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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](mailto:admin.south.perth@perthcatholic.org.au)

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**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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*Rejoice, Queen of heaven, **Alleluia**. For He whom you were privileged to bear, **Alleluia**. Has risen as he said, **Alleluia**. Pray for us to God, **Alleluia**. Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, **Alleluia**. For the Lord has risen indeed, **Alleluia**. Let us pray: **O God, who has given joy to the world through the resurrection of your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ; grant that through the prayers of His Virgin Mother Mary, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.***

**MASS INTENTIONS:** Masses for the faithful departed offered; Maxwell Ronald Johnson, recently deceased (offered previously, requested by his widow Alena, Mass offered; Vigil Mass today for parishioners; Family intention of Patricia and David Cowley, Mass offered; Omer Guzman, Jose Eduardo Guzman and Carlos Leon Pena, all of Colombia, requested by their son and grandson Carlos of this Parish, Masses offered; Johanna and John S. Robertson, anniversaries, Mass to be offered 7:30am next Sunday.

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK:** Gerard Coyte receiving chemotherapy, father of Anthony. Please keep him and all of the sick in our parish, in your prayers.

**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.

**ENROLLING FOR SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION CLASSES FOR CHILDREN WHO DO NOT ATTEND CATHOLIC SCHOOLS & FOR THOSE WHO DO ATTEND CATHOLIC COLLEGES.** Please contact our Parish Coordinator Helen directly by phone / text on 0401 329 479 to discuss and enrol.

**PILGRIMAGE TO ITALY (VENICE, FLORENCE, ROME) FRANCE (PARIS and LOURDES) SPAIN (SANTIAGO de COMPOSTELLA, Monastery of Bishop Salvado) PORTUGAL (LISBON and FATIMA):** Flying home from Granada, Spain. Monsignor is spiritual assistant if 16 more Pilgrims join from July 4-22 2023. Fully inclusive cost. Please contact Jenny John by email: [come2holyland@gmail.com](mailto:come2holyland@gmail.com) or phone 0451 107 292



**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER:** The disciples on the road to Emmaus hear the Scriptures interpreted in a way that had never occurred to them before. It causes their hearts to burn within them; it is what they have been waiting to hear all their lives. It moves then to beg Jesus, "Stay with us." Our hearts burn as we hear Peter interpret Psalm 16 with the same striking authority. The words that speak of Christ's Resurrection – "You have made known to me the paths of life; you will fill me with joy in your presence" – have totally revived Peter's own life. The Eucharist is the enduring proof that we have been "ransomed from all our futile conduct by the precious blood of Christ as of a spotless unblemished lamb."

**ANZAC DAY:** Few nations commemorate a defeat in battle as do Australia and New Zealand, Australia became a nation by the union of six self-governing colonies as the Commonwealth of Australia from Jan 1, 1901. Unlike many other nations, there was no war of independence. We



remember that the cream of our manhood voluntarily went off to the First World War. That war was at a stalemate by 1915, so English Prime Minister Churchill wanted to open another front at the Dardenells of the Ottoman empire, later to become Turkey, guarding access to the Black Sea and Russia. The landings at Gallipoli were a fiasco, instead of landing at the beachfront, the soldiers, many raw volunteers were confronted by cliffs. Thanks to General John Monash, the evacuation 6 months later was a masterpiece of strategy and precision with no loss of life. We should not forget all those who remained at home, often doing the work formerly done by their menfolk or dedicated nurses and doctors. The horror of the loss of life on the battlefield was surpassed by the influenza pandemic that took more lives than did the battlefield. "Greater love than this, no man has that a man lay down his life for his hands" John 15:13-14. This is exactly what the ANZAC's did.

**RECORD MAGAZINE:** The latest issue of the Record is now available on either porch table. It includes Perth's newest Church of St John Paul II Banksia Grove, Dedicated and on Australia Day as well as an excellent read of the opening of Emmaus Catholic Primary School in Yangebup parish.

### 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** Cry out with joy to God, all the earth; O sing to the glory of his name. O render him glorious praise, Alleluia.

*Sunday Missal, readings are on pages 316-320*

**First Reading:** Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 22:33

**Psalms:** 15 *Response:* Lord, you will show us the path of life.

**Second Reading:** First Letter of St Peter 1:17-21

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, Alleluia! Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us. Make our hearts burn with love when you speak. Alleluia!

*Gospel* according to Luke 21:13-35

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** The disciples recognised the Lord Jesus in the breaking of the bread, Alleluia.

### 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter or Good Shepherd Sunday:

**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** The merciful love of the Lord fills the earth; by the word of the Lord the heavens were made, alleluia.

*Sunday Missal, readings are on pages 321-325*

**First Reading:** Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 36-41

**Psalms:** 22 *Response:* The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

**Second Reading:** First Letter of St Peter 2:20-25

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, Alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my own sheep and mine know me. Alleluia!

*Gospel* according to John 10:1-10

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** The Good Shepherd has risen, who laid down his life for his sheep and willingly died for his flock, alleluia.

## 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter – Divine Mercy Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup>/23<sup>rd</sup> of April 2023

### 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.

**THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER: HE WALKED BY THEIR SIDE.** In today's Gospel we meet a person who walks with us, and talks with us, even when we walk away from him. Jesus will never abandon us. Let us invite him to eat with us. He will bring us joy, and give us the enthusiasm we need to continue to proclaim our faith in the resurrection. – St Paul's Missal.

**SAINTS OF THE WEEK:** Monday: St Fidelis of Sigmaringen; Tuesday: **Anzac Day, Mass offered at 10am**; Wednesday: St Mark the Evangelist; Thursday: St Louis Grignin de Montfort; Friday: St Peter Chanel, first martyr of Oceania and St Catherine of Siena.



**THE BREAD OF LIFE:** The instinct to live, to survive, especially for those who had a family or loved ones to return to, was the strongest motivation of every hour of every day. How conscious these men were of everyday they lived. They counted it both as one day less in their sentence and yet one day less in their lives. No one wished, even for his bitterest enemy, the misfortune of dying in these camps away from everything a man held dear. And yet each day, they knew, was a step in the long slow march toward death. It was to such men as these that I had been chosen, and was privileged, to bring the bread of life. *Unless you eat my flesh and drink my blood, Christ said to his disciples, you shall not have life in you. He who eats my flesh and drinks my blood shall have life and have it more abundantly.* These men, with simple and direct faith, grasped this truth and they believed in it. They could not explain it as a theologian might, but they accepted it and lived by it and were willing to make voluntary sacrifices even in a life of almost total deprivation, in order to receive this bread of life. Mass and the Blessed Sacrament were a source of great consolation to me; they were the source of my strength and joy and spiritual sustenance. But it was when I realised what the Holy Eucharist meant to these men, what sacrifices they were willing to make for it, that I felt animated, privileged, driven to make it possible for them to receive this bread of life as often as they wished. No danger, no risk, no retaliation could prevent my saying Mass each day for them. As often as you do this, do it in memory of me. Life in the labour camps was Calvary for these men in many ways every day; there was nothing I would not do to offer the sacrifice of Calvary again for them each day in the Mass.

-Servant of God Walter J. Ciszek, S.J. (+1984)

**BLESSINGS WITH EASTER WATER:** Many countries have the custom of blessing homes and means of transport with Easter Water. Over the last two weeks I have blessed parishoner's cars. Other are welcome to request, especially after weekday or Vigil or 9:30am Masses. Please request during Eastertide. *Monsignor Brian O'Loughlin*



