



# THE SAVING WORD

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

30 JULY 2023

## FIRST READING

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

A reading from the first book of the Kings

*You have asked for wisdom.*

The Lord appeared to Solomon in a dream and said, 'Ask what you would like me to give you.' Solomon replied, 'Lord, my God, you have made your servant king in succession to David my father. But I am a very young man, unskilled in leadership. Your servant finds himself in the midst of this people of yours that you have chosen, a people so many its numbers cannot be counted or reckoned. Give your servant a heart to understand how to discern between good and evil, for who could govern this people of yours that is so great?' It pleased the Lord that Solomon should have asked for this. 'Since you have asked for this', the Lord said, 'and not asked for long life for yourself or riches or the lives of your enemies, but have asked for a discerning judgement for yourself, here and now I do what you ask. I give you a heart wise and shrewd as none before you has had and none will have after you.'

■ The word of the Lord.

**RESP PSALM** Ps 118:57, 72, 76-77, 127-130. R. v. 97

**R. Lord, I love your commands.**

1. My part, I have resolved, O Lord, / is to obey your word. / The law from your mouth means more to me / than silver and gold. **R.**

2. Let your love be ready to console me / by your promise to your servant. / Let your love come to me and I shall live / for your law is my delight. **R.**

3. That is why I love your commands / more than finest gold. / That is why I rule my life by your precepts: / I hate false ways. **R.**

4. Your will is wonderful indeed; / therefore I obey it. / The unfolding of your word gives light / and teaches the simple. **R.**



## SECOND READING

Rom 8:28-30

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

*He predestined us to become true images of his Son.*

We know that by turning everything to their good God co-operates with all those who love him, with all those that he has called according to his purpose. They are the ones he chose specially long ago and intended to become true images of his Son, so that his Son might be the eldest of many brothers. He called those he intended for this; those he called he justified, and with those he justified he shared his glory.

■ The word of the Lord.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

cf. Mt 11:25

**Alleluia, alleluia! / Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth, / you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom. / Alleluia!**



# OUR LADY of MT CARMEL CHURCH BULLETIN

## 17th Sunday Ordinary - 30 July 2023 - Year A

### PARISH INFORMATION

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**Website:** [www.olmchilton.org.au](http://www.olmchilton.org.au)

### 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



#### 17th Sunday Ordinary, 30 July – Catholic Mission Appeal

**Saturday 6pm Mass** for Precious Blood of Jesus Honour

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

**Sunday 9am Mass** for Ezio Pompili (RIP) & Paolo Cinquina (RIP) + Genoveva Martins (RIP 3<sup>rd</sup> Month Anniversary) & Goretta Martins (RIP) + Marta Correia Rodrigues (RIP & Birthday)



#### Monday 31 July – St Ignatius of Loyola

**7-9pm** Holy Trinity Prayer Group + **7.30pm Mass**



#### Tuesday 1 August – St Alphonsus Liguori

**9am Mass** for Parishioners Intentions

#### Wednesday 2 August – St Eusebius & St Peter Julian Eymard

**9am Mass** for Parishioners Intentions

**Morning Tea** after Mass

**10.30am** Legion of Mary

**5.30 – 6.30pm** Eucharistic Adoration



#### Thursday 3 August – St Dominic

**9am-4pm** Church Open for Prayers

#### Friday 4 August – St John Vianney

**9am Anointing Mass** for Parishioners Intentions

**9.30 – 10.30am** Eucharistic Adoration

**10am Holy Communion** to Hilton Park Aged Care



#### Saturday 5 August – Dedication of the Basilica of St Mary Major

**9am Mass** for Sacred Heart of Jesus & Immaculate Heart of Mary Honour

#### The Transfiguration of the Lord, 6 August – Vocations Awareness

**Week + Feast of God the Father of All Mankind**

**Saturday 6pm Mass** for Parishioners Intentions

**Sunday 7.30am Mass** for Andrew De Sousa (RIP) + Lori Tripi (RIP 3<sup>rd</sup> Anniversary)

**Sunday 9am Mass** for Stephen Randall (RIP) + Cono & Tonino Randazzo (RIP) + Holy Father Honour



**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 (forehead), deliver us, O Lord our God (mouth) from our enemies (heart) ... In the name of the Father, + and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit. Amen.



### WELCOME TO OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL PARISH

If you are a new parishioner, we extend a warm welcome to our Parish of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and ask that you introduce yourself to Fr Paul.



### PLEASE PRAY FOR SICK PARISHIONERS

Christine Rhow, Veronica, Maria, Consiglia Ciavatta, Irwin Beachell, Isabella Da Cunha, Martin, Norma Elliott, Rudi Tassell, Steven, Davina, Elisabetta Paddon, Dermot McKernon, Edward Fortune, Zdenka Mravljinc, 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

#### The Transfiguration of the Lord, 6 August

**1<sup>st</sup>:** Dan 7:9-10, 13-14

**2<sup>nd</sup>:** 2 Pet 1:16-19

**Gospel:** Mt 17:1-9



**ENTRANCE ANTIPHON:** God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his people.



**COMMUNION ANTIPHON:** Bless the Lord, O my soul and never forget all his benefits.

**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.





# OUR LADY OF MT CARMEL CHURCH BULLETIN

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



The brochure must be clear and should succinctly tell parishioners why the campaign is so important to the life of the parish and what benefits will be obtained by the successful completion of the project.



**ST GERTRUDE'S PRAYER FOR THE SOULS IN A PURGATORY – A Prayer taught by Our Lord to St Gertrude, to release 1,000 souls from Purgatory each time it is said:**

Eternal Father, I offer You the Most Precious Blood of Your 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, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.



**2023 HOLY FATHER MONTHLY PRAYER INTENTIONS: JULY - For a Eucharistic life.**

“We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.



**MESSAGE TO PARISHIONERS!** Please **DO NOT** put **FOREIGN COINS** in the collection as they cause the **Counting Machine** to **malfunction**. 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.



**2023 CATHOLIC MISSION APPEAL:** This weekend we ask for your prayers and generous response to this year's Catholic Mission



Appeal. You will be helping our medical missionaries provide life-saving healthcare to the vulnerable in East Timor and throughout the world. Please give generously by using the appeal envelope provided, or going online at [www.catholicmission.org.au/timor](http://www.catholicmission.org.au/timor). If you are keen to know what's involved in becoming a volunteer for Catholic Mission, please email Francis Leong at [director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au) for the details.

**CHAPLETS OF THE DIVINE MERCY:** A beautiful, prayerful, sung devotion held at St Thomas More Catholic Church, Dean Road Bateman, on the second Wednesday of each month commencing at 7.30 pm. The next devotion will be held on Wednesday 9 August 2023 commencing at 7.30 pm. Enquiries to George Lopez on 041 991 0039.



**COLLEGE TOUR**  
AUGUST 8 2023, 9.30AM

Please note Year 4 is the ideal year to start exploring secondary education options. We are currently processing and interviewing students intending to enrol in Year 7 in 2026.

Please register via [seton.wa.edu.au/college-tours](http://seton.wa.edu.au/college-tours)

**INNER HEALING RETREAT:**

**Friday 25 August 8.30am to Sunday 27 August 5pm,** Vincentian Retreat Centre, 625 Nettleton Road, Karrakup.



Free of charge. For registration, please provide the following, date of retreat, adult full name, contact details, child full name and age, via email [vrcperth@gmail.com](mailto:vrcperth@gmail.com) or phone 08 9525 6539.

**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 <https://www.perthcatholic.org.au/employment.htm>.

- **URGENT HIRING:** Assistant, The Shopfront (outreach agency) – Leave Cover, Fixed Term, Part-Time ([listed on SEEK](#))



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- Administration Officer, Episcopal Services – Permanent, Full-Time (apply direct to [recruitment@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:recruitment@perthcatholic.org.au))
- Coordinator, National Catholic Safeguarding Standards – Fixed Term (6 months), Full-Time (listed on SEEK)



**Save the Date!**  
 Thursday, 31st August 2023  
 9:45am for a 10:00am Start

Perth Launch of the 2023-24 Social Justice Statement

**Listen, Learn, Love**  
 A new engagement with Aboriginal & Torres Strait Islander Peoples

Information regarding the 2023-24 RESOURCES can be found at the Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace [www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au](http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au)

JEDO

Newman Siena Centre (Invitation providing further information to follow) [admin.jedoperthcatholic.org.au](http://admin.jedoperthcatholic.org.au) [www.jedoperthcatholic.org.au](http://www.jedoperthcatholic.org.au)

## ARCHDIOCESAN MARRIAGE MASS on SATURDAY 19 AUGUST 2023 at 10AM at ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL:



All parishioners are warmly invited to attend this special Mass. A blessing will be bestowed on ALL married couples who attend. In addition, do you know a couple celebrating a milestone anniversary 10, 25, 30, 35, 40, 45 or 50+ years of marriage? The Bishops would like to give these couples a special commemorative certificate as part of the celebration. Couples can register for a milestone anniversary certificate at <https://bit.ly/marriagemass2023>. Thank you for your continued support of this special celebration which continues to grow each year.

## PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE - DONATION REQUEST:

With your help we can support over 400 women a year with necessary items such as baby clothes, nappies & toiletries, bassinets, baby baths and much more. Today, we embark on our Year-End Campaign. Our goal is to provide care for 100 more pregnant women in need by raising \$10,000 by 31 December 2023, but we cannot do it without your help. We are reaching out to you because you have already demonstrated your compassion for pregnant women. Would you be willing to make a special year-end contribution of \$25, \$50, \$100 or more to support even more



pregnant women? With your support, we can impact our community in a lasting and loving way. Please consider our request to donate to this beautiful Ministry. We are so grateful for your generosity. We are non-for-profit and an ACNC registered charity. All monetary donations above \$2 are fully tax deductible. Thank you for considering our request, we appreciate it so much. For more information: Carmel or Lisette on 08 9328 2929.

## ANIMA CHRISTI (Soul of Christ). Say after

**Receiving Holy Communion... Soul** of Christ, sanctify me. **Body** of Christ, save me. **Blood** of Christ, inebriate me. **Water** from the side of Christ, wash me. **Passion** of Christ, strengthen me. O Good Jesus, hear me. Within Your wounds hide me. Suffer me not to be separated from You. From the malignant enemy, defend me. In the hour of my death, call me. And bid me come to You, That with all Your saints, I may praise You Forever and ever. **Amen.**



## ST IGNATIUS of LOYOLA - 31 July 2023.

**Saint and founder of the Jesuit Order:** Ignatius Loyola founded the Roman Catholic religious order known as the **Society of Jesus**, or Jesuits. Born into a Spanish noble family, Ignatius had a brief military career before suffering a wound in battle. While recovering at the castle of Loyola, he experienced a religious awakening. He felt the desire to help people understand their own spiritual nature. Over the next year he collected his thoughts on paper for what would evolve into **Spiritual Exercises**, his most important work. The piece took him 20 years to complete. **St Ignatius, pray for us.**



## ST JOHN VIANNEY - 4 August 2023.

**Patron of Priests:** Was a French Catholic priest who is venerated in the Catholic Church as a saint and as the patron saint of parish priests. He is often referred to as the **"Curé d'Ars" (The parish priest of Ars.)**, internationally known for his priestly and pastoral work in his parish in Ars, France, because of the radical spiritual transformation of the community and its surroundings. Catholics attribute this to his saintly life, mortification, persevering ministry in the sacrament of confession, and ardent devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. **St John Vianney, pray for us.**








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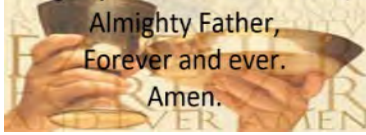


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 <p><b>OUR LADY of MT CARMEL NOVENA:</b> God our Father, prompted by Your Spirit the order of Carmel has from the beginning dedicated itself to the Mother of Your Son. As she unites her prayers with ours, look with favour upon us and bless our families, keep each of us from harm And bring us to the joy of heaven. We ask this through Jesus the Lord. <b>Amen.</b></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. <b>Amen.</b></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. <b>Amen.</b></p>
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<b>WEEK 5</b> 29-30 Jul 17 Ordinary	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ACOLYTE
Sat 6pm	Martha Kalat	Sjonny Walker	Enrico D'Alessandro
Sun 7.30am	Michael Muller	Nicolas Lim	Gerry Miller
Sun 9am	Toni Kalat	Helen Le Cordier	Ken Hla
<b>WEEK 1</b> 5-6 Aug The Transfiguration of the Lord	COMMENTATOR	READERS	ACOLYTE
Sat 6pm	Martha Kalat	Susie Poleschtschuk	Joe De Ornelas
Sun 7.30am	Michael Muller	Jenny Troy	Gerry Miller
Sun 9am	Bridget Chamberlain	Franca Kalat	Ken Hla



<p>Through Him, with Him, in Him In the unity of the Holy Spirit, All glory and honour is Yours, Almighty Father, Forever and ever. <b>Amen.</b></p> 	<p><b>PRAYER TO OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS:</b> 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. <b>Amen.</b></p> 	<p><b>EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION</b> <b>Wednesday Evenings</b> 5.30 – 6.30pm <b>Friday Mornings</b> 9.30 – 10.30am Come Visit Jesus <b>For One Hour</b> Jesus is Waiting for You</p> 
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### GOSPEL

Mt 13:44-52

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

*He sells everything he owns and buys the field.*

Jesus said to the crowds, 'The kingdom of heaven is like treasure hidden in a field which someone has found; he hides it again, goes off happy, sells everything he owns and buys the field.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a merchant looking for fine pearls; when he finds one of great value he goes and sells everything he owns and buys it.

'Again, the kingdom of heaven is like a dragnet cast into the sea that brings in a haul of all kinds. When it is full, the fishermen haul it ashore; then, sitting down, they collect the good ones in a basket and throw away those that are no use. This is how it will be at the end of time: the angels will appear and separate the wicked from the just to throw them into the blazing furnace where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.

'Have you understood all this?' They said, 'Yes.' And he said to them, 'Well, then, every scribe who becomes a disciple of the kingdom of heaven is like a householder who brings out from his storeroom things both new and old.'

### ■ The Gospel of the Lord.

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# Breaking Open the Word

## FINDING OUR TREASURE

As a young king, Solomon knew that he had much to learn to be the ruler the people of Israel needed him to be. When God invited him to ask for whatever he needed he asked for the gift of discernment between good and evil. Wealth might come and go, but the treasure he needed most of all was the gift of wisdom.

Matthew concludes the parabolic discourse with four parables that emphasise the wisdom that is required to not only recognise what is of lasting value but to hold on to it when we find it. It can be that what is of value is often hidden like the treasure in the field, or needs to be discovered like the pearl, or sorted like the catch that the dragnet brings in. While Jesus spoke of the treasure of the kingdom of God, Matthew has come to see that the pearl of great price is Jesus himself who is the source of our hope and the wisdom we need to live life to the full.

Throughout the eighth chapter of the letter to the Romans, Paul encourages his readers to take heart during the struggles and difficulties that they face as Christians. Our faith itself is a pearl of great price, a gift and treasure that gives us the strength to deal with the struggles and complexities of our lives. God can transform even the darkest moments and our faith helps us to live with hope in the future glory God has prepared for us.

**Christopher Monaghan CP**

## Hilton parishioners celebrate World Day of Grandparents and the Elderly

27 Jul 2023

By The Record



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The Hilton Parish Church is dedicated to Our Lady of Mt Carmel, a title given to the Blessed Virgin Mary in her role as patroness of the Carmelite Order.

Commencing with the 9am Mass, Sunday 16 July, the celebrations continued with a celebratory cutting of the cake by long-time parishioners, including 84-year-old Marian Randall, 84, Portio Curton, 83 and Rose Pearce, 83.

Ms Randall, Ms Curton and Ms Pearce have each spent more than 30 years at Hilton Parish, and the celebration was enjoyed by all with many parishioners networking till after 11am.

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly was celebrated internationally, Sunday 23 July, with Parish Priest Fr Paul Raj emphasised that all grandparents and the elderly were acknowledged during the homily and prayers of the faithful.

Fr Paul continued by highlighting that the elderly parishioners of Hilton have worked hard in making the parish their home.

"For the last 10 years, our parishioners have chosen the motto, 'Hospitality is our Special Care' and as such have extended a designated area for hospitality in front of the church," Fr Paul explained.

"A team of parishioners work together each week to organise and co-ordinate morning tea for all after 9am Mass.

"This works well here in Hilton, especially for elderly parishioners," Fr Paul concluded.

Prior to the celebrations on 16 July, several parishioners committed to nine days of novena, praying for peace, families, youth, victims of violence and abuse, the sick and the elderly.