

splinter in your brother's eye and never notice the plank in your own? How can you say to your brother, "Brother, let me take out the splinter that is in your eye," when you cannot see the plank in your own? Hypocrite! Take the plank out of your own eye first, and then you will see clearly enough to take out the splinter that is in your brother's eye.

'There is no sound tree that produces rotten fruit, nor again a rotten tree that produces sound fruit. For every tree can be told by its own fruit; people do not pick figs from thorns, nor gather grapes from brambles. A good man draws what is good from the store of goodness in his heart; a bad man draws what is bad from the store of badness. For a man's words flow out of what fills his heart.'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.



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Breaking Open the Word

REMOVE THE PLANK

Who thought that the Gospels and Jesus' words are humourless? Today's Gospel reflects on one of the key issues that touches all of us and does it in an exaggerated and humorous way. It is about judging others. In my criticism of others and judging them, according to Jesus, I ignore the bigger issue: my inability to self-reflect and see the larger personal weaknesses in my own condemning character. Jesus compares the 'splinter' in the other's eye to the huge 'plank' in one's own.

The eye, in Luke's world, was the gateway to the soul and the primary organ of decision making. For a disciple to be critical of others and not recognise the plank in their own eye is to be blocked from authentic soulful and considered living. This plank must be removed by careful and sustained spiritual surgery through closeness to Jesus. This is the ongoing quest for disciples journeying with Jesus.

In the second half of today's Gospel the image turns to the production of sound fruit. This is more about authentic discipleship than about agricultural production. It is again about the heart. Jesus' words encourage Luke's Gospel's audience, and us, to draw on the heart and live from its reservoir of goodness. As with the earlier humorous parable about seeing, we are invited to see deeply and act with integrity so that our hearts can grow in goodness. Authentic conduct will follow. This is the intent behind the Gospel's final piece of wisdom, that 'words flow out of what fills the heart'.

Fr Michael Trainor

THE SAVING WORD

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / C

2 MARCH 2025

FIRST READING

Sir 27: 4-7

A reading from the Book of Sirach.

Do not praise someone before they have spoken.

In a shaken sieve the rubbish is left behind,
so too the defects of a man appear in his talk.
The kiln tests the work of the potter,
the test of a man is in his conversation.
The orchard where the tree grows is judged on
the quality of its fruit,
similarly a man's words betray what he feels.
Do not praise a man before he has spoken,
since this is the test of men.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESP PSALM

Ps 91: 2-3, 13-16. R. cf. v. 2

R. Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

1. It is good to give thanks to the Lord / to
make music to your name, O Most High, / to
proclaim your love in the morning / and your
truth in the watches of the night. **R.**

2. The just will flourish like the palm-tree /
and grow like a Lebanon cedar. **R.**

3. Planted in the house of the Lord / they will
flourish in the courts of our God, / still bearing
sap when they are old, / still full sap, still
green, / to proclaim that the Lord is just. / In
him, my rock, there is no wrong. **R.**

SECOND READING

1 Cor 15: 54-58

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

Victory has been given to us through Jesus Christ.

When this perishable nature has put on
imperishability, and when this mortal nature
has put on immortality, then the words of
scripture will come true: Death is swallowed up
in victory. Death, where is your victory? Death,
where is your sting? Now the sting of death is



sin, and sin gets its power from the Law. So let
us thank God for giving us the victory through
our Lord Jesus Christ.

Never give in then, my dear brothers, never
admit defeat; keep on working at the Lord's
work always, knowing that, in the Lord, you
cannot be labouring in vain.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Phil 2: 15-16

Alleluia, alleluia!

Shine on the world like bright stars;
you are offering it the word of life.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Lk 6: 39-45

A reading from the holy Gospel according
to Luke.

A person speaks from what is in his heart.

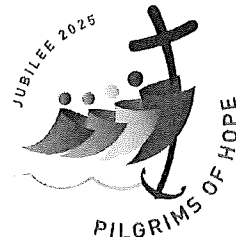
Jesus told a parable to his disciples. 'Can one
blind man guide another? Surely both will fall
into a pit? The disciple is not superior to his
teacher; the fully trained disciples will always
be like his teacher. Why do you observe the



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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

8th Week Ordinary Time YR C
02 Sun: 8th Sunday in O/T
03 Mon: No Mass
04 Tues: Weekday Mass
05 Wed: Ash Wednesday
06 Thu: After Ash Wednesday
07 Fri: After Ash Wednesday
08 Sat: After Ash Wednesday/ Vigil
1st Sunday of Lent YR C


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 6.00pm
- *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.

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 Notre Dame Catholic Primary
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 St Maria Goretti's Catholic School
64 Morrison Street, Redcliffe WA 6104
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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.

EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – YEAR C

TAKE THE PLANK FROM YOUR OWN EYE FIRST. Let us not presume to pass judgement on other peoples' shortcomings without first subjecting our own conduct to honest scrutiny. Perhaps we expect higher standards of moral behaviour from others that we require from ourselves. Criticism of the sinner is not infrequently a subtle form of self-condemnation in which pride is joined to lack of charity.

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 8 th Mar 6.00pm	Jerome Can Truong		M Jackson T Hanson	M Jackson L Nguyen	D & C Oee I Sharp
Sunday 9 th Mar 8.00am	Joe Saldanha	C Neville	P Palmezz L Blake	L Millington K Nguyen	N King
Sunday 9 th Mar 10.00am	Mikaele Pilliae	Joy Intervencion	In-In Intervencion V Conier	T Seputro K Whittaker	Z Chong
Sunday 9 th Mar 6.00pm	Pedro Borja		T Fernandez S Irene	P & J Pereyra	M Lanarolle J Mai

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Parish Events

Masses in the Parish

We are now in the summer months and there are summer colds about and Covid 19 is still in our community. It is your obligation to attend Mass on a Sunday. It is your right to exercise common sense. If you wish to wear a face mask while attending Mass, you are free to do so. Please hand sanitise as you are entering the church. However, if you are unwell or have a cold, please stay home until feeling better. **Mass for you at home will be broadcast every Sunday at 6am on the Ten Network** and multiple times during the week on Foxtel's Aurora (Channel 173).

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. **1st March 2025**
V Everett 14Treffone St, Redcliffe & A King
320 Sydenham St, Cloverdale.

Footy Tipping – AFL Season 2025

Yes, it is back for 2025, forms are available from either side of the Church. All details on how to enter are on the form. Opening round is March 6th. Give entry forms to family and friends. The more entrants the bigger the prize money. The countdown is on, less than 1 week to bouncedown. Get those entry forms in.

Catholic Youth Assembly – Friday 7th March 2025

Calling all Catholic Youth, join us for the launch of the Catholic Youth Assembly in the Archdiocese of Perth, **on Friday 7th March, 6.45pm for a 7pm start @ St Mary's Cathedral Perth**. This exciting new initiative is designed to lay the foundation for the formation of a Catholic Youth Council (CYC). This Synodal process is an opportunity for young people to have a voice in shaping the future of our Church. See notice boards for full details.

Masses for Ash Wednesday – 5th March 2025

School Mass: 8:45am (Parishioners are welcome)

Parish Mass: 6.00ppm

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 **"UNITE AGAINST POVERTY"**. Caritas have changed their donation envelopes, instead of a pack of envelopes with Week 1, Week 2 etc, it is one envelope and you can either do weekly donations or one donation, whichever way you wish.

Stations of the Cross

Will commence on Friday 7th March @ 6.00pm and continue every Friday during Lent.

Parish Office Relocation

As announced last weekend, the Parish Office will be relocated into the back rooms of the Parish Centre during the next week or 2. During this transition, communication either via phone or email will be disrupted, but hopefully only for a short time.

Around the Archdiocese

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.

Email: safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au or <https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/>.

This is now a Self-paced online learning module that can be completed at any time. Go to the 'Training Page' on the website to check out the induction. See noticeboards for full details.

World Day of Prayer Friday 7th March @ 10am

This year **'Perth Alliance Church'**, 325 Belmont Ave, Kewdale will be hosting this Ecumenical Prayer Event. The focus is on the **Cook Islands**. All denominations are invited to attend.

Australia Catholics Magazine Autumn Edition

Now available from both sides of the Church.

Articles include: 'Reflections for after Easter', 'Many things about Mary Magdalene', 'In the footsteps of Mary' and much more to read. Please take a copy home.

Notre Dame Community

First Sunday of the Month Morning Tea

This Sunday 2nd March in the Parish Centre after the 8am & 10am Masses. Light snack served for morning tea. Variety of delicious food items for sale also. All proceeds 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.



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In Our Prayers...

In Memoriam

We commend to the Father's love all our faithful departed especially: *Peter Butcher, Bernie & Nora Coverley, deceased members of Kim Nguyen's Family, deceased members of the Xavier Family, Denzil Devisser and all souls in Purgatory.*

Parishioners who are unwell:

Deacon Al Atkinson, Oliver Daly, Ravi Ratnayake, Marjorie Williams, Allan & Philomena Jones, Helen Bertola (Coverley), Pam Lawson, Rob Petty, Hannah Guilfoyle & Andrew Kinnimont.

Baptisms

We welcome into our Catholic Faith Community: *Melissa Rose & Jade Marie Nowill.*

