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If you are having your child Baptised in our parish it is a requirement that you attend a prior Preparation Session.

Remaining dates for these sessions in 2019 are:
Sundays - 4 August, 6 October and 8 December.

Please contact the Parish Office for further information.

WEEKDAY MASS RESPONSES
Available at the back of the church

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PARISH INFORMATION

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Weekday Masses	Tuesday - Friday	9:00am
Reconciliation	Saturday	5:00pm - 5:30pm
Weekend Masses	Saturday	6:00pm
	Sunday	8:30am
	Sunday	10:00am
		5:00pm

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GOSPEL REFLECTION by Dianne Bergant CSA (From 'Pastoral Liturgy')

The readings invite us to reflect on prayer. Whether our prayer be praise, contrition, thanksgiving or petition, it always recognises our need for God. In the gospel Jesus instructs us to ask for what we need. He assures us that God is more than willing to give us what we need. However, for this to happen we must turn to God and humbly acknowledge our need.

The most obvious characteristic of prayer depicted in the readings for this Sunday is persistence. Neither Abraham nor the man in the gospel was deterred by any obstacle. They show that it is not so much that we persist in prayer in order to change God's mind as it is that we persist in order to discover what God's mind might be.

The salutariness of prayer is often found in the change that it effects in us, not in God. By persevering in genuine prayer we may come to acknowledge that all things are in God's hands, and that we can rest content to leave them there, trusting that the situation will be cared for as God sees fit. It seems trite to say that God hears all prayer and sometimes the answer is 'No!' It is better to say that God respects the freedom of people and will seldom intervene to change the way events unfold. Still, prayer can change the one who prays and also the one for whom the prayer is offered if only human need is recognised and divine solicitude is acknowledged.

Feast Days this week

Monday, 29 July—**St Martha**—The sister of Mary and Lazarus of Bethany. Honoured for her confession of faith in the Lord in which she beseeched him to restore life to her dead brother. Remembered too for her hospitality to Jesus and her concern for the details of service to guests.

Wednesday, 31 July—**St Ignatius of Loyola**—Born at Loyola (Spain) in 1491. A Spanish nobleman trained in diplomacy and the use of arms, wounded in battle against the French. The experience of conversion while convalescing led him to write the Spiritual Exercises. He then founded the Society of Jesus (Jesuits) and became its first superior general. He is remembered for his loyalty to the Church and its renewal, his ministry to the marginal, his concern for education, and his dedication 'to the greater glory of God', the motto of the Jesuits. He died at Rome in 1556.

Thursday, 1 August—**St Alphonsus Liguori**—Born at Naples (Italy) in 1696. He was a lawyer before ordination, and after founding the Congregation of the Most Holy Redeemer (Redemptorists), he was for 13 years bishop of Sant' Agata dei Goti, resigned due to ill health. Remembered as a popular preacher and devotional writer and as an influential master of moral theology. He died at Nocera in 1787.

Saturday, 3 August—**St Dominic**—Born at Calaruega (Spain) about 1170. In a time of violent crusades he sought the reconciliation of Albigensian heretics through instruction and prayer. Remembered as a preacher, organiser, and patron of learning. Died at Bologna (Italy) in 1221.

Mass Times next week

Tuesday: 9.00am	Wednesday: 9.00am	Thursday: 9.00am
	Friday: 9.00am	
Saturday: Vigil 6.00pm		
Sunday: 8.30am	10.00am	5.00pm
Reconciliation: Saturday: 5.00pm - 5.45pm		

Parish Finance Update

2nd Collection including Planned Giving envelopes	(20/21 July)	\$1,838.95
Family Fast (June)		\$ 177.70
Direct Debit (June)		\$ 750.00

Visiting priests this weekend

While Fr Jeronimo is away on leave, this weekend we welcome Fr Greg Carroll who will be celebrating the Sunday 8.30am and 10am Masses and Fr Greg Donovan for Saturday Vigil at 6pm and Sunday 5pm Masses.



Fr Jeronimo and the parish family offers sincere prayers and sympathy to the family of Alfric Mendes who passed away tragically last week.

Alf was a faithful and loving servant of God and will be sadly missed by all those who knew him. Funeral details are yet to be finalised.

The Holy Spirit choir will be singing at the Vigil 6pm Mass on Saturday, 3 August.

Please bring a plate of food and join us for supper in the hall after this Mass.

We advise that the parish office will be open for reduced hours during August.

Tuesdays hours will remain the same—9am-4pm, but on Thursdays it will only be open 1pm-4pm.

We apologise for any inconvenience.

Next weekend's (3/4 Aug) readings are for the 18 Sun Ord Time Year C

1st Reading: Ecclesiastes 1: 2, 2: 21-23

2nd Reading: Colossians 3: 1-5, 9-11

Gospel: Luke 12: 13-21

Eucharistic Adoration in the church will re-commence on Thursday, 22 August.

Thank you to those who continue to place used stamps in the container at the back of the church.

The Rotary Club use them as a fund raiser for their work overseas.

Planned Giving Envelopes

There are still envelopes for the financial year 2019/2020 available for parishioners to pick up.

For further information on joining this program either by envelope or direct debit, please fill out the yellow card at the back of the church or contact the parish office during office hours.



Excerpts from the 'Record'.....

Rome scholarship honours Aboriginal student

Calle Nichols is the third recipient of the 2019 Francis Xavier Conaci Scholarship which will assist her to undertake study at the Australian Catholic University Rome Campus.

ACU and the Australian Embassy to the Holy See hosted a ceremony in Rome during NAIDOC Week to present Calle with this prestigious award.

Two Catholic international book awards for former CFE Director

An Australian theologian as last month received two awards from the Catholic Press Association of the US and Canada at the close of the Catholic Media Conference held in Florida.

Dr Michelle Jones received acknowledgement for 'Best first-time author of a book' (third place) and 'Best book from a small publisher' (second place).

SJOG Health Care calls for better access to end of life care that values the dignity of life

SJOG Health Care remains opposed to and would not allow assisted suicide to be carried out in any of its seven WA hospitals or specialist palliative care units.

The Catholic group runs some of WA's biggest health facilities, including a 578-bed hospital at Subiaco and a 511-bed hospital in Murdoch.

Lifelink 2019: The Shopfront, making a difference one meal at a time

The Shopfront is an Archdiocesan agency supported by volunteers with aims to relieve poverty and suffering in an inclusive, welcoming environment offering fellowship and hospitality to those in need of it.

An average of 68 volunteers come in every week, preparing food and serving it to those in need of a meal.

Damian Walsh, Director of The Shopfront, reported that almost half of the 6861 visitors coming to Shopfront came from a number of places throughout the southwestern regions.

First Reading: Genesis 18: 20-32

The Lord said, 'How great an outcry there is against Sodom and Gomorrah! How grievous is their sin! I propose to go down and see whether or not they have done all that is alleged in the outcry against them that has come up to me. I am determined to know.'

The men left there and went to Sodom while Abraham remained standing before the Lord. Approaching him he said, 'Are you really going to destroy the just man with the sinner? Perhaps there are fifty just men in the town. Will you really overwhelm them, will you not spare the place for the fifty just men in it? Do not think of doing such a thing: to kill the just man with the sinner, treating just and sinner alike! Do not think of it! Will the judge of the whole earth not administer justice?' The Lord replied, 'If at Sodom I find fifty just men in the town, I will spare the whole place because of them.'

Abraham replied, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this to my Lord, I who am dust and ashes. But perhaps the fifty just men lack five: will you destroy the whole city for five?' 'No', he replied 'I will not destroy it if I find forty-five just men there.' Again Abraham said to him, 'Perhaps there will only be forty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'for the sake of the forty.'

Abraham said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry, but give me leave to speak: perhaps there will only be thirty there.' 'I will not do it' he replied 'if I find thirty there.' He said, 'I am bold indeed to speak like this, but perhaps there will only be twenty there.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the twenty.' He said, 'I trust my Lord will not be angry if I speak once more: perhaps there will only be ten.' 'I will not destroy it' he replied 'for the sake of the ten.'

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Responsorial Psalm: 137: 1-3, 6-8

- R: Lord, on the day I called for help, you answered me.**
- I thank you, Lord, with all my heart, you have heard the words of my mouth. Before the angels I will bless you. I will adore before your holy temple. **R.**
 - I thank you for your faithfulness and love which excel all we ever knew of you. On the day I called, you answered; you increased the strength of my soul. **R.**
 - The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly and the haughty he knows from afar. Though I walk in the midst of affliction you give me life and frustrate my foes. **R.**
 - You stretch out your hand and save me, your hand will do all things for me. Your love, O Lord, is eternal, discard not the work of your hands. **R.**

Second Reading: Colossians 2: 12-14

You have been buried with Christ, when you were baptised; and by baptism, too, you have been raised up with him through your belief in the power of God who raised him from the dead. You were dead, because you were sinners and had not been circumcised: he has brought you to life with him, he has forgiven us all our sins.

He has overridden the Law, and cancelled every record of the debt that we had to pay; he has done away with it by nailing it to the cross.

The word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

Gospel Acclamation: 2: 12-14

Alleluia, alleluia! You have received the Spirit which makes us God's children, and in that Spirit we call God our Father. **Alleluia, alleluia!**

Gospel: Luke 11: 1-13

Once Jesus was in a certain place praying, and when he had finished, one of his disciples said, 'Lord, teach us to pray, just as John taught his disciples.' He said to them, 'Say this when you pray:

"Father, may your name be held holy, your kingdom come;

give us each day our daily bread, and forgive us our sins,

for we ourselves forgive each one who is in debt to us.

And do not put us to the test."

He also said to them, 'Suppose one of you has a friend and goes to him in the middle of the night to say, "My friend, lend me three loaves, because a friend of mine on his travels has just arrived at my house and I have nothing to offer him"; and the man answers from inside the house, "Do not bother me. The door is bolted now, and my children and I are in bed; I cannot get up to give it to you." I tell you, if the man does not get up and give it him for friendship's sake, persistence will be enough to make him get up and give his friend all he wants.

'So I say to you: Ask, and it will be given to you; search, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For the one who asks always receives; the one who searches always finds; the one who knocks will always have the door opened to him. What father among you would hand his son a stone when he asked for bread? Or hand him a snake instead of a fish? Or hand him a scorpion if he asked for an egg? If you then, who are evil, know how to give your children what is good, how much more will the heavenly Father give the Holy Spirit to those who ask him!'

The Gospel of the Lord. **Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.**