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**1 November  
2020**

**Solemnity  
of  
All Saints**

**Entrance Antiphon:** Let us all rejoice in the Lord, as we celebrate the feast day in honour of all the Saints, at whose festival the Angels rejoice and praise the Son of God.

**First Reading:** *A reading from the book of Apocalypse (7:2-4, 9-14)*

I, John, saw another angel rising where the sun rises, carrying the seal of the living God; he called in a powerful voice to the four angels whose duty was to devastate land and sea, 'Wait before you do any damage on land or sea or to the trees, until we have put the seal on the foreheads of the servants of our God.' Then I heard how many were sealed: a hundred and forty-four thousand, out of all the tribes of Israel. After that I saw a huge number, impossible to count, of people from every nation, race, tribe and language; they were standing in front of the throne and in front of the Lamb, dressed in white robes and holding palms in their hands. They shouted aloud, 'Victory to our God, who sits on the throne, and to the Lamb!' And all the angels who were standing in a circle round the throne surrounding the elders and the four animals, prostrated themselves before the throne, and touched the ground with their foreheads, worshipping God with these words, 'Amen. Praise and glory and wisdom and thanksgiving and honour and power and strength to our God for ever and ever. Amen.' One of the elders then spoke, and asked me, 'Do you know who these people are, dressed in white robes, and where they have come from?' I answered him, 'You can tell me, my Lord.' Then he said, 'These are the people who have been through the great persecution, and they have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb.'

**Responsorial Psalm:** (Ps. 23)

**R. Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.**

- The Lord is the earth and its fullness, the world and all its peoples. It is he who set it on the seas; on the waters he made it firm. (R)
- Who shall climb the mountain of the Lord? Who shall stand in his holy place? The man with clean hands and pure heart, who desires not worthless things. (R)
- He shall receive blessings from the Lord and reward from the God who saves him. Such are the men who seek him, seek the face of the God of Jacob. (R)

**Second Reading:** *A reading from the first letter of St John (3:1-3)*

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are. Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed, all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is. Surely everyone who entertains this hope must purify himself, must try to be as pure as Christ.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, Alleluia! Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord. Alleluia!

**Gospel:** *A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew (5:1-12)*

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 to 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.'

**Memorial Acclamation:** Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

**Communion Antiphon:** Blessed are the clean of heart, for they shall see God. Blessed are the peacemakers, for they shall be called children of God. Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness for theirs is the Kingdom of Heaven.

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

**All our Masses are being offered "pro populo" - for the intentions of the people of God.**

Note: Mass intentions envelopes & notices for bulletin are to be submitted/emailed to the office by Wednesday 6pm.

## The Pastoral Corner

The Feast of All Saints is a remembering of all those men & women who have lived heroic Gospel inspired lives and who have been recognised by the church. The feast reminds us of our ultimate goal - to be with God.

In the past there was a tendency to resort to a saint to ask him/her to present to God a request we wanted filled. Today that is fading as we turn to the Lord more and more, directly, with the confidence of children. The saints—Mary too—are rightly regarded as sisters and brothers who, with their lives indicate a path to follow Christ and invite us to pray all the time, along with them, to the one Father.

This week reflect on which Saint you feel most inspires you to continue on your faith journey no matter what, and perhaps you could discuss this with a friend.

We welcome **His Grace Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB**  
to our Parish on this Solemnity of All Saints for the Official Installation of  
**Fr. Jean-Noël Antoine MARIE**  
as the new Parish Priest of the Parish of Canning Vale.

*Congratulations!*

We would like to congratulate **Fr Jean-Noël Antoine MARIE** upon his recent appointment as the Parish Priest of the Parish of Canning Vale. We wish him every blessing and pray that the Lord will continue to guide him and strengthen him in his mission as our shepherd, Father and guide, especially during these uncertain and challenging times.

**New Parish Priest Installation Ceremony**  
**9.30 am Mass on the Solemnity of All Saints**  
**Sunday, 1 November 2020**

The formal installation involves the making of the Profession of faith and the taking of the Oath of Fidelity in accordance with Canon Law. Let us all keep Fr Jean-Noël in our prayers as he embarks upon a new challenging chapter in his ministry at St Emilie's.

## **The Role of the Parish Priest**

Every Diocese is divided into distinct parts which are known as Parishes. A Parish is a community of Christ's faithful whose pastoral care is entrusted to a Parish Priest. He is the proper pastor of the community, caring for the people and celebrating the Sacraments. In the exercise of his office the Parish Priest acts under the authority of the diocesan Bishop.

The Parish Priest has a twofold obligation: to proclaim the Gospel and work toward the salvation of souls. In the fulfilment of these duties he is to involve the entire Parish community.

In summary we could say that he is involved in the following areas, either directly or indirectly:

- proclamation of the Word of God, through preaching, teaching, catechesis and the promotion of Catholic education
- leading people in worship through the liturgy
- leadership and service of the Parish community
- seeing to the administration of temporal goods
- promotion of mission, outreach and support
- promotion of social justice

Parish pastoral councils and parish finance committees enjoy a consultative role only. They are not executive bodies and cannot in any way become deliberative structures. Only those faithful who possess the qualities prescribed by the canonical norms may be elected to such responsibilities.

The Parish Priest presides at the pastoral and finance councils (though he can appoint a person to chair the meeting). Any deliberations entered into, (or decisions taken), by a pastoral or finance council which has not been presided over by the Parish Priest or which has assembled contrary to his wishes are to be considered as null and void.

As can be seen, the role of Parish Priest brings with it great responsibilities. Our modern age has imposed organisational burdens on his role which, if he does not share with others will reduce him to a public servant and a bureaucrat, a planner rather than a pastor. The Parish Priest is called to be, above all, **a Shepherd, a Pastor and a father**. It is the task of the whole Parish Community to support him in this role.





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### **Adult Faith Foundational Programme - Part 3 - On Earth as it is in Heaven: The Liturgy and Sacraments:**

**2 - 16 November: Mondays 7pm to 8.30pm**

**Newman Siena Centre (Clune Lecture Theatre) and Online**

As a pathway for the growth of our spiritual life laid out by the Church, the Liturgy and the Sacraments contribute to strengthening our relationship with God. However, for too many of us, they remain largely unexplained or in need of unpacking. This course will bring participants into a deeper understanding of the Liturgy and the Sacraments of the Church, with a particular focus on developing a stronger awareness of their purpose and impact in our lives. Over four terms, this four-part foundational programme will cover core topics of the Catholic tradition such as Church, the call to holiness liturgy, sacraments, Scriptures, missionary discipleship. **Suggested Donation: \$15. Presenter: Dr Margaret Scharf OP. Further info or to register, visit <http://cfe.org.au/courses-and-events/>, email [cfe@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:cfe@perthcatholic.org.au), or 08 9241 5221.**

### **The Piety Stall**

The Piety Stall will be open for **limited times** on **Saturday** from **5:30 - 6:15pm** and **Sunday 10:15 - 11:15am only** due to COVID-19 restrictions.

### **All Souls Day Mass**

We will have a Mass at St Emilie's on Souls Day **Monday, 2 November at 9.00 am.** May all the Souls of our faithful departed rest in peace!

### **Catholic Mission Collection**

Catholic Mission works with communities around the world to bring fullness of life to all people through a range of crucial projects. So the Annual Collection for the Catholic Mission Appeal will take place in our Parish on the weekend of **7/8 November 2020.** Let us continue to support the very important work of Missionaries around the world because mission is at the heart and identity of the Church.

### **Worldwide Marriage Encounter**

Would you like to give yourself and your spouse quality time over a weekend that will focus on love, caring and relationship? It will be the best gift you can give to each other this year. We invite you to attend **a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend in Mandurah from 6 - 8 November.** For more information, contact **Valerie or Brendon 0424 220 625** or email [WAb bookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:WAb bookings@wwme.org.au) or visit [www.wwme.org.au](http://www.wwme.org.au).

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