



**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**

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

A TIME FOR RECONCILIATION AND  
PREPARATION FOR EASTER

**Thursday 19th March**  
**6.00 PM.**



**EASTER WITHOUT  
CONFESSION AND  
WITHOUT COMMUNION  
IS NOT EASTER**

**UNITE**   
**AGAINST**  
**POVERTY**  
this Lent



**Caritas**  
AUSTRALIA

**PROJECT**  
**COMPASSION**

This Lent, we are called to Unite Against Poverty through Caritas Australia's Project Compassion. Please donate today. You can support Project Compassion 2026 through the donation boxes provided, envelopes or by scanning the QR code. Or online at: [www.projectcompassion.org.au/donate](http://www.projectcompassion.org.au/donate). Or by calling: 1800 024 413. Thank you for standing with us, as we Unite Against Poverty this Lent.

*We are nearly half way through lent, please take an envelope or box home to encourage your family to be generous.*



Fundraiser

# EASTER RAFFLE

Drawn Sunday 5th April after 9.30am Mass

Donation required please

- Colouring
- Crafts
- Teddy's
- Decorations
- Easter eggs

Donation Box in the Narthex.  
Thank you for your support :)



## 'GROW A PALM' FOR PALM SUNDAY

**29th March 2026**

Would you like to purchase and tend to a **PALM IN A POT** and then bring it to the Church before (29/3/26) Palm Sunday, so that it can stay for the duration of the EASTER CELEBRATIONS at the 'Altar of Repose'.

*(If you would like to help Father Alexis prepare the 'Altar of Repose' please speak to him after Mass, or call the office*

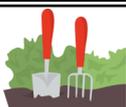


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# ST TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH

## FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT

### 15th March 2026



#### 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

Parish Office: 739 Eighty Road, Baldivis WA 6171  
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Office hours: Tues to Fri 9.30am to 1.30pm

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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 each month

All other sacraments: by appointment

Sacramental Program Coordinator: Andrea Hall

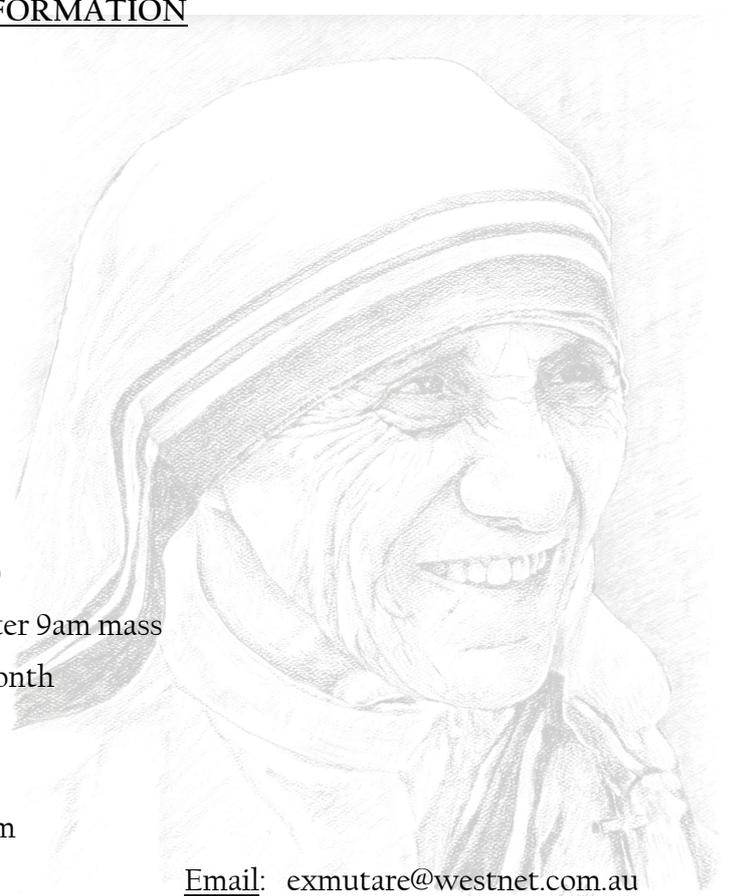
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### PARISH CALENDAR - 15th MARCH to 22nd MARCH

#### Sunday, 15th March

**4th Sunday of Lent**

9:30am Mass

5:00pm Mass

#### Tuesday, 17th March

**St Patrick**

9:00am Mass

#### Wednesday, 18th March

**St Cyril of Jerusalem**

9:00am Mass

#### Thursday, 19th March

**St Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**

8:00am Mass

6.00pm 2nd Rite of Reconciliation

#### Friday, 20th March

9:00am Mass

6.00pm Stations of the Cross

#### Saturday 21st March

5.30 pm Confessions

6.00 pm Mass

8.00 pm Neocatechumenal Community Mass

#### Sunday, 22nd March

**5th Sunday of Lent**

9:30am Mass

5:00pm Mass



**CHECK US OUT ON FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM!**

Open your phone camera and point it to each of the QR codes



## Readings – Third Sunday in Lent

|                           |   |
|---------------------------|---|
| <b>First Reading</b>      | Samuel 16:1, 6-7, 10-13 - <b>In the presence of the Lord God, they anointed David, King of Israel.</b>  |
| <b>Responsorial Psalm</b> | Psalm 22— <b>The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.</b>  |
| <b>Second Reading</b>     | Ephesians 5:8-14 — <b>Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.</b>   |
| <b>Gospel Acclamation</b> | John 8:12— <b>Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ! I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life.</b><br><b>Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!</b> |
| <b>Gospel</b>             | John 9:1-41— <b>The blind man went off and washed himself and came away with his sight restored.</b>  |



## Understanding the Word of God

A man who was born blind is given the gift of sight by Jesus. Jesus not only says, “I am the light of the world,” but he acts to bring light. In the case of the blind man, Jesus not only gives light, but illuminates this man’s life with colours, shapes, and images to discover. What follows is a series of interrogations beginning with the healed man’s neighbours and those who knew him. They are filled with disbelief about the transformation of this one known to them as a blind beggar. Some wonder if the healed man is only someone who looks like him. At this point, the healed man can only tell them the facts about this man named Jesus. Like them, he does not understand the process. He only knows that he once was blind but now he sees.

The second interrogation is by the Pharisees. Although the healing is on the Sabbath, this does not appear to be the primary concern of the Pharisees. They are more concerned with the process of healing and the identity of the One who heals. No doubt the healed man had done nothing but tell his story of transformation over and over. He offers a simplified version with just the facts. “He put mud on my eyes.

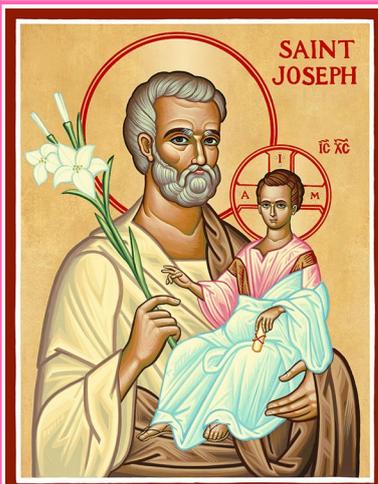
Then I washed, and now I see.” After more questions, the healed man confesses Jesus to be a prophet.

The Jews turn on the healed man, vilifying him. They do not believe he was truly blind. The parents are brought to testify on the identity of their son as one born blind. They too do not understand the process of healing or know the healer, so they defer to their son in part out of their own fear.

The third investigation is of the healed man by the Pharisees. Frustration is mounting, especially for this blind man who is not allowed to rejoice in his gift, but who is forced to analyze the One who gave him sight. The healed man reverses the investigation and asks the Pharisees, “Do you also want to become his disciples?” Later, he adds, “If this man were not from God, he could do nothing.” The reaction by the Pharisees is strong. They are insulted at his teaching and drive him out. Jesus responds by seeking him for conversation and consolation. At this time, the healed man takes the opportunity to confess his faith in Jesus, reflecting his own physical and spiritual transformation. Through their words and actions, it is clear the Pharisees are the ones who are blind.

## Saint of the Week

### Saint Joseph—Husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary



Not much is known of St Joseph except what is said of him in the Gospels. He was a carpenter; he accepted the will of God; and he supported Mary and brought up Jesus. From the human character of his son we can see that he was a good and responsible father. He is widely venerated as a patron of artisans who honourably do good work with the gifts God has given them, and of workers in general. To those who exercise the role of an adoptive parent, whether formally or informally, whether over one child or as the support of a whole family, he is a source of inspiration.



# Parish News



## Lenten Retreat

**DRAWN INTO THE REAL PRESENCE OF CHRIST IN THE EUCHARIST**

**Where:** Baldivis Parish  
**When:** Wednesdays, 11th, 18th & 25th March  
7:30pm – 8:30pm with Mr Peter Cox

Over three evenings during Lent, the profound mystery at the heart of Catholic faith will be explored: Jesus Christ is truly present in four ways in the Eucharist. As outlined in the Vatican II Constitution on the Sacred Liturgy, *Sacrosanctum Concilium*, Christ is present in the Sacrifice of the Mass, in the person of the minister, in His Word, and in the assembled Church. What does this mean for us on our Lenten journey?

These talks promise to renew and deepen our understanding of the Eucharistic celebration, the "source and summit" of Christian life.

## 2ND RITE OF RECONCILIATION IN THE HUB PARISHES

Now is the time for Reconciliation in preparation for **Easter**. In Confession we experience God's love, mercy and forgiveness.

Multiple opportunities for confession are provided at neighboring HUB parishes. Please note the following dates.

**St Bernadette's Port Kennedy**      **Wednesday, 18th March— 6.00pm**

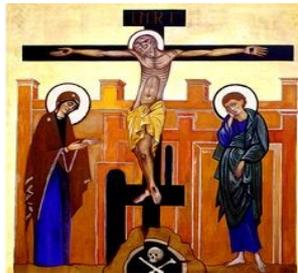
**Saint Teresa's Baldivis**      **Thursday, 19th March — 6.00pm**

**St Vincent's Kwinana**      **Tuesday, 24th March — 6.00pm**

**Our Lady of Lourdes Rockingham**      **Friday 27th March — 6.00pm**

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Every Friday of Lent at 6pm in the Church



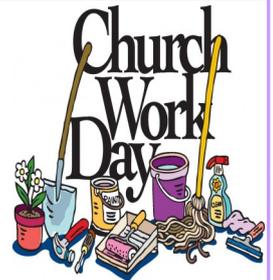
## In preparation for our great Celebration of EASTER 2026

We will have our Busy Bee to clean OUR Church *inside* and *outside*.

Please join us **on Saturday 28th March** from 8:30am.

**Whatever time you can spare, is appreciated**

*( Please bring whatever tools you may require, i.e. buckets, window blades, cleaning cloths, rakes, yard brooms etc.)*



**FUNDRAISING MEETING**      **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Monday 16/3 @ 6 pm**      **Tuesday 17/3 @ 6pm**

## Rosters—Weekend of 21st & 22nd March

### Readers

**Sat 6.00pm:** Raphael Das & Fran Rapson  
**Sun 9:30am:** Sid James & Nonie Ybanez  
**Sun 5.00pm:** Chuks Osuji & Nina Samaria

### Acolytes

**Sat 6.00pm:** James Wynne  
**Sun 9 30am:** Ricky McKenna  
**Sun 5.00pm:** Fernan Rodelas

### Flowers:

Pelagiah Ndirangu & Glenda Savadge-Davenhill

### COUNTERS:

Das & Nisha

### CLEANING OF THE CHURCH -

Danilo Silva, Donna Rosielle Brand & Esomchi Ogbodo

### JUNIOR ALTAR SERVERS

**Sat 6.00pm:** Louisa Farias Da Costa & Cherly Mudzingwa  
**Sun 9:30am:** Emly Murphy & Jaleesa Okewu  
**Sun 5.00pm:** tba

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

**Sat 6.00pm:** Kathleen Anderson & Helen Tippet  
**Sun 9.30am:** David Autagavaia & Silia Autagavaia  
**Sun 5.00pm:** Peter VanDerKwast

## PARISH COLLECTIONS— 8th MARCH 2026

**1<sup>st</sup> Collection:** \$ 1200.05  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Collection:** \$ 2020.80

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

### First Collection

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