



# THE SAVING WORD

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

06 SEPTEMBER 2020

## FIRST READING

Ezek 33:7-9

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

*If you have not warned the wicked man, then I will hold you responsible for his death.*

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows, 'Son of man, I have appointed you as sentry to the House of Israel. When you hear a word from my mouth, warn them in my name. If I say to a wicked man: Wicked wretch, you are to die, and you do not speak to warn the wicked man to renounce his ways, then he shall die for his sin, but I will hold you responsible for his death. If, however, you do warn a wicked man to renounce his ways and repent, and he does not repent, then he shall die for his sin, but you yourself will have saved your life.'

■ The word of the Lord.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM** Ps 94:1-2, 6-9. R. v. 8

**R.** O that today you would listen to his voice!

**Harden not your hearts.**

1. Come, ring out our joy to the Lord; / hail the rock who saves us. / Let us come before him, giving thanks, / with songs let us hail the Lord. **R.**

2. Come in; let us bow and bend low; / let us kneel before the God who made us / for he is our God and we / the people who belong to his pasture, / the flock that is led by his hand. **R.**

3. O that today you would listen to his voice! / 'Harden not your hearts as at Meribah, / as on that day at Massah in the desert / when your fathers put me to the test; / when they tried me, though they saw my work.' **R.**



## SECOND READING

Rom 13:8-10

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

*Love is the fulfilment of the Law.*

Avoid getting into debt, except the debt of mutual love. If you love your fellow men you have carried out your obligations. All the commandments: You shall not commit adultery, you shall not kill, you shall not steal, you shall not covet, and so on, are summed up in this single command: You must love your neighbour as yourself. Love is the one thing that cannot hurt your neighbour; that is why it is the answer to every one of the commandments.

■ The word of the Lord.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

2 Cor 5:19

**Alleluia, alleluia! / God was in Christ, to reconcile the world to himself; / and the Good News of reconciliation he has entrusted to us. / Alleluia!**



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23rd Sunday Ordinary, 6 September 2020, Year A

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

## PARISH MINISTRY TEAM

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## MASS INTENTIONS



**23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday Ordinary, 6 September ... Father's Day**

**Saturday 6pm Mass** for Pia Bartolomeu (RIP)

**Sunday 7.30am Mass** for Andrew De Sousa (RIP)

**Sunday 9am Mass** for Stephen Randall (RIP)

**Monday 7 September**

**7-9pm** Holy Trinity Prayer Group

**Tuesday 8 September ... The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

**9am Mass** for Tom & Elsie Deakin (RIP)

**Wednesday 9 September ... St Peter Claver**

**9am Mass** for Manuel Januario Garces & Joselina Batista Gomes (RIP)

**Morning Tea** after Mass

**10.30am** Legion of Mary

**6-7pm** Eucharistic Adoration

**Thursday 10 September**

**8.15am Mass** at Seton Catholic College

**9.30am Rosary** for Teresa Alvaro

**10am Funeral Mass** for Teresa Alvaro

**2pm Funeral Mass** for Joao Climax 'Felix' Sebastiao Dias

**Friday 11 September**

**9am Mass** for John Randall (RIP 9<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

**9.30-10.30am** Eucharistic Adoration

**Saturday 12 September ... The Most Holy Name of Mary**

**9am Mass** for Joao Mauricimo (RIP)

**24<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary, 13 September**

**Saturday 6pm Mass** for OLMC Primary School First Holy Communicants

**Sunday 7.30am Mass** for Beatriz De Sousa (Birthday Intentions)

**Sunday 9am Mass** for OLMC Primary School First Holy Communicants + Almerinda & Manuel Messias (RIP) + Carlo Gentile (RIP 27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)



## 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, Zdenka Mravljincic ...



## 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

**24<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary, 13 September**

**1<sup>st</sup>:** Sirach 27:30-28:7

**2<sup>nd</sup>:** Rom 14:7-9

**Gospel:** Mt 18:21-35



## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

You are just, O Lord, and your judgment is right; treat your servant in accord with your merciful love.



## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Like the deer that yearns for running streams, so my soul is yearning for you, my God; my soul is thirsting for God, the living God.





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

Secondly, creed and story are vital instruments in this first task. They provide us with our fundamental vision of God, ourselves, and our sense of life.



**COVID-19 PHASE 4 IS STILL IN PLACE:** As you would be aware, the Western Australian Government has announced a further deferral to the commencement of Phase 5 of the WA COVID-19 roadmap. Based on the latest health advice, Phase 4 of the WA COVID-19 roadmap has been extended until **Friday 23 October 2020**. The new tentative start date for Phase 5 will now be **Saturday 24 October**. A final decision on whether Phase 5 can proceed on this date, or if it can be brought forward, will be decided by the Western Australian Government in October. Phase 5 would see remaining restrictions removed, except Western Australia's hard border and access to remote Aboriginal communities. Phase 5 would also see the removal of Western Australia's 2 square metre rule and the 50 per cent capacity for our major venues.



**REVISION OF ARCHDIOCESAN DIRECTIVES:**

On 24 June 2020, Archbishop Costelloe SDB issued directives for Churches and Chapel within the Archdiocese of Perth which reflected the introduction of Phase 4 of the Western Australian government's COVID 19 roadmap. These directives of 24 June 2020 remain in place, and are available on the Archdiocese of Perth's website. In light of the Western Australian government's extension of Phase 4, the archdiocese is currently reviewing current health advice with the view to revising and reissuing the Archdiocesan guidelines as soon as is practicable. This office is aware of recurring requests regarding the possibility of celebrating the Sacrament of Confirmation for school aged children. The revision of the existing archdiocesan guidelines will address this possibility explicitly. I thank you for your patience and understanding as the archdiocese undertakes this process and the relevant due diligence required in the engagement of expert advice. **In our Community:**

✦ Keep the social distancing. ✦ Use sanitizer when entering the church. ✦ Wash your hands often if necessary. ✦ If you are unwell, stay home. ✦ If you feel coughing, sneezing due to cold weather, it is ok to wear a mask. **Support your church and priests.** Thank you to all who have been supporting our Parish and priests financially. We still need to go long way off. We need your continuous support to get back to normal financially. Please consider joining in our planned giving programme.



**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.



**PRAYER FOR COVID-19 PANDEMIC:**

Gracious God, trusting in your providence and presence, we bring our prayer for an end to this pandemic. We pray for your strengthening of those offering costly leadership during this crisis. We pray for all who are ill. We pray for those anxious about getting ill. We pray for those full of grief. We remember those who have died. We pray for your grace to sustain us as we do what we can in our context. We ask these things, as you encourage us so to do. "Ask and it will be given you." (Matthew 7:7) In resurrection faith, we offer our heartfelt prayer through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



**HOLY LAND COMMISSARIAT on Sunday 6 September 2020:**

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 we will have the Holy Land Collection this weekend. Please place your donation in the basket placed near the 1<sup>st</sup> and Second Collection baskets at the back of the church. 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.






**SEND YOUR ANGEL TO MASS:**

O holy angel, at my side,  
Go to church for me,  
Kneel in my place at Holy Mass  
Where I desire to be.  
At Offertory, in my stead,  
Take all I am and own,  
And place it as a sacrifice  
Upon the Alter Throne.

At Holy Consecrations bell,  
Adore with Seraph's love.  
My Jesus hidden in the Host,  
Come down from Heaven above.  
And when the Priest, communion takes,  
Oh, bring my Lord to me,  
That His sweet heart may rest on mine,  
And I His temple be.



**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.



**WHY WORRY by Makgato:**

Why are you worrying?  
Everything is not locked down!  
Sunrise is not locked down!  
Oxygen from air is not locked  
down! Family time is not

locked down! Responsibilities are not locked down! Love is not locked down! Friendship is not locked down! Meditation is not locked down! Creativity is not locked down! Prayers are not locked down! Hobbies are not locked down! And finally hope is not locked down! Do whatever you wanted to do... But... at home... Wearing a mask is better than the ventilator... Home is better than

ICU... Prevention is better than cure... Wash hands regularly... Avoid touching face and eyes... Maintain social distancing... Be at home... Be safe... God bless you all...

**DID YOU KNOW?**



According to Jewish and ancient traditions, when Adam and Eve were driven out of Eden, Adam took with him a plant, and that plant was an Olive Tree.

Thousands of years after he died, it is said that his skull was discovered in a place that was later on called "Golgotha" or the Place of Skull.

Coincidentally, Christ, the "Second Adam" was Crucified and the wooden cross used was from an Olive Tree. His Crucifixion took place in the place where the skull of the First Adam was buried.



Source: Catholicism.Org/ GregMary Ajide

Catholic Faith Defense



**NANNA'S UNASKED FOR ADVICE ON THE FELLAS TO AVOID: 1.**

Jealousy – not love, it is insecurity.  
2. Wants his own way most times – control freak. 3. Shows temper – danger control. 4. Shows lack of respect towards his parents. In time will not respect you either. 5. Does tricks like 'I forgot my wallet, could you pay?' and fails to reimburse you. Will always be a scrooge. 6. Very fond of the demon drink – budding alcoholic. 7. Frequent heavy gambler. Your life will be one of constant anxiety. 8. Don't fall for the old line, 'you would if you loved me'. You know what I mean. He doesn't love you, he only loves himself. If he loved you, he would ask for your hand in marriage. 9. Don't always be fooled by good looks. Of course if you meet a fella with good looks and he is a decent one, it's a bonus!!! Luv Nanna xxx.



**NANNA'S WORDS OF WISDOM:**

Do not look back and grieve over the past for it is gone. Do not be troubled about the future for it has not yet come. Live in the present and make it so beautiful that it will be worth remembering... sometimes people bare years of guilt. They need not. The sacrament of Reconciliation heals all this. God's forgiveness frees us.








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<p><b>OUR LADY of MT CARMEL NOVENA:</b> 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. <i>Amen.</i></p> 	<p><b>SOULS in PURGATORY PRAYER:</b> 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. <i>Amen.</i></p> 	<p><b>OUR LADY of ALL NATIONS PRAYER:</b> 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. <i>Amen.</i></p> 
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<p><b>PRAYER FOR PRIESTS By St Faustina:</b> 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.</p> 	<p>Our Lady of Mount Carmel Parish Hilton</p> <p><b>EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION</b></p> <p>One Hour with Jesus</p> <p>Wednesday Evenings 7 – 8pm</p> <p>Friday Mornings 9.30 – 10.30am</p> 
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<b>WEEK 1</b> SEPT 5-6 23 <sup>RD</sup> ORDINARY	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ACOLYTE
Sat 6pm	Martha Kalat	Volunteer	Joe De Ornelas
Sun 7.30am	Diane Richards	Jenny Troy	Gerry Miller
Sun 9am	Monica Cook	Melissa Loncar	Ken Hla
<b>WEEK 2</b> SEPT 12-13 24 <sup>TH</sup> ORDINARY / CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ACOLYTE
Sat 6pm 1 <sup>ST</sup> HOLY COMMUNION	OLMC School	OLMC School	Simon Overton
Sun 7.30am	Diane Richards	Kath Bowskill	Gerry Miller
Sun 9am 1 <sup>ST</sup> HOLY COMMUNION	OLMC School	OLMC School	Frank Cooper



## GOSPEL

Mt 18:15-20

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

*If your brother or sister listens to you, you will have won that person back.*

Jesus said to his disciples: 'If your brother does something wrong, go and have it out with him alone, between your two selves. If he listens to you, you have won back your brother. If he does not listen, take one or two others along with you: the evidence of two or three witnesses is required to sustain any charge. But if he refuses to listen to these, report it to the community; and if he refuses to listen to the community, treat him like a pagan or a tax collector.

'I tell you solemnly, whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.

'I tell you solemnly once again, if two of you on earth agree to ask anything at all, it will be granted to you by my Father in heaven. For where two or three meet in my name, I shall be there with them.'

### ■ The Gospel of the Lord.



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# Reflections on the Gospel

## WINNING PEOPLE BACK

The Church is not a community of the perfect. Allowance has to be made for dealing with moral lapses and dissensions that inevitably occur in a community still on the way to the Kingdom.

In today's Gospel the procedure Jesus lays down for dealing with conflict reveals his sense of the Church as the *family* of God. Correction should as far as possible be carried out in private. Only if that proves unsuccessful should a carefully staged progression of increasingly public procedures be set in place. The goal is not simply to win, but rather to 'win back' the 'brother or sister', to preserve as far as possible the dignity of the errant person, and to enhance everyone's sense of being a valued member of the 'family'.

If, despite all, the process fails, there is nothing to be done but to treat the person as an outsider. There comes a point beyond which a community can no longer tolerate members who consistently defy its core values.

To set someone outside the community is no light matter. The Church needs to know that its decisions in this regard enjoy heavenly sanction. Hence Jesus' assurance that the 'binding and loosing' authority conferred personally upon Peter in regard to interpretations of the law (Matthew 16:19), is also enjoyed by the local community with respect to the exclusion or non-exclusion of errant members. As risen Lord, Jesus remains 'Emmanuel', 'God with us', in community life and deliberation (see Matthew 1:23).

The Church's canon law and way of proceeding has developed way beyond this simple instruction. But its fundamental spirit should remain.

**Brendan Byrne, SJ**