



# THE SAVING WORD

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

27 SEPTEMBER 2020

## FIRST READING

Ezek 18:25-28

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

*The sinner who decides to turn against sinfulness deserves to live.*

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.'

■ The word of the Lord.

## RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 24:4-9. R. v. 6

**R. Remember your mercies, O Lord.**

1. Lord, make me know your ways. / Lord, teach me your paths. / Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: / for you are God my saviour. **R.**

2. Remember your mercy, Lord, / and the love you have shown from of old. / Do not remember the sins of my youth. / In your love remember me, / because of your goodness, O Lord. **R.**

3. The Lord is good and upright / He shows the path to those who stray, / he guides the humble in the right path / he teaches his way to the poor. **R.**

## SECOND READING

Phil 2:1-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

*In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.*

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common



purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus:

His state was divine,  
yet he did not cling  
to his equality with God  
but emptied himself  
to assume the condition of a slave,  
and became as men are;  
and being as all men are,  
he was humbler yet,  
even to accepting death,  
death on a cross.  
But God raised him high  
and gave him the name  
which is above all other names  
so that all beings  
in the heavens, on earth and in the  
underworld,  
should bend the knee at the name of Jesus  
and that every tongue should acclaim  
Jesus Christ as Lord,  
to the glory of God the Father.

■ The word of the Lord.



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26th Sunday Ordinary, 27 September 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  
**Parish Secretary:** Tereza Camacho  
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## MASS INTENTIONS



**26<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary, 27 September ... World Day of Migrants & Refugees**

**Saturday 6pm Mass** for Maocheia Family (Intentions) + Cipriana Monding (RIP Birthday)



**Sunday 7.30am Mass** for Andrew De Sousa (RIP) + Connie Minervini (RIP Anniversary)

**Sunday 9am Mass** Souls in Purgatory + Teresa Ambuch (RIP) + Franca Kalat (Thanksgiving for Healing Health) + Mary Theresa Edwards (RIP Anniversary)

**Monday 28 September ... St Lawrence Ruiz & Companions**



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

**Tuesday 29 September ... St Michael, Gabriel, Raphael - Archangels**

**9am Mass** for Maocheia Family (Intentions) + Deceased Members of Pass Family

**Wednesday 30 September ... St Jerome**

**9am Mass** for Gorette De Sousa (Birthday Intentions)



**Morning Tea** after Mass

**10.30am** Legion of Mary

**6-7pm** Eucharistic Adoration

**Thursday 1 October ... St Therese of the Child Jesus**

**9am Mass** for Sr Honorine of St Joseph of the Sacred Heart (100<sup>th</sup> Birthday Intentions)

**Friday 2 October ... The Holy Guardian Angels**



**9am Mass** for Maocheia Family (Intentions)

**9.30-10.30am** Eucharistic Adoration

**Saturday 3 October**

**9am Mass** for Matilda Abreu (RIP)

**27<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary, 4 October ... Child Protection Safeguarding**

**Saturday 6pm Mass** for Dorothy & George Leach (RIP) + Felix Dias (RIP 1<sup>st</sup> Month Anniversary)



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

**Sunday 9am Mass** for Camacho Family Intentions (30<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary Joel & Tereza) + Bosko Kalat (RIP 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary)

**11am Baptism** of Oliver Willis

## 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 at 6pm



### 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

**27<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary, 4 October**

**1<sup>st</sup>:** Is 5:1-7

**2<sup>nd</sup>:** Phil 4:6-9

**Gospel:** Mt 21:33-43



## ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

All that you have done to us, O Lord, you have done with true judgment, for we have sinned against you and not obeyed your commandments. But give glory to your name and deal with us according to the bounty of your mercy.



## COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Remember your word to your servant, O Lord, by which you have given me hope. This is my comfort when I am brought low.





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

Finally, giving finds its meaning in the vision and story and is best carried out through liturgical action. Giving does not stand out by itself as an isolated action in our lives..



**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. *Fr Paul Raj.*



**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 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. **The Archdiocese has given permission to go ahead with Confirmation. The Confirmation Ceremony will take place on Friday 16 October 2020 at 6pm at OLMC Hilton. Altar Servers and Acolytes are now free to hold the Liturgy Prayers for the Celebrants. Altar Servers welcome back to the Ministry.** 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 need your continuous support to get back to normal financially. Please consider joining in our planned giving programme. *Fr Paul Raj.*



**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:** Over the past two weeks our Year 4 students have made their First Holy Communion, receiving the Eucharist for the first time. The children are to be commended on how reverently they participated in the ceremonies. We thank Fr Paul Raj for his

flexibility and commitment to support our students with this sacrament. A special thank you to Miss Yasmin George for her hard work in preparing the students to receive the sacrament. A huge thank you for the preparation of the booklets and the PowerPoint to Judy Rowlands. To Christine Carson, Alyssa Adams, Delia Parker and Conny Whyte for the lovely music over all three masses we thank you. To Martha Kalat and her group of artists who so beautifully prepared the flowers and the church we are very grateful. This celebration reflected the way our parish and school continue to work together. *Julie Kay – Assistant Principal.*



**106<sup>th</sup> 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.

**The Shopfront**  **THE SHOPFRONT. Is an Agency of the Catholic Archdiocese of Perth -**

**Permanent Part Time Vacancy (16 hours / 4 days a week):** A vacancy exists for an Administration Assistant for the Shopfront, a LifeLink funded, drop-in centre offering onsite and external referral services to its visitors in the Bentley area. The position requires good administration skills, experience with Microsoft Office applications, the ability to maintain databases, statistics and upload information onto the website together with strong interpersonal skills and the ability to work under pressure. To receive the Job Description and submit your application by **Monday 5 October 2020**, please contact Damian Walsh: [damian.walsh@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:damian.walsh@perthcatholic.org.au).

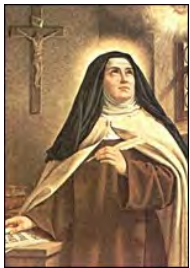
Lord,  
Give me the patience, focus, and strength to pause, listen, and reflect on what you ask of me. What do you ask of me today?

#PRAYERFORTHEWEEK



**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.



**THE CROSS** by St Teresa of Avila: Hot stillness of my life, be welcome, dear cross. O banner that you supported the weak and you made him strong! O life of our death, how well you raised her up! The Lion of Judah tame, for you have lost your life. Be welcome, dear cross. He who does not love you is

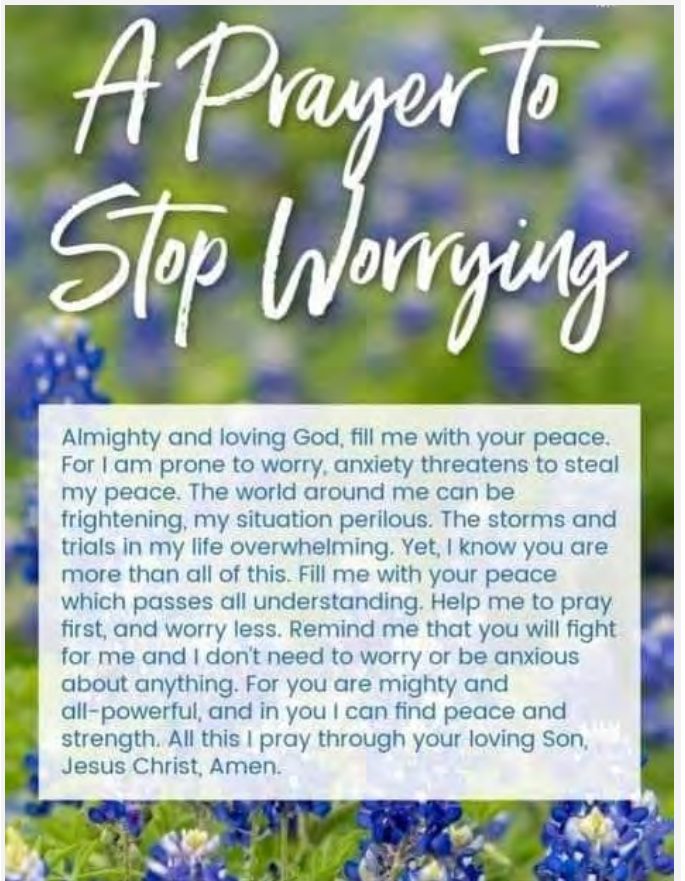
bound, and the freedom of others; who hugs you without fear don't take the wrong path. Oh! Happy your reign, where evil has no room! Be welcome, dear cross. From the captivity of hell, O cross, you were freedom; to the evils of humanity you gave the most tender medicine. He gave us, for you, the Eternal God joy without measure. Be welcome, dear cross.



Sometimes we think that we don't hear God's voice. Not because He isn't speaking, but because We have the volume of the world way too loud.

**Prayer to St. Aloysius.**

O Saint Aloysius, thou who by the most perfect co-operation with grace hast led a truly angelic life, and who art venerated by the Church as the model and patron of youth, I commend to thee also my children; approach the throne of God in their behalf. Pray for them, that they also may walk in the commandments of the Lord and hate and shun sin as thou hast done. Obtain for them the grace of that innocence and purity of heart which adorned thy life; help them that they may honor and love the Lord and his Blessed mother as devoutly as thou hast. Saint Aloysius, pray for them. Amen.



Almighty and loving God, fill me with your peace. For I am prone to worry, anxiety threatens to steal my peace. The world around me can be frightening, my situation perilous. The storms and trials in my life overwhelming. Yet, I know you are more than all of this. Fill me with your peace which passes all understanding. Help me to pray first, and worry less. Remind me that you will fight for me and I don't need to worry or be anxious about anything. For you are mighty and all-powerful, and in you I can find peace and strength. All this I pray through your loving Son, Jesus Christ, Amen.



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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> One Hour with Jesus Wednesday Evenings 7 – 8pm Friday Mornings 9.30 – 10.30am</p> 
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<b>WEEK 4</b> SEPT 26-27 26 <sup>TH</sup> ORDINARY	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ACOLYTE
Sat 6pm	Volunteer	Katie Hughes	Enrico D'Alessandro
Sun 7.30am	Diane Richards	Jenny Troy	Gerry Miller
Sun 9am	Monica Cook	Elizabeth Sabella	Gerald Farrell
<b>WEEK 1</b> OCT 3-4 27 <sup>TH</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	Franca Kalat	Ken Hla



## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Jn 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia! / My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; / I know them, and they follow me. / Alleluia!

## GOSPEL

Mt 21:28-32

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

*He went out moved by regret. The tax collectors and prostitutes will precede you into the kingdom of God.*

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go", but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir", but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'

### ■ The Gospel of the Lord.



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# Reflections on the Gospel

## THE PATIENCE OF GOD

The parable about two sons in today's Gospel can be understood on various levels. In Jesus' own context it probably served to defend his practice, shocking to the religious authorities, of celebrating the discovery of God's mercy with those considered outcasts and sinners.

At a deeper level, the parable shows that what God looks to—and can wait for with infinite patience—is the *final* outcome in people's lives. God can put up with an initial *No*, and many other *No*'s besides, on the way to a final and lasting *Yes*.

From the human angle, people who appear religious and obedient from the start may never have sufficiently plumbed the depth of God's mercy to know God as God really is. Conversion at depth and the knowledge of God that goes with it overflows into a pattern of life truly reflecting God's grace. But a hard, judgemental attitude to others may indicate lack of true conversion and knowledge of God: something that may leave such people waiting at the door, while those whom they thought far less worthy enter into the fullness of life before them.

What ultimately determines fitness for eternal life is conformity of the human heart to the heart of God. None of us could ever amass sufficient good works to merit even a second of life with God. That life will be God's gift in abundance if only we have grown—sometimes in the course of a very winding and to-and-fro journey—into the capacity to receive it.

**Brendan Byrne, SJ**