



# THE SAVING WORD

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

23 AUGUST 2020

## FIRST READING

Isa 22:19-23

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

*I place the key of the House of David upon his shoulder.*

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace:

I dismiss you from your office,  
I remove you from your post,  
and the same day I call on my servant  
Eliakim son of Hilkiah.

I invest him with your robe,  
gird him with your sash,  
entrust him with your authority;

and he shall be a father  
to the inhabitants of Jerusalem  
and to the House of Judah.

I place the key of the House of David  
on his shoulder;

should he open, no one shall close,  
should he close, no one shall open.

I drive him like a peg  
into a firm place;

he will become a throne of glory  
for his father's house.

■ **The word of the Lord.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Ps 137:1-3, 6, 8. R. v. 8

**R. Lord, your love is eternal;  
do not forsake the work of your hands.**

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, / you  
have heard the words of my mouth. / Before  
the angels I will bless you. / I will adore before  
your holy temple. **R.**

2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love /  
which excel all we ever knew of you. / On the  
day I called, you answered; / you increased the  
strength of my soul. **R.**



3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly /  
and the haughty he knows from afar. / Your  
love, O Lord, is eternal, / discard not the work  
of your hands. **R.**

## SECOND READING

Rom 11:33-36

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the  
Romans

*From him, through him, and in him are all things.*

How rich are the depths of God – how deep his  
wisdom and knowledge – and how impossible  
to penetrate his motives or understand his  
methods! Who could ever know the mind of  
the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor?  
Who could ever give him anything or lend him  
anything? All that exists comes from him; all is  
by him and for him. To him be glory for ever!  
Amen.

■ **The word of the Lord.**

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 16:18

Alleluia, alleluia! / You are Peter, the rock  
on which I will build my Church / the  
gates of hell will not hold out against it. /  
Alleluia!



# OUR LADY of MT CARMEL CHURCH BULLETIN

21st Sunday Ordinary, 23 August 2020, Year A

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

**Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday:** 9am – 3pm  
**Thursday:** 9am – 12.30pm

## PARISH MINISTRY TEAM

**Parish Priest:** Fr Paul Raj  
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## MASS INTENTIONS



### 21<sup>st</sup> Sunday Ordinary, 23 August

**Saturday 6pm Mass** for Giovanna Sgro  
**Sunday 7.30am Mass** for Andrew De Sousa (RIP)  
**Sunday 9am Mass** for Mariana Messias (Birthday Intentions) + Teresa Taranto (Special Intentions)

### Monday 24 August

**7-9pm** Holy Trinity Prayer Group ... **St Bartholomew**

### Tuesday 25 August ... St Louis & St Joseph Calasanz

**9am Mass** for Antonio Capolingua (RIP Anniversary)

### Wednesday 26 August

**9am Mass** for Souls in Purgatory  
**Morning Tea** after Mass  
**10.30am** Legion of Mary  
**6-7pm** Eucharistic Adoration

### Thursday 27 August ... St Monica

**8.15am Mass** at Seton Catholic College

### Friday 28 August ... St Augustine

**9am Mass** for Martinho De Sousa (Birthday Intentions)  
**9.30-10.30am** Eucharistic Adoration  
**10.30am Mass** at Hilton Park Aged Care

### Saturday 29 August ... The Passion of St John the Baptist

**9am Mass** for Elsa De Sousa (Birthday Intentions) + Alberto Petta & Mario Lomma (RIP Anniversaries)

### 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Ordinary, 30 August ... Social Justice Sunday

**Saturday 6pm Mass** for Rosa Perroni (RIP 1<sup>st</sup> Anniversary)  
**Sunday 7.30am Mass** for Rosa Pallotta (RIP 1<sup>st</sup> Month Anniversary)  
**Sunday 9am Mass** for Maria Lanza (RIP)



## WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL PARISH

If you are a new parishioner, please introduce yourself to Fr Paul. We could like to know a bit about you and your family. You can also fill in a Parishioner Registration Form and join in the Parish Planned Giving Program.



## PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS

Christine Rhow, Veronica, Maria, Consiglia Ciavatta, Irwin Beachell, Isabella Da Cunha, Norma Elliott, Rudi Tassell, Gordon Smith, David Azzaro, Steven, Davina, Elisabetta Paddon, Vee Appleton, Dermot McKernon, Judith Greer, Edward Fortune, Lou Collova, Franca Kalat, Joan McGrath ...



## 2020 SACRAMENT DATES

### CONFIRMATION

To Be Confirmed



### FIRST HOLY COMMUNION

Saturday 12 September at 6pm  
Sunday 13 September at 9am  
Sunday 20 September at 9am



## RECONCILIATION

Saturday 9.30-10am  
and 5.15-5.45pm  
Or by appointment.



## MASS INTENTIONS

Suggested Offering  
\$15 per Mass.



## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

### 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Ordinary, 30 August

**1<sup>st</sup>:** Jer 20:7-9

**2<sup>nd</sup>:** Rom 12:1-2

**Gospel:** Mt 16:21-27



## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me; save the servant who trusts in you, my God. Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.



## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord; you bring forth bread from the earth and wine to cheer the heart.





### STEWARDSHIP: Theology of Stewardship – Fundamental Principles in Pastoral Activity ...

There are some fundamental principles here which are worth preserving as we think about fund-raising or any other pastoral activity. First, it is important that we always keep an eye on the fundamental task which is shaping the vision, the character and the lives of people.



### SUPPORT OUR CHURCH REPAIR WORKS:

Parishioners are encouraged to think about possible ways of supporting our Parish. If you come to our church regularly or occasionally, including volunteers and visitors, please fill in the **New Parishioner Registration Form**. Your presence is very important to our parish. **1.** Consider joining in Planned Giving Programme. **2.** If you are already in the program, please contribute regularly. **3.** Donation of any amount is welcome to support our Church.



### Dear Parishioners ... COVID 19 is now in the Phase 4 Road to Recovery.

Now the churches are allowed to be opened for private prayers, Eucharistic Adoration and Masses and sacraments except Confirmation with capacity limits determined by the 2 square meters per person rule. During the weekend there will be **three Masses: Saturday 6pm, Sunday 7.30am and 9am.** Parishioners are encouraged to take part in the weekend Masses. There will be no Livestream Mass at 10am. If you are unable to attend Mass, or if the church is filled with full capacity of people, you are dispensed from Sunday Obligation. You can view other Livestream Masses on TV or on YouTube. You don't need to sign in your name and phone number per Government Directives. No Holy Water will be provided. Bulletins should not be reused. Parishioners must either take them home or dispose of them. Hymnals or shared copies of texts are not to be used. Sign of peace is to be given without physical contact. Offertory processions and gospel processions are to be omitted. No Precious Blood is allowed. Receiving Holy Communion on the tongue must be refrained which is out of concern for the health of others. No usual collections will be taken but there will be two baskets in the Church foyer for First and Second Collections. Please be generous with your contribution. Our parish needs your support. Thank you to those who have been dropping envelopes and for new members to our Planned Giving. We still encourage you to apply for Direct Debit Contributions...



**BLESSED WATER:** The Holy Water of Our Lady of Mt Carmel blessed during weekend Mass will be placed near Our Lady's statue in confessional side. Parishioners are welcome

to take one or two bottles of Holy Water. You are welcome to place a donation for the bottles in the candle donation.

### NATIONAL EMERGENCY APPEAL FOR LEBANON:



Aid to the Church in Need

ACN AUSTRALIA response to the horrific explosion in Beirut on the 4<sup>th</sup> of August, the Australian office of the international Catholic Charity, *Aid to the Church in Need*, has launched a national emergency appeal to raise funds to support the people of Lebanon. To read more about the appeal, and to make a donation, please visit: [www.aidtochurch.org/lebanon](http://www.aidtochurch.org/lebanon) or call **1800 101 201** during business hours: 8am-5pm, AEST.



### EMMANUEL CENTRE:

Is a self-help centre for people with different abilities. We recycle newspapers. It's good for the environment and the money raised helps keep our doors open. Please drop them off to us. Where? Veranda of 25 Windsor Street, Perth (Near East Perth Train station.). When? Anytime 24/7.



### ARCHDIOCESAN MARRIAGE ANNIVERSARY CERTIFICATES:

All parishioners celebrating a special milestone wedding anniversary this year (25, 30, 40, 50+ years) are invited to register for a certificate of blessing from Archbishop Timothy and Bishop Don. Couples can register for a milestone anniversary certificate at: <https://clmf.brushfire.com/2020marriagecertificate/>. All certificate requests MUST be received before September 2, 2020.



### 48 HOUR PERPETUAL ROSARY BOUQUET IN HONOUR OF THE NATIIVTY OF MARY:

All are invited to join in our gift for our Lady's Birthday. Saturday 5 September 2020 from 6pm to Monday 7 September 2020 6pm.

Place your committed time slot /s on the roster in the church foyer. Your Rosary can be prayed wherever is convenient. Our Lady's Birthday celebrations St Mary's Cathedral, Victoria Square, Perth 8 September 2020 at 12.10pm with Holy Mass when the rosary Scroll will be presented. Rosary will be prayed before the Mass at 11.30am.



### HOLY LAND COMMISSARIAT:



The annual collection for the support of the church in the Holy Land normally takes place on Good Friday. This year, due to the closure of churches around the



world during Holy Week because of COVID-19 Pandemic, Pope Francis moved the date for this collection to Sunday 13 September 2020 to coincide with the Feast of the Exaltation of the Cross on 14 September 2020. This collection promotes the missionary work of the Church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Parishes, schools, orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy land also rely on assistance from this collection. It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Last year, Australian Catholics donated \$1.3 million to this cause, despite tough economic times, rural droughts and the increasing cost of living. This year, we are again facing great challenges due to COVID-19, but your generosity would again be greatly appreciated. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land on Sunday 13 September and please also keep them in your prayers. Thank you.

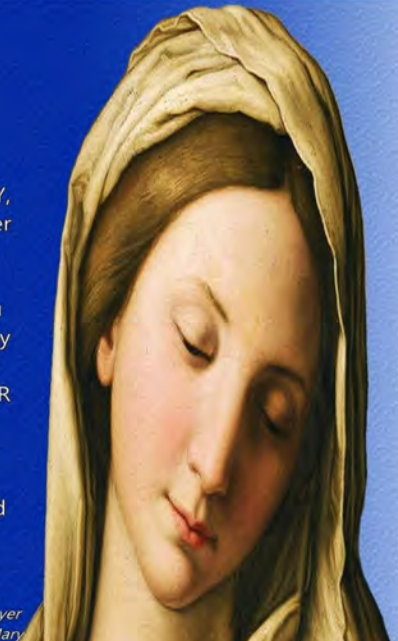
## A PRAYER FOR PROTECTION

Lord Jesus Christ, I place myself at the foot of Your cross and ask You to cover me with Your Precious Blood which pours forth from Your Most Sacred Heart and Your Most Holy Wounds. Cleanse me, my Jesus, in the living water that flows from Your Heart. I ask You to surround me, Lord Jesus, with Your Holy Light.

### SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that  
You are present in the  
Most Holy Sacrament.  
I love You above all things,  
and I desire to receive  
You into my soul.  
Since I cannot at this moment  
receive You sacramentally,  
come at least spiritually  
into my heart.  
I embrace You as if  
You were already there and  
unite myself wholly to You.  
Never permit me  
to be separated from You.  
Amen.




O most pure HEART OF MARY, allow me to enter Your heart, to share Your interior life. You see and know my needs, help me to do **WHATEVER JESUS TELLS ME...** that my human needs may be changed into thirst for **GOD ALONE.**

*St. Mother Teresa's Prayer to The Blessed Virgin Mary*

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**REJOICE ALWAYS, PRAY WITHOUT CEASING, GIVE THANKS IN ALL CIRCUMSTANCES; FOR THIS IS THE WILL OF GOD IN CHRIST JESUS FOR YOU. 1 THESSALONIANS 5:16-18**



**"IT IS POSSIBLE TO OFFER FERVENT PRAYER EVEN WHILE WALKING IN PUBLIC OR STROLLING ALONE, OR SEATED IN YOUR SHOP...WHILE BUYING OR SELLING...OR EVEN WHILE COOKING."**

ST. JOHN CHRYSOSTOM



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**OUR LADY of MT CARMEL NOVENA:** God our Father, prompted by Your Spirit the order of Carmel has from the beginning dedicated itself to the Mother of Your Son. As she unites her prayers with ours, look with favour upon us and bless our families, keep each of us from harm And bring us to the joy of heaven. We ask this through Jesus the Lord. *Amen.*



**SOULS in PURGATORY PRAYER:** Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, for those in my own home, and in my family. *Amen.*



**OUR LADY of ALL NATIONS PRAYER:** Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, send now Your Spirit over the earth. Let the Holy Spirit live in the hearts of all nations, that they may be preserved from degeneration, disaster and war. May the Lady of All Nations, the Blessed Virgin Mary, be our Advocate. *Amen.*



**PRAYER FOR PRIESTS By St Faustina:** O my Jesus, I beg you on behalf of the whole Church: Grant it love and the light of your Spirit, and give power to the words of priests so that hardened hearts might be brought to repentance and return to you, O Lord. Lord, give us holy priests; you yourself maintain them in holiness. O Divine and Great High Priest, may the power of your mercy accompany them everywhere and protect them from the devil's traps and snares which are continually being set for the souls of priests. May the power of your mercy, O Lord, shatter and bring to naught all that might tarnish the sanctity of priests, for you can do all things.



Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Hilton  
**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION**  
**One Hour with Jesus**  
Wednesday Evenings  
7 – 8pm  
Friday Mornings  
9.30 – 10.30am



<b>WEEK 4</b> <b>AUG 22-23</b> <b>21<sup>ST</sup> ORDINARY</b>	<b>COMMENTATOR</b>	<b>READERS</b>	<b>ACOLTYE</b>
<b>Sat 6pm</b>	Maureen Lewis	Katie Hughes	Enrico D'Alessandro
<b>Sun 7.30am</b>	Diane Richards	Jenny Troy	Gerry Miller
<b>Sun 9am</b>	Monica Cook	Elizabeth Sabella	Gerald Farrell
<b>WEEK 5</b> <b>AUG 29-30</b> <b>22<sup>ND</sup> ORDINARY</b>	<b>COMMENTATOR</b>	<b>READERS</b>	<b>ACOLTYE</b>
<b>Sat 6pm</b>	Martha Kalat	Sjonny Walker	Gerald Farrell
<b>Sun 7.30am</b>	Diane Richards	Kath Bowskill	Gerry Miller
<b>Sun 9am</b>	Toni Kalat	Melissa Loncar	Ken Hla



*Let your life be transformed through the power of Adoration*



## GOSPEL

Mt 16:13-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

*You are Peter, to you I will give the keys of the kingdom of heaven.*

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, 'Who do people say the Son of Man is?' And they said, 'Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.' 'But you,' he said, 'who do you say I am?' Then Simon Peter spoke up, 'You are the Christ,' he said, 'the Son of the living God.' Jesus replied, 'Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven; whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.' Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

### ■ The Gospel of the Lord.



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# Reflections on the Gospel

## TREASURED KNOWLEDGE

Jesus questions his disciples about popular perceptions of who he is. Their report shows that people cast him in familiar but totally inadequate roles. The reality requires a leap in imagination and faith achieved in Simon Peter's response: 'You are the Christ, the Son of the Living God'. Beyond being Messiah of Israel, Jesus is God's Son in a unique way.

Peter has conferred a title upon Jesus. Now Jesus confers a blessing and three roles upon him.

He is 'blessed', not because he is virtuous, but because God has revealed to him a knowledge that unaided human understanding could never achieve. Everything the Church has to say flows from this God-given knowledge of Jesus. This is the inexhaustible treasure that it holds in trust for the world.

Simon's first role is indicated by his name: 'Peter' (= 'Rock'). He is 'rock', again not because of his personal qualities, but because of his knowledge of Jesus. Built on this 'rock', the Church will be a community of life, against which the powers of death ('gates of the underworld') will not prevail.

The gift of keys, a biblical image (see the First Reading) signifies delegated authority (from Jesus) in the household of God (the Church).

The final role, 'binding and loosing', refers to the power to interpret and apply Jesus' authoritative teaching to new situations. In this way the Church, as both expression and foretaste of God's reign ('Kingdom of Heaven') on earth, is equipped to discern God's will in the changing circumstances that will confront its passage down the ages.

**Brendan Byrne, SJ**