

BUSSELTON CATHOLIC PARISH

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***GROWING IN FAITH, INCLUSIVITY & OUTREACH,
THROUGH OPENNESS.***

31st SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (3 November)

First Reading

Deut 6:2-6

Moses said to the people: 'If you fear the Lord your God all the days of your life and if you keep all his laws and commandments which I lay on you, you will have a long life, you and your son and your grandson. Listen then, Israel, keep and observe what will make you prosper and give you great increase, as the Lord God of your fathers has promised you, giving you a land where milk and honey flow. 'Listen, Israel: The Lord our God is the one Lord. You shall love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your strength. Let these words I urge on you today be written on your heart.'

Responsorial Psalm:

I love you, Lord, my strength .

Second Reading

Heb 7:23-28

There used to be a great number of priests under the former covenant, because death put an end to each one of them; but this one, Christ, because he remains for ever, can never lose his priesthood. It follows then, that his power to save is utterly certain, since he is living for ever to intercede for all who come to God through him. To suit us, the ideal high priest would have to be holy, innocent and uncontaminated, beyond the influence of sinners, and raised up above the heavens; one who would not need to offer sacrifices every day, as the other high priests do for their own sins and then for those of the people, because he has done this once and for all by offering himself. The Law appoints high priests who are men subject to weakness; but the promise on oath, which came after the Law, appointed the Son who is made perfect for ever .

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them .

Alleluia!

Gospel

Mk 12:28-34

One of the scribes came up to Jesus and put a question to him, 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' Jesus replied, 'This is the first: Listen, Israel, the Lord our God is the one Lord, and you must love the Lord your God with all your heart, with all your soul, with all your mind and with all your strength. The second is this: You must love your neighbour as yourself. There is no commandment greater than these.' The scribe said to him, 'Well spoken, master; what you have said is true: that he is one and there is no other. To love with all your heart, with all your understanding and strength and to love your neighbour as yourself, this is far more important than any holocaust or sacrifice.' Jesus, seeing how wisely he had spoken said, 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.' And after that no one dared to question him any more .

Fr Nathan is on annual leave as of midday Saturday and returns to the Parish on Tuesday, 19th November. Unfortunately he kicks his time off with a chest infection. Please keep him in your prayers and pray this break is both refreshing and enjoyable. Frs. Tony and Archie will be supporting us during the interim.

- ***Preparing For Experiences of Christ Through The Mass*** cards are available in the foyer. They are an invaluable aid for proper use of the 'Sacred Silences' throughout the Mass. Also available are Large Mass cards to help follow the Mass and small cards (in a stand) to help with the responses.
- ***Your child or grandchild might like a copy of the 'Kid's Bulletin' from the foyer.***

Next Week's Readings (Year B)

1 Kg 17:10-16; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12: 38-44

PARISH MASSES & DEVOTIONS
4 November - 10 November

Monday	10.00am	Rosary Cenacle	St. Joseph's
Tuesday	9.00am	Mass	St. Joseph's
Wednesday	9.00am	Mass	St. Joseph's
Thursday	8am-5pm	Adoration	St. Joseph's
	5.00pm	Mass	St. Joseph's
Friday	11.00am	Holy Hour	St. Joseph's
	11.30am	Reconciliation	St. Joseph's
	12 noon	Mass	St. Joseph's
Saturday	5.30pm	Reconciliation	St. Joseph's
	6.00pm	Mass	St. Joseph's
Sunday	9.00am	Mass	Our Lady of the Bay
	5.45pm	Reconciliation	Our Lady of the Bay
	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady of the Bay



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REFLECTION

The great commandment given by God to Israel begins with the words: 'Listen, Israel.' The word, 'listen' is very important. We can only love God with all our heart and our neighbour as ourselves if we are willing to listen deeply to the voice of God and the cry of our neighbour.

The conversation between Jesus and the scribe in today's Gospel is an encounter of deep listening. Each listens to what the other is saying. The scribe asks Jesus: 'Which is the first of all the commandments?' He listens closely to Jesus' reply and acknowledges the truthfulness of Jesus' words. At the end, Jesus praises him saying: 'You are not far from the kingdom of God.'

The greatest respect, indeed, love, that we can show to anyone is to listen to what they are saying, to listen with humility and patience, to listen with the ears of our hearts, to take the risk of allowing what the other person is saying to change us in some way. Perhaps a good resolution for this week is to listen deeply to what one person is saying to us, perhaps a very familiar voice that we hear all the time and pay attention to only rarely. This week, let us seek to listen deeply to that person with the ears of our hearts.

(God's Word)

ARCHBISHOP TIMOTHY'S CHRISTMAS APPEAL FOR CATHOLIC CARE

Next weekend the Annual Christmas Appeal For CatholicCare will be held. Appeal envelopes will be available at Mass from next week. Donations of \$2 or more are tax deductible.

REMEMBERING OUR LOVED ONES

"When someone you love becomes a memory, that memory becomes a treasure."

~ Anonymous ~

Remembering our loved ones keeps them close to us. It is amazing how simple things like a favourite song, a special place, a funny saying, a flower or even a certain meal can bring back memories that make us smile or even feel a bit sad. It is completely natural to experience both emotions. While we may miss them, the love we shared never goes away because we carry a piece of them in our hearts, reminding us that our love remains strong forever. Even as time passes, those memories keep them alive in our minds. Remembering them is a way to celebrate their lives, treasure the happy moments we had and hold onto the lessons they taught us, keeping their spirit with us always.

(Majellan Media)

NOVEMBER MASSES

The month of November each year is a time when we especially remember in our prayers all those who have died. All Masses celebrated during November are offered for the repose of the souls of all the faithful departed. During this time, we have remembrance boxes on the sanctuaries of both our churches which you may place inside a November Mass Offering envelope with the name of departed loved ones.

Please note that individual Mass intentions are not offered during November, as we unite our prayers for all the faithful departed. **"Of all prayers, the most meritorious, the most acceptable to God are prayers for the dead, because they imply all the works of charity, both corporal and spiritual."**

(Saint Thomas Aquinas)

COLUMBAN CALENDARS

Columban Calendars for 2025 are still only \$10 and will be on sale after Masses on Saturday night and Sunday morning. This year has a new feature where meaningful Bible quotes are shown each month.

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

We acknowledge the Wadandi people of the Noongar nation as the traditional custodians of this land on which we gather. We recognise their continuing connection to the land protecting this coastline and its ecosystems since time immemorial. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging, and extend that respect to all First Nations people who might be present today.

NEW TO THE PARISH?

Please introduce yourself to Father and our greeters. They will be able to give you our Parish **Membership Form**, and **'Welcome Booklet'** which will help you to know what is happening in and around the Parish. Please feel free to drop into the Parish Office on Kent Street (next to St Joseph's Church) when next you pass by. Trish, the secretary, would love to meet you.

NOVEMBER INTENTION

For Those Who Have Lost A Child :

Let us pray that all parents who mourn the loss of a son or daughter find support in their community, and may receive peace of heart from the Spirit of Consolation .

GENTLE REMINDER

Please turn off your mobile phone.

CRAFT & COFFEE GROUP NEWS

Craft and Coffee Group ladies will be having an early Christmas lunch on **Tuesday November 19** at The Esplanade. If you ever thought about coming to craft group (or would just like lunch out with the girls) please come along. Let Fran 0428220822 or Julie 0429976602 know asap.

HOLY WATER DISPENSERS

Holy Water dispensers have been installed in the cloisters of both of our churches. These dispensers are designed for you to collect Holy Water to take home, allowing you to bring this powerful sacramental into your daily life for personal prayer and blessings. You may use Holy Water to bless yourself and anyone or anything under your care including your children, your homes, your cars, your vegetable gardens, your workspaces, and your pets.

PARISH FUNDRAISER

The biannual Craft Group morning tea and Christmas stall is happening again on **Sunday, December 1** after the 9am mass. The craft group welcomes any donations to go towards this fundraiser for the parish. Perhaps you are a closet crafter who has items that you could donate? Kindly contact Fran 0428 220 822 Julie 0429 976 602.

SERVICE WAS HIS SPECIALTY - IS IT OURS?

This Sunday is the feast day of San Martín de Porres of Peru. While Martín is said to have had miraculous powers of bilocation, the ability to commune with animals and to heal, service was his specialty. Once, he encountered a sore-ridden beggar and brought him to his own bed in the monastery. When the superior reprimanded him for allowing a dirty, contagious stranger into the cloister, Martín replied that he could easily wash sheets, **but not the guilt of ignoring the poor.** Sr Mary McGlone writes that he understood that love of God implies love of **everyone and everything** that God loves.

As we too endeavour to dedicate our whole heart, soul and strength for love of God and neighbour, perhaps we might consider purchasing a couple of non-perishable items for both **St. Vincent de Paul** (baskets are in the church) and our **Community Food Pantry** (situated between the parish office and garages) to help those in need in our own community. (You can also donate to St Vincent de Paul via the envelopes in the church foyer.)

“For the whole law is summed up in a single commandment: ‘You shall love your neighbour as yourself’”
(Gal 5:14)

MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND IN BUNBURY

30th November – 1st December

A great opportunity to spend some quality time together to enhance communication and rekindle the passion in your marriage. Don't miss out on this special time to focus on and nurture the relationship that means so much for the health and happiness of you and your family. Details available at the back of the church, at www.me.org.au or by calling 0493 534 865 to make a booking. Limited spaces available.

Baptism

With joy we welcome :

Reginald & Clifford Cook



***The evening news is where they begin
with “Good evening,”
and then proceed to tell you
why it isn’t.***

Prayers For The Sick

**Damien Philp;
Clare Freeman;
Shane Williams;
Bruce Stronach
Fr Johny Arattukulam
Fr Leon Russell
Fr Hugh Galloway**

Memorial Anniversary

**2007: Dawn Foot
2008: Shiela Edwards
2010: Rita Blechynden
2012: Anne Power
2013: Adelle Soopramanian
Rob Twomey
2020: Blake Wilson
2021: Antonio Pelle**

Church Collections

(Weekend 26/27 October)

**Envelopes: \$ 881.00
Loose: \$ 1,432.45**

Please make all cheques out to ‘Busselton Catholic Parish’. Direct Deposits, quoting your surname and envelope number to the Parish Account: **BSB: 086-006 ACC: 846789113**

WEEKEND ROSTER FOR 9/10 NOVEMBER

Saturday 6pm

Acolyte: Murray
Greeters: Di, Lorraine
Commentator: Angela
Readers: Sue, Mary
Musician: Carmelina
Projectionist: Trish
EMHC: -
Cleaning: Yvonne, Noreen
Laundry: Di

Sunday 9am

Acolyte: Terry
Greeters: Pat O, Aileen
Commentator: Loly
Readers: Kaye M, Pat T
Musician: John G
Projectionist: Peta
Recorded Music: -
EMHC: Helen
Sacristan: Julie
Children’s Liturgy: Mark

Sunday 6pm

Acolyte: Frank
Greeters: Joan, Roz
Commentator: Robyn
Readers: Joan, Kevin D
Projectionist: Nora
Recorded Music: Robyn
EMHC: -

ALL ARE WELCOME!

Divine Mercy

First Sundays: 8.45am Our Lady of the Bay Church

Rosary Group

Monday, 10am: St. Joseph's

Legion of Mary

Tuesday, 9.30am Ned Kenny Centre

Pilgrim Statue

Escorted to a Parishioner's home. To schedule a visit call Loly 0411 080 141

Craft & Coffee Group

Tuesday, 1-4pm Ned Kenny Centre

Meditation

Wednesday, 10am Ned Kenny Centre

Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday, 8am-5pm: St Joseph's Church

Catholic Women's League

2nd Friday of the month after the 12 noon Mass. Ned Kenny Centre

Catenian Koffee Klub

Meets the 4th Sunday of each month at 11.30am at 'The Esplanade' for coffee and/or a meal.

CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE

There are several options if you wish to donate the proceeds from your eligible bottles and cans (**showing the 10c refund logo**) to the Parish.

- **Take them to the Wright Street Depot and quote the identification Code C10344169.**
- **Bring the cleaned bottles and cans into the Parish Office.**
- **PLEASE NOTE the Rendezvous Road Waste Facility is no longer taking them..**

Many thanks to those getting behind this Parish Fundraising initiative.

ST MARY MACKILLOP COLLEGE - BUSSELTON

St Mary MacKillop College is a Three-Year-Old to Year Twelve co-educational school providing a quality Catholic education in Busselton and the surrounding Capes region. Would your son or daughter benefit from the St Mary MacKillop experience? For further information, please contact the **College Office on 9752 7400**
Website: mackillop.wa.edu.au **Email:** enrolments@mackillop.wa.edu.au

A THANK YOU FROM QUEENSLAND

To the ladies of St Joseph's Church Busselton, Thankyou very much for all your efforts and for volunteering your time to help cater for our Mum's celebration of life. You certainly display the values and kindness we loved in our Mum. Warmest regards, Nathan & Savannah Vines

CHRISTMAS CATALOGUES

The Catholic Shop brochures are in the foyer. The proceeds of every purchase at That Catholic Shop help Christians who are suffering, oppressed or persecuted. Wide range to choose from. There is also a flyer from the **Sisters of Our Lady of the Missions** for the 2024 Christmas Catalogue - raising much needed funds for mission projects around the world.

SPIRITUALITY HUB KIRUP

Using **the art of Pro Hart** as another way into contemplative prayer is taking place on our next **Quiet Day**, Wednesday, **6 November**. On Friday, **15 Nov**, we offer another **Lectio Terrestia** event, a contemplative engagement with nature, led by Paul Cannon. See our updated schedule for further details. Contact Deborah 0419939864.

DATING WITH DIRECTION

Young adults are invited to join *Dating with Direction* – a chance to meet and connect with Christian singles. This event is especially for Christians who think or know that may be called to marriage. We have an expert facilitator with many years of experience who will create a relaxed and comfortable environment to help single Christian connect. Sometimes we can feel nervous or embarrassed about pursuing a vocation to marriage, but like any call from our Lord, we should do we all we can to follow it. We are also hoping next year this event will expand to a formation series on dating, marriage and vocation. All registrations are strictly confidential and any questions or discussions are warmly welcomed. Please register with Darielle on 0402 416 659.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

Both Scripture and Tradition remind us to pray for the dead that they may be loosed from their sins and enter the joy of Heaven. For over fifty years, **Aid to the Church in Need** has passed on the Mass offerings of the Catholic people to poor priests, who have no other material support. In return these priests offer Masses for the intentions of the donor. Each year, over 50,000 priests—every eighth priest worldwide—are supported by 2 million Mass offerings. Masses can be offered for those we knew and loved, or for the souls that have nobody to pray for them. You can post a completed form (found in the foyer) to **Aid to the Church in Need**, call **1800 101 201** or go online at **www.aidtochurch.org/masses** to offer a Mass.

MINISTRIES

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LITURGICAL LIFE

E.M.H.C.
Musicians/Choir
Sacristan

SPIRITUAL LIFE

Legion of Mary
Rosary Group

FAITH FORMATION LIFE

Catenians
Catholic Women's League
RCIA
RCIC
Catechists
Christian Meditation

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