



THE SAVING WORD

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

13 SEPTEMBER 2020

FIRST READING

Sir 27:30–28:7

A reading from the Book of Sirach.

Forgive your neighbour's faults and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.

Resentment and anger, these are foul things,
and both are found with the sinner.

He who exacts vengeance will experience
the vengeance of the Lord,
who keeps strict account of sin.

Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you,
and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.

If a man nurses anger against another,
can he then demand compassion from the Lord?
Showing no pity for a man like himself,
can he then plead for his own sins?

Remember the last things, and stop hating,
remember dissolution and death, and live by
the commandments.

Remember the commandments, and do not
bear your neighbour ill-will;
remember the covenant of the Most High,
and overlook the offence.

■ The word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 102: 1–4, 9–12. R. v. 8

R. The Lord is kind and merciful;
slow to anger and rich in compassion.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord, / all my
being, bless his holy name, / My soul, give
thanks to the Lord / and never forget all his
blessings. **R.**

2. It is he who forgives all your guilt, / who
heals every one of your ills, / who redeems
your life from the grave, / who crowns you
with love and compassion. **R.**

3. His wrath will come to an end; / he will
not be angry for ever. / He does not treat us
according to our sins / nor repay us according
to our faults. **R.**

4. For as the heavens are high above the
earth / so strong is his love for those who fear
him. / As far as the east is from the west / so
far does he remove our sins. **R.**



SECOND READING

14: 7–9

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the
Romans.

Whether alive or dead, we belong to the Lord.

The life and death of each of us has its influence
on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and
if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or
dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why
Christ both died and came to life, it was so that
he might be Lord both of the dead and of the
living.

■ The word of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 13: 34

Alleluia, alleluia! / I give you a new
commandment: / love one another as I
have loved you. / Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mt 18: 21–35

A reading from the holy Gospel according to
Matthew.

*I tell you that you forgive not seven times but
seventy times seven.*

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how
often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs
me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered,
'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times.'



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24th Sunday Ordinary, 13 September 2020, Year A

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

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MASS INTENTIONS



24th 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 27th Anniversary) + Stephen Ivelja (RIP) + Luka Grgurovic (RIP) + Bosko Kalat (RIP)



Monday 14 September ... Exaltation of the Holy Cross

7-9pm Holy Trinity Prayer Group



Tuesday 15 September ... Our lady of Sorrows

9am Mass for Hermando Igiuar (RIP)

Wednesday 16 September ... Sts Cornelius & Cyprian

9am Mass for Souls in Purgatory

Morning Tea after Mass

10.30am Legion of Mary

6-7pm Eucharistic Adoration



Thursday 17 September ... St Robert Bellarmine

8.15am Mass at Seton Catholic College

Friday 18 September

9am Mass for Jose & Conceicao De Sousa (RIP)

9.30-10.30am Eucharistic Adoration



Saturday 19 September ... St Januarius

9am Mass for Dorothy & George Leach (RIP)

10.30am Baptism of Harvey Marons Lanza + Benjamin Peter Bosco

25th Sunday Ordinary, 20 September

Saturday 6pm Mass for Antonio Da Silva (RIP Anniversary) + Giovanna Sgro (RIP 3 Month Anniversary)

Sunday 7.30am Mass for Andrew De Sousa (RIP)

Sunday 9am Mass for OLMC Primary School First Holy Communicants + Vitoria Da Silva (Intentions)

11am Baptism of Aviana Lebr



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

Friday 16 October 2020 ... 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

25th Sunday Ordinary, 20 September

1st: Is 55:6-9

2nd: Phil 1:20-24, 27

Gospel: Mt 20:1-16



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Give peace, O Lord, to those who wait for you, that your prophets be found true. Hear the prayers of your servant, and of your people Israel.



COMMUNION ANTIPHON

How precious is your mercy, O God! The children of men seek shelter in the shadow of your wings.





STEWARDSHIP: Theology of Stewardship – Fundamental Principles in Pastoral Activity ... They provide the values we live by and give meaning to our actions. Therefore, it

is important to pay attention to the story we tell with our lives and try to instill in the lives of others.



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.



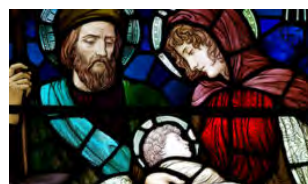
BLESSED WATER: The Holy Water of Our Lady of Mt Carmel blessed during weekend Mass will be placed near Our Lady's statue in confessional side. Parishioners are welcome to take one or two bottles of Holy Water. You are

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.



THE DOMESTIC CHURCH - HOME IS A HOLY PLACE: Thursday 24 September between 7.30pm to 8.30pm - online.

Where is God in your home? God is present within all the messiness of family life. How can we appreciate that the ordinary life and activity of our homes are vehicles of God's love and grace? This one-off online evening event will address the challenge of making God's presence more widely known, served and celebrated within the home. CEWA Ongoing Renewal: this course has been approved for knowledge Cost: Free of charge. Presenter: Dr Carmel Suart – Director Office of Christian Initiation. **Further info** or to register, visit <http://cfe.org.au/courses-and-events/>, email cfe@perthcatholic.org.au, or call 08 9241 5221.



106th WORLD DAY of MIGRANTS and REFUGEES (WDMR): Will be celebrated in Australia on **Sunday 27 September 2020**. Pope Francis has selected "**Forced like Jesus Christ to flee**" as the theme for The Holy Father's reflections originate in the experience of Jesus Christ and his parents as displaced persons and refugees.



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.

"IF YOU EVER FEEL DISTRESSED DURING YOUR DAY, CALL UPON OUR LADY, JUST SAY THIS SIMPLE PRAYER:
'Mary, Mother of Jesus, please be a mother to me now.'
I MUST ADMIT, THIS PRAYER HAS NEVER FAILED ME."
— Saint Mother Teresa —



A STUDENT'S PRAYER by St Thomas Aquinas: Come, Holy Spirit, Divine Creator, true source of light and fountain of wisdom! Pour forth your brilliance upon my dense intellect, dissipate the darkness which covers me, that of sin and of ignorance. Grant me a penetrating mind to understand, a retentive memory, method and ease in learning, the lucidity to comprehend, and abundant grace in expressing myself. Guide the beginning of my work, direct its progress, and bring it to successful completion. This I ask through Jesus Christ, true God and true man, living and reigning with You and the Father, forever and ever. **Amen.**

The Mass
— and I mean every single Mass —
is heaven on earth.
Scott Hahn
The Lamb's Supper

The 7 keys to life

- 1) God first
- 2) Love one another
- 3) Never hate
- 4) Give generously
- 5) Live simply
- 6) Forgive quickly
- 7) Always be kind





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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



WEEK 2 SEPT 12-13 24 TH ORDINARY / CHILD PROTECTION SUNDAY	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ACOLYTE
Sat 6pm 1 ST HOLY COMMUNION	OLMC School	OLMC School	Simon Overton
Sun 7.30am	Diane Richards	Kath Bowskill	Gerry Miller
Sun 9am 1 ST HOLY COMMUNION	OLMC School	OLMC School	Frank Cooper
WEEK 3 SEPT 19-20 25 TH ORDINARY	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ACOLYTE
Sat 6pm	Loretta Masnada	Carmel Collova	Gerald Farrell
Sun 7.30am	Mark Ryan	Maureen Cooper	Frank Cooper
Sun 9am 1 ST HOLY COMMUNION	OLMC School	OLMC School	Joe De Ornelas



'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time," he said, "and I will pay the whole sum." And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me," he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you." But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said, "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt. And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'

■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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Reflections on the Gospel

FORGIVENESS BEYOND CALCULATION

In the parable of the Unforgiving Debtor that Jesus tells in response to Peter's question about forgiveness, the debt of 'ten thousand talents' is an utterly fantastic sum: in today's terms, 'billions of dollars'—something that the servant, despite his plea for time, could never hope to repay. He stands to lose absolutely everything—freedom, family, possessions—for his whole life long. The master's generosity in cancelling the debt in effect restores his life.

In comparison, the debt that the servant himself is owed by a fellow servant and which he is violently unwilling to remit, is paltry. The equivalent of a few hundred days' wages. Given time, it could easily be paid off. Hence the wickedness of the servant in not passing on to his fellow even a tiny portion of the immense generosity he had himself received.

The Lord would have Peter and all members of the community understand that they live as people who, through Christ's costly love, have received remission of a debt (the debt of sin) that they could never repay. How inappropriate then an unwillingness to forgive fellow members of the community the 'debts' set up by injury on a much smaller scale.

That said, we know that forgiveness is not something to speak of lightly. For people who have been deeply wronged finding the capacity to forgive may be the task of a lifetime. It cannot simply be willed—still less prescribed, urged or imposed by others who have not shared the loss. It is a grace, an entrance into the mystery of God's own generosity.

Brendan Byrne, SJ