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MASS TIMES THIS WEEK: Masses are Saturday Vigil at 6pm and Sunday at 7.30am and 9.30am. Weekdays Monday, Tuesday, and Friday, 10am. Wednesday and Thursday at 5pm. The Church is open every day from 7am to 6pm.

ST COLUMBA'S PARISH, SOUTH PERTH

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BAPTISM ENQUIRIES: Celebrated at 11am on the first Sunday of month

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: **Presenters needed**, except in the school holidays.

COLUMBA CARE: Convenor Shaun Maton admin.south.perth@perthcatholic.org.au

COLUMBARIUM: enquiries to admin.south.perth@perthcatholic.org.au

MARRIAGE ENQUIRIES: admin.south.perth@perthcatholic.org.au

RECONCILIATION or CONFESSION: Saturday 11:30am – 12pm.

RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION AFTER SCHOOL FOR FIRST EUCHARIST, PRE CONFIRMATION,

CONFIRMATION & RECONCILIATION: Contact Catechist Helen on 0401 329 479 or email

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MASS INTENTIONS: Masses for the faithful departed offered; Marie Finucane, recently deceased, Mass offered requested by Peter McCutcheon; Joan and Helen McCutcheon, requested by Peter for his mother and sister, Masses offered; Beth Tas, on her anniversary, requested by Lydia Michaud and Christine Lally, 9:30am Mass today.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: John and Sue Catling, Anointed on Tuesday, doing poorly. Ursula Herne has had a fall.

PILGRIMAGE TO ROME, ASSISI & SICILY: Join Monsignor Michael Keating on a Pilgrimage to Italy – May 5 to May 19. Costs \$8774, (excluding taxes) including full board with the Srs of Fraterna Domus in Rome. Travelling on Emirates – Perth → Dubai → Rome. Full itinerary available from Anawim Journeys, 28B Ferguson Street, Maylands, WA. Phone: 08 6118 7313 or email: info@anawimjourneys.com

BEAUTIFUL BIBLE STORIES: From the Old and New Testaments, \$15 per copy. 3 copies are available.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY

ROSTER: During the 9:30am Mass. We are currently seeking further volunteers including husbands and wives, young married couples or others whose children may assist them.



WEEKDAYS OF LENT: Tuesday: Sts Perpetua & Felicity; Wednesday: St John of God → ; Thursday: St Frances of Rome



SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT: At the Transfiguration, the disciples hear a voice that recalls Christ's baptism: "This is my beloved Son with whom I am well pleased; listen to him." Preaching about the Transfiguration, (stained glass window of the Transfiguration in St Mary's Cathedral →) Pope Francis said, "We are called to be people who listen to his voice and take his words seriously. To listen to Jesus, we must be close to him, to follow him. When we listen to the Word of Jesus and carry it in our heart, this Word grows. The Word of Christ grows in us when we proclaim it, when we give it to others! And this is what Christian life is. It is a mission for the whole Church, for all the baptised." It was the grace of hearing God's voice that filled Abram with the conviction to go forth from the land of his kinsfolk to a completely unknown land. We can bear our hardships for the Gospel, because through the Transfiguration we have been given :the strength that comes from God." The grace we need in order to go where God directs us has been "made manifest through the appearance of our Saviour Christ Jesus."



2nd SUNDAY OF LENT – CARITAS REFLECTION:

Think for a moment about some of the things you have on your walls at home. They don't have to be fancy or expensive. They might be photos of your family or perhaps of deceased grandparents. They might be prints of famous paintings or posters with sayings that mean a lot to you. It is very common that Christians have special things: crucifixes or images of saints.

All of these things inspire us in one way or another. If ever you have had to pack up to move house and looked at your bare walls as you leave, they will seem empty and colourless. Art is one of the things that transfigures our world and makes it more beautiful. Other things do this as well: laughter, tears, cooking,

music, hugs and sharing stories. They all transfigure our houses and allow us to see them as homes. Hey unlock the true potential of an otherwise ordinary space.

This week Project Compassion, organsied by Caritas Australia, present us with the story of Tereesa, a 27-year old Indigenous woman from western Sydney, the area with the largest urban Indigenous population in the country. Tereesa became pregnant at the age of 16. With your help, Project Compassion has been able to support the Mums and Bubs program run by Baabayn Aboriginal Corporation. This allowed Tereesa to find accomodation, gain skills and continue her education. She was also able to connect with her culture. Her glorious artwork was featured on the Wulugul Wal during Sydney's Vivid Festival last year. Her use of light and colour transfigured the environment where it was displayed. In so many places, Project Compassion helps people to achieve their vision.



Of course, the transfiguration of Jesus is unique. We hear in today's Gospel that Jesus took his closest friends to the top of a high mountain. His face shone like the sun and his garment became 'as white as the light.' A voice from heaven said "this is my beloved son; listen to him. "Peter said how wonderful it was to be there. The transfiguration may have only lasted a few minutes but it was clear that Jesus' friends never forgot it. Like a work of art on a wall, the memory made the world seem very different. During Lent we are also called to transfigure the world, to make a difference.

BAPTISMS: We pray for the parents and godparents as their children receive the saving waters of Baptism for Alya Bird, Abby Iva Seiler and Blake Lawrence Jia Yi Kiely. Next week, the Baptism of Miles Robert Pearce.



1st SUNDAY OF LENT:

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Remember your compassion, O Lord, and your merciful love, for they are of old. Let not our enemies exult over us. Redeem us, O God of Israel, from all our distress.

Sunday Missal, readings are on pages 168-171

First Reading: Book of Genesis 12:1-4

Psalms: 32 **Response:** Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.

Second Reading: St Paul to Timothy 1:8-10

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ! From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

Gospel: Holy Gospel according to Matthew 17:108

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased; listen to him.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS – 3rd Sunday of Lent:

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: My eyes are always on the Lord, for he rescues my feet from the snare. Turn to me and have mercy on me.

Sunday Missal, readings are on pages 171-177

First Reading: Book of Exodus 17:307

Psalms: 94 **Response:** If today you hear his voice, harden not your hearts.

Second Reading: St Paul to the Romans 5:1-2, 5-8

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! Lord, you are truly the Saviour of the world; give me living water, that I may never thirst again. Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel: Holy Gospel according to John 4:5-42

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: For anyone who drinks it, says the Lord, the water I shall give will become in him a spring welling up to eternal life.

IRISH SCENE: One article features our parishioner Pat Donovan. These are available on the main porch table for borrowing. One per family. Please **remember they boomerang.**

2nd Sunday of Lent

4th/5th of March 2023

SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT: Oases on the journey. As followers of Jesus, we have nowhere to pitch our tents. We must journey with Jesus through the hardships of life to glory. There will be oases along the way – moments of consolation which reveal the presence of God among us. We cannot remain in these moments for ever, but they give us refreshment. Remembering them will sustain us on our pilgrim way.

PRAYER FOR THE UKRAINE:

O Lord our God, look down with mercy on the Ukrainian people. Protect and save them from the unjust aggressors who seek to subdue them. Grant them steadfast trust in your mercy and protection.

O Mother of God, who gave us your miraculous icon at Zaravantysia →, intercede for the Ukrainian people, who run to the shelter of our mercy in their times of need.

O Lord Jesus Christ, have mercy on us. Grant peace and protection to the people of Ukraine. Give them strength and courage to defend what is good, right, and holy. Keep them safe from harm and provide for all their needs, both temporal and spiritual.

Hear our prayers, O Lord, and deliver us from distress, for You are merciful and compassionate and love mankind. To You we give glory: the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit, now and forever. Amen.

REFLECTION ON OUR WAY IN LENT AT THE SCHOENSTATT CENTRE: 11 March, 10am-2pm. Lunch BYO.

9 Talus Dr, Mt Richon, - WA, 6112 (of South Western Hwy)

Phone: 9399 2349

Sr. M. Lisette: 0400 234 910

Website for further info: www.schoenstattwa.org.au

MORNING CUPPA: Following the 9:30am Mass. All are welcome.



ENROLLING NOW - SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION CLASSES FOR CHILDREN WHO DO NOT ATTEND CATHOLIC SCHOOLS & FOR THOSE WHO DO ATTEND CATHOLIC COLLEGES.

For the Confirmation, First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation. Prep Classes in the Parish Centre commencing soon. For children who do attend Catholic schools, and are ready to receive the Sacraments of Confirmation, First Holy Communion or First Reconciliation may enrol as External Candidates to participate in St Columba's Sacramental Program for School Children. Parents, please contact our Parish Coordinator Helen directly by phone / text on 0401 329 479 to discuss and enrol.

'TRIUMPH' LENTEN REFLECTION:

There are 5 copies available for \$10 each from the main porch table. If they sell out, Daniel of the Diocese has supplied a online version. Please email admin.south.perth@perthcatholic.org.au for a digital copy. On Monday's of Lent, we will have a shared reflection following the 10am Mass. On the Friday's of Lent, the **STATIONS OF THE CROSS** will be prayed from 5pm, using the text "You have Redeemed the World."



LENTEN PAMPHLET: Are now available on the main porch table for 50c each. It provides a synopsis of Lent. A great read!

THE NEW COMMUNITY BIBLE: Contains indents for each book, explanatory notes and commentary. Available for \$19.95 per copy. This Bible makes an ideal gift for those preparing for Sacraments or reception into the Church, or members of the RCIA.



REFLECTIONS DURING LENT: March 1, 8, 15, 22 – Lenten Mornings in March at Nano Nagle Centre with Presenter Sr. Shelly M Barlow. For further information, please visit: www.nanonaglecentre.org.au

MISSION OUTREACH: The latest edition has arrived. It will be available on the main porch tables. It is their 25th anniversary. An excellent read.

ALTAR SOCIETY RETIRING COLLECTION: Following all Masses.

