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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 6pm. 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: Bishop David O'Connell, murdered in his home, Mass requested by a parishioner, Mass offered; Masses for the faithful departed offered; Betty Williamson, placing of her ashes in the Columbarium following the 9:30am Mass. Parishioners' intentions, 7:30am Mass today; Ronny Dharma, requested by Lucy and family, placing of his ashes in the Columbarium on Saturday, April 1st; Han Kien Juan, brother of Alena Johnson, Mass to be offered on April 11th.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK: Residents of Concorde Nursing Home, Anointed during Mass on Tuesday; followed by John Herne, at home, Ursula had a medical appointment; Gerard Coyte now in hospital, father of Anthony. Please pray for the sick of our parish and housebound, especially for the terminally ill

PARISH COUNCIL: Will meet on March 29th from 7pm. Members have been emailed.



SOLEMNITY OF SAINT JOSEPH, SPOUSE OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY: Joseph, the "foster father of our Lord" (nutritor Domini), was the legal father of Jesus. Through his genealogical line Jesus is said to be of the house of David. In his self-gift to Mary and Jesus, Joseph "fully shares in authentic human fatherhood and the mission of a father in the family" (Saint John Paul II). In 1870, Pius IX declared Joseph the patron of the Universal Church. Many saints have recommend his patronage, including Bernardine of Siena, Vincent Ferrer, and Teresa of Avila. According to Teresa, "To other saints our Lord has given power to help in one sort of need, but this glorious saint, as I know by experience, helps us in every need."

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.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT: When Jesus sees the blind man, he says, "While I am in the world, I am the light of the world." Once the blind man is healed, the people ask, "Isn't this the one who used to sit and beg?" They betray their own blindness: "Man sees the appearance but the Lord looks into the heart." The blind man answers using words that Christ uses of himself; he says, "I am." Is this a coincidence? The man was born blind "so that the works of God might be made visible through him." "Light produces every kind of goodness and righteousness and truth." The Light who is Christ produces a goodness in us by which we come to resemble Christ himself. We beg for the ability to look into the heart of each person we meet and to see reality the way God does. – Magnificat Missalette.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT: 'NOW I CAN SEE!' In today's Gospel it is the man born blind who gradually comes to see that Jesus is Lord. Meanwhile the Pharisees, the custodians of the traditional faith, fall steadily into blindness. Self-confident in their own knowledge, the Pharisees refuse to see the workings of God in Jesus. Let us humbly ask Christ to open our eyes that we may see his presence in our Eucharistic community and in our world. – St Paul's Missal.

PROJECT COMPASSION: *Thu* lost his leg after stepping on a land mine in Vietnam. With the support of the Centre for Sustainable Rural Development, *Thu* can now earn extra income and care for his wife as she recovers from a stroke. **Please donate to Project Compassion.** Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes/envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion, or by calling 1800 024 413.

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

Sacrament enrolment Mass during Saturday Vigil Mass of March 25th at 6pm. Helen Sisto, Catechist, will be in the Parish Centre before Mass to meet parents and candidates from 5:15pm to 5:45pm. She will return following the Vigil Mass Parents, please contact our Parish Coordinator Helen directly by phone / text on 0401 329 479 to discuss and enrol.

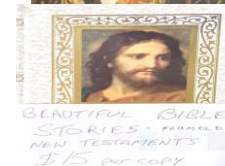
'TRIUMPH' LENTEN REFLECTION:

All sold, but thank you to Daniel Cooper of Faith Education in the Diocese of Wollongong has provided us with a digital copy of the Lenten Reflection. 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 '*For Pilgrims at Fatima, the Way of the Cross*'.



BEAUTIFUL BIBLE STORIES:

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



THE IRISH SCENE: The latest edition of Irish Scene covering March and April, 10 copies have arrived. Special interest is commemoration of St Patrick's Day and also events commemorating the escape of fenians from Fremantle Prison and their rescue by other influential Irishmen.

4th 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

Psalm: 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.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS – 5th Sunday of Lent – 25th and 26th of March:

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Give me justice, O God, and plead my cause against a nation that is faithless. From the deceitful and cunning rescue me, for you, O God, are my strength.

Sunday Missal, readings are on pages 183-188

First Reading: Prophet Ezekiel 37:12-14

Psalm: 129 *Response:* With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

Second Reading: St Paul to the Romans 8:8-11

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Glory to you, I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord; whoever believes in me will not die for ever. Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Gospel: Holy Gospel according to John 11:1-45

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Everyone who lives and believes in me will not die forever, says the Lord.

4th Sunday of Lent 18th/19th of March 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.



SOLEMNITIES OF THE WEEK: Monday 20th, Solemnity of St Joseph, Mass for the school and parishoners 9am – no 10am Mass that day; Friday: the Annunciation of the Lord.

COLUMBARIUM PLACEMENTS: Betty Williamson today and Ronny Dharma, April 1st – to be placed in our Columbarium. Masses offered for them. R.I.P.

REFLECTIONS DURING LENT: April 1 and 3rd – Lenten Mornings in March at Nano Nagle Centre with Presenter Geraldine Taylor and Dr. Pina Ford. For further information, please visit: www.nanonaglecentre.org.au Reserve Street, Claremont.

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

HOLY WEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE



Palm Sunday of the Passion

Saturday Vigil 1 April Mass at 6.00pm
Sunday 2 April Mass at 7.30am and 9.30am

Monday of Holy Week, 3 April

Mass at 10am *SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION* 7:30PM

Holy Week Mass at Concorde Nursing Home

Holy Tuesday, 4 April at 2:00pm

Chrism Mass in St. Mary's Cathedral

Holy Tuesday, 4 April at 7.00pm

Holy Wednesday, 5 April Mass at 5pm

Holy Thursday, 6 April at 7.00pm

Mass of the Lord's Supper, Washing of feet followed by prayer before the Altar of Repose at 8:30pm

Good Friday, 7 April

Stations of the Cross at 10.00am

Using the text from Fatima (Collection for the Holy Places)

Commemoration of the Lord's Passion with Holy Communion

at 3.00pm (Collection for the Holy Places) - **OUTDOORS ON THE OVAL** – Bring chairs/rugs & social distance will apply

Holy Saturday, 8 April

Silent reflection at the Lord's tomb

Reconciliation 11.30am to 12 noon

Easter Vigil, 9 April 7.00pm; starting with the lighting of the Easter fire & Paschal candle and blessing of baptismal water, followed by baptism & **Renewal of Baptismal Promises**

Easter Sunday Masses, 10 April including Renewal of Baptismal Promises & Sprinkling of the Easter Water 7.30am & 9.30am

