Dear sisters and brothers,

Today's Gospel (Matt 25:14-30) continues the theme of last week: how best to use our time to prepare for the coming of the Lord. The parable is the tale of a rich businessman who gives three employees large very sums to invest expecting a big return. The enterprising first two servants to realise a 100% increase. Their reward is to be welcomed 'into the joy' of their master. The third servant, paralysed by fear he did nothing. He was concerned solely with his own security. The gifts we have received from God are to be used in a life-giving way. As St Teresa tells us the ultimate goal of prayer is openness to the Spirit, the union of prayer and activity in "the birth always of good works, good works" (Interior Castle 7.4.6).

Parish Community Meeting

One of the great sacraments of the Catholic Church is called "Thanks". Admittedly we usually know it by its name in Greek: Eucharist, which means "Thanks'. We thank God for the great gifts he has given us in Christ through his birth and ministry, his death, resurrection and ascension. We thank God for life itself in all its colour and beauty and we thank God for walking with us through his Spirit throughout our lives in good times and bad. We give thanks that our parish is so lively and friendly. We thank God for our life together where we hear his word and are nourished by the Bread of Life and the Cup of Salvation as we celebrate the Eucharist- the Sacrament of Thanks.

The number of people coming to our parish continues to grow. It is good to see new, young families at mass. This year we received the first ever Certificate of Excellence for outstanding commitment and implementation of the National Catholic Safeguarding Standards. It is gratifying to have this recognition of our commitment to ensure Infant Jesus is a safe and joyful environment for all who come here, especially children and vulnerable adults.

We decided for reasons of health and safety to get new carpet, to make the sanctuary disabled accessible and to renew the Church building. An enthusiastic committee has held several community fundraising events. The amount of work done by the organising committee for the Christmas Fair has been astonishing. By the time you read this we will have raised the target \$120,000. A benefit of their activities has been enjoyable times together and so, our community has been strengthened. The carpet and other church renovations will be completed in the New Year.

I would like to thank Fathers John and Adalbert for their support and ministry, our wonderful team in the Partish Office, our Parish Finance Council and all those who have ministered, worked and prayed in and for the parish.

This year inspired by Pope Francis, the Australian Plenary Council and the future Diocesan Pastoral Council we will explore a synodal format of spiritual conversations for our **Annual Community Meeting on Monday 20 November 7.00pm.** Everyone is welcome. Please attend, if you can.—*Blessings, Greg*

ALL PARISHIONERS ARE INVITED TO OUR ANNUAL COMMUNITY MEETING 2023 Monday 20th November at 7pm at the parish hall

All parishioners are strongly encouraged to attend our annual meeting where our meeting will follow a synodal model of listening and discernment.

Please come and share your experience of the parish, listen to others, and then prayerfully discern what is God asking of our parish. Some questions to open our conversation might be: "How are we to grow as a parish which is faithful to the Gospel and responsive to the needs of people in our world today?" "What should our priorities be?"

Take an interest in what has happened during the year and what we hope, and plan

for our parish in the coming year our parish community is the responsibility of each one of us! After the meeting, you are invited to enjoy some light refreshments. All welcome.



2nd Rite of Reconciliation for Advent Wednesday 7th December at 7pm Infant Jesus Church



Prepare yourself for the Christmas season by joining your parish family for this communal Rite of

Reconciliation as we come together to listen and reflect on the Word of God; to express our sorrow for the times we have failed and to praise our God, whose forgiveness is unfailing.



THANK YOU

We couldn't have done it without YOU! Thank you to the many hands that came and helped to prep the generously donated goods for our fair. To our home chefs, talented crafty people, and green thumb gardeners, you amazed us with your talents and creativity. To all our volunteers for the day, you have been amazing in making the day so enjoyable and wonderful. And last but not least, to Angela and Andrew, who worked tirelessly behind the scene for many months, you both are legends. Thank YOU! We will do our best to bring you an update of our fundraising tally raised next week, hoping to be the bearers of very good news



PREPARE FOR ADVENT

Discover the profound spiritual journey of Advent and Christmas with **The Sign: Daily Advent and Christmas Reflections 2023**—containing spiritually rich, yet accessible, daily reflections from the beginning of Advent (3 December 2023) through to

the Baptism of the Lord (8 January 2024). The booklets are available now from the piety stall and parish office for \$5 a



2024 COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR Now available at the Piety Stall and Parish Office for \$8 each

DECK THE HALLS DANCE 25 November—6pm to 11.30PM St Kieran's Parish hall, 122 Waterloo St, Tuart Hill An 18+ Event and proceeds to Pregnancy Assistance Any Questions please call Elizabeth on 0458 101 384

Morning Mass: Mon - Fri: 7am & 9am, Saturday and Public Holidays: 8.30am Sunday Masses: 6pm (Saturday), 7.30am, 9.30am, 11.30am (Italian), 6pm Reconciliation: Saturday 10 - 11am and 5 - 5.30pm Perpetual Novena in Honour of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel: Wednesday 6.30pm Ä

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PARISH PRAYER CONCERNS

Recently Deceased: Cecilia Khin Si, Glenn Pereira, John Watts, Francesco Leone and David Choules,

Deceased: All the holy souls, Achamma, Joacim, Agatha, Teresea, Joseph, Linda, Harvey, Norberto and Eduardo Sales, Bill and Nettie Beukelaar, Sarah Anne Windsor,

Anniversaries: Glen McGuinness, Brendan John Carr, Eric Sivwright, Maria Tran Thi Hoan, Joan Baotixita, Nguyen Duc Tuyen, Peter Le.Y, Pamela Fernando, Maria Nguyen, Domenico Vu, Stanislaus D'Souza, and Peggy Brown;

The Sick of the Parish: Philip Mitchell, Sebster Peters McColliss, and all who are in need of our prayers.

"Truly God is my rock and my salvation."

AN ADVENT EVENT ON MODERN SLAVERY



Almost 50 million people are experiencing modern slavery in our world today. Did you know Modern Slavery can be hidden in parish & school supply chains as forced labour? We can mitigate the risk of

contributing to forced labour by adopting ethical purchasing behaviours. To find out more about this and participate in the Parish Modern Slavery Initiative contact wacmro@perthcatholic.org.au.

In partnership with Catholic Mission, the WA Catholic Migrant & Refugee Office and the University of Notre Dame Australia, the Redemptorist Monastery is hosting the Advent Reflection on Modern Slavery in Word and Music at 7pm on Saturday 2nd December 2023. Please save the date for your family, friends & colleagues to experience this premier sacred music Advent concert in the Perth Archdiocese. For more info contact director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au.

In Our Church

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament: Friday 9.30 - 10.30am Eucharistic Prayer: Friday 6.30 - 7.30pm Baptisms, Weddings & Sacraments: Please contact the Parish Office - 9276 8500 | enquiries@infantjesusparish.org.au

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 BSB: 086 006
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ANNUAL FAIR AT HOLY TRINITY PARISH EMBLETON **ON SATURDAY 23 NOVEMBER FROM 9AM**



Come and support! Raising fund for the church carpet

GETAWAY WEEKEND - YOUNG HEARTS, STRONG FAITH!

Join us for an exciting weekend with other young adults from around Perth. Held at Advent Park in Maida Vale, there will be lots of social activities, talks and discussion, music, and prayer, as we come together to explore what it means to live a strong faith filled life.

- III Date: 1st to 3rd of December 2023
- Cost: \$100 per person

🖽 Venue: Advent Park, 345 Kalamunda Rd, Maida Vale WA Register: https://events.humanitix.com/getaway-weekend-2023

GARDEN OF EDEN - CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS BALL 2024

Join us for an evening of enchantment in the "Garden of Eden" as Catholic young adults from around Perth come together to celebrate in style. Indulge in a sumptuous three-course meal and enjoy a selection of beer, wine, and soft drinks — all included in the price. Get your friends together and dance the night away.

III Date: Saturday, February 17th, 2024 Cost: \$120 per person

① Time: 6:30 PM to 11:30 PM 🗰 Venue: Pagoda Resort & Spa Register: https://events.humanitix.com/cym-ball

THIS WEEKEND — 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time—19 November 2023				
Ministry	<u>Sat 6pm</u>	<u>Sun 7.30am</u>	<u>Sun 9.30am</u>	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Jeremy Nicoletto	Josephine Joseph-McManus	Marion Wayne	Chris Lambert
Altar Servers	Aaditya; Abhay; Matthia and Mathan	Aaron and Frank	Crissanto and Cesar	Dylan; Alyssa; Amy and Megan
Proclaimers	Marian F and Donna-Marie	Shirley and Clare	Barbara and Sr Chitra	Anna and Pramila
Extr. Ministers of Communion	Teresa and John T	Kerryn and Kathleen	Josephine and Evelyn	Tristan and Thuy
Hospitality	Roopa and Desmond	Quinn and Francisca	Haydee and Barbara & Christie	Marina and Megan
Church Cleaning	Team A—Saturday, 25 November 2023 @ 9.30am			
NEXT WEEKEND — Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe—26 November 2023				
Ministry	<u>Sat 6pm</u>	<u>Sun 7.30am</u>	<u>Sun 9.30am</u>	<u>Sunday 6pm</u>
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Hari Geigenmuller	Marion Wayne	Chris Yapp	David Ward
Altar Servers	Ethan; Meldon and Lachlan	Cyril and Aaron	Andrei; Jules and Kim	Denver; Marcus and Noah
Proclaimers	Sabrina and Megan	Bernie and Liz	Rod and Beblin	Maureen and Claire
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Chris T and Tracy	Andrew and Margaret	Anna and Magdalene	Maureen and Emily
Hospitality	Ann and Donna-Marie	Mavis and Catrina	Roma and Jovana	Joanne and Melissa
Church Cleaning	Team B—Thursday, 30 November 2023 @ 9.45am			

PLEASE NOTE: If you are unable to attend on your rostered day, please arrange for someone else in your Ministry to take your place.

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