

Infant Jesus Parish

Welcome to Morley



2 August 2026

Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary time, Year A.

Served by Teresian Carmelite Friars

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Parish Priest

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Assistant Priest



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✕ In Our Church

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 Parishioners,

Have you ever noticed how we often experience hunger as something negative? When hungry, our stomach can start to grumble, telling us to *go and eat*. We can start to feel irritated or agitated; have difficulty concentrating; or even sense a dull headache coming on.

It's hard enough dealing with one's own hunger, but to have to consider the stomach of others can, quite literally, be consuming (pardon the pun!). Parents are constantly thinking about what, when, and how to feed their child/children. Those who have had to manage a group of people – family, friends, work, parish, or otherwise – learn pretty quickly that food must always be considered lest there be disengagement, mutiny, or worst, a public lynching! Yes; we know well the negative effects of hunger.

It has been a common practice for charitable organisations to use images of starving people, particularly children, to elicit sympathy, empathy, and donation. These organisations know that food is a fundamental human need for survival, growth, and health. Indeed, Jesus calls us to feed the hungry.

Conversely, we also know the great benefit, joy, and goodness of eating something delicious, nourishing, and healthy. A good meal can magically assuage irritability and melancholy. There is even an old saying, “the way to a man's heart is through his stomach” (although, I would say this applies equally to women and children) proving how powerful a role food plays in building relationships and community.

In many ways, these human dynamics are seen at play in this Sunday's Gospel. There is a large crowd that have left their town; they have walked on foot going after Jesus. Many are healed; many more want to hear Jesus. Somehow, amid the movement, excitement, and extraordinary events, the crowd find themselves in a “lonely place”... hungry.

What, therefore, is so wonderful to note is that Jesus “took pity on them” (another translation: Jesus “had compassion for them” [NRSV]). Whilst His great aim was to teach them about the deep mysteries of the Kingdom of Heaven, Jesus never neglected the basic, fundamental, human needs of the people. Miraculously, with the little the Apostles had, Jesus fed the “five thousand men, to say nothing of women and children,” with everyone eating “as much as they wanted.”

At a deeper level, this miraculous feeding was but a foretaste of what Jesus ultimately wants to give us – Himself in the Eucharist. Whilst earthly food is necessary, this type of food, being earthly, remains finite and temporary (we need to eat again). In the Eucharist, however, we are given that type of food that is truly life-giving, truly heavenly, truly eternal. Being spiritual in essence, veiled in the sacramental sign of bread and wine, the Eucharist is *the gift* that can satisfy the deep longings of our spirit; Spirit nourishing our spirit.

Whilst indeed hunger is something we generally see as something negative, let us never forget that one of the Beatitudes – the blessings of life that makes us fit for heaven – is, “Blessed are those who hunger and thirst for righteousness, for they will be filled” (Mt 5:6). Hunger can be a blessing insofar as it is for Christ who, as the Bread of Life, can fully satisfy our deepest longing: true righteousness, which is the perfection of our love for God and others, the beginnings of heaven whilst here on earth.

Yours in Christ,
Fr Ad.

RCIA 2026/2027

~ Please Keep Our Candidates in Your Prayers ~

Our Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults journey is now underway. We ask all parishioners to keep those exploring the Catholic faith, together with their sponsors and team members, in your prayers as they journey towards the Sacraments at Easter. If you or someone you know is interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or becoming Catholic, it is not too late to enquire. Please contact the RCIA team at ijmorleyrcia@gmail.com. Everyone is warmly welcome.

One of our parishioners Stella (at Hollett Road in Morley) is looking for a lift to weekday Mass on Tuesday and Friday. Another parishioner, Brian (at Ramsden Way, Morley) requires a lift to Mass on Sundays.

If you are able to assist, even occasionally, please contact the Parish Office on 92768500.

Your kindness would be greatly appreciated.

Priests Away: 10 to 14 August 2026

Please note that our priests will be away from Monday 10 August to Friday 14 August. During this time, another priest will celebrate the daily Masses as usual, so there will be no changes to the weekday Mass schedule. Thank you for your understanding, and please keep our priests in your prayers as they take this time away.

Parish Playgroup – All Welcome!

Looking for a fun and friendly place to connect with other parents, grandparents and carers? Come along to our Parish Playgroup, held every Wednesday during school term from 9.30am–11.30am in the Parish Hall. Children can enjoy a variety of toys, crafts, songs and playtime while adults share a cuppa and conversation. Everyone is warmly welcome. A \$5 family donation helps cover amenities and activities. We would love to see you there!

Parish Email Address Update

Please note that we are transitioning to the Archdiocesan email system. The new primary email address is morley@perthcatholic.org.au.

The previous secretary@infantjesusparish.org.au email address will remain active during the transition period to ensure emails continue to reach us. They will be phased out during 2027. We encourage you to update your records and use our new email address for future correspondence.

Parish Week 2026

Save the date for Parish Week 2026, culminating in our Parish Celebration Dinner on Saturday, 29 August.

Join us throughout the week for prayer, fellowship and reflection. On Wednesday evening (26th), we will gather for the Perpetual Novena, followed by a Parish Centre session and supper. Thursday evening (27th) and Friday morning (28th) will feature talks on Carmelite Spirituality, with an opportunity for questions and discussion. Come together as a parish community to celebrate our church anniversary and the vibrant diversity of our parish.

Vinnies Winter Appeal

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who generously supported this year's St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal. Thanks to your kindness and generosity, our parish raised an outstanding \$6,300 to assist individuals and families experiencing hardship in our local community. Your support will make a real difference to those most in need. Thank you for your compassion and generosity.



Infant Jesus of Prague Prayer Group

All are warmly invited to join the Infant Jesus of Prague Prayer Group, which meets every Thursday at 2.00pm in the Church. Come and spend time in prayer, reflection, and devotion to the Infant Jesus in the company of fellow parishioners. New members are always welcome.

Jubilee Pilgrimage to St Francis of Assisi Parish, Maida Vale
As part of the Jubilee Year celebrating the 800th anniversary of the death of St Francis of Assisi, the Holy Father has invited the faithful to mark this special occasion through prayer and pilgrimage.

Our parish will be making a Day Pilgrimage to St Francis of Assisi Parish, Maida Vale on Friday 18 September. A bus will depart from Infant Jesus Parish and return later that day, providing an opportunity for parishioners to come together in prayer, reflection, and fellowship.

This pilgrimage will also provide the opportunity to receive the Plenary Indulgence granted for this Jubilee celebration, for those who fulfil the required conditions.

Please save the date. Further details, including the itinerary and booking information, will be available in the coming weeks. We look forward to sharing this special Jubilee journey together.

National Vocations Awareness Week

National Vocations Awareness Week invites all Catholics to pray for vocations and to reflect on God's call in their own lives. It is a special opportunity to encourage and support those discerning a vocation to priesthood, religious life, marriage, and service within the Church. A range of events will be held across the Archdiocese during the week, including:

- Opening Mass with Bishop Nelson – Sunday 2 August
- Vocations @ Common Ground – Wednesday 5 August
- Vocations Expo – Friday 7 August
- Vocations Sports Day – Sunday 9 August

Everyone is warmly invited to take part. For event details and registration information, please visit:

<https://vocations.perthcatholic.org.au/national-vocations-awareness-week/>

Let us continue to pray that all people may discover and respond generously to God's call.

Vocations Expo

Discover where God may be calling you.

FRIDAY
7 AUGUST
2026

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NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK 2026

CALLED TO BE MORE?

Join us for a Women's Discernment Retreat Day

SATURDAY 15 AUG
9.30AM - 4PM
TRINITY COLLEGE



An event for women
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Vocations Committee

Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for the month of August: For evangelization in the city.

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness, we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.



Calendar of Saints

3 Aug - St Dominic, priest.
4 Aug - St John Vianney, priest.
6 Aug - The Transfiguration of the Lord.
7 Aug - St Albert of Trapani OCD, priest.
8 Aug - St Mary of the Cross, virgin (Mackillop)
9 Aug - St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross



PILGRIM STATUE OF OUR LADY: Is in the home of Therese.

Let Us Pray for One Another

Recently deceased: Pierina Godley, Paola Pulitano, Julian Smith;

Deceased: Tony La Spada, Audrey Ross, Peter Meek, Emelita Antartis;

Anniversaries: Jong Hee Lee, John Joseph Thornton, Robert Bruske, Paul Regis Laval, Allan Lean, Joseph Scaria, Eric Hartley;

Sick: Wally Bamford;

Special Intention: Thomas and Michael Doherty;

And all who are in need of our prayers.

"Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be full."

THIS WEEKEND - 2 August - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Jeremy	Cyril	David	Andy
Altar Servers	Nathan, Lachlan	Ria, Lia	Victoria, Kim	Alex, Dorothy, Bryant, Alden
Proclaimers	Teresa, Tany	Valerie, Liz	Rodney, Lia	George, Alan
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Emily, Marcus, Sejin, Andrew	Margaret, Kerry, Clare, Shirley	Sr Chau, Sr Le, Sr Oanh, Sr Vy, Roma, Magdalene	Ivor, Fely, Maureen, Tristan
Hospitality	Roopa, Cristina	Angela, Quinn	Roma, Riko	Joanne, Karina
Children's Liturgy	-	-	Julia & Ruby	-
Church Cleaning	Team B, Thursday 6 August at 10.00am			

NEXT WEEKEND - 9 August - Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ministry	Sat 6pm	Sun 7.30am	Sun 9.30am	Sunday 6pm
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Bruce	Chris W	Josephine	Ruben
Altar Servers	Shawn, Andres, Matthia	Aaron, Frank	Crissanto, Cesar	- -
Proclaimers	Naethan, Sylvia	Clare, Bernadette	Josephine, Leah	Maureen, Adam
Extr. Ministers Of Communion	Aadi, Teresa, Tracy, Lucy	Josie, Carl, Noeline, Quinn	Sr Chitra, Josephine, Joan, Aileen, Marlene, Linda	Thuy, Mellisa, Ivor, Fely
Hospitality	John, Milly	Sally, Phung	Jovana, Victoria	Rita, Olivia.
Children's Liturgy	-	-	Dawn, Jasmine, Travis	-
Church Cleaning	Team C, Saturday 15 August at 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

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FIRST READING:

Isaiah 55:1-3

Hasten and eat.

Thus says the Lord:

Oh, come to the water all you who are thirsty; though you have no money, come! Buy corn without money, and eat, and, at no cost, wine and milk. Why spend money on what is not bread, your wages on what fails to satisfy? Listen, listen to me and you will have good things to eat and rich food to enjoy. Pay attention, come to me; listen, and your soul will live. With you I will make an everlasting Covenant out of the favours promised to David.

(Quiet Reflection Time)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Ps 144:8-9. 15-18. R. v.16

**R. The hand of the Lord feeds us:
he answers all our needs.**

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,
slow to anger, abounding in love.
How good is the Lord to all,
compassionate to all his creatures. **R.**

The eyes of all creatures look to you
and you give them their food in due
time. You open wide your hand, grant
the desires of all who live. **R.**

The Lord is just in all his ways
and loving in all his deeds.
He is close to all who call him,
call on him from their hearts. **R.**

SECOND READING:

Romans 8:35. 37-39

*No creature can separate us from the love of God,
which is in Christ.*

Nothing can come between us and the
love of Christ, even if we are troubled or
worried, or being persecuted, or lacking
food or clothes, or being threatened or
even attacked. These are the trials
through which we triumph, by the power
of him who loved us.

For I am certain of this: neither death nor
life, no angel, no prince, nothing that
exists, nothing still to come, not any
power, or height or depth, nor any
created thing, can ever come between us
and the love of God made visible in
Christ Jesus our Lord.

(Quiet Reflection Time)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Matthew 4:4

Alleluia, alleluia!

**No one lives on bread alone,
but on every word that comes from
the mouth of God.**
Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Matthew 14:13-21

They all ate and were satisfied.

When Jesus received the news of John
the Baptist's death he withdrew by boat
to a lonely place where they could be
by themselves. But the people heard of
this and, leaving the towns, went after

him on foot. So as he stepped ashore he
saw a large crowd; and he took pity on
them and healed their sick.
When evening came, the disciples went
to him and said, 'This is a lonely place,
and the time has slipped by; so send the
people away, and they can go to the
villages to buy themselves some food.'
Jesus replied, 'There is no need for them
to go: give them something to eat
yourselves.' But they answered, 'All we
have with us is five loaves and two fish.'
'Bring them here to me,' he said. He gave
orders that the people were to sit down
on the grass; then he took the five loaves
and the two fish, raised his eyes to
heaven and said the blessing. And
breaking the loaves he handed them to
his disciples who gave them to the
crowds. They all ate as much as they
wanted, and they collected the scraps
remaining, twelve baskets full. Those
who ate numbered about five thousand
men, to say nothing of women and
children. ✠



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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: O God, come to my assistance; O Lord, make haste to help me! You are my rescuer, my help;
O Lord, do not delay.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: You have given us, O Lord, bread from heaven, endowed with all delights and sweetness
in every taste.

NEXT SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING: 1 Kings 19:9.11-13

SECOND READING: Romans 9:1-5

RESPONSORIAL PSALM: Ps 84:9-14. R. v.8

GOSPEL READING: Matthew 14:22-33