entries the bigger the prizes.

Mass Times Ash Wednesday – 14th February 2024

8.45am – Notre Dame School Students in attendance
6.00pm – Parish Mass.

Ash Wednesday & Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. The law of fasting binds those who have completed their eighteenth year, until the beginning of their sixtieth year; the law of abstinence binds those who have completed their fourteenth year. (ccl 97, 1251f).

Project Compassion Boxes & Envelopes

Will be available from Ash Wednesday onwards. Please take a box or envelopes or both. The theme for this year **"For all Future Generations"**.

Project Compassion 2024 Event – February 15th

All parishioners are invited to attend this special talk given by Koreen Cueto who is Caritas Australia Programs Coordinator, overlooking CA Development programs in Indonesia, Vietnam and the Philippines.
Where: Our Parish Centre **Time:** 6pm – 7.30pm.

World Day of Prayer 2024 – March 1st

This year Cloverdale Parish is hosting the event, with all denominations attending. To help with catering for fellowship a list has been placed at school side entrance for you to place your name against food items that you can help out with. Thank you for your support.

Special Note of Thanks

Tina Murace would like to thank all those lovely parishioners that have offered prayers & support for her and the family during her time in hospital & during her recovery. Greatly appreciated.

Around the Archdiocese

Safeguarding Induction Training Online Course

Training Level provides an overview of the Safeguarding Policies & Procedures. For more information E: safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au or <https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/>. Next online Session are: Wednesday 14th Feb @ 2pm & Tuesday 27th Feb @ 7pm.

St Mary's Cathedral Perth "Open Day"

On Tuesday 20th February @ 10.30am we will be conducting a tour followed by a light morning tea in the Cathedral's Parish Centre. The aim is for those individuals who are perhaps retired or available during the week and would like to become one of enthusiastic band of volunteers who conduct tours of the Cathedral. For more information see notice board or contact Carol Wright M: 0419 948 411 E: clwright@bigpond.net.au

Notre Dame Community

Stations of the Cross – Friday Evening During Lent
Commencing Friday 16th February @ 6pm in the Church.

Parish Dinner Dance Fundraiser April 6th 2024

Get those Dancing Shoes out of moth balls and get ready, we are having a Dinner Dance in April 2024. \$35.00 per person, includes Dinner, Sweets, Tea & Coffee. BYO Drinks & Drinkware. Theme: Floral. Prizes for Best Dressed. See noticeboard for full details. Tickets are available after Mass or from the Parish Office. Cash Only.

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 Kessler, Augusta Clark Kessler deceased members of Kim Nguyen's family, Beda Phan Van On, Anna Nguyen Thi O, Carlyle D'Souza, Edward & Judith Saldanha, recently deceased Denzil DeVisser and all souls in Purgatory.*

Parishioners who are unwell:

Peter Butcher, Deacon Al & Aileen Atkinson, Anne Redmond, Maureen & Oliver Daly, Ravi Rathnayake, Fran Carter, Marjorie Williams, Glen Arathoon, Wilton Ottaway, Allan Jones & Honey Heldt.

Baptism:

Welcome into our Catholic Faith Community:
Harlow Jax Ransted

