

Infant Jesus Parish

Welcome to Morley

27 July 2025

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Served by Teresian Carmelite Friars

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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

*"O God, protector of those who hope in you,
without whom nothing has firm foundation, nothing is holy,
bestow in abundance your mercy upon us
and grant that, with you as our ruler and guide,
we may use the good things that pass
in such a way as to hold fast even now to those that ever endure."*

Today's Collect was written by Pope Vigilius after the Arian siege of Rome in 537AD was lifted. He was anxious that now the danger had passed people might relax so much they would neglect their fervent prayers of the time of crisis. We pray that we remain wholehearted in our Christian worship and charity which is a foretaste of eternal joy.

Today's First Reading and the Gospel have to do with prayer. The **First Reading** (Gen 18: 20-32) is a like a scene from a market where haggling is expected. God is negotiated to a tiny minimum. The sin of Sodom is their violent hostility towards strangers and foreigners.

In the **Gospel** (Luke 11:1-13) Jesus gives his disciples an instruction on how to pray, which we call the Lord's Prayer.

To begin, the focus is on God. It shows how Jesus related to God in an intimate relationship: God is addressed as Father/Abba (i.e. the Aramaic familiar equivalent of "Dad"). After the resurrection of Jesus under the impulse of the Spirit (Rom 8:15; Gal 4:6) Christians 'dare' to call God 'Abba' because we share this intimate, trusting relationship with God. Secondly, the prayer moves on to what God dreamt for the world: that God may be encountered as close and loving in all situations and that God's reign will become a reality on earth. God reigns when people trust in God and live with one another in peace with mutual respect and loving kindness to all. We don't just pray that these good things may happen we ask God to make them happen: 'make your name holy, make your kingdom come'.

Thirdly, we come to our own needs. 'Our daily bread' has rich levels of meaning: we need bread for each day as well as our bread for tomorrow (an allusion to the double portion of manna to be collected the day before the Sabbath during the desert Exodus). This is bread for life's journey. In John 6: 41 Jesus says "I am the bread that came down from heaven." That is: he is our manna who sustains and nourishes hungry people on their long and difficult journeys.

Fourthly, we pray for God's forgiveness- that God not blame us or hold on to our sins but 'will wipe the debt clean'. God's forgiveness sets us free so that we act similarly to forgive those who have hurt us. The reign of God becomes a reality, we make God's mission our own- being forgiven we forgive and being loved we create beloved communities of reconciliation and hope.

The final petition reflects awareness that the world is often a place of trial, suffering and temptation. God does not lead people into such things. We pray that such troubles, when they occur, will not be overwhelming, causing us to lose heart and forget we are God's beloved. The Lord's Prayer is the prayer of the beloved family of God.

Blessings,

Greg

THINKING ABOUT BECOMING CATHOLIC?

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is the process through which adults can explore the Catholic faith and prepare to receive the Sacraments.

The first RCIA meeting is on **Sunday 27 July, after the 9:30am Mass** in the parish centre.

This may be of interest if you are:

- Unbaptised and seeking to learn more about the Christian faith
- Baptised in another Christian tradition and looking to enter into full communion with the Catholic Church
- Baptised Catholic but never confirmed or received First Eucharist

For more information, contact Lucy at the parish office or speak with Fr Greg.
9276 8500



WAYS TO GET INVOLVED IN OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who has put their name down to volunteer in the many ministries and groups that help our parish community thrive.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD: To enable the Word of God to be opened up to children, a team of people is needed. There is a program to use and resources are available to do this. Together the children leave Mass with the Children's Lectionary for their session and return at the end of the 'Liturgy of the Word'. Time commitment is at Mass once every 6 weeks.

~If you'd like to volunteer in this role please scan the QR code and complete your details via the link.~
<https://infantjesusparish.org.au/volunteer/>

ST CATHERINE'S HOUSE OF HOSPITALITY CHRISTIAN MEDITATION RETREAT

Meditation is a universal spiritual practice. It is a practice found at the core of all the great religious traditions. It can be practiced by anyone and in Christianity we understand it as a form of prayer. The retreat day will offer its history, some of its benefits and how to practice this ancient art. Christian Meditation can be traced to the writings of John Cassian (4th century). He learnt it from the Desert Fathers and Mothers. There are Christian Meditation groups already operating throughout the Perth metropolitan area. You may care to learn about this simple quiet way to enhance and nourish the gift of silence.

Facilitators: Stephanie Woods and John Coleman.
Tuesday 29 July, St Catherine's House of Hospitality, 113 Tyler St, Tuart Hill.

Registration, 9am. Retreat runs from 9.30am to 3.30pm.

Cost, \$30.00 including morning tea and lunch. Please advise dietary requirements when booking. RSVP (please leave a return phone number if leaving a message on the answering machine) to stcatherines@westnet.com.au or Sr Elizabeth, 08 9443 9020.



PARISH PILGRIMAGE TO THE JUBILEE DOOR

– Expressions of Interest

As part of the Jubilee Year celebrations, we are planning a one-day parish pilgrimage from Infant Jesus Parish to the Holy Door at St Mary's Cathedral, Perth.

This will be a meaningful opportunity for our parish community to journey together in faith and share in the special graces offered during this Jubilee Year.

If you are interested in taking part, please register your interest by contacting Lucy or Theresa at the parish office.



Statement from Archbishop Comensoli

Archbishop Peter A. Comensoli has released a statement regarding the recent religious procession held by members of the Shia Muslim faith community in Melbourne. In his message, the Archbishop encourages respectful interfaith dialogue and reminds us of our shared responsibility to promote peace, understanding, and compassion in our multicultural society.

To read the full statement, visit:

melbournecatholic.org/news/statement-from-archbishop-peter-a-comensoli-230725

Or via the **Resources** section on our web home page
<https://infantjesusparish.org.au>

ELDER ABUSE AWARENESS

FREE COMMUNITY SESSION

Morning Tea Provided
St Emilie de Vialar Parish
151 Amherst Road, Canning Vale
Tuesday 12 August 2025
10:00am – 11:30am

Join Advocare and the Safeguarding Program to learn about your rights as you age, how to recognise and respond to elder abuse, and ways to build safer communities. All are welcome and there is no cost to attend.

**REGISTER
HERE**



Project Compassion Receipts

If you made a donation to Project Compassion and requested a receipt, these are now available for collection from the sacristy.

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly "Blessed are those who have not lost hope" (Sir 14:2)

Established by Pope Francis, this special day is celebrated on the Sunday closest to the Feast of Saints Joachim and Anne, the grandparents of Jesus. This year, it falls on **Sunday, 27 July**. Take a moment to read and share **Pope Leo XIV's** message for this important day.

<https://www.vatican.va/content/leo-xiv/en/messages/grandparents/documents/20250626-messaggio-nonni-anziani.html>





The Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady
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Calendar of Saints

29 Jul: Sts Martha, Mary and Lazarus
31 Jul: St Ignatius of Loyola, priest
01 Aug: St Alphonsus Liguori, bishop, doctor

Communion to the Sick

If you are unable to attend mass due to ill health and would like to receive communion at home, please contact Lucy or Theresa at the Parish Centre on 9276 8500 during opening hours to arrange.



Let Us Pray for One Another

Recently Deceased: Irene Donley, Phillip Mitchell, Maria Rizzi, Luigi Maio;

Deceased: Bob Gomes, Peter Meek, Paulus Sawian;

Anniversaries: Jo Byrne, Anthony Parise, Fr Francis Ly, George Thomas, John Joseph Thornton, Vince La Galia, Regina Manuel, Tim McColiff;

and all those in need of our prayers.

*“Give thanks to the Lord who is good;
his love endures forever.”*

THIS WEEKEND — 27 July 2025—17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 11:00am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Jeremy	Chris L	David	John	Tung
Altar Servers	Nathan, Lachlan	Ria, Lia, Frank	Crissanto; Cesar and Manuel		Amy, Megan
Proclaimers	Sabrina and Donna-Marie	Shirley and Sally	Josephine and Leah		Eloise and Adam
Extraordinary Ministers Of Communion	Tracy; Marie; Sejin and Marcus	Sr Madeline; Margaret; Valerie and Nevellene	Errol; Marlene; Marilyn; Evelyn; Lucy and Sr Chitra		Sr Chau; Sr Le; Sr Oanh and Emily
Hospitality	Emily and Rebecca	Angela and Selina	Sophie and Caroline		Joanne and Karina
Church Cleaning	Team A— Saturday, 02 August 2025 @ 9.30am				

NEXT WEEKEND — 03 August 2025—18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 11:00am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	John	Cyril	Chris Y	Marion	David
Altar Servers	Naethan, Meghan, Meldon	Tim, Dan	Victoria, Jules, and Kim		Alyssa, Ruben
Proclaimers	Meghan and Nathan	Joanne and Gerri	Sr Chitra and Barbara		Maureen and Alan
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Emily; Teresa; Chris and John	Kerryn; Josie; Carl and Shirley	Sr Chau; Sr Le; Sr Oanh; Josephine; Anna and Evelyn		Maureen; Eloise; Tristan and Adam
Hospitality	Sejin and Donna-Marie	Sally and Phung	Patrick and Kyle		Rita and Olivia
Church Cleaning	Team B—Thursday, 07 August 2025 @ 10.00am				

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

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf Ps 67:6-7, 36

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

FIRST READING Gen 18:20-32

The Lord appeared to Abraham by the oaks of Mamre and said, "How great is the outcry against Sodom and Gomorrah and how very grave their sin! I must go down and see whether they have done altogether according to the outcry that has come to me; and if not, I will know."

Then Abraham came near and said, "Will you indeed sweep away the righteous with the wicked? Suppose there are fifty righteous within the city; will you then sweep away the place and not forgive it for the fifty righteous who are in it? Far be it from you to do such a thing, to slay the righteous with the wicked, so that the righteous fare as the wicked! Far be that from you! Shall not the Judge of all the earth do what is just?" And the Lord said, "If I find at Sodom fifty righteous in the city, I will forgive the whole place for their sake."

Abraham answered, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord, I who am but dust and ashes. Suppose five of the fifty righteous are lacking? Will you destroy the whole city for lack of five?" And the Lord said, "I will not destroy it if I find forty-five there." Again Abraham spoke to the Lord, "Suppose forty are found there." He answered, "For the sake of forty I will not do it."

Then Abraham said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak. Suppose thirty are found there." The Lord answered, "I will not do it, if I find thirty there." Abraham said, "Let me take it upon myself to speak to the Lord. Suppose twenty are found there." The Lord answered, "For the sake of twenty I will not destroy it." Then Abraham said, "Oh do not let the Lord be angry if I speak just once more. Suppose ten are found there." The Lord answered, "For the sake of ten I will not destroy it."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 138.1-2a, 2b-3, 6-7ab, 7c-8 (R.3)

R. Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.

I give you thanks, O Lord, with my whole heart, before the gods I sing your praise;
I bow down toward your holy temple.
I give thanks to your name for your steadfast love and your faithfulness.
R.

For you have exalted your name and your word above everything.
On the day I called, you answered me; you increased my strength of soul. **R.**

For though the Lord is high, he regards the lowly; but the haughty he perceives from far away.
Though I walk in the midst of trouble, you preserve me against the wrath of my enemies. **R.**

You stretch out your hand and your right hand delivers me.
The Lord will fulfil his purpose for me; your steadfast love, O Lord, endures forever.
Do not forsake the work of your hands. **R.**

SECOND READING Col 2:12-14

When you were buried with Christ in baptism, you were also raised with him through faith in the power of God, who raised Christ from the dead. And when you were dead in trespasses and the uncircumcision of your flesh, God made you alive together with him, when he forgave us all our trespasses, erasing the record that stood against us with its legal demands. He set this aside, nailing it to the cross.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Rom 8:15

Alleluia, alleluia!

**You have received the Spirit
which makes us God's children,
and in that Spirit
we call God our Father.
Alleluia!**

GOSPEL Lk 11:1-13

Jesus was praying in a certain place, and after he had finished, one of his disciples said to him, "Lord, teach us to pray, as John taught his disciples." He said to them, "When you pray, say:

'Father, hallowed be your name.
Your kingdom come.
Give us each day our daily bread.
And forgive us our sins,
for we ourselves forgive everyone
indebted to us.
And do not bring us to the time of trial.'

And Jesus said to the disciples, "Suppose one of you has a friend, and you go to him at midnight and say to him, 'Friend, lend me three loaves of bread; for a friend of mine has arrived, and I have nothing to set before him.' And your friend answers from within, 'Do not bother me; the door has already been locked, and my children are with me in bed; I cannot get up and give you anything.' 'I tell you, even though he will not get up and give him anything because he is his friend, at least because of his persistence he will get up and give him whatever he needs.

"So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened for you. For everyone who asks receives, and everyone who searches finds, and for everyone who knocks, the door will be opened. "Is there anyone among you who, if your child asks for a fish, will give a snake instead of a fish? Or if the child asks for an egg, will give a scorpion? "If you then, who are evil, know how to give good gifts to your children, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!" ✠

COMMUNION ANTIPHON Ps 102:2

Bless the Lord, O my soul,
and never forget all his benefits.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 89:3-6, 12-14, 17. R. v.1

SECOND READING: Col 3:1-5, 9-11

GOSPEL: Lk 12:13-21

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