



Parish News



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PRAY FOR OUR PRIESTS



Come and join us and pray with Our Blessed Mother for her Beloved Sons, the Priests.

Each Friday, except the 1st Friday of the month (Following 9.00am Mass)

ADORATION + ROSARY + DIVINE MERCY + LITANY

ST TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH

PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING

To be held on **Wednesday 1st May at 6.00pm** in the Narthex of the church

(please note the date has changed from 2/5/24)

HOUSE BLESSING

Christ wants to come and transform your house and family **during this Easter Season.**

If you want to have your house blessed please contact Fr Alexis after Mass.

FUNDRAISING COMMITTEE

The first meeting for the new Fundraising Committee was held on Tuesday 16/4. The Coordinator of the Committee was nominated and we are pleased to advise that Joanne Hart has accepted the position. If you have any queries or ideas, please do not hesitate to contact her through the Parish Office on (08)9523 6097 or by Email : baldivis@perthcatholic.org.au

PENTECOST MISSIO

Our Lady of Lourdes Rockingham

2 Townsend Road, Rockingham (FREE EVENT)

Speaker : Deacon Bob Rice

Thursday, 16th May (5.30—10.00pm)

“make disciples of all nations...” Matthew 28:19

For more information and registration please visit:

bit.ly/Missio24

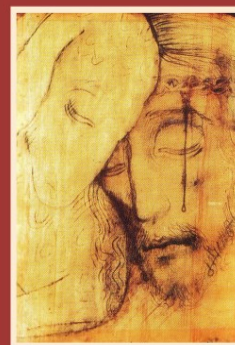
FAITH FORMATION CATECHESIS



Christ has been victorious over death!
He comes to conquer our fears and to open for us a way to new life.

COME AND LISTEN

Christ is Risen and wants to come into your life!



Topics for this week:

**Monday
WHO IS GOD FOR YOU?**

**Thursday
WHO AM I?**

St Teresa of Calcutta Catholic Church,
739 Eighty Road, Baldivis
WA 6171

Mondays & Thursdays
7:30pm

**Beginning
Monday
15th
April
2024**

For more information contact
Fr. Alexis Vega
08 9523 6097



ST TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH



FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

28th APRIL 2024

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.

PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Priest: Father Alexis Vega

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Web: www.BaldivisCatholicParish.org.au

Facebook: St Teresa of Calcutta Parish, Baldivis

Facebook/Instagram Administrators:

Kevin Poppen & Ann Priest

Reconciliation: Saturday 5:30pm or by appointment

Adoration and Benediction: 1st Friday of the month after 9am mass

Baptisms: Second and fourth Sunday of the month

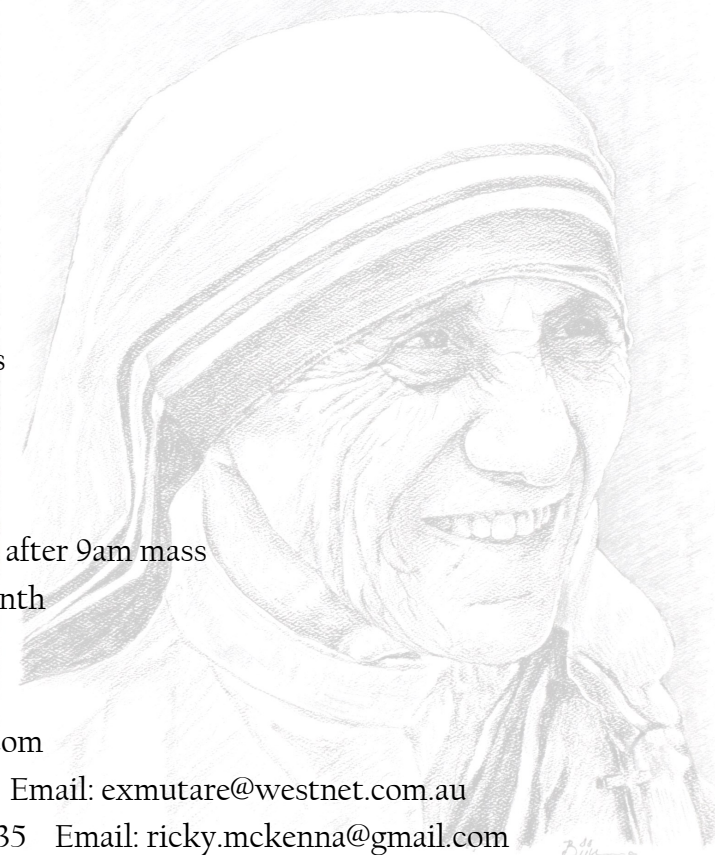
All other sacraments: by appointment

Sacramental Program Coordinator: Andrea Hall

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Parish Calendar— 5th Week of Easter

Sun, 28th April

5th Sunday of Easter

9:30am Mass

5:00pm Mass

Mon, 29th April

7:30pm Catechesis—Faith formation

Tue, 30th April

St Pius V, Pope

9:00am Mass

Wed, 1st May

St Joseph the Worker

9:00am Mass

Thu, 2nd May

St Athanasius

8:00am Mass

7:30pm Catechesis—Faith formation

Friday, 3rd May

Sts Philip & James, Apostles

9:00am Mass

Sat, 4th May

5.30pm Confessions

6.00pm Mass

Sun, 5th May

6th Sunday of Easter

9.30am Mass

5.00pm Mass

MOTHER TERESA CATHOLIC COLLEGE

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Readings – Fifth Sunday of Easter

1st Reading Acts 9:26-31

When Saul got to Jerusalem he tried to join the disciples, but they were all afraid of him: they could not believe he was really a disciple. Barnabas, however, took charge of him, introduced him to the apostles, and explained how the Lord had appeared to Saul and spoken to him on his journey, and how he had preached boldly at Damascus in the name of Jesus. Saul now started to go round with them in Jerusalem, preaching fearlessly in the name of the Lord. But after he had spoken to the Hellenists, and argued with them, they became determined to kill him. When the brothers knew, they took him to Caesarea, and sent him off from there to Tarsus. The churches throughout Judaea, Galilee and Samaria were now left in peace, building themselves up, living in the fear of the Lord, and filled with the consolation of the Holy Spirit.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 21(22)

I will praise you, Lord, in the assembly of your people.

My vows I will pay before those who fear him. The poor shall eat and shall have their fill. They shall praise the Lord, those who seek him. May their hearts live for ever and ever! **R.**

All the earth shall remember and

return to the Lord, all families of the nations worship before him; They shall worship him, all the mighty of the earth; before him shall bow all who go down to the dust. **R.**

And my soul shall live for him, my children serve him. They shall tell of the Lord to generations yet to come, declare his faithfulness to peoples yet unborn: 'These things the Lord has done.' **R.**

2nd Reading | JOHN 3:18-24

My children, our love is not to be just words or mere talk, but something real and active; only by this can we be certain that we are children of the truth and be able to quieten our conscience in his presence, whatever accusations it may raise against us, because God is greater than our conscience and he knows everything. My dear people, if we cannot be condemned by our own conscience, we need not be afraid in God's presence, and whatever we ask him, we shall receive, because we keep his commandments and live the kind of life that he wants. His commandments are these: that we believe in the name of his Son Jesus Christ and that we love one another as he told us to. Whoever keeps his commandments lives in God and God lives in him. We know that he lives in us by the Spirit that he has

given us.

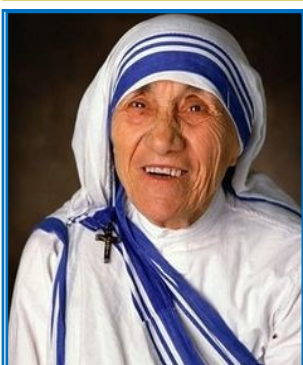
Gospel Acclamation JOHN 15:4-5

Alleluia, alleluia!

Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia!

Gospel JOHN 15:1-8

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I am the true vine, and my Father is the vinedresser. Every branch in me that bears no fruit he cuts away, and every branch that does bear fruit he prunes to make it bear even more. You are pruned already, by means of the word that I have spoken to you. Make your home in me, as I make mine in you. As a branch cannot bear fruit all by itself, but must remain part of the vine, neither can you unless you remain in me. I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me, with me in him, bears fruit in plenty; for cut off from me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me is like a branch that has been thrown away – he withers; these branches are collected and thrown on the fire, and they are burnt. If you remain in me and my words remain in you, you may ask what you will and you shall get it. It is to the glory of my Father that you should bear much fruit, and then you will be my disciples.'



Saint Teresa of Calcutta, Jesus called you to bring the light of His love to those who live in darkness. By tender, loving care for the poorest and the neediest, you became the sign of God's presence, His love and compassion in the midst of suffering and pain.

Following your example, help us to recognise the face of Jesus in our suffering brothers and sisters and to serve Him with humility and joy. Teach us to be carriers of God's tender love and mercy and so bear witness that God still loves the world through each one of us. **Amen**

Understanding of the Word

Jesus said to his disciples "I am the vine, you are the branches. Whoever remains in me and I in him will bear much fruit, because without me you can do nothing. Anyone who does not remain in me will be thrown out like a branch and wither; people will gather them and throw them into a fire and they will be burned."

We can't help focusing on the almost apocalyptic nature of the statement. And in another passage of the gospel, we recall when Jesus cursed the fig tree because it offered no fruit. But at its root, this passage in the Gospel of John is about being part of something greater than just yourself.

"If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want, and it will be done for you. By this is my Father glorified, that you bear much fruit and become my disciples."

What's interesting about this is that "vine" was a common image for God's people, going back, for example, to the book of Isaiah in the Hebrew Bible. But here it suggests immediately thoughts of spring. Of planting. Cutting and pruning. Applied to ourselves, as Jesus's disciples, it sounds painful, destructive, as nature is. But in this case, I think it is the care and attention of God the father that is

foremost in Jesus' message to his disciples: "You are already pruned because of the word that I spoke to you. Remain in me, as I remain in you. Just as a branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine, so neither can you unless you remain in me."

This is fundamentally relational. It's no longer possible for the individual disciples to be considered in isolation: one must realize they are always directly connected to Jesus, and through him, to his father.

Here Jesus is describing his relationship both to his father and to his disciples. But the relational view holds when we step further back and remember Jesus and his relation to the Father and the Holy Spirit in the concept of the trinity. It too is fundamentally relational. This is a striking way for Jesus to prompt his disciples to keep the commandments, which he does in the passage immediately after today's readings. And in the end, it's in keeping his commandments that our fruit is ultimately born on this vine of Christ.

Feast of the Week

Saints PHILIP and JAMES 3rd May



Sts Philip and James known as St. Philip the Apostle and St. James the Less, were two of the twelve apostles of Jesus Christ. Although they are often overshadowed by some of the more well-known apostles such as Peter, Paul, and John, Philip and James played important roles in the early Christian church.

Saint Philip: One of the Twelve Apostles. He was likely a follower of Saint John the Baptist and knew that John pointed to Jesus as the Messiah. Possibly a fisherman by trade. Jesus encountered Philip and said, "Follow me" (John 1:43) Philip obeyed. After Pentecost, little is known about Philip's missionary activity. Ancient traditions suggest he preached in Greece, Phrygia, and Syria. Philip was martyred at an old age in Hierapolis, Phrygia not far from Ephesus where Saint Paul established a church.

Saint James (James the Less): Brother of the Apostle Jude Thaddeus; both were sons of Alphaeus and one of the "Three Marys" at the Cross. An apostle who served Christ faithfully during the early days of the Church. These apostles, though less celebrated, contributed significantly to the spread of Christianity. Their faith and dedication continue to inspire believers today.

Rosters—Weekend 4th & 5th May April 2024

Readers

Sat 6.00pm: Alshandra Shaik & Liz Dwyer
Sun 9:30am: Helen Tippett & Vanessa Moretti
Sun 5.00pm: Sophie Astell & Anna Saviel

Acolytes:

Sat 6.00pm: Patrick Dwyer
Sun 9 30am: James Wynne
Sun 5.00pm: Paul Dwyer

JUNIOR ALTAR SERVERS

Sat 6.00pm: Joel Dueman
Sun 9:30am: Dane Leeson and Alex Hales
Sun 5.00pm: Abigail Dwyer, Carlos Autagavaia

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

Sat 6.00pm: Geri O'Keefe
Sun 9.30am: Jacinta Da Cruz & Silia Autagavaia
Sun 5.00 pm: Donna Garbin (if required)

COUNTERS

Kath Anderson & Maki Hales

COLLECTIONS: 21st APRIL 2024

1st Collection: \$ 791.60
2nd Collection: \$ 1,952.50

If you would like to continue with your weekly donation, you can set your account for weekly direct deposits:

Baldivis Parish

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