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23 August
2020

21st Sunday in
Ordinary Time
Year A

Entrance Antiphon: Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trust in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

First Reading: (*Isaiah 22:19-23*)

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace: I dismiss you from your office, I remove you from your post, and the same day I call on my servant Eliakim son of Hilkiah. I invest him with your robe, gird him with your sash, entrust him with your authority; and he shall be a father to the inhabitants of Jerusalem and to the House of Judah. I place the key of the House of David on his shoulder; should he open, no one shall close, should he close, no one shall open. I drive him like a peg into a firm place; he will become a throne of glory for his father's house.

Responsorial Psalm: (*Ps.137*)

R. Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.

- I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you, I will adore before your holy temple. (R)
- I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. (R)
- The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. (R)

Second Reading: (*Romans 11:33-36*)

How rich are the depths of God – how deep his wisdom and knowledge – and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church; the gates of hell will not hold out against it. Alleluia!

Gospel: (*Matthew 16:13-20*)

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said, 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. 'So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

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

Communion Antiphon: The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.

MASS INTENTIONS

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

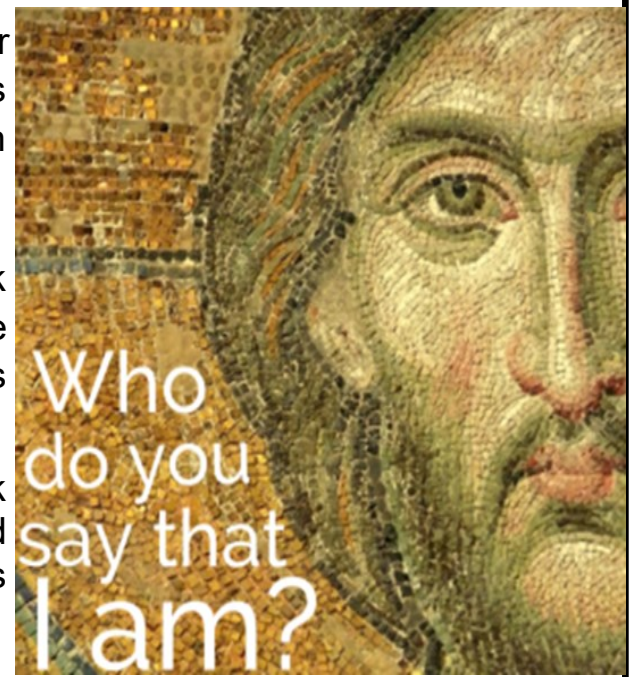
Note: Mass intentions envelopes & notices for bulletin are to be submitted/mailed to the office by Wednesday 6pm.

PASTORAL CORNER

Peter's response to Jesus, like our own, was sometimes strong and positive, and other times faltering and flawed. But he was open to God and so open to receive the fullness of revelation. If we remain open to the gift of faith we are also offered forgiveness when we fail in our journey of faith.

When have you experienced the ups and downs of faith in your life? If Jesus were to ask you today 'Who do you say I am?', what would your response be? Jesus speaks of the Church that was being birthed and the authority that was being given to Peter was passed down to successive Popes.

This Church is now 2000 years old. How do you think of the Church today? This week think about the places where you have authority, in your home and your workplace, and consider the responsibilities of your decisions. Remember to make these decisions based on your role as a follower of Jesus.



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 7.30am Mass. There will be six families at each Mass including the 6.30pm Sat, and the 9.30am, 3pm and 5pm Masses on Sunday.

From the 22nd August until the 20th 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 Legislation Committee's review of the Children and Community Services Amendment Bill 2019 has entered a crucial stage – key witnesses are being invited to give evidence before the Committee. You may view these proceedings at the following links:

[Evidence of Archbishop Timothy Costelloe and Fr Abram Abdelmalek \(representing the Coptic and other Orthodox Churches\)](#)

[Evidence of James Parker \(representing Survivor Support Group\)](#)

You may view other evidence as they are given at the following link:

[https://www.parliament.wa.gov.au/Parliament/commit.nsf/\(EvidenceOnly\)/87A3383AEDEE61FC48258592000A5272?opendocument#Hearings](https://www.parliament.wa.gov.au/Parliament/commit.nsf/(EvidenceOnly)/87A3383AEDEE61FC48258592000A5272?opendocument#Hearings)

Please continue to pray for our Church and our community.

FULL TIME EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

ST MARY'S PARISH CATHEDRAL

CATHEDRAL MANAGER

Cathedral Manager required:

St Mary's Cathedral is looking for a Cathedral Manager. This position was first instituted when the Cathedral was renovated and reopened in 2009. Reporting to, and working very closely with, the Dean, the primary focus is to manage the day-to-day operations of St Mary's Cathedral, its precinct and the satellite churches it operates within the Cathedral parish. The Manager manages and oversees all three areas of the precinct, namely; Administration and Operations of St Mary's Cathedral, Cathedral House and the Pro Cathedral. Building management and co-ordination of maintenance is a very important part of this role. The Manager will manage Cathedral grounds staff, Cathedral House staff and the operations of the bookshop and piety stall (which is fully run by volunteers). Accountability for a team of 6 people plus numerous volunteers and their management is a key aspect of this role. By negotiation on site accommodation is offered as part of the remuneration package. Full training and comprehensive handover from the incumbent will be provided.

The applicant must be a good time manager, able to prioritise and handle multiple tasks and have strong written and verbal communication skills. Flexibility and a service oriented approach are key attributes required in the successful applicant.

Applications close 31 August 2020. To obtain further details and/or to lodge an application for this position contact Tony Meyrick, Cathedral Manager on 9223 1344 or email: manager.cathedral@perthcatholic.org.au



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CENTRE FOR LITURGY - NOTICE FOR PARISH MUSICIANS

An article titled *Choirs urged to be cautious over COVID-19* was this week published in *CathNews* by the Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference on liturgical music. The article urged parishes and 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 and are in accord with the current Western Australian Stage 4 COVID-19 advice. Please pass this information on to all parish musicians and choir members. You can download the guidelines by [Clicking Here](http://liturgy.perthcatholic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Guidelines-for-Musicians-and-Choirs-during-COVID-19.pdf). <http://liturgy.perthcatholic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2020/07/Guidelines-for-Musicians-and-Choirs-during-COVID-19.pdf>

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, visit <https://outreach.perthcatholic.org.au/wp-content/uploads/August-September-invite-2020.pdf> or **0438 858 212**.

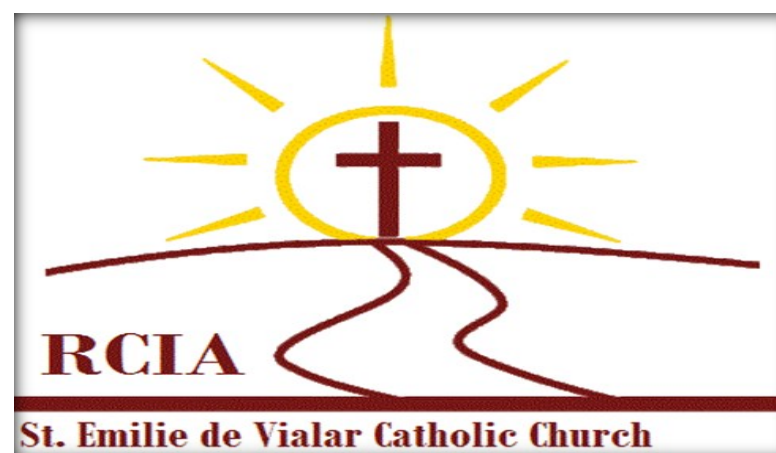
30 Aug **SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY**

The Catholic bishops of Australia have released the Social Justice Statement 2020-21, on the critical subject of mental health, in the lead-up to Social Justice Sunday, 30 August. The COVID-19 pandemic is affecting the mental health of many members of our parishes, schools and communities. Understanding mental health will help us to be aware of those who need our support. In the Social Justice Statement 2020-21, *To Live Life to the Full: Mental health in Australia today*, the Bishops invite us all to reject stigmatisation, to work for the transformation of social determinants of mental ill-health, and to call for policies and service provision that meets the needs of the poorest and most marginalised members of our community. To download the Statement please visit http://bit.ly/SocialJustice_2020.

03 Sep **COPYRIGHT REQUIREMENTS AND CHURCH MUSIC WORKSHOP**

Thursday 3 September, 7pm to 8.30pm - online. With the advent of COVID-19, copyright has taken a different direction with podcasting and streaming of liturgical services. This workshop on copyright will be offered online using 'Zoom' and will address the issues surrounding streaming music as well as general issues with copyright. Participants will be able to join the workshop live or will be able to watch it 'on demand' at a later time as it will be recorded. Each participant will need to register by email so that they receive the link to join the live workshop. This workshop is free of charge. [Click here](#) for registration form and email to registration.cfl@perthcatholic.org.au by **Thursday 27 August 2020**. **Further info;** Centre for Liturgy **08 9207 3350**.

***'I, the light, have come into the world,
so that whoever believes in me
need not remain in the dark anymore.'***



Our parish is offering an Enquiry evening for those within our wider community who may consider seeking to join the Catholic faith. This process involves a conversion journey of drawing closer to Christ.

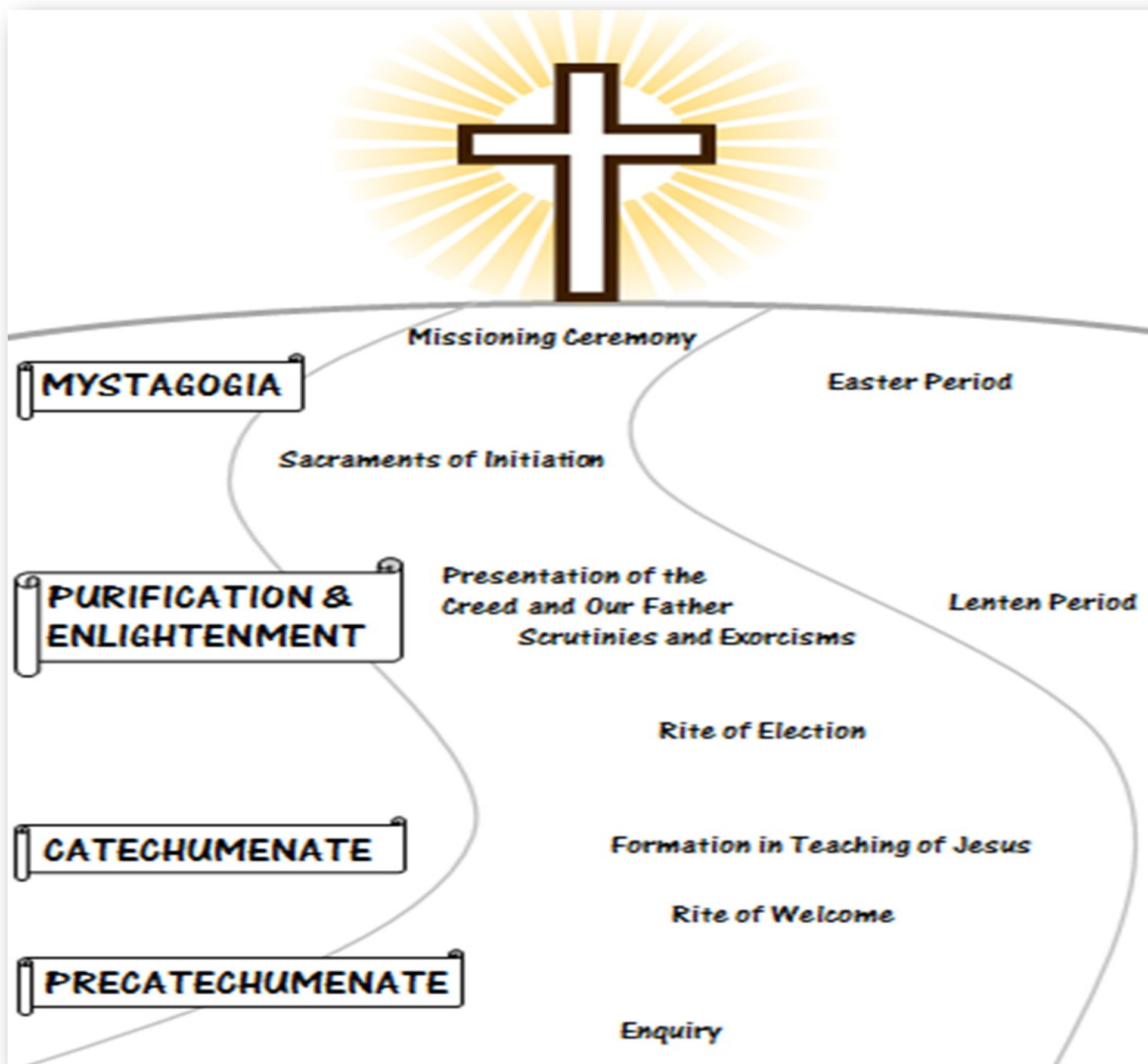
***'For He who is the way, the truth, and the life fulfils all their spiritual expectations,
indeed infinitely surpasses them.'***

The Enquiry Evening will start at:

7:30 PM on Wednesday, 26 August 2020 in the School Hall.

To register your interest please contact the Parish office on **9256-9650**

or email jean-noel.marie@perthcatholic.org.au



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