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24 January 2021

3rd Sunday of
Ordinary Time

Year B

Entrance Antiphon: O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

First Reading: *A reading from the prophet Jonah (3:1-5, 10)*

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said. 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth from the greatest to the least. God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour. And God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

Responsorial Psalm: (Ps. 24)

R. Teach me your ways, O Lord.

- Lord, make me know your ways. Lord, teach me your paths. Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: for you are God my saviour. (R)
- Remember your mercy, Lord, and the love you have shown from of old. In your love remember me, because of your goodness, O Lord. (R)
- The Lord is good and upright. He shows the path to those who stray, he guides the humble in the right path; he teaches his way to the poor. (R)

Second Reading: *A reading from the first letter of St. Paul to the Corinthians (7:29-31)*

Brothers: our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! The kingdom of God is near: believe the Good News! Alleluia!

Gospel: *A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark (1:14-20)*

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.' As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him. Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John, they too were in their boat, mending their nets, he called them at once, and leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.

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

Communion Antiphon: Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

MASS INTENTIONS

All the Masses that our Priests are celebrating in private 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

In today's Gospel, when Simon and Andrew responded to Jesus' call to follow him, they were two fishermen casting their nets into the sea. What a change that call and their response to it made in their lives. We are called too to follow the new way of Jesus and our response has changed our lives whether we acknowledge the fact or not.

We know that God has an important message to send and chooses us to do it. The disciples must have been afraid to change their way of life, afraid of the unknown, of the risks they were taking. Fear of the unknown can be a stumbling block to change in our lives too.

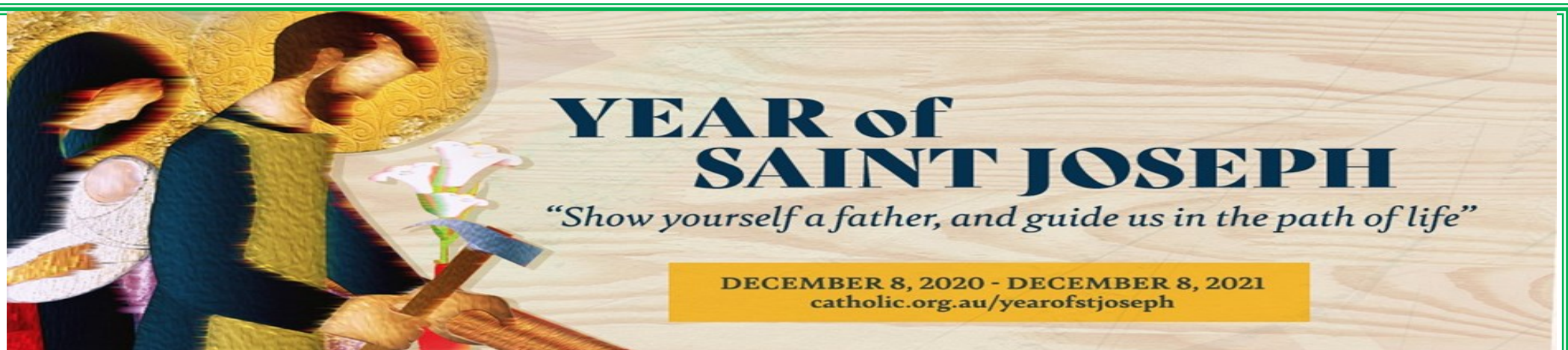
This week reflect on a time when you were faced with a time of change, and the fear it raised. How did you cope? Did your relationship with Jesus help you through?

Ash Wednesday

This year Ash Wednesday falls on 17 February 2021. To prepare the ashes, if you still have your blessed palms from previous years please bring them to the church by **Sunday 7 February** and leave them in the church entrance.

St Emilie's Parish RE Program Start Date for classes and Enrolment Dates

The Re Program Classes will begin the 2nd week of Term on Tuesday 9th February. We will be taking enrolments at the church for the classes on the following dates: Wednesday 27th January between 2.30pm & 5pm, Tuesday 3rd February & Wednesday 4th February between 2.30 & 5pm. Please note: We do hope you will take advantage of these enrolment times as we won't be taking enrolments on the 1st day (9th Feb). You can bring your children to the classes, but enrolments that day will be too difficult to manage with so many children to place and organise. You will have to come back another time to complete their enrolments. The Parish classes cover children from Year 1 - 6 for formation and for the Sacraments of 1st Reconciliation, 1st Holy Communion and Confirmation. Enquiries to Lyn Harkins at email lharkins@iinet.net.au or phone 0404 325 900.



Pope Francis on December 8, 2020 published an Apostolic Letter *Patris corde* (*With a Father's Heart*), commemorating the 150th anniversary of the declaration of Saint Joseph as Patron of the Universal Church. To mark the occasion, the Holy Father has proclaimed a "Year of St Joseph", running from December 8, 2020 to December 8, 2021.

http://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_letters/documents/papa-francesco-lettera-ap_20201208_patris-corde.html

https://catholic.org.au/images/Litany_of_St_Joseph.pdf

VINES OF ST EMILIE: Just a gentle reminder that our Seniors group will reopen on Tuesday 2 February at the 'small hall' from 10am to 1pm. Rosary and Adoration as usual in church from 9am to 10am. We would appreciate if you are not able to attend to inform us for catering purposes. Transport could be arranged for those needing it, please let us know in advance. New members are most welcome, we meet on every first Tuesday of the month, for more details please ring Mary on 93932128 or at the Piety stall.

2022 Iona Presentation College Scholarships: Iona Presentation College is proud to offer Academic and Music scholarships for Year 7 and Year 10, 2022. Applications are now open, and close on Friday 26 February. For more information and details on how to apply, please go to www.iona.wa.edu.au/scholarships

A Note on the issue of the Covid-19 Vaccine

With the Covid-19 Vaccine rollout to begin by late February I am pleased to share this note on the morality of using some COVID-19 vaccines, provided by the Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith on 22 December 2020. This maintains a long-standing teaching of the universal Church with regard to the morality of vaccines generally. Governments, funding bodies and authorities in every country are strongly exhorted to do their work ethically with respect for every human person from conception until natural death. At all times we oppose the destruction of human life. At the same time, remote connection with such actions is an important factor when considering our responsibility to the common good and the health of others. This letter is offered as a clarification and help to Catholic Christians seeking to discern the appropriate moral path in light of the Holy Spirit and sound moral reflection.

Paper copies of this Letter are available at the Church Entrance.



Personal Advocacy Service needs your HELP!!

Do you still have a valid driver's License and time to share your life experiences over a cuppa?

Personal Advocacy Service an agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Perth provides support for people with varying degrees of intellectual disability to enable them to live more fully as active members of their local community. Grounded in the teachings of Jesus Christ, Personal Advocacy recognises the human dignity and spiritual worth of all persons, including those with disabilities. We believe that all persons are created by God to fulfil a unique mission on this earth and to bring their own special gifts into the lives of all they touch.

These may seem like very ordinary activities but some of this would not be possible for our friends without the extra help. If you are a caring person, have love of faith and enjoy meeting new people and have a sense of fun, come and join us. St Emilie's parish along with Fr. Jean-Noel MARIE is looking forward to a group starting here in your parish centre in 2021.

For each person with intellectual disability, an environment, conducive to growth may need to be initiated and supported by a close one-to-one relationship with another member of the community. Personal Advocacy is committed to offering appropriate motivation, training and support to ordinary members of the community, to enable them to take up the role of personal advocate.

As people with intellectual disability are assisted in achieving their rights to belong and grow, both within the local parish and wider communities, their contribution will enrich the lives (life) of the whole community.

If your New Year's resolution is to make a difference in someone's life, Personal Advocacy Service needs you.

The small group runs on 8 volunteers. We are in need more volunteers. If you would like more information about us, please Contact Fr. Jean-Noel Marie on **9256-9650** or email Jean-noel.marie@perthcatholic.org.au God Bless you all. Thank you for reading this notice.

Find out more about us from our website www.paswa.org.au

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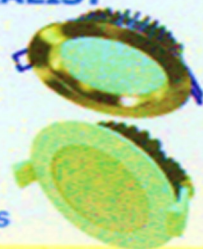
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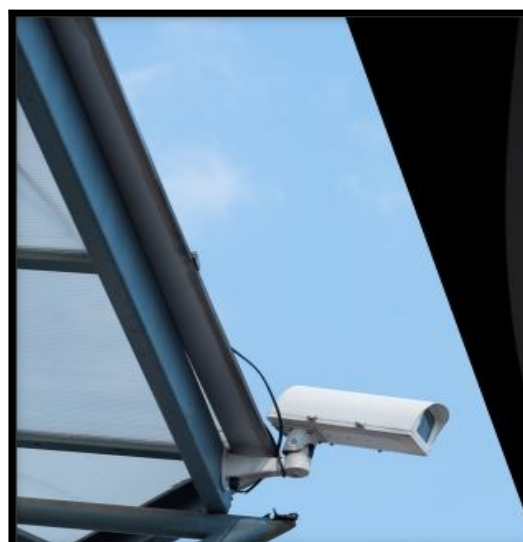


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