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29 November 2020

**First Sunday
of
Advent
Year B**

Entrance Antiphon: To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. In you, I have trusted; let me not be put to shame. Nor let my enemies exult over me; and let none who hope in you be put to shame.

First Reading: *A reading from the Prophet Isaiah (63:16-17, 64:1, 3-8)*

You, Lord, yourself are our Father, Our Redeemer is your ancient name. Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways and harden our hearts against fearing you? Return, for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your inheritance. Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down – at your Presence the mountains would melt. No ear has heard, no eye has seen any god but you act like this for those who trust him. You guide those who act with integrity and keep your ways in mind. You were angry when we were sinners; we had long been rebels against you. We were all like men unclean, all that integrity of ours is like filthy clothing. We have all withered like leaves and our sins blew us away like the wind. No one invoked your name or roused himself to catch hold of you. For you hid your face from us and gave us up to the power of our sins. And yet, Lord, you are our Father; we the clay, you the potter, we are all the work of your hand.

Responsorial Psalm: (Ps. 79)

R. Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be saved.

- A shepherd of Israel, hear us, shine forth from your cherubim throne. O Lord, rouse up your might, O Lord, come to our help. (R)
- God of hosts, turn again, we implore, look down from heaven and see. Visit this vine and protect it, the vine your right hand has planted. (R)
- May your hand be on the man you have chosen, the man you have given your strength. And we shall never forsake you again: give us life that we may call upon your name. (R)

Second Reading: *A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians (1:3-9)*

May God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ send you grace and peace. I never stop thanking God for all the graces you have received through Jesus Christ. I thank him that you have been enriched in so many ways, especially in your teachers and preachers; the witness to Christ has indeed been strong among you so that you will not be without any of the gifts of the Spirit while you are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed; and he will keep you steady and without blame until the last day, the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, because God by calling you has joined you to his Son, Jesus Christ; and God is faithful.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, Alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation! Alleluia!

Gospel: *A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark (13:33-37)*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will come. It is like a man travelling abroad' he has gone from home, and left his servants in charge, each with his own task; and he has told the doorkeeper to stay awake. So stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming, evening, midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep and what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!'

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

Communion Antiphon: The Lord will bestow his bounty, and our earth shall yield its increase.



MASS INTENTIONS

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

Pastoral Corner

The word Advent means coming. It is a time of waiting and expectation. Only God knows when the second coming will be, but in today's Gospel we are reminded that we must stay awake and be ready for Jesus when he returns. During a time of waiting there are things we can do to keep growing in our lives. What about the feeling of hope that comes from a belief that we have been blessed by God with the gift of our faith?

It is especially important to keep that feeling of hope alive and active. Hope is the dynamo that drives us on through the daily struggles we face. It is the source of our missionary journey to others. Hope is the light in us that attracts others to our way of life.

During the coming week, think of a way you could offer hope to someone you know who is struggling and in pain and carry it out.

Parish Finances - Urgent Update

During these troubled times you may wish to deposit any donations into the following accounts but **please note that since the appointment of the new Parish Priest, there has been a change to the First Collection Account details:**

First Collection

BSB: 086006

Ac: 742063342

Ac Name: Canning Vale Parish Presbytery Account

Busy Bee at St Emilie's

To prepare for the Christmas festivities, we are going to have a **busy bee at St Emilie's** in the morning of **Saturday, 12 December 2020.** As many hands make light work I am calling on all of you to join in and make our church premises and grounds look neat and tidy for this Christmas. For more information, contact **Anthony Rankin on 0413 152 114** and please place your name on the attendance sheet at the door of the church.



Changes Regarding Mass Attendance And COVID-19 Restrictions: As of **Saturday, 5 December 2020**, all people **over the age of 16** attending church **at any time** including Masses and other Liturgies, will be required to have their presence recorded.

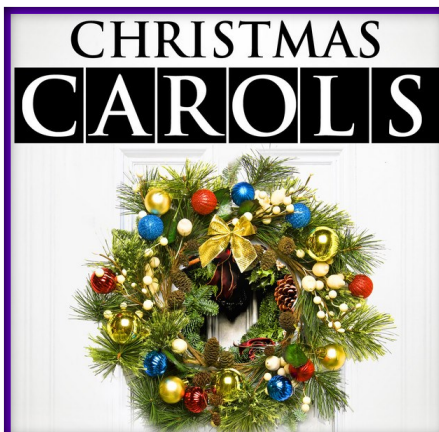
We will have a **QR Code** specific to our church which you are required to scan on your arrival if you have a smartphone. You are required to download the **SafeWA App** onto your phone from either the App Store or GooglePlay Store and load your personal data. When you arrive at the church you will then just need to scan the QR Code and complete the very brief question section. If you do not have a Smartphone, you will have the opportunity to have your name and details recorded on a paper register that will be stored securely in the Parish and kept for the mandatory 28 day period. The Register will be destroyed as per the Government directives.

If you have any queries related to this register, please do not hesitate to contact the **Parish Office on 9256-9650.**

St Vincent De Paul: SVDP thanks all parishioners who have assisted us in previous years with Christmas food and ask for your assistance again this year. We are asking for assistance with special Christmas foods like tins of ham, Christmas cake, fruit mince pies, biscuits or a Present for a Primary school Child or younger children/Baby of families we assist. Tags will be available in the church foyer with ages shortly. Please be advised that all items need to be in the Church by **Sunday, 13 December 2020.**

Second Rite of Reconciliation for Advent: As Christmas approaches we will be having our Second Rite of Reconciliation at **St Emilie's** on **Tuesday, 22 December 2020 at 7.00 pm.**

St Emilie's Parish RE Program Enrolments for 2021: The RE Program is now finished for 2020. We will be taking enrolments again for 2021 in late January and early February all being well. Families who have already been enrolled will be notified of the dates etc. and it will also be published in the St Emilie's Sunday Bulletin. Enquiries to **Lyn Harkins 0404 325 900** or email **lharkins@iinet.net.au.**



Christmas Carols at St Emilie's

Join us for our Parish Community Nativity Play and Christmas Carols sing-along in a relaxed and festive atmosphere after the

5.00 pm Mass on Sunday, 20 December 2020.

Please bring a plate to share.



We congratulate our 14 children from the RE Programme who received the

Sacrament of Confirmation

during a very beautiful ceremony on Saturday, 21 November 2020 at St Emillie's.

Let us continue to support those children with our prayers as they fully embrace their vocation as baptised Christians and missionaries of the Lord's mercy.



Changes to the Collects in the Roman Missal

On 13 May 2020, Cardinal Robert Sarah, Prefect of the Congregation for Divine Worship and the Discipline of the Sacraments, wrote to Episcopal Conferences in relation to a change to the Trinitarian conclusion to the collects (opening prayers) in the Roman Missal (2010). Until recently, a typical conclusion to the collect read as follows:

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, **one** God, for ever and ever.

Cardinal Sarah's letter indicated that the inclusion of the word "one" before God is problematic in relation to the Latin text: "Deus, per omnia saecula saeculorum". The inclusion of the word "one" before God, Cardinal Sarah wrote:

... can serve to undermine the statement of the Son's unique identity within the Trinity which the Latin formulas so strongly convey and, on the other hand, it can also be interpreted as saying that Jesus Christ is "one God". Either or both of these interpretations is injurious to the faith of the Church. It is clear from the Latin texts that the doxology emphasises the divinity of Our Lord, Jesus Christ, the Incarnate Son, who intercedes on our behalf, as the Second Person of the Blessed Trinity, to the Father and which prayer is made in the unity of the Holy Spirit. Thus the Son's role of priestly mediation is made clear. To transfer the Trinitarian relational element *in unitate* as meaning *unus Deus* is incorrect. The omission of the word "one" before God will mean that the three possible conclusions to the collects [as outlined in the General Instruction of the Roman Missal (2012), n. 54] will read as follows:

Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Or

Who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever. Or

Who live and reign with God the Father in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

Following advice from the Bishops Commission for Liturgy, the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference approved the change to the Trinitarian conclusions to the collect prayers in the Roman Missal.

The change will take effect from the First Sunday of Advent, 29 November 2020.

Advent Retreat

Our Christian tradition focuses all humanity's attention, anticipation and longing for the 'more' of God's coming in the person of a young woman from Nazareth.

We will journey this Advent with Mary, as she becomes the meeting place of human and divine longing, and risks bringing God's future into being.

Details

Date	Saturday, 5 December 2020
Time	9.15am to 2.30pm
Venue	Retreat House Redemptorist Monastery Camelia St North Perth
Contact	Mildred Rego on 63805335 Email: mildred.rego@cewa.edu.au
Morning Tea	Provided
Lunch	Please bring your own lunch
Facilitator	Dr Pina Ford



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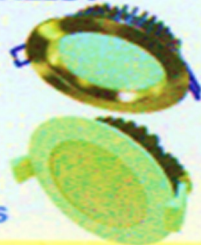
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