

# THE SAVING WORD

#### TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

#### FIRST READING

Jer 20: 10-13

A reading from the prophet Jeremiah. He has delivered the soul of the needy from the hands of those who are evil.

#### Jeremiah said:

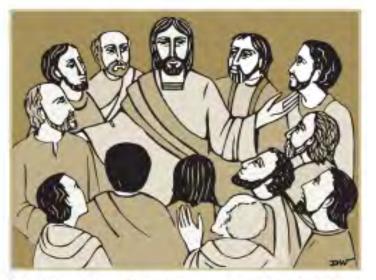
I hear so many disparaging me, "Terror from every side!" Denounce him! Let us denounce him!' All those who used to be my friends watched for my downfall, 'Perhaps he will be seduced into error. Then we will master him and take our revenge!" But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero; my opponents will stumble, mastered, confounded by their failure; everlasting, unforgettable disgrace will be theirs. But you, Lord of Hosts, you who probe with justice, who scrutinise the loins and heart, let me see the vengeance you will take on them, for I have committed my cause to you. Sing to the Lord, praise the Lord, for he has delivered the soul of the needy from the hands of evil men.

The word of the Lord.

# RESP PSALM Ps 68: 8-10, 14, 17, 33-35. R. v. 14 R. Lord, in your great love, answer me.

1. It is for you that I suffer taunts, / that shame covers my face, / that I have become a stranger to my brothers, / an alien to my own mother's sons. / I burn with zeal for your house / and taunts against you fall on me. **R**.

 This is my prayer to you, / my prayer for your favour. / In your great love, answer me, O God, / with your help that never fails: / Lord, answer, for your love is kind; / in your compassion, turn towards me. R.



3. The poor when they see it will be glad / and God-seeking hearts will revive; / for the Lord listens to the needy; / and does not spurn his servants in their chains. / Let the heavens and the earth give him praise, / the sea and all its living creatures. R.

#### SECOND READING

Rom 5: 12-15

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

#### God's gift to us is nothing like our sin against him.

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of 'law-breaking', yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man's fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift.

The word of the Lord.

25 JUNE 2023



#### **PARISH INFORMATION**

Address: 82 Collick Street, Hilton, WA, 6163 Phone: (08) 9314 7733 Email: sec.hilton@perthcatholic.org.au Website: www.olmchilton.org.au

#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

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

> **MASS INTENTIONS** 0110

## 12<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary, 25 June

Saturday 6pm Mass for Susie Ziino (RIP Recently Sydney) + Vincenzo Maiolo & Maria Rechichi (RIP) + Saverio Minervini (RIP Anniversary) Sunday 7.30am Mass for Andrew De Sousa (RIP)+ Rosa Bikic (RIP) + Fred Morados (RIP Recently)



Sunday 9am Mass for Giulio Santini (RIP 4<sup>th</sup> Month Anniversary)

Monday 26 June 7-9pm Holy Trinity Prayer Group + 7.30pm Mass

Tuesday 27 June – St Cyril of Alexandria 9am Mass for Edward, Jason & Rebecca de Sousa (Intentions)

Wednesday 28 June – St Irenaeus 9am Mass for Marin Resic (RIP) Morning Tea after Mass 10.30am Legion of Mary 5.30 – 6.30pm Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday 29 June – Sts Peter & Paul 9am-4pm Church Open for Prayers

Friday 30 June – First Martyrs of Holy Roman Church 9am Mass for OLMC Whole School Mass + Fernanda Coelho (RIP) 9.30 - 10.30am Eucharistic Adoration

10.30am Mass at Hilton Park Aged Care

Saturday 1 July 9am Mass for Antonio & Cecilia Coelho (RIP) + Tom Merchant (RIP Anniversary)

#### 13<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary, 2 July

Saturday 6pm Mass for Maria Lanza (RIP) Sunday 7.30am Mass for Andrew De Sousa (RIP) Sunday 9am Mass for Stephen Randall (RIP) + Cono & Tonino Randazzo (RIP) + Holy Father Honour + Zita, Feliz & Joao Namora (RIP) + Emmanuel Rodrigues Rebelo (RIP & 66<sup>th</sup> Birthday)



2.30-3.30pm Holy Hour

HOLY TRISAGION (Thrice Holy) TO THE MOST HOLY **TRINITY:** Make the triple sign of the cross and bless yourself... By the sign + of the Holy Cross, from our enemies deliver us, O Lord our God... In the name of the Father, + and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.

Nicky Gumbel - Just because you can't see the air doesn't mean you stop breathing. And just because you can't see God doesn't mean you stop believing.



PARISH MINISTRY TEAM Parish Priest: Fr Paul Raj Parish Secretary: Tereza Camacho Safeguarding Officer: Brigette Liddelow - 0432 908 980 Avila Retirement Village Secretary: Judy Rowlands – 0448 205 283 **OLMC Primary School RE:** Julie Kay OLMC Primary School Principal: Jayson Peacock - 9269 2000 Seton Catholic College Website: http://www.seton.wa.edu.au/olmc-parish

#### WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL PARISH

If you are a new parishioner, please introduce yourself to Fr Paul. We extend a warm welcome to our Parish of Our Lady of Mount Carmel.



#### PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS

Christine Rhow, Veronica, Maria, Consiglia Ciavatta, Irwin Beachell, Isabella Da Cunha, Martin, Norma Elliott, Rudi Tassell, Steven, Paddon. Davina. Elisabetta Dermot McKernon, Edward Fortune, Zdenka Mravlincic, Beatrice Fernandez, Alex, Lisa



Bubb, Maria Villamagna, Romilda Marinelli, Aaron LoCicero, Jacqueline Paul, Lou Collova, Edward Forster, Maria De Sousa, Anne & Justine Tonti, Caroline Lynch ...

#### **2023 SACRAMENT DATES** CONFIRMATION: Sunday 20-8-23 at 9am

#### RECONCILIATION

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

MASS INTENTIONS Suggested Offering \$15 per Mass. Please give Mass Intention Envelopes to Fr Paul or Parish Office.



## **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**

13<sup>th</sup> Sunday Ordinary, 2 July 1<sup>st</sup>: 2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16 2<sup>nd</sup>: Rom 6:3-4, 8-11 Gospel: Mt 10:37-42



ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them forever.

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** The eyes of all look to you, Lord, and you give them their food in due season

UNITY PRAYER: My Adorable Jesus, May our feet journey together. May our hands gather in unity. May our hearts beat in unison. May our souls be in harmony. May our thoughts be as one. May our ears listen to the silence together. May our glances profoundly penetrate each other. May our lips pray





together to gain mercy from the Eternal Father. Amen.



**STEWARDSHIP:** Stewardshop and Capital Campaigns. 3. Is the capital campaign an expression of your Christian stewardship?



Because the capital campaign will involve the time, talent, and treasure of parishioners, it should be seen as part of the parish's stewardship commitment, an opportunity for parishioners to return in an "extraordinary way" a portion of what God has given them.



**2023 HOLY FATHER MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTIONS: JUNE - For the abolition of torture.** "We pray that the international community may



commit in a concrete way to ensuring the abolition of torture and guarantee support to victims and their families".

**VOLUNTEER COUNTERS:** Do you have a couple hours you can spare on a Monday morning to count money? If so, please contact Judy on



0448 205 283 for more information. Many thanx.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES 2023 – 2024: New Planned Giving Envelopes are ready for collection from the church porch. Please pick up your box of envelopes. If you are not yet part of



OLMC Planned Giving, you can fill in a Pledge Card and give to Fr Paul or to the Parish Office. Planned Giving is for the running of the church and does not support the priest. Thank you for your generosity and support to our parish.

EVERY 4TH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH - THE SPIRITUALITY OF SAINT FRANCIS OF ASSISI – SECULAR ORDER: If anybody



would like to explore the spirituality of Saint Francis of Assisi, our Fraternity (Secular Franciscan Order) would more than welcome you. We meet every **4th Sunday of the month** (except Christmas breaks) **2.30pm at Franciscan Friars Polish Community (OFM), 35 Eighth Avenue, Maylands.** To even just investigate Christian spirituality is exciting, (from Gospel to life, lover of creation, instrument of peace etc) and the then living that life is up to you. Whilst we have the Friars to guide us, our fraternity is primarily composed of lay people (married or single) with diocesan priests being very welcome. Further information: SMS Phillip Chantler, 0405 968 596.

WANTED - DAY ACTIVITIES FOR ADULTS WITH DISABILITY -EMMANUEL CENTRE: Emmanuel Centre currently has a couple of



vacancies for day activities at our centre near East Perth train station. **Mondays and or Tuesdays 9.30am to 2pm**. Cost of \$4.00 per day to cover morning tea and light lunch provided. If interested, please phone 08 9328 8113 or email <u>emmanuelcentre@perthcatholic.org.au</u>.

CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF PERTH - Employment Opportunities: The Catholic Archdiocese of Perth has a number of employment opportunities for suitably



qualified persons to join its team and continue the good work of the Church. For details, refer to <u>https://www.perthcatholic.org.au/Employment.</u> <u>htm</u>.

- Advisor, People & Culture Fixed Term (6 months), 0.8 FTE - 1.0 FTE (<u>listed on SEEK</u>)
- Chief Financial Officer Permanent, Full-Time (<u>listed on SEEK</u>)
- Executive Assistant to the Auxiliary Bishop and Episcopal Vicars – Permanent, Full-Time (<u>listed</u> <u>on SEEK</u>)
- Executive Assistant, Finance and Administration – Permanent, 0.8 – 1.0 FTE (listed on SEEK)
- Manager, Executive Services (Episcopal Services) – Permanent, Full-Time (<u>listed on</u> <u>SEEK</u>)



- Chaplain, Prison Ministry Permanent, Part-Time direct (apply to recruitment@perthcatholic.org.au)
- URGENT HIRING: Family Life Educator (Centre for Life, Marriage & Family) – Casual (apply direct to recruitment@perthcatholic.org.au)

AID TO THE Aid to the **CHURCH** IN Church in Need **NEED:** One of the ACN AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND major works of Aid to the Church in Need is

providing transport to priests, sisters, and catechists to reach the faithful, who are often at great distances and must go through difficult terrain. In 2022, ACN provided 1,253 pastoral vehicles. This included 564 cars, 406 bicycles, 252 motorcycles, 16 boats, 11 buses, and 4 trucks for the pastoral work of the Church – particularly in Latin America and Africa. Can you help us supply transport to priests and religious again in 2023? Visit www.aidtochurch.org/transport to make an offering and learn more.



June, Matilda Bay Restaurant, 6pm

for 6.30pm start. Drinks will be available at the bar. RSV by email to office@kscwa.org.au or State Office 08 9368 2503.

**THE APOCRYPHAL GOSPELS -**MEETING THE JESUS OF MYTH AND IMAGINATION: 30 June -02 July. In addition to the four Gospels contained within the



New Testament, a considerable number of other Gospels exist. Although these works embody myth and creative imagination rather than historical truth, they offer intriguing, surprising, and sometimes challenging perspectives, embodying a range of alternative understandings of the person of Jesus. This weekend will present an overview of the history and context of the non-canonical Gospels, and an illuminating survey of some of the more significant and interesting of these apocryphal writings. For more information and bookings please email: www.newnorcia.com.au.

PRAYER DAY OF AND CONTEMPLATION: Come to spend time reflecting on how our God is calling you forward in your life right now. Come-



Reflect-Connect. Tuesday 11 July, Kilmolee at Safety Bay, 182 Arcadia Drive, Safety Bay. Please arrive in time for morning tea at 9.30am. The session commences at 10am and concludes at 1pm with a light lunch. Cost \$20.00. RSVP essential by Friday before the day. For more information contact: Dianne Colborne rsj, safety.bay@sosj.org.au or 08 9527 3240.

**RETREAT**: **WEEKEND** Themed, Colours of **Creation** - Traversing the Oceans of Our Lives. Co-facilitators, Geraldine Taylor



and Megan Phillips. Arrival 6pm Friday 14 July to Sunday 16 July after lunch, Kilmolee at Safety Bay, 182 Arcadia Drive, Safety Bay. Cost \$300.00. Applications close on Thursday 22 June 2023. For more information registration: Dianne Colborne rsj; safety.bay@sosj.org.au or 08 9527 3240.



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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.		Source of the second se		Our lady of all various Payers: Lord Jesus Christ, Son of the Father, send now son of the Father, send now to us 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.
WEEK 4 24-25 Jun 12 Ordinary	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ACOLTY	
Sat 6pm	Volunteer	Katie Hughes	Enrico D'Alessa	ndro
Sun 7.30am	Diane Richards	Jenny Troy	Joe De Ornelas	
Sun 9am	Franca Kalat	Elizabeth Sabella	Gerald Farrell	
WEEK 1 1-2 Jul 13 Ordinary	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ACOLYTE	
Sat 6pm	Martha Kalat	Susie Poleschtschuk	Joe De Ornelas	
Sun 7.30am	Michael Muller	Jenny Troy	Simon Overton	
Sun 9am	Bridget Chamberlain	Franca Kalat	Ken Hla	

Through Him, with Him, in Him In the unity of the Holy Spirit, All glory and honour is Yours, Almighty Father, Forever and ever. Amen.



PRAYER TO OUR LADY HELP OF

CHRISTIANS: Lord, you place deep in our hearts the love of Mary, help of Christians. Through her prayers grant wisdom to our leaders and integrity to our Citizens. Under her protection may Australia be granted harmony, justice and peace. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Wednesday Evenings 5.30 – 6.30pm Friday Mornings 9.30 – 10.30am Come Visit Jesus For One Hour Jesus is Waiting for You





# **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION**

Jn 15: 26-27

Alleluia, alleluia! / The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord, / and you also will be my witnesses. / Alleluia!

## GOSPEL

Mt 10: 26-33

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

## Do not fear those who can kill the body.

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: 'Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncovered, and everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the house-tops.

'Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

'So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

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## FAITH SEEKING UNDERSTANDING

St Anselm defined theology as faith seeking understanding. As people of faith, we seek to understand and respond to how God's plan is unfolding in our own lives. One of the most difficult hurdles for a person of faith to overcome is coming to terms with the fact that proclaiming the will of God can lead to persecution and suffering. The first reading and the Gospel address this challenge calling us to be steadfast and faithful in times of persecution and rejection. Jeremiah's natural response to persecution was calling on God to intervene and avenge him in the present. When Jesus commissioned the disciples, they were invited to respond in a different way. Disciples of every age are called to trust that our present faithfulness in times of persecution will not be forgotten or go unrewarded.

One of the tasks that faced Paul was teasing out and explaining to his contemporaries how Jesus' suffering and rejection fitted into God's saving plan. What looked like disaster and failure he had come to see as the dawn of a new age. Comparing Jesus to Adam provided Paul with the means to share his understanding that what had been lost by Adam's sin had now finally been regained, and more than regained, through the death of Jesus. God did not avenge Jesus' death but transformed a moment of violence into the most extraordinary moment of grace. Disciples are called to not only understand this mystery but let it penetrate our lives in times of suffering and rejection.

**Christopher Monaghan CP**