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13 September  
2020

24th Sunday in  
Ordinary Time  
Year A

**Entrance Antiphon:** Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.

### **First Reading** *Book of Sirach 27:30-28:7*

Resentment and anger, these are foul things, and both are found with the sinner. He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord, who keeps strict account of sin. Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven. If a man nurses anger against another, can he then demand compassion from the Lord? Showing no pity for a man like himself, can he then plead for his own sins? Remember the last things, and stop hating, remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments. Remember the commandments, and do not bear your neighbour ill-will; remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook the offence.

### **Responsorial Psalm** *Ps. 102*

#### **R. The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger and rich in compassion**

- My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. **(R)**
- It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion. **(R)**
- His wrath will come to an end; he will not be angry for ever. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults. **(R)**
- For as the heavens are high above the earth so strong is his love for those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins. **(R)**

### **Second Reading:** *St. Paul to the Romans 14:7-9*

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life, it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you. Alleluia!

### **Gospel:** *Matthew 18:21-35*

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times? Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times. 'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. 'At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. 'Give me time,' he said, 'and I will pay the whole sum.' And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. 'Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. 'Pay what you owe me,' he said. 'His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying 'Give me time and I will pay you.' But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. 'His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him.

**Memorial Acclamation:** We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and proclaim your Resurrection, until you come again.

**Communion Antiphon:** How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.

## **MASS INTENTIONS**

**All the Masses that are celebrated 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.

## Pastoral Corner

This week the Gospel theme is forgiveness. Forgiveness always sounds very holy and pious, but when it comes to you being wronged, you can find that your feelings get in the way. Can you recall a time when you experienced this? How did you respond, and what happened? Were you able to forgive?

When you consider this, think about how you forgive and experience forgiveness in your place of work, your home, your community.

Does this story help you to move past an initial response into a place where God's mercy can be manifest towards other people?



## First Holy Communion at St Emilie's



This weekend we will be welcoming Parish families whose children are making the Sacrament of First Holy Communion during all our Masses except the 7.30 Mass. There will be six families at each Mass including the 6.30pm Sat, and the 9.30am, 3pm and 5pm Masses on Sunday.

Until the 20<sup>th</sup> September children from our Parish will be receiving their First Holy Communion during our regular weekend Masses. We congratulate the children and their families and ask everyone to please keep the children and their families in their prayers at this important step in their faith journey.

## PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPE COLLECTION

Your Planned Giving Envelopes for the new financial year are now available.

Please take your new set of envelopes at the door of the church and thank you for your enduring and enthusiastic support of our Parish.

## PARISH FINANCES

At every weekend mass two collections take place to meet the functional needs of the church & community.

The **First Collection** provides our Priests a monthly stipend covering household food, cleaning and other presbytery expenses.

The **Second Collection** provides income pertaining to the running expenses of the parish, these include: all utilities, maintaining and operating the Parish Office, liturgical supplies, insurance, maintenance, water, electricity, Council rates, waste collection, etc.

Our Parish relies on the support of its parishioners to financially contribute to its ongoing community mission.

## Ways to contribute:

There are **three ways** by which to make your contribution:

- ◆ An authorised periodical direct debit from your bank account,
- ◆ Setting up a periodic electronic fund transfer from your account or credit card
- ◆ Offering a cash donation during Mass collections, as explained above.

**During these troubled times you may wish to deposit your donations into the following accounts:**

## First Collection

BSB: 086006

Ac: 547223267

Ac Name: Canning Vale Parish Presbytery Account

## Second Collection

BSB: 086006

Ac: 528184530

Ac Name: Roman Catholic Archbishop of Perth-Canning Vale Parish

## The Piety Stall

The Piety Stall will be opened for **limited times on**

**Saturday from 5:30-6:15pm and Sunday 10:15- 11:15am only** due to COVID-19 restrictions.





## Safeguarding Child Protection Week

As to be expected this year's National Child Protection Week is a little different to previous years due to COVID-19. However, it is important we acknowledge the week and consider how we can all play our part in protecting children and vulnerable adults.

This year the theme for Child Protection Week children is **putting the needs of children first**. The Archdiocesan Safeguarding Director Andrea Musulin has drawn on her 30 years' experience in child protection to co-write with Justine O'Malley from the CEWA Child Safe Team the first safeguarding storybook for children aged 4-11 years. This storybook - **God Gave Elizabeth Grace The Right To Feel Safe** provides a meaningful way in which parents, carers and educators can teach children and young people about personal safety, sensitive subjects and resilience.

It builds upon the popular 'Protecting God's Children' resource produced by the Safeguarding Office in 2017. The storybook has been made possible through the generous support of The Knights of the Southern Cross WA. An electronic version of the book can be viewed now on the Archdiocese Safeguarding Website. (<http://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/>) Child Protection Week is a time for us all to reflect on the many ways in which we as individuals can play our part in protecting children both within the Catholic Church and our community – we **can** all play our part.

### INTRODUCING RADHA DE MEL SAFEGUARDING OFFICER

Since migrating to Australia Radha has worked with the Department for Child Protection for 16 years, first as a front-line worker, and currently as a trainer (Senior Practice Development Officer) and is committed to the protection and safeguarding of all children from any form of abuse.

She has been a Safeguarding Officer from the inception of this initiative and has worked closely with the Safeguarding Office to promote the teaching of protective behaviours to our children. As a SGO at Mater Christi Parish she organised workshops for parents based on a Christian approach to 'Protective Behaviours', called 'Protecting God's Children'. Let us all welcome Radha into our **Parish Safeguarding Officers Team** and wish her every blessing in her most important role within our Parish Community.



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## COMMUNICATIONS NEWSLETTER

### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

For the first time in Western Australia WWME will hold a "live-out" Weekend for couples on the 19<sup>th</sup> and 20<sup>th</sup> (Saturday and Sunday) September. It will be held at Corpus Christi College, Bateman.

Would you like to give yourself and your spouse quality time over a weekend that will focus on love, caring and relationship?

It may be the best gift you can give to each other. For more information on this coming Weekend or other Weekends coming up contact Valerie or Brendon on 0424 220 625. Email [WAb bookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:WAb bookings@wwme.org.au)

Visit [www.wwme.org.au](http://www.wwme.org.au)

### CENTRE FOR LITURGY - NOTICE FOR PARISH MU- SICIANS

An article titled *Choirs urged to be cautious over COVID-19* was published in *CathNews* by the Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference on liturgical music. The article urged parishes & dioceses to review local health and government advice when deciding on the return of choirs. In response to this article please find attached the current Archdiocese of Perth guidelines for convening parish choirs. These cleaning procedures have been approved by Bishop Donald Sproston & are one in accord with the current Western Australian Stage 4 COVID-19 advice. Please pass this information on to all parish musicians and choir members. Download the guidelines at <http://liturgy.perthcatholic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Guidelines-for-Musicians-and-Choirs-during-COVID-19.pdf>

### COVID-19 Update: New Directive for Churches and Chapels (Ref: 2020.9)

Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SDB has today released a revised series of directives relevant to the extension of Phase 4 which come into effect across the Archdiocese of Perth commencing Saturday, 5 September 2020. The website of the Archdiocese of Perth has a dedicated COVID-19 web page on which all statements from the Archdiocese of Perth can be found at <http://perthcatholic.org.au/COVID19.htm>

### 11 Aug to 22 Sep THE GRIEF RECOVERY METHOD OUTREACH PROGRAM

The Grief Recovery Method is an action plan whereby participants learn that grief is the normal and natural reaction to significant emotional loss. Participants will be provided with the opportunity to work in partnership, in an intimate and confidential environment, to gain a genuine understanding of the grief and loss process. Tuesdays 12.45pm to 2.45pm, St Thomas More Parish Centre, 100 Dean Rd, Bateman Parish. Cost \$50 including The Grief Recovery Handbook. Further info: Betty Thompson [officer.outreach@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:officer.outreach@perthcatholic.org.au), <https://outreach.perthcatholic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/August-September-invite-2020.pdf> or 0438 858 212.



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