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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 western side porch door is unlocked.

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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POPE FRANCIS' PRAYER FOR PEACE:

God of mercy and compassion; of grace and reconciliation; pour your power upon all your children in the Middle East: Jews, Muslims and Christians, Palestinians and Israelis. Let hatred be turned into love, fear to trust, despair to hope, oppression to freedom, occupation to liberation, that violent encounters may be replaced by loving embraces, and peace and justice could be experienced by all. God of all creation, bring justice and peace to our world. Teach us to be peacemakers. Guide us in our pursuit of justice and the common good. Inspire us to welcome all, forgive all, and love all. Direct us as we walk in the shadow of Jesus: the Way, the Truth and the Life. Inspire us to perceive the world through your eyes, that we might find hope and joy each day, supportive of each other, for the sake of your Kingdom. Amen.

MASS INTENTIONS:

Masses for the faithful departed offered:

Parishioners intentions, 9:30am

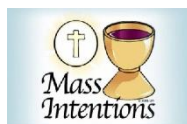
Mass today; Walter Joseph Sonntag,

father-in-law of Kathy Sonntag, anniversary Mass,

Mass offered; For Aloysius Lee, husband of Carole,

brother-in-law of Patricia Cowley, recently deceased,

following his battle with cancer, Mass offered.



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND BEREAVED:

We pray for all of the sick in our Parish, especially for for Penny Fernandez, Philomena Taylor, mother of Lyndon. Monsignor took Anointing of the Sick to Lillian Simeon, John Herne (Ursula is now in Sir Charles Gardiner Hospital).

Afterwards, Monsignor took Holy Communion and Anointing of the Sick to June and Barry Curthoys, who were both very bright and appreciative. For Gerard Coyte, seriously sick, father of our parishioner and reader Anthony Coyte.



THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

Saint Paul urges the Corinthians to "be united in the same mind and in the same purpose" without any divisions among them, and Jesus himself chose companions as soon as he moved to Capernaum. In the unity that Simon, Andrew, James and John experience through their friendship with Christ, they become certain that "the kingdom of heaven is at hand." Such a unity in chaity remains a compelling witness to the truth of the Gospel. Thanks to our compelling witness to the truth of the Gospel. Thanks to our communion in Christ, "anguish has taken wing, dispelled is darkness: for there is no gloom where but now there was distress." To us enshrouded in the "land of gloom," Jesus Christ beckons, "Come after me." – Taken from the Magnificat

SAINTS OF THE WEEK:

Wednesday: St Anthony ; Saturday: St Fabian and St Sebastian →.



THE MEMOIRS OF ARCHBISHOP BARRY

HICKEY: Have now been published, as *My Spirit Land*.

Posters are available. Monsignor's copy is available for inspection in the Sacristy.

CONCORDE NURSING HOME:

Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion will be celebrated on Tuesday, February 6th at 2pm. Followed by a sacramental vist to Lillian Simeon and June and Barry Curthoys. We thank senior server, Ian Sydney-Smith for assisting.

DISSAMBELY OF THE CHRISTMAS CRIB:

We thank all those who accepted the invitation last Saturday: Geoff Dawes, John Cummins, Henery Hollingsworth. Apologies from Trevor who is recovery from Covid and David Vlahov and Randolph Francis who is interstate.

TIDY CHURCH ROSTER:

We are looking for new members to join. Please contact Dina Robertson 0403 951 355 robertsonjdia@bigpond.com

FEAST OF ST VALENTINE, FEB 10TH AND 11TH:



Email invitations have been sent to all engaged couples who are to marry at St Columba's. Their parents are welcome.

The Blessing for Engaged Couples will also include a blessing of engagement rings. The blessings will be during the Vigil Mass of Saturday February 10th at 6pm and on the Sunday Masses on February 11th. The couples are asked to choose which Mass they will attend and send their RSVP to admin.south.perth@perthcatholic.org

PRAYERS FOR PEACE IN THE MIDDLE EAST:

Aid to the Church in Need has sent 150 prayer cards for free, featuring the icon of Our Lady of Salvation from Syriac Catholic Monastery, Lebanon. They are available at either porch table.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM FOR SCHOOL CHILDREN – ENROLLING NOW:

Confirmation, First Holy Communion, Preconfirmation, and First Reconciliation Prep Classes in the Parish Centre. Classes starting soon. Parents, please contact our Parish Coordinator Helen by phone / text on 0401 329 479 to discuss your enrolling your child to receive the sacraments.



AUSTRALIA DAY MASS WITH SPECIAL PRAYERS AND READINGS:

Will be held on January 26th at 10am. It will also include Anointing of the Sick for those suffering from a serious illness and for seniors. **All welcome.**



NANO NAGLE PRESENTATIONS 2024:

The Charism of the Nanon Nagle Centre is offering days of Quiet Reflection – Enabling and discovering personal insights into the Spirituality we carry within us. There are a number of reflections happening over the Lenten period. For further information please refer to www.nanonaglecentre.org.au

This Week's Reading: 3rd Sunday in 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.

Sunday Missal, readings are on pages 606-610

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

Psalms: 24 *Response:* Teach me your ways, O Lord.

Second Reading: A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 7:29-31

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, Alleluia! The kingdom of God is near: believe the Good News! Alleluia!

Gospel: Holy Gospel according to Mark 1:14-20

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life.

Next Week's Readings: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Save us, O Lord our God! And gather us from the nations, to give thanks to your holy name, and make it our glory to praise you.

Sunday Missal, readings are on pages 610-614

First Reading: A reading from the book Deuteronomy 18:15-20

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

Second Reading: A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 7:32-35

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, Alleluia! A people in darkness have seen a great light: a radiant dawn shines on those lost in death. Alleluia!

Gospel: Holy Gospel according to Mark 1:21-28

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Let your face shine on your servant. Save me in your merciful love. O Lord, let me never be put to shame, for I call on you.

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

20th/21st of January 2024

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME: JESUS. OUR LIGHT. At times we can find ourselves 'walking in darkness.' We get caught up in difficulties and cannot see a way out. Today's liturgy reminds us that Jesus is our light and our salvation. As with the first disciples, he calls us to follow him. In the Gospel's we have the Good News that brings light into the dark moments of our lives.- Taken from St Paul's Missal

CALL FOR READERS AT THE 9:30AM MASS: We are currently on the lookout for more readers for our 9:30am Sunday Masses. It is a rotating schedule and provides you with the opportunity to both learn and practice your public speaking. If you are interested or querying for more information, please contact Dina Robertson: 0403 951 355 robertsonjdia@bigpond.com



PILGRIMAGE: Reflect during Lent with Monsignor Michael Keating on a journey of faith from North to South Vietnam, where many have been martyred. Be touched by the light of Christ as you learn of the crosses borne by many, and also the miracles that took place with our Lady's comforting presence. Full board inclusive of economy flights on Vietnam Airlines, 4/5 star accommodation, daily breakfast, most lunches & dinners is only \$3,850 per person (based on 25 pax). For the itinerary and booking form, do WhatsApp us or call us at 0433 771 979 (Sheila) or 0402 290 827 (Veronica) or 0421 835 408 (Sue). Email: info@anawimjourneys.com



Our Lady of La Vang - the tallest statue of the Virgin Mary in Vietnam (pictured above).

PIETA – LENTEN PROGRAM 2024: Is available from the Parish \$9 per copy including postage. Group reflection following Monday 10am Mass.

THE 13TH STATION OF OUR CHURCH: Features Mary cradling the lifeless body of her Son and Mary Magdalene and St John the beloved Apostle, overcome with grief. When the half-stained glass windows in the Lady Chapel were being made by the artisan, Monsignor inspected them and in the artists' studio, he had created our 13th station in stain glass and I asked if he would loan it to the Parish for the time being. So, we paid to have it framed and backlit and it is always placed on a special stand in the Sanctuary during the Stations of the Cross and the Lord's Passion. The artist has now contacted Monsignor and has said that he is willing to sell it to the Parish for \$10,000. Hopefully, many Parishioners will be prepared to complete one of the Church Restoration envelopes with their donation. Thank you in anticipation.

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COLLECTION CHANGES: At the AGM of the Parish, Monsignor announced that the retiring collection for the Altar Society is discontinued. There are 2 standard collections in the Archdiocese. The first collection is for the Parish Priest and the subsidise the Priest who's own collection doesn't meet the standard. It also includes the Christmas dues. The Church collection, known as the Second collection, will now pay for the Church flowers, Altar breads and wine. Many Parishes now give the option of direct debit for either or both of these collections. **NOW DELAYED IN IMPLEMENTATION.**

Parish Account, BSB 086006 A/c number 458 53 7299, or you can donate to the tax deductible St. Columba's School Building Fund **BSB 086006 A/c 87662 5427**. For those who wish to contribute to the first collection, the **BSB 086006** and the **A/c Number is 18136 3635**. Please consider. Soon, the Parish will provide the option of giving by *tap & go* for each of these. In recent times, many of counters have retired, especially Agnes and Iain Watson. We thank all of our retired counters for their service.

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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 Reconciliation into the Church, or members of the RCIA..

