

Infant Jesus Parish

Welcome to Morley

02 March 2025



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Morning Mass: Monday - Friday: 7am & 9am

Saturday and Public Holidays: 8.30am

Sunday Masses: 6pm (Saturday),

7.30am, 9.30am, 11.00am (English & Italian) and 6pm

Reconciliation: Saturday 10 - 11am and 5.00 - 5.30pm

Perpetual Novena in Honour of Our Lady of Mt. Carmel: Wednesday 6.30pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament:

Friday 9.30 - 10.30am

Baptisms, Weddings & Sacraments:

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God bless you and all your family

Dear sisters and brothers,

Today's **Gospel** (Lk 6:39-45) is from Jesus' Sermon on the Plain. Last week we heard the section concerned with action towards others ('love your enemies') today Jesus speaks of the heart as the wellspring of action. Our actions reveal where our heart is. Get the heart right and all else will follow.

As we cannot see the heart of others how can we judge and condemn? How can you hope to take a splinter out of someone's eye when your own sight is blocked by a plank? Jesus calls such people 'hypocrites' that is FAKES. We replace understanding and empathy with judgement. Self-righteousness is a tree that can never bear good fruit. This might involve excluding others from the Church, or from Communion, because we "know" they are sinners. The Synod of 2014-15 approved a 'pastoral response' to problems of family life like divorce and remarriage. In 2016 Pope Francis approved this approach in *Amoris Laetitia*.

Pope Francis

Let us pray for Pope Francis at this time. He has been a great blessing for us and all the world. Though I have never met or spoken to a pope I have clear memories of the seven popes of my lifetime. From Pius XII to Francis they have all been remarkable men. Each of them has enriched our Church leading us in being faithful to God's call in our time. Three of them have been canonised, one has been beatified.

Pope Francis is now very ill. We can be grateful for his holiness, humility and understanding of humanity. He invited the Church to pray and enter into the Extraordinary Jubilee of Mercy (2015-16). He led us to re-discover the core of our faith and the ground of our hope- the mercy of God. The glory of God's kingdom "is not power as defined by this world, but the love of God, a love capable of encountering and healing all things." Christ "lowered himself to us out of this love, he lived our human misery, he suffered the lowest point of our human condition" of betrayal and abandonment. The Church is called to be the Sacrament of Christ's mercy. A church that lives by the mercy of God and which has the sacrament of penance/reconciliation will be a church of sinners and a church where all are welcome. That is, it will be catholic. It will be a safe place for both young and old, for those who are struggling and those who minister God's mercy. Pope Francis has also brought the Church the ancient practice of synodality whereby all are heard, and all contribute to the life and mission of the Church. This is a precious, hope-filled gift to the Church

Lent

We are on the threshold of Lent. It is our journey to Easter which challenges us to be free of hypocrisy and deceit. A journey which calls us to free our heart by prayer, fasting and almsgiving so that we may be open to receive and share the tender compassion of our God. Please prayer for our Catechumens and our Candidates for full Communion with the Catholic Church and don't forget Project Compassion.

Blessings, Fr Greg.

The World Day of Prayer

The World Day of Prayer will be held on **Friday 7th March 2025** at **Morley/Noranda Uniting Church 70 Camboon Rd.** at **10.30am**. There will be comfortable chairs for seniors and a light lunch to follow so just a prayerful attitude and a singing voice please! The World Day of Prayer is an Ecumenical Christian movement led by our prayers and actions for peace and justice in our world. A prayer booklet has been prepared this year by Christian women of the Cook Islands. ALL are WELCOME! The theme for Friday 7th March all over our world is:

"I made You Wonderful" Psalm 139: 1-18

PROJECT COMPASSION LENTEN PRAYER

God of our journey we are all pilgrims of hope, brought together by your love and your wish that we may all be one.

We pray that in this Year of Jubilee, when we are called to greater justice and care for our common home, that we may Unite Against Poverty.

May we work in unity to free the oppressed and to renew creation. May our compassionate minds and generous hearts help bring about a world where all can live in peace.

May our Lenten pilgrimage of fasting, almsgiving and prayer bring us closer to your loving heart.

Amen.



**PROJECT
COMPASSION**

Project Compassion Sunday 1st and 2nd of March 2025

This Lent, we are called to *Unite Against Poverty* through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion. Your generous support this Lenten Season will enable Caritas Australia to provide life-changing support to vulnerable communities in need.



**UNITE
AGAINST
POVERTY**

this Lent

Please donate today.

You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code above.

Or online at: caritas.org.au/project-compassion

Or by calling: 1800 024 413

Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty this Lent*.

ASH WEDNESDAY

*"From dust you came,
and to dust you will return."*

5th March 2025

Mass times: 7:00am

9:00am (whole school mass)

7:00pm

Stations of the Cross +

AT INFANT JESUS CHURCH

**7PM EVERY WEDNESDAY DURING LENT
12TH MARCH-9TH APRIL**

+

**2PM EVERY FRIDAY DURING LENT
7TH MARCH-11TH APRIL**

If you would like to participate in proclaiming the readings or in the procession at the Stations of the Cross on Wednesday evenings please contact Chris Lambert on 0447 956 251

LABOUR DAY PUBLIC HOLIDAY Monday 3 MARCH

ONE MASS AT 8.30AM ONLY

The Parish office and centre will be closed for the holiday



BEREAVEMENT MASS

Our Bereavement Mass
will be held on

Tuesday, 4th March at our 9.00am Mass



Pope Francis' Intention for March *For families in crisis.*

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

CONGRATULATIONS

We welcome our recently baptised little ones and pray that God will bless, guide and protect them—Gia Dhue; Hanai Inman; Lorenzo Cottone; Matteo Lee; Patrick; McCloskey; Audrey Millw; Shakira Medowulu; Zoe Kimber; Arthur Sharp; Oscar Cavallaro; Maximus Hoang; Tommy Burke; Catherine Miller; Josephina Varchese; Harper Boland; Lucas Monterosso; Hannah Huong and Antonio Jenks. . May God protect and watch over you, little ones, guiding you towards a life of faith and love.



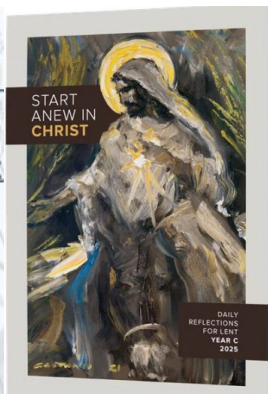
Daily Reflections for Lent

"Start Anew in Christ"

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Weekly Lenten Reflections and Stations of the Cross booklets also available for purchase

Let Us Pray for One Another

Recently Deceased: Chiara Masciulli, Elizabeth Arthy, Jade White, Tay Kimmui, Fred Albanese, ;

Deceased: Giovanni Menini, Giacomo Mori, Peter Meek;

Anniversaries: Mary Mathew, Claude Laventure;
and all those in need of our prayers.



The Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady
This week in the home of
Doug and Annette Nathanielsz—Ph: 9276 5048

~VOLUNTEERS NEEDED~

Please contact the parish office on 9276 8500 if you are able to assist with cleaning the church once a month on a Thursday morning.

THIS WEEKEND — 02 March 2025—8th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 11:00am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Bruce Erneste	Chris Lambert	Josephine Joseph-McManus	John T	David Ward
Altar Servers	Savio; Ethan and Mathan	Tim and Dan	Victoria and Manuel		Alex; Dorothy and Bryant
Proclaimers	Megan and Sabrina	Shirley and Clare	Mark and Claire		Adam and Alishia
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Emily; Teresa; Chris and Sejin	Valerie; Nevellene; Carl and Josie	Sr Chau; Sr Le; Sr Oanh; Marilyn; Evelyn and Christina		Eloise; Adam; Thuy and Ivor
Hospitality	Emily and Milly	Barb and Veronica	Roma and Sr Chitra		Joanne and Marina
Church Cleaning	Team D—Friday, 07 March 2025 @ 10.30am				

NEXT WEEKEND — 09 March 2025—First Sunday of Lent

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 11:00am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Jeremy Nicoletto	Chris Wray	David Ward	Chris L	Tung Nguyen
Altar Servers	Shawn; Josemiguel and Meldon	Aaron and Frank	Crissanto and Cesar		Amy; Megan and Alden
Proclaimers	Meghan and Naethan	Liz and Bernie	Mike and Beblin		Marion W and Fely
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Tracy; Chris T; John and Marie	Andrew; Margaret; Kathleen and Kerryn	Sr Justin; Magdalene; Annette; Joan; Linda and Marlene		Maureen; Tristan; Eloise and Adam
Hospitality	Manisha and John T	Angela and Selina	Josephine McManus and Barbara		Rita and Fely
Church Cleaning	Team A—Saturday, 15 March 2025 @ 9.30am				

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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The Living Word of God NRSV

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C ♦ Sunday 02 March 2025

FIRST READING Sirach 27:4-7

When a sieve is shaken, the refuse appears;
so do a person's faults when one speaks.
The kiln tests the potter's vessels;
so the test of a person is in conversation.
Its fruit discloses the cultivation of a tree;
so a person's speech discloses the cultivation of the mind.
Do not praise people before they speak,
for this is the way people are tested.

(Quiet reflection time)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 92.1-2, 12-13, 14-15 (R.1)

R. Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord,
to sing praises to your name, O Most High;
to declare your steadfast love in the morning,
and your faithfulness by night. **R.**

The righteous flourish like the palm tree,
and grow like a cedar in Lebanon.
They are planted in the house of the Lord;
they flourish in the courts of our God. **R.**

In old age they still produce fruit;
they are always green and full of sap,
showing that the Lord is upright;
he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him. **R.**

SECOND READING 1Cor 15:54-58

When this perishable body puts on imperishability, and this mortal body puts on immortality, then the saying that is written will be fulfilled:

"Death has been swallowed up in victory."

"Where, O death, is your victory?
Where, O death, is your sting?"

The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, because you know that in the Lord your labour is not in vain.

(Quiet reflection time)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Phil 2:15-16

Alleluia, alleluia!

Shine on the world like bright stars;

you are offering it the word of life.

Alleluia!

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GOSPEL Lk 6:39-45

Jesus told his disciples a parable:
"Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit? A disciple is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully qualified will be like the teacher. "Why do you see the speck in your neighbour's eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? Or how can you say to your neighbour, 'Friend, let me take out the speck in your eye,' when you yourself do not see the log in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbour's eye."

"No good tree bears bad fruit, nor again does a bad tree bear good fruit;

for each tree is known by its own fruit. Figs are not gathered from thorns, nor are grapes picked from a bramble bush. "Out of the good treasure of the heart, the good person produces good, and out of evil treasure, the evil person produces evil; for it is out of the abundance of the heart that the mouth speaks." ✕

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

FIRST READING: Deut 26:4-10

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 90:1-2, 10-15 (R.v15)

SECOND READING: Rom 10:8-13

GOSPEL: Lk 4:1-13

Living the Gospel – You hypocrite

It is often argued that it is hypocrisy to attend Mass on Sundays and be 'holy' in that circumstance but to then be less than perfect during the rest of the week. This is often rolled out as a convenient excuse for not attending Mass at all: everyone who goes to Mass is a hypocrite. Of course, attending Mass does not imply perfection. It is in fact a recognition of imperfection and the need to come together as a community and to seek God's help to have another go at trying to get it a bit more right in the coming week.

Entrance Antiphon Cf Psalm 17:19-20

The Lord became my protector. He brought me out to a place of freedom; he saved me because he delighted in me.

Communion Antiphon Cf Psalm 12:6

I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me, sing psalms to the name of the Lord Most High.