

Infant Jesus Parish

Welcome to Morley

12 October 2025

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time



Served by Teresian Carmelite Friars

Fr. Greg Burke, OCD Parish Priest
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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

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God bless you and all your family

*May your grace, O Lord, at all times go before us,
follow after us and make us always determined
to carry out good works.*

The **First Reading** (2 Kings 5:14-17) presents us with Naaman, a powerful Syrian general afflicted with a skin disease (not leprosy as we understand it today). Naaman wants to be cured and has his own ideas about how this should be done.

He is enraged that the prophet Elisha doesn't even bother to come out and to meet him, but sends a servant to tell him to bathe 7 times in the Jordan River. He swallows his pride, at his own servants' suggestion, and does as he is asked. His skin is restored 'like the flesh of a young boy, and he was cured'. It is a miracle!

He returns to the prophet's house to express his thanks but he also expresses his faith in Israel's God, as the only God of the whole earth. God acts freely; he doesn't need to be paid or given gifts, nor does his prophet. Naaman underwent a humbling and healing experience- his conversion!

Today's **Gospel** (Luke 17:11-19) is a parallel account of healing from skin disease. Ten people are cured but only one returns to give thanks. The only one who returns is, shockingly, another good Samaritan! But he is not just physically healed, as Jesus tells him his faith has saved him. He has come to know God as the One in a new way—as the one who loves and saves. His encounter with Jesus completely changes him. As often in Luke's gospel, the person who is doubly marginal – by reason of his illness, by reason of his ethnic background – shows himself more disposed to really know Israel's God and so experience salvation. The episode is not just about the healing of an illness it is a summons to social conversion. In our maps, who is on the inside and favoured and who is on the outer? Jesus changes everything.

God of mercy, your love reaches out to all without distinction. As we have experienced your compassion, may we show that same love to all.

World Mission Day 2025: Today we warmly welcome Mercy Sister Kathy Kettle who will speak to us at all masses to seek our support for the work of Catholic Mission throughout the world. We are called to be "Missionaries of Hope Among All Peoples". May we be messengers of hope and builders of that hope in unity?

Blessings, Greg



THIS WEEKEND Sr. Kathy Kettle will speak at all our masses on behalf of Catholic Mission. The Catholic Mission Appeal is an invitation for you to partner with our missionaries in Zambia to help vulnerable women overcome poverty and to give birth safely. Your gift will also assist many other similar Catholic Mission programmes throughout the developing world. Please give generously by using the appeal envelope provided, or going online at <https://www.catholicmission.org.au/mission>. Should you be keen to support the work of Catholic Mission through a bequest, or as a volunteer, or in other ways, please email Francis Leong at fleong@catholicmission.org.au to explore the possibilities.



Calling All Faith-Filled Volunteers! Catechists Needed for 2026

Our parish is seeking catechists for the 2026 school year, to assist with our Parish Religious Education Program (PREP) and Sacramental Preparation. Catechists play a vital role in nurturing the faith of our young people who are not attending Catholic schools, helping them grow in love for God and His Church.

No prior teaching experience is required. Training, resources, and ongoing support is available from the Archdiocesan Catechist Service and our parish team.

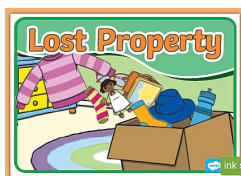
To learn more or express interest, please contact: Sue Goodwin, prep@infantjesusparish.org.au

OCTOBER—MONTH OF THE ROSARY

October is dedicated to Our Lady. We are encouraged to pray the Rosary at home and in our parish, drawing closer to Jesus through Mary's intercession.

Rosary guides and beads are available from the piety stall or parish office.

"Holding the rosary is like holding our Blessed Mother's hand. Pray the rosary every day." – Padre Pio



LOST PROPERTY

Please check the lost property cupboard in the church foyer for any missing items – we have quite a collection! Among the items are drink bottles, a Sunday Missal, Daily Missal, a 2025 Mass book, an earring, little shoes, matchbox cars and more. Some items are kept in the Parish Office, so please contact the office if you're missing something valuable or not found in the cupboard. Unclaimed long-term items will be donated.
Thank you.



GOD'S WORD 2026 -Daily Reflections

God's Word 2026 is available for purchase now from Gatto Christian Shop for \$21.95 a copy, or we can get one for you. Please contact the Parish Office on 9276 8500 to order your copy.

Community in Bloom



Our Spring Clothing and Bake Sale is coming up on Saturday, 15 November 2025 — and everyone's invited! Help us spread the word and bring along your friends and neighbours for a great community day.

Thank you for the wonderful donations already received. We're still welcoming quality items — evening or cocktail wear, handbags, kids' dress-ups, and coat hangers — which can be dropped at the Parish Centre during opening hours.



We'll also have a Bake Sale on the day! If you can contribute baked goods or lend a hand, please contact the Parish Centre.



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION 2025

Enrolment is only for the children of Infant Jesus Primary School and our PREP Program. Please note the following dates:

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| Parents Night: | 22 nd October (Wednesday) at 7.00pm at the Parish Centre |
| Commitment Masses: | 25 th October (Saturday) at 6.00pm &
26 th October (Sunday) at 9.30am and 6.00pm |
| Children's Retreat : | 30 th October (Thursday) at the Parish Centre & Church |
| Family Retreat & Reconciliation Day: | 3 rd November (Monday) at 5.30pm/6.00pm/6.30pm <u>OR</u>
6 th November (Thursday) at 5.30pm/6.00pm |

Please email sacramental@infantjesusparish.org.au for any enquiries.

17. More on the Reconciliation Rooms

The Reconciliation Chapel needs to be designed and arranged as a worthy and comfortable place for the celebration of reconciliation, which includes the reception of the penitent, reading of the word of God, confession of sins, prayer, offering of moral counsel and the imposition of hands.

This week is the seventeenth of a series of topics on all things liturgical. The church is dynamic and forever moving to serve the needs of the people of God in each century. It is easy to use language for things that have been part of our growing in the faith. Church scholars have seen the need to change some terminology and rituals to help us move and grow more in our faith and resonate with us in modern times. Very often this new language assists us to discover new insights and find deeper meaning for the rituals and actions that we participate in.

Copies are available beside the bulletins in the narthex (foyer) of the church.



The Pilgrim Statue of Our Lady
In the home of Marlene Rose
(Please phone Helen)
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Calendar of Saints

15 Oct: St Teresa of Jesus, virgin, doctor
17 Oct: St Ignatius of Antioch, bishop, martyr
18 Oct: St Luke, evangelist

Annual Retreat of the Secular Franciscan Order

Retreat Master Fr. Robert Stewart OFM Cap

All welcome: 24-26 October, 2025 at St. Catherine's House of Hospitality, 113 Tyler St, Tuart Hill. Bookings 0429112248

Let Us Pray for One Another

Recently Deceased: Fr. Brian Ahern, Margaret Boswell

Anniversaries: Esterina, Domenico & Irna Di Blasio;

For the Sick: Patrick Clift
and all those in need of our prayers.

***"You, Lord, are the Most High
over all the earth."***

THIS WEEKEND — 12 October 2025—28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 11:00am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	John Tomczak	Chris Lambert	Josephine Joseph-McManus	Chris Lambert	David Ward
Altar Servers	Aaditya; Abhay and Aryaan		Andrei and Leah		Amy and Megan
Proclaimers	Sylvia and Tang	Rita and Clare	Claire and Mike		Eloise and Adam
Extraordinary Ministers Of Communion	Sejin; Emily; Marcus and Chris	Margaret; Sr Madeline; Kerry and Kathleen	Joseph; Christina; Anna; Evelyn; Errol and Patrick		Ivor; Thuy; Adam and Maureen
Hospitality	Sejin and Donna-Marie	Sally and Phung	Sophie and Caroline		Fely and Steve
Church Cleaning	Team D— Friday, 17 October 2025 @ 10.30am				

NEXT WEEKEND — 19 October 2025—29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sun 11:00am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Peter Nguyen-Le	Chris Wray	Marion Wayne	Chris Yapp	Chris Lambert
Altar Servers	Nathan; Lachlan and Matthia	Ria; Lia and Frank	Crissanto; Cesar and Manuel		Alex; Dorothy; Bryant and Alden
Proclaimers	Marian F and Miroli	Valerie and Nevellene	PAS Mass—Chris		Pramila and George
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	John; Sejin; Emily and Marcus	Shirley; Valerie; Nevellene and John	Sr Chitra; Linda; Marilyn; Tanya; Joan and Roma		Sr Chau; Sr Le; Sr Oanh and Tristan
Hospitality	Roopa and Christina	Quinn and Shirley	Cynthia; Barbara and Christie		Marina and Molly
Church Cleaning	Team A—Saturday, 25 October 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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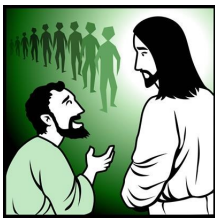
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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON

Psalm 129:3-4

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities,
Lord, who could stand?
But with you is found forgiveness,
O God of Israel.

FIRST READING 2 Kings 5:14-17

Naaman, commander of the army of the king of Aram and a mighty warrior, obeyed Elisha:
he went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, according to the word of the man of God;
his flesh was restored like the flesh of a young boy, and he was clean.
Then he returned to the man of God, he and all his company;
Naaman came and stood before Elisha and said,
"Now I know that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel;
please accept a present from your servant."
But Elisha said,
"As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing!"
Naaman urged Elisha to accept, but he refused.

Then Naaman said,
"If not, please let two mule-loads of earth
be given to your servant;
for your servant will no longer offer burnt offering or sacrifice to any god except the Lord."

(Quiet reflection time)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Psalm 98.1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 (R.2b)

R. The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power.

O sing to the Lord a new song,
for he has done marvellous things.
His right hand and his holy arm
have brought him victory. **R.**

The Lord has made known his victory;
he has revealed his vindication in the sight of the nations.
He has remembered his steadfast love
and faithfulness to the house of

Israel. **R.**

All the ends of the earth have seen the victory of our God.
Make a joyful noise to the Lord, all the earth;
break forth into joyous song and sing praises. **R.**

SECOND READING

2 Timothy 2:8-13

Remember Jesus Christ, raised from the dead, a descendant of David—that is my gospel, for which I suffer hardship, even to the point of being chained like a criminal.
But the word of God is not chained. Therefore I endure everything for the sake of the elect, so that they may also obtain the salvation that is in Christ Jesus, with eternal glory.
The saying is sure:
If we have died with him, we will also live with him;
if we endure, we will also reign with him;
if we deny him, he will also deny us;
if we are faithless, he remains faithful—for he cannot deny himself.

(Quiet reflection time)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

1 Thessalonians 5:18

Alleluia, alleluia!

For all things give thanks to God, because this is what he expects of you in Christ Jesus. Alleluia!

GOSPEL Luke 17:11-19

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus was going through the region between Samaria and Galilee.

As he entered a village, ten lepers approached him. Keeping their distance, they called out, saying, "Jesus, Master, have mercy on us!"

When Jesus saw them, he said to them, "Go and show yourselves to the priests."
And as they went, they were made

clean.

Then one of them, when he saw that he was healed, turned back, praising God with a loud voice.
He prostrated himself at Jesus' feet and thanked him.
And he was a Samaritan.

Then Jesus asked, "Were not ten made clean? But the other nine, where are they? Was none of them found to return and give praise to God except this foreigner?"

Then Jesus said to the Samaritan, "Get up and go on your way; your faith has made you well." ✠

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

Cf Psalm 33:11

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.



Have you thought?
On the Borders

When Jesus encounters the ten men, he is travelling along the border between Galilee and Samaria. The level of distrust between the Jews of Galilee and the Samaritans were deep and abiding. The land that fell between the two countries was sparsely populated and mostly barren. That Jesus should encounter the men in this environment is not surprising for these men literally and metaphorically were at the border of society. Not welcome in any town, the men roamed the very edges of society. They lived their whole lives on the borderline – welcome nowhere and belonging nowhere.

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NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING: Exodus 17:8-13

RESPONSORIAL PSALM:

Ps 120. R. v.2

SECOND READING:

2 Timothy 3:14 – 4:2

GOSPEL: Luke 18:1-8

17. A Place for Celebrating Reconciliation

The old 'confession box' or 'confessional' is not an adequate place for the celebration of the liturgy of reconciliation in its present form.

When a parish decides to take seriously the setting up of a space that is appropriate for celebrating the current form of individual reconciliation, it is often faced with several difficulties.

In some older churches, what was a three-stall confessional has been converted for the purpose. The results of such renovations range from cramped spaces without any windows to rooms so large that they also serve as areas for storage or other purposes.

As is the case with any other sacred object or area, the reconciliation room should not be used for anything except the celebration of the sacrament. It is a worship space, a place where liturgy takes place. It is not just an ordinary room such as might be used for counselling or administration. Hence the appropriate title for this part of the church building is "Reconciliation Chapel".

The Reconciliation Chapel needs to be designed and arranged as a worthy and comfortable place for the celebration of reconciliation, which includes the reception of the penitent, reading of the word of God, confession of sins, prayer, offering of moral counsel and the imposition of hands.

The chapel should be large enough to hold two or three chairs, a small table, a kneeler and a screen. A full-length opaque curtain or rice paper screen partially dividing the room would serve this latter purpose. A kneeler placed in front of the screen offers anonymity for those who wish it.

The chair for the confessor is placed behind the screen so that he is unable to see the penitent entering the chapel and yet is sufficiently in view for those who choose face-to-face contact. An open lectionary or bible for the proclamation of scripture can be placed on a small table. A cross, a candle and suitable art work appropriately placed decorate the space.

Windows or glass walls are now required in chapels of reconciliation to protect penitent and confessor. While the reason for this development is a matter of distress and shame, there is a positive aspect to it. A closed room with unknown layout can be disconcerting to some people. Greater visibility and accessibility may encourage people to approach the sacrament. They can see if the priest is present and if he is celebrating the rite with another penitent. No more need for 'stop – go' lights or 'vacant – engaged' door locks!

More importantly, the openness of such a chapel emphasises the fact that, while it is a private rite that is celebrated there, it is nevertheless an ecclesial, communal event. People in the main worship space are aware of fellow sinners in the reconciliation room and feel empathy with them. Penitents can see, and feel connected with, members of the community and the table of the Eucharist with which they have been reconciled.

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