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9 August 2020

19th Sunday

in

Ordinary Time

Year A

Entrance Antiphon: Look to your covenant, O Lord, and forget not the life of your poor ones for ever. Arise, O God, and defend your cause, and forget not the cries of those who seek you.

First Reading: 1 Kings (19:9, 11-13)

When Elijah reached Horeb, the mountain of God, he went into the cave and spent the night in it. Then he was told, 'Go out and stand on the mountain before the Lord.' Then the Lord himself went by. There came a mighty wind, so strong it tore the mountains and shattered the rocks before the Lord. But the Lord was not in the wind. After the wind came an earthquake. But the Lord was not in the earthquake. After the earthquake came a fire. But the Lord was not in the fire. And after the fire there came the sound of a gentle breeze. And when Elijah heard this, he covered his face with his cloak and went out and stood at the entrance of the cave.

Responsorial Psalm: (Ps.84)

R. Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation

- I will hear what the Lord God has to say, a voice that speaks of peace. His help is near for those who fear him and his glory will dwell in our land. **(R)**
- Mercy and faithfulness have met; justice and peace have embraced. Faithfulness shall spring from the earth and justice look down from heaven. **(R)**
- The Lord will make us prosper and our earth shall yield its fruit. Justice shall march before him and peace shall follow his steps. **(R)**

Second Reading: Romans (9:1-5)

What I want to say is no pretence; I say it in union with Christ – it is the truth – my conscience in union with the Holy Spirit assures me of it too. What I want to say is this: my sorrow is so great, my mental anguish so endless, I would willingly be condemned and be cut off from Christ if it could help my brothers of Israel, my own flesh and blood. They were adopted as sons, they were given the glory and the covenants; the Law and the ritual were drawn up for them, and the promises were made to them. They are descended from the patriarchs and from their flesh and blood came Christ who is above all, God for ever blessed! Amen.

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia! I hope in the Lord, I trust in his word. Alleluia!

Gospel: Matthew (14:22-33)

Jesus made the disciples get into the boat and go on ahead to the other side while he would send the crowds away. After sending the crowds away he went up into the hills by himself to pray. When evening came, he was there alone, while the boat, by now far out on the lake, was battling with a heavy sea, for there was a head-wind. In the fourth watch of the night he went towards them, walking on the lake, and when the disciples saw him walking on the lake they were terrified. 'It is a ghost' they said, and cried out in fear. But at once Jesus called out to them, saying 'Courage! It is I! Do not be afraid.' It was Peter who answered. 'Lord', he said 'if it is you, tell me to come to you across the water.' 'Come' said Jesus. Then Peter got out of the boat and started walking towards Jesus across the water, but as soon as he felt the force of the wind, he took fright and began to sink. 'Lord! Save me!' he cried. Jesus put out his hand at once and held him. 'Man of little faith,' he said 'why did you doubt?' And as they got into the boat the wind dropped. The men in the boat bowed down before him and said, 'Truly, you are the Son of God.'

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

Communion Antiphon: O Jerusalem, glorify the Lord, who gives you your fill of finest wheat.

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

In this week's Gospel, Peter's experience can echo for us times when we have been caught in storms of fear and confusion and felt like we were going under. Removing our focus from Jesus can cause our doubts to multiply and allow us to sink. Can you think of a time when you experienced the calming action of Jesus? What are the things that can be a distraction on your personal faith journey that have caused you to remove your focus from Jesus? What are the things that have helped keep you afloat? During this week be aware of the fears of others in your family or workplace, and be a soothing, calming influence for them.



The Solemnity of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

The Solemnity of the Assumption being a Holy Day of Obligation in Australia we will have a Mass at St Emilie's on
[Saturday 15 August at 9.00 am.](#)

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

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Second Collection

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Ac: 528184530

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



Sacrament of 1st Reconciliation at St Emilie's Parish

Next week sixty-five of our Parish Children are making their Sacrament of 1st Reconciliation at St Emilie's, and we extend our congratulations to the children and their families at this big step in their Sacramental journey. Please keep the children and their families in your prayers.



The Daniel Fasting – An Initiative from Shalom Media

Daniel Fasting – A 21 days spiritual journey with prayers and sacrifices from Aug 1st to Aug 21st - is the deliberate and intentional dedication to focus on God and humbling oneself in the presence of almighty God. We do this with the same fervor and urgency shown by prophet Daniel for his people and nation. Expecting a great manifestation of God's power upon the current pandemic, we lift our hands and hearts to the Lord for supernatural breakthroughs in our lives and in the world.

For more details about Daniel Fasting Prayer, please visit our website link below:

<http://www.shalommedia.org/danielfasting>



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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**.

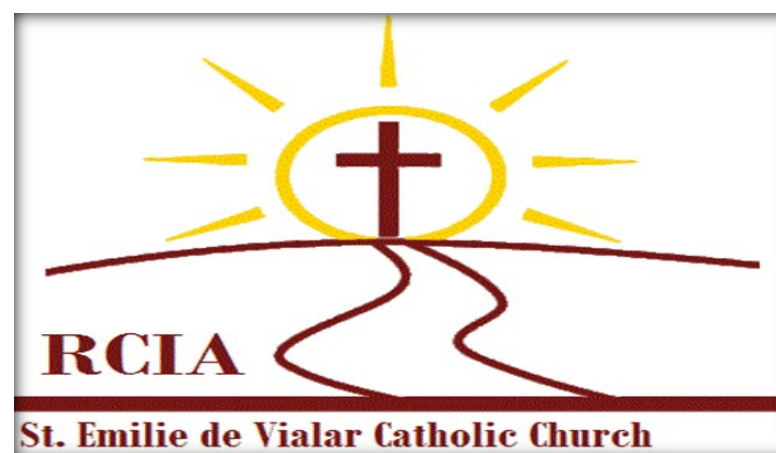
30 Aug SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY

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.

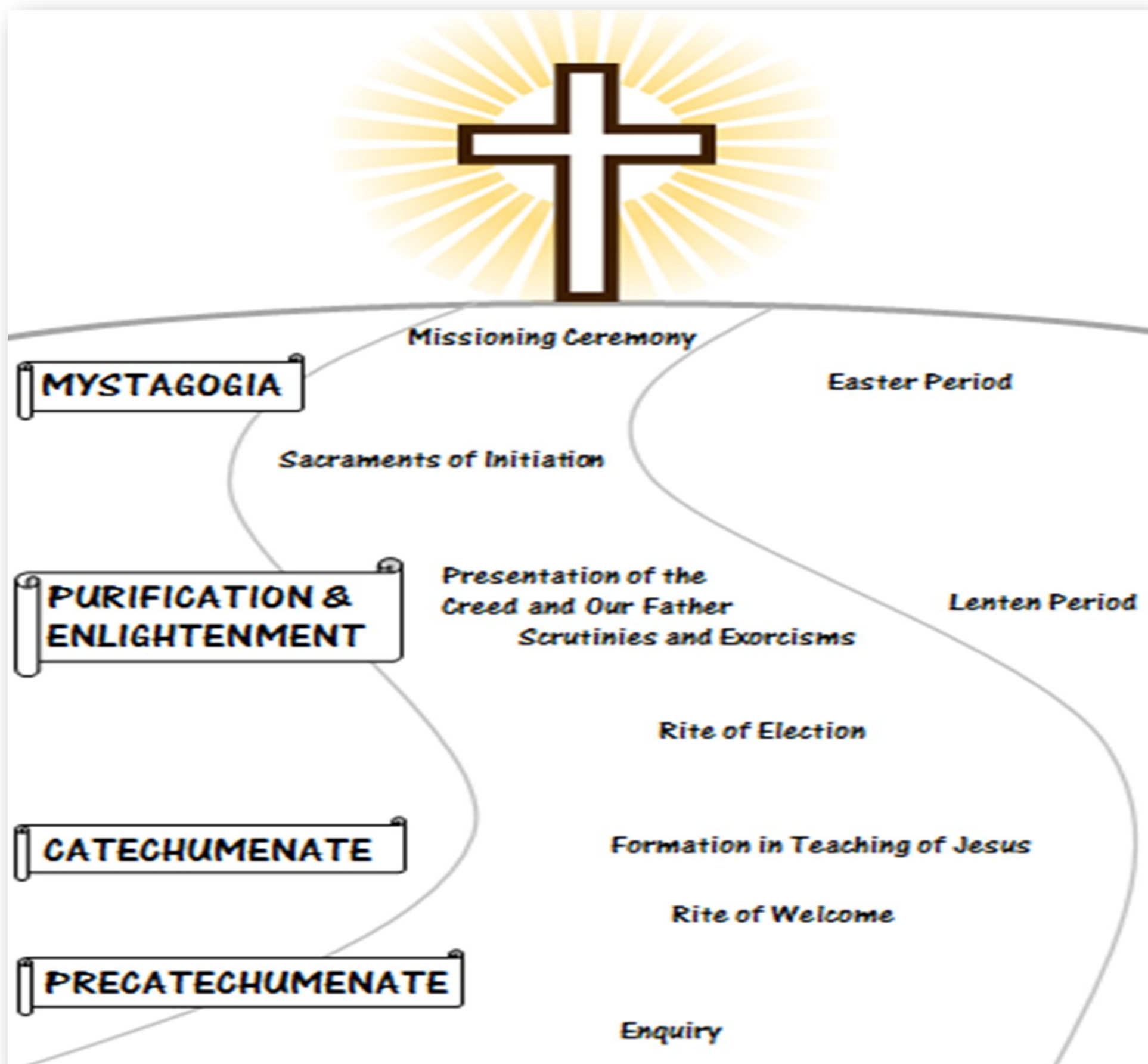
***'For He who is the way, the truth, and the life fulfils all their spiritual expectations,
indeed infinitely surpasses them.'***

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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