

Readings at Mass

1st Reading

Jeremiah 20:10-13

Jeremiah said:

I hear so many disparaging me, “‘Terror from every side!’” Denounce him! Let us denounce him!’ All those who used to be my friends watched for my downfall, ‘Perhaps he will be seduced into error. Then we will master him and take our revenge!’ But the Lord is at my side, a mighty hero; my opponents will stumble, mastered, confounded by their failure; everlasting, unforgettable disgrace will be theirs. But you, O Lord of Hosts, you who probe with justice, who scrutinise the loins and heart, let me see the vengeance you will take on them, for I have committed my cause to you. Sing to the Lord, praise the Lord, for he has delivered the soul of the needy from the hands of evil men.

Responsorial Psalm 68

Lord, in your great love, answer me.

It is for you that I suffer taunts, that shame covers my face, that I have become a stranger to my brothers, an alien to my own mother’s sons. I burn with zeal for your house and taunts against you fall on me. **R.**

This is my prayer to you, my

prayer for your favour. In your great love, answer me, O God, with your help that never fails: Lord, answer, for your love is kind; in your compassion, turn towards me. **R.**

The poor when they see it will be glad and God-seeking hearts will revive; for the Lord listens to the needy and does not spurn his servants in their chains. Let the heavens and the earth give him praise, the sea and all its living creatures. **R.**

2nd Reading

Romans 5:12-15

Sin entered the world through one man, and through sin death, and thus death has spread through the whole human race because everyone has sinned. Sin existed in the world long before the Law was given. There was no law and so no one could be accused of the sin of ‘law-breaking’, yet death reigned over all from Adam to Moses, even though their sin, unlike that of Adam, was not a matter of breaking a law.

Adam prefigured the One to come, but the gift itself considerably outweighed the fall. If it is certain that through one man’s fall so many died, it is even more certain that divine grace, coming through the one man, Jesus Christ, came to so many as an abundant free gift.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! The Spirit of truth will bear witness to me, says the Lord, and you also will be my witnesses. Alleluia.

Gospel Matthew 10:26-33

Jesus instructed the Twelve as follows: ‘Do not be afraid. For everything that is now covered will be uncovered, and everything now hidden will be made clear. What I say to you in the dark, tell in the daylight; what you hear in whispers, proclaim from the housetops.

‘Do not be afraid of those who kill the body but cannot kill the soul; fear him rather who can destroy both body and soul in hell. Can you not buy two sparrows for a penny? And yet not one falls to the ground without your Father knowing. Why, every hair on your head has been counted. So there is no need to be afraid; you are worth more than hundreds of sparrows.

‘So if anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven. But the one who disowns me in the presence of men, I will disown in the presence of my Father in heaven.’



ST TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH

12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A—25TH JUNE 2023



OUR PARISH VISION:

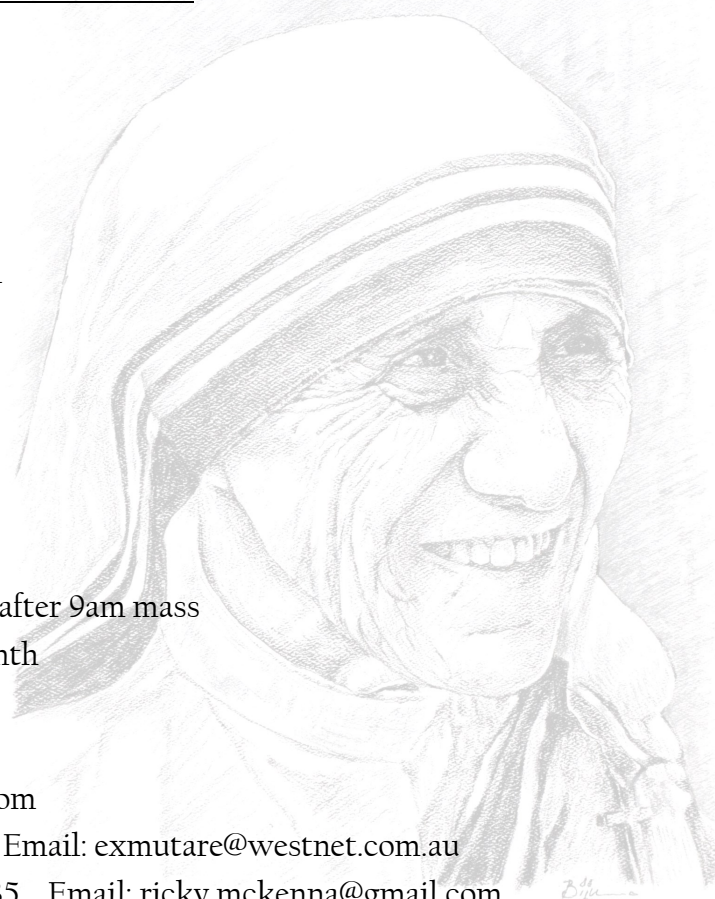
We are a Parish community embracing our Catholic faith and cherishing the Good News of Jesus Christ. Enriched by our diversity, we reach out to others and welcome all into our Parish. In the spirit of Mother Teresa and through our living and praying together, we want to grow strong in faith, hope and in our love for God and one another.

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Parish Calendar—Twelfth week in Ordinary Time

Sun, 25th June

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am Mass
5pm Mass

Tue, 27th June

St Cyril of Alexandria

9am Mass

Wed, 28th June

9am Mass

Thu, 29th June

Sts Peter & Paul, Apostles

9am Mass

Fri, 30th June

9am Mass

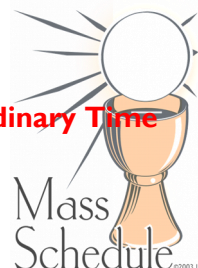
Sat, 1st July

5:30pm Confessions
6pm Mass

Sun, 2nd July

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:30am Mass
5pm Mass



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UNDERSTANDING THE WORD OF GOD

FEAR NO ONE

Jesus said to the Twelve: "Fear no one. Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed, nor secret that will not be known." [Matthew 10:26](#)

This line is spoken by our Lord within the context of preparing the Twelve for the persecutions that are to come. Prior to this passage, Jesus said, "But beware of people, for they will hand you over to courts and scourge you in their synagogues, and you will be led before governors and kings for my sake as a witness before them and the pagans." After saying much more about the persecutions to come, Jesus gives them a certain hope and encouragement in the passage above.

First of all, Jesus directly addresses one of the effects many people suffer when they encounter some form of persecution: fear. "Fear no one," He says. Fear can consume a person when they lack faith in God's care for them, allowing anxiety and worry to take hold. When we can keep our eyes fixed firmly on Christ and dispel the attacks we receive in life, then we will remain confident in God's truth and not be deterred by lies.

Jesus is also very aware of the fact that fear can become overwhelming. This is especially the case when we must endure any form of severe persecution or trial. Therefore, He speaks a consoling line to the Twelve to help them have hope. "Nothing is concealed that will not be revealed, nor secret that will not be known." This is a reference to the end of time when Jesus returns to earth for the Final Judgment. At that time, every deceitful attack that people have endured will come to full light for all to see. Every virtue, including every hidden virtue, will also come to light. In the end, truth will reign and all will be judged by God's Truth. This should be very consoling to those who have suffered injustice in life.

Persecution comes in many forms. Of course, persecution issued against you because of your faith is the worst form of persecution. But most often, persecution comes in other forms. Jealousy toward another could lead to gossip about them. Revealing the sins of another in a public way is the sin of detraction and is a form of persecution. Passive aggression, slander, the "silent treatment" and so much more are all forms of persecution. Any time one person attempts to inflict some form of harm upon another, this is persecution.

One common tendency that people encounter when another has harmed them in some way is to return the harm done. There is nothing wrong with defending ourselves by speaking the truth with love. But too often, the hurt experienced either turns into a consuming fear or into an attack against the one who harmed us. When this temptation is felt, Jesus' words above are most helpful and freeing. In the end, no injustice will be ignored. Every wrong will be dealt with by the justice and mercy of God, and perfect order and truth will be fully restored for eternity.

Reflect, today, upon any struggle you have with fear. As you do, reflect upon Jesus' words over and over. "Fear no one." Do not allow yourself to be controlled by any injustice inflicted upon you. Instead, remain confident in the truth and, if some injustice is not able to be corrected here and now, look forward to the end of time when everything will be brought to light in accord with the mind and justice of God.

My courageous Lord, You endured so much ridicule and harsh treatment but never allowed it to deter You from Your divine mission of love. Please free me from all fear and give me courage when I face the injustices of life to trust that You will right every wrong in the end. Jesus, I trust in You.

Rosters—Weekend 1st & 2nd July 2023

READERS

Sat 6pm: Sandra Carson & Willi Massini
Sun 9:30am William Kalande & Jana Evans
Sun 5pm: Joselin Bobby

ACOLYTES:

Sat 6pm: Fabian Henry
Sun 9 30am: Ferdinand Prajogi
Sun 5pm: Paul Dwyer

JNR SERVERS

Sat 6pm: Oman & Nimo Balayo
Sun 9:30am Stig Kalande & Alex Hales
Sun 5pm: Izaabella Moretti & Carlos Autagavaia

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Parish News



AN INVITATION FROM FATHER GEOFF ALDOUS

Since I retired from Mother Teresa Parish, Baldvis, a year and a half ago, I have been mainly helping out (on supply) in rural parishes. I have a special concern for our "country cousins" who have the challenge of sustaining the faith in often very small Mass communities.

For this reason I'd like to organise a little pilgrimage to a few "closer in" country parishes, where city Catholics can meet and share with some of the locals.

The proposed date is **Saturday, October 7th**, at the end of the school holidays and when weather and wild flowers should be good. It will be a fairly full day, meeting at the **Shrine at the York church**; then lunch at **Northam**; a tour of the old "native reserve" at **Goomalling**; and possibly taking in the Saturday Vigil Mass at **Toodyay** (5 pm, on the way home). It is envisaged that you could travel "under your own steam", though transport, I am sure, could be arranged.

At this stage I just need an expression of interest, to see if the venture is viable. So, if you are interested, please contact me on 0427 040 100 or email geoff.aldous@bigpond.com

PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

6pm Wednesday night 28th June 2023
(to be held in the Narthex)

BECOME A 'ST TERESA VOLUNTEER'

Everything you contribute helps our Parish grow—and it is a great way to meet fellow parishioners
Please add your name and contact on ANY of the Ministries listed. You will find a sign on sheet in the Narthex (next to the Newsletters)

Mass Offering

If you would like to have a Mass offered for your special intention. Please take a mass offering envelope from the table in the Narthex, write your intention, give a generous donation and give it to Father with the indication of when you would like the Mass to be offered.
Sometimes the greatest gift we can give is Prayer.

PLEASE COLLECT YOUR PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES (JULY 2023—JUNE 2024)



Available for collection from the table in the Narthex

COUNSELLING SERVICES

St. Teresa of Calcutta Parish is offering Counselling Services to our parishioners, their families, and friends.

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