Infant Jesus Parish

Welcome to Morley

8 November 2026

Thirty-Second Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year A

Served by Teresian Carmelite Friars

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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*
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✝ Supporting Our Parish Financially

Tap & Give option now available in the foyer

First Collection for Carmelite Friars - EFT Details
Account Name: *Carmelite*
BSB: 066 132 Account Number: *0080 0015*
Reference: *Your name*

Second Collection for Parish - EFT Details
Account Name: *Infant Jesus Parish Morley*
BSB: 086 006 Account Number: *66860 6029*
Reference: *PG-Your name*

God bless you and all your family

Dear Parishioners,

This week, we consider the question: "When ought we to pray?" In many ways, this question is about time and how we are making use of this precious commodity (precious indeed because time is limited and we have so little of it!). The notion of time in relation to prayer also invites us to consider if we truly value prayer and so make time for it in our life. So, what does St Teresa say about time and prayer?

Firstly, let us recall St Teresa famous definition of prayer: "For mental prayer in my opinion is nothing else than an intimate sharing between friends; it means taking time frequently to be alone with Him who we know loves us" (Life, 8.5; emphasis added). It is clear that St Teresa teaches that we ought to dedicate much time for prayer for as discussed in previous weeks, prayer is necessary for the attainment of our fulfilment, happiness, and grow in virtue. Indeed, just as we need to invest time to foster deep relationships, so we need time to deepen our relationship with God. God, of course, does not force us to give our time to Him, which is why He so delights when we do give our time; it is a true expression of our love for Him.

Whilst St Teresa empathised the personal dimension of prayer, she also saw liturgical prayer (i.e. the Mass) as absolutely necessary to fulfil the two-fold command of love (love of God and neighbour). Our time, therefore, in Mass – the greatest form of prayer – ought to be prayerful. During Mass we must be intentional in praying for, with, and in the Body of Christ (the Church) and indeed the whole world as we wholeheartedly worship and give thanks to God.

For our prayerfulness at Mass to be truly transformative, prayer must permeate our whole life; we must make time for personal private prayer in daily life. Each are called, according to one's state of life, to dedicate some silent time to God (it may in the morning just after waking, during the day, or just before bed). We must be realistic and intentional; prayer must be considered among all the other necessities and priorities of our lives.

Outside of these dedicated times, we must pray frequently (a short look towards God) even (and perhaps especially) when we are feeling anxious, angry, happy, or otherwise preoccupied. A son of St Teresa, the Carmelite, Br Lawrence of the Resurrection, in his work, The Practice of the Presence of God (a beloved book of Pope Leo XIV!) teaches a simple method by which our daily life can become more and more imbued with prayer. I thoroughly recommend reading it! ***Time is precious, but we must make precious the time we have.***

Time (and the use of time) also plays an important role in today's Gospel. The shocking thing about today's parable is that the foolish virgins were excluded from the wedding hall (an image of heaven) not by an intentional choice for evil but by a lack of foresight and preparation. Both the foolish and the wise virgins each had the same amount of time, but only the wise ones occupied their time preparing to meet the bridegroom (an image of Jesus). How, therefore, do we use our time wisely?

Prayer has the power to help us see God in all things that we may truly serve others and live a purposeful life. Prayer helps us discern the presence of God so that we may encounter Jesus in our family and friends, in the poor, the vulnerable, and even in our enemy. When we dedicate time for prayer, we learn to experience the presence of God even in the most unexpected of time. So, let us be watchful and ready, so as to make the time we have on earth one continuous act of prayer culminating in our entrance into the eternal joys of God kingdom.

St Teresa of Jesus, pray for us!

Yours in Christ,
Fr Ad.

Parish Pastoral Council Update

The Parish Pastoral Council recently met to discuss several areas of parish life and planning. We are pleased to share the following updates with our parish community.

Youth and young adults: Our youth group is now meeting on Friday evenings, allowing the Young Adults Alpha program to run alongside it. The first Young Adults Alpha session attracted a strong number of participants. As both groups become established, we hope to encourage greater involvement in parish life, including opportunities to contribute to a future Youth Mass. An adult Alpha program has also commenced for our RCIA participants.

With gratitude: The Council was delighted to receive a message of appreciation from a family following the recent First Communion celebrations. Special thanks were extended to our Sacramental Coordinator, Theresa, the Hospitality Ministry and to everyone who helped make the Mass so meaningful.

Parking reminder: For the safety of everyone and to ensure clear access for emergency services, Parishioners to be reminded to please park only within marked bays and follow all parking signs around the church and parish centre.

Chair, Parish Pastoral Council, Infant Jesus Parish

PRAISE | WORSHIP | PRAYER | COMMUNITY

PRAISE & Worship NIGHT

Friday 20 November at Infant Jesus Catholic Church

6.40pm Registration & Gathering
7.00pm Prayer, Praise & Worship
8.00pm Light meal & Felowship
Feel free to share a plate

Evangels Ministry is a Catholic Praise and Worship ministry bringing people closer to Christ through music, prayer and fellowship. We bring together youth and adults to share their gifts and serve parish communities through praise and worship.

Our gatherings offer a welcoming space to encounter God, reflect on His Word and lift our hearts in worship. Together, we seek to grow in faith and share Christ's love with others.

Join us for an evening of Praise & Worship—a time to pause, pray and be renewed in God's presence. Come as you are, bring your family and friends, and journey with us in faith.

All are welcome!

For more Information, please contact:
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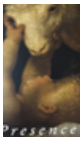
PRAYER REQUEST



Please pray for our Year 3 students in Infant Jesus Primary School and PREP classes as they receive their First Reconciliation on Monday 9 November.

Could ***Mrs V.I. Nguyen*** please see the Parish Office staff for collection of information from Caritas.

Available for purchase at the piety stall:



* **The Daily Reflections 2026** for Advent & Christmas from the Catholic Diocese of Wollongong - $7.00

* **Advent Book** "The Way of the Heart" from Liturgy of Brisbane - $7 each



* **Columban Calendars for 2027** - $10 each.

VOLUNTEER POSITION

Infant Jesus Parish is in need of a Convenor for the
WORLD PRAYER DAY

The ecumenical World Day of Prayer is held on the first Friday in March, each year with Infant Jesus Parish hosting it every alternate year in tandem with the Noranda Uniting Church

This voluntary position includes attending two meetings a year and sourcing readers, a musician, technology expertise and helpers to coordinate a simple lunch following the 10.30am service. The convenor will also liaise with the Parish Priest and Office Staff.
For further information on the position, please contact the Parish Office.

The Parish convenor Tracey, has retired from the position after serving the parish in this capacity for 12 years. Thank you Tracey.

ANNUAL COMMUNITY MEETING

Monday 16 November at 7pm, Infant Jesus Parish Centre

Have you noticed that our parish community is changing? Many new people are coming to our Masses and younger people and young families are enquiring about the Catholic faith. How can we adjust to this change and make our parish a welcoming place for people to explore and grow in the Church?

All parishioners are encouraged to attend this meeting to review the life of the parish over the past year and to look toward the future as a changing parish community. We need to hear from everyone to be able to make good decisions for our community.

Fr. Adalbert will present his report and the Finance Committee will present the annual report on our financial position. Reports from all the parish ministries will be available on the weekend prior to the ACM, so that you have time to read them before you come with any questions or suggestions you may have. We look forward to seeing as many of you as possible on the night. A light supper will be served after the meeting.

The official launch of the
Archbishop's Christmas Appeal for LifeLink

Please collect a copy of the Archbishop's Appeal Letter after Mass this weekend, read his message and give generously to support the valuable work of the Church's welfare agencies in this Archdiocese.

You may choose to mail your gift in the reply-paid envelope provided or return your envelope and donation for a Special Collection which will be held at Masses next weekend.



You may also donate (securely) online at www.LifeLink.com.au

Permanent Diaconate Information Session

When: Friday, 13 November - 6.00pm, or
Saturday, 14 November - 10.00am (repeat session)

Please attend only one session, as both sessions cover the same information.

Where: 450 Hay Street, Perth

Who should attend?

- Men who are interested in entering the vocation of the Permanent Diaconate
- Their wives (if married)

Please note: Men over the age of 63 are not ordinarily accepted into the program.

Enquiries & registration: **opd@perthcatholic.org.au**

Pope Leo's Prayer Intention for the month of November:
For the proper use of wealth .

Let us pray for the proper use of wealth, that not succumbing to the temptation of selfishness, it may always be put at the service of the common good and solidarity of those who have less.

CALENDAR OF SAINTS

9 Nov - The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica
10 Nov - St Leo the Great, pope, doctor
11 Nov - St Martin of Tours, bishop
12 Nov - St Josaphat, bishop, martyr
14 Nov - All Carmalite Saints, OCD Feast



Pilgrim statue of Our Lady is in the home of Therese

Let us Pray for One Another

Recently deceased: Pasquale Del Paggio

Deceased: Arthur Chemello, Mercia O'Brien, Thompson Family, Terry Everett, Tourris/Bouquet/Bru/Conier Family

Anniversaries: Jean Prosper, Cecilia Kin Si, Pietro D'Agostino and Jim, Glenn Pereira, Cristian Torricella, Barbara Preston, Kevin Collis, Robert Hamilton.

Special Intention: Mercia O'Brien

And all who are in need of our prayers

"The Lord is my light and my salvation."

THIS WEEKEND - 8 November - Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time				
Ministry	**Saturday 6:00pm**	**Sunday 7:30am**	**Sunday 9:30am**	**Sunday 6:00pm**
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	John	Chris W	Josephine	Ruben
Altar Servers	Naethan, Meghan	Elizabeth, Peter, Paul	Andrei, Manuel	Bryant, Alden
Proclaimers	Tang, Teresa	Bernadette, Sally	Mike, Barbara	Eloise, Alan
Extr. Ministers of Communion	Tracy, Lucy, Chris, Emily	Marie, Clare, John, Sr Madeline	Magdalene, Tanya, Vienna, Sr Chitra, Joan, Aileen	Maureen, Tristan, Thuy, Mellisa
Hospitality	Sejin, Donna-Marie	Quinn, Shirley	Sophie, Caroline	Julie, Adam
Children's Liturgy	-	-	Ebony, Dawn	-
Church Cleaning	Team D, Friday 13 November at 10.30am			

NEXT WEEKEND - 15 November - Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time				
Ministry	**Saturday 6:00pm**	**Sunday 7:30am**	**Sunday 9:30am**	**Sunday 6:00pm**
Acolytes/Altar Ministers	Adrian	Chris L	John	Tung
Altar Servers	Nathan, Lachlan	Ria, Lia	Crissanto, Cesar	Amy, Megan
Proclaimers	Marian, Miroli	Rita, Bernadette	PAS	Adam, Pramila
Extr. Ministers of Communion	John, Marcus, Sejin, Andrew	Kerryn, Carl, Josie, Noeline	Marlene, Linda, Annette, Errol, Marilyn, Josephine	Ivor, Fely, Maureen, Tristan
Hospitality	Roopa, Cristina	Veronica, Francisca	Patrick, Christie	Brenda, Vinola
Children's Liturgy	-	-	PAS	-
Church Cleaning	Team A, Saturday 21 November 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.









The Living Word

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FIRST READING
Wisdom 6:12-16

Wisdom is found by those who look for it.

Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim.
By those who love her she is readily seen,
and found by those who look for her.
Quick to anticipate those who desire her,
she makes herself known to them.
Watch for her early and you will have no trouble; you will find her sitting at your gates. Even to think about her is understanding fully grown; be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you. She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her and graciously shows herself to them as they go, in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

(Quiet Reflection Time)

RESPONSORIAL PSALM
Ps 62:2-8. R. v.2

R. My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

O God, you are my God, for you I long;
for you my soul is thirsting.
My body pines for you like a dry, weary land without water. **R.**

So I gaze on you in the sanctuary.
to see your strength and your glory.
For your love is better than life,
my lips will speak your praise. **R.**

So I will bless you all my life,
in your name I will lift up my hands.
My soul shall be filled as with a banquet,
my mouth shall praise you with joy. **R**

On my bed I remember you. On you I muse through the night for you have been my help; in the shadow of your wings I rejoice. **R.**

SECOND READING:
1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Those who died as Christians, God will bring to life with Jesus.

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken up in the clouds, together with them, to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.

(Quiet Reflection Time)

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION
Matthew 24:42. 44

Alleluia, alleluia!
Be watchful and ready:
you know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL
Matthew 25:1-13

Look, the bridegroom comes. Go out to meet him.

Jesus told this parable to his disciples:
'The kingdom of heaven will be like this:
Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five of them were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! Go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But they replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door was closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said, "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.

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ENTRANCE ANTIPHON: Let my prayer come into your presence. Incline your ear to my cry for help, O Lord.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: *The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose, near restful waters he leads me.*

NEXT SUNDAY'S READING

FIRST READING: Proverbs 31:10-13. 19-20. 30-31 **RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** Ps 127:1-5. R. v.1
SECOND READING: 1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 **GOSPEL READING:** Matthew 25:14-30