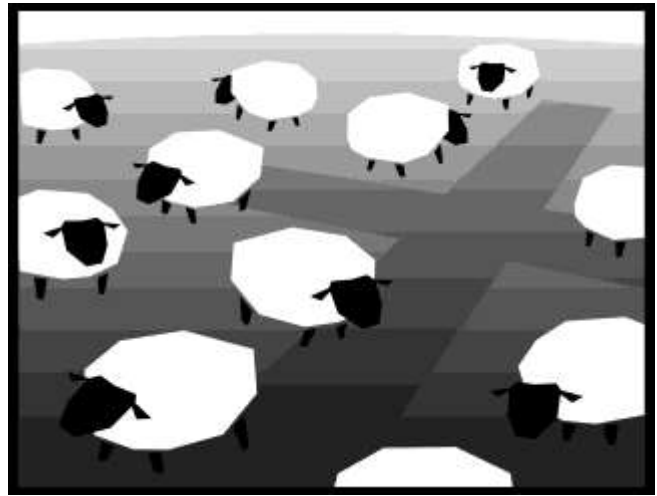




The 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Year B: 21st JULY 2024


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Tue: 9.00am
Wed: 12.30pm
Thu: 9.00am
Fri: 9.00am
Saturday Vigil: 5.30pm
Sunday: 7.30am, 9.30am
RECONCILIATION: Sat: 4:30pm



Next Weekend's Readings
17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR B
 2 Kings 4:42-44
Psalm 144:10-11, 15-18
Ephesians 4:1-6
John 6:1-15


This weeks Sanctuary Lamp burns for;
Deborah Glorian WHITE and
Vincent GOERKE
If you would like to have the lamp burn for a week, please put the details and \$10 in an envelope and hand to Fr Richard in the collection or to the parish office or in the mail box.




We welcome into the Gods family through the Sacrament of Baptism
Matthew ONG
We ask for God's blessing upon him and his family as they journey through life, with Jesus beside them.

ST THOMAS' PRIMARY SCHOOL - ENROLMENTS St Thomas' Primary School is excited to offer families a holistic Catholic education in the heart of Claremont. Limited vacancies are available for 2025 enrolments. Please visit stthomas.wa.edu.au/enrolment-form/ for more information, or contact us to book a tour of the school on 9286 9500 or email admin@stthomas.wa.edu.au. An application form can also be found at the back of the Church.




WELCOME TO NEW PARISHIONERS: We take this opportunity to welcome all new parish members. We hope that you find St Thomas the Apostle a friendly parish community. Please join us after the 7.30am and 9.30am Masses for a 'cuppa' in the parish centre. Say hello to Father, meet some new/old friends, sit down and have a chat. Please become part of the family of St Thomas

HAVE YOU BEEN THINKING ABOUT BECOMING A CATHOLIC SOMEDAY? To become a Catholic is to take a firm stance about one's beliefs, one's practices, and one's way of life. It is even more than that, actually. Becoming a Catholic means encountering and embracing Jesus Christ in the fullness of His teaching and presence. Therefore, the choice to become a Baptised and Confirmed believer united to Jesus by the gift of the Holy Eucharist, can only be made after careful preparation and spiritual strengthening. The process of preparation and strengthening to become Catholic involves the "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults," or R.C.I.A. **PLEASE CONTACT FR RICHARD THROUGH THE PARISH OFFICE IF YOU WOULD LIKE MORE INFORMATION.**



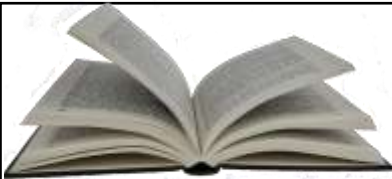


If you have any news to share please forward to Prue: Claremont@perthcatholic.org.au

• **COMMUNION AT HOME.** *If you or someone you know are not able to church and would like a Eucharist Minister to visit each weekend please contact Fr Richard, Prue or Margaret Sweetman. Each month Fr Richard visits Montgomery House, Alfred Carson and Queenslea, in our area for Anointing and Communion. If you have friends or family members who reside in either of these care facilities please let them know.*

EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES – CATHOLIC ARCHDIOCESE OF PERTH The Catholic Archdiocese of Perth has employment opportunities for suitably qualified persons to join its team and continue to announce the gospel and carry the good work of the Church. For details, refer to <https://www.perthcatholic.org.au/Employment.htm>.

- Coordinator Mission and Ministry, Catholic Youth Ministry - Maximum Term (12 months), Full-time. Apply to recruitment@perthcatholic.org.au



Fr Charles Waddell has written a book entitled “Why The Risen Jesus Matters” The books are in the office at a cost of \$25.00. You can purchase online on Father Waddell’s account BSB 806 036 A/C 60270128. If you send me proof of purchase I can post the book to you or leave it in the church or you can come and collect during office hours.

Critics have written positive reviews one being from Dr Zachariah Duke, Faculty of Theology and Philosophy, Australian Catholic University m President, Association of Practical Theology in Oceania. He says “Why the Risen Jesus Matters is about how we experience and encounter the risen Jesus in our lives. It presents a kaleidoscope of different portraits of the risen Jesus at work in the world. I found myself creating my own adventure by reflecting on how the risen Jesus has impacted the lives of others, and in turn, how the risen Jesus is transforming my own life. The author is to be commended on this highly relevant and accessible book.”



THE ROSARY IS RECITED IN ST THOMAS’ CHURCH at 12.00noon before the 12.30pm mass each Wednesday. If you have a special intention, please phone Stephanie 0408 798 174. You are welcome to come & join us in prayer to Our Lady. Followed by; **LUNCH** held in the Parish meeting room, after the 12.30 pm Mass, you are all welcome. Please bring a plate to share. **See you there.**



WORKING WITH CHILDREN CHECK IT IS IMPERATAIVE THAT YOU KEEP YOUR WORKING WITH CHILDREN CARD UP TO DATE. Please check your card’s expiry date and renew if the date is soon or passed. Thank you.



ST THOMAS THE APOSTLE PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM: Are you in the St Thomas’ Parish Planned Giving Program? Would you like to join the Program? When you join, you will assist the Finance Committee in planning for the Parish’s future on-going costs. If you would like to lend your support in this way, please phone Prue at the Parish Office on 9384 0598 during office hours, or fill in one of the direct debit forms available at the back of the church. **Please email me to forward one to you.**

New Parishioners, and those not so new, who wish to update their census details: Please put your name and address in the space below and drop into the collection basket or email to the office. Thanks!

Name _____ Email _____

Residential Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ No of People in household _____

PS: If you would like to join the St Thomas’ Parish Planned Giving Programme and give your financial support to the Parish, please tick this box and Prue Pupazoni (Parish Secretary) will organise for a set of planned giving envelopes to be issued to you. Alternatively, she can arrange for you to make your contributions by direct debit.



IN THE FOOTSTEPS OF
MARY MACKILLOP

PILGRIMAGE
15th–26th
October 2024

FIND OUT MORE PHONE: (02) 8912 4818
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MARY MACKILLOP PLACE
100th Anniversary

27 July 2024 CATHOLIC WOMEN'S CONFERENCE: IN HER FOOTSTEPS – REGISTER NOW We invite you to step into the journey with other like-minded Catholic women from all walks of life to be formed and equipped for the challenges of today's world in the footsteps of Mary Magdalene. The conference keynote address will be delivered by Professor Renee Köhler-Ryan, Deputy Executive Dean, Faculty of Education, Philosophy & Theology, University of Notre Dame, speaking about the topic: **“Working Mothers? How to Make a Difference in Public and at Home.”** This talk will address some of the opportunities and challenges that Catholic women face in the workplace – considering all along how important it is that we support women in their biological and spiritual motherhood. Workshops will cover topics such as the feminine genius (womanhood in the service of the gospel), motherhood, relationships, marriage & family. The Conference is a collaboration between the Centre for Faith Enrichment, Centre for Life, Marriage & Family and University of Notre Dame Australia – Fremantle Campus Ministry. RSVP by Monday 22 July 2024: <https://CLMF.org.au/InHerFootsteps>

SAFEGUARDING LEVEL 1 INDUCTION TRAINING

The Safeguarding Level 1 Induction is now available as a Self-Paced Online Learning Module. This format offers greater flexibility and an easier, user-friendly experience. To complete the Safeguarding Level 1 Induction.

- Visit our [Training Page](#) the follow instructions

The Safeguarding Office will notify the Parish/Agency/ Organisation of the attendance record.

Further info: safeguarding@perthcatholic.org.au or 09221 7762. this is not onerous at all.



Catholic Earthcare Season of Creation Convocation (12–14 September 2024)

Please join us as we spend time together learning and sharing about how we can all care for creation.

We will gather online during Thursday 12 and Friday 13 September to engage in keynote presentations, workshops, discussions and spiritual experiences. On Saturday 14 we encourage participants to attend one of 11 diocesan hubs to transform our learnings into action. If there is not a hub near you, we will continue online together.

Attend for 1, 2 or all 3 days! Group discounts available.

For more information and to register, visit: www.caritas.org.au/soc-convocation

BULLETIN We have three families who have requested the weekly bulletin via email. Unfortunately the email given to us continues to bounce back. Please will these three people request again or use a different email address. The Ingrams, Joanna Evans, briandillon.



Thank you all for your donations to SVDP of food etc for the poor and hungry. The donation box is always at the entrance of the church. Contact Henry on: 0417 985 992. Thank you. **God bless from your local Vinnies Team**

Prayer to St Thomas the Apostle Almighty and everlasting God, who strengthened your apostle Thomas with sure and certain faith in your Son's resurrection: Grant us so perfectly and without doubt to believe in Jesus Christ, our Lord and our God, that our faith may never be found wanting in your sight; through him who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God, now and forever. **Amen**

GLORIA.... Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. **Amen.**

First Reading: A reading from the prophet Jeremiah 23:1-6

‘Doom for the shepherds who allow the flock of my pasture to be destroyed and scattered – it is the Lord who speaks! This, therefore, is what the Lord, the God of Israel, says about the shepherds in charge of my people: You have let my flock be scattered and go wandering and have not taken care of them. Right, I will take care of you for your misdeeds – it is the Lord who speaks! But the remnant of my flock I myself will gather from all the countries where I have dispersed them, and will bring them back to their pastures: they shall be fruitful and increase in numbers. I will raise up shepherds to look after them and pasture them; no fear, no terror for them any more; not one shall be lost – it is the Lord who speaks! ‘See, the days are coming – it is the Lord who speaks – when I will raise a virtuous Branch for David, who will reign as true king and be wise, practising honesty and integrity in the land. In his days Judah will be saved and Israel dwell in confidence. And this is the name he will be called: The Lord-our-integrity.’

The Word of the Lord

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 22. R. v.2

(R.) The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want. Fresh and green are the pastures where he gives me repose. Near restful waters he leads me, to revive my drooping spirit. **(R.)**
2. He guides me along the right path; he is true to his name. If I should walk in the valley of darkness no evil would I fear. You are there with your crook and your staff, with these you give me comfort. **(R.)**
3. You have prepared a banquet for me in the sight of my foes. My head you have anointed with oil; my cup is overflowing. **(R.)**
4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me all the days of my life. In the Lord’s own house shall I dwell for ever and ever. **(R.)**

Second Reading: A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians 2:13-18

In Christ Jesus, you that used to be so far from us have been brought very close, by the blood of Christ. For he is the peace between us, and has made the two into one and broken down the barrier which used to keep them apart, actually destroying in his own person the hostility caused by the rules and decrees of the Law. This was to create one single New Man in himself out of the two of them and by restoring peace through the cross, to unite them both in a single Body and reconcile them with God. In his own person he killed the hostility. Later he came to bring the good news of peace, peace to you who were far away and peace to those who were near at hand. Through him, both of us have in the one Spirit our way to come to the Father.

The Word of the Lord

Gospel Acclamation: John 10:27

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord; I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia!

Gospel: A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark 6:30-34

The apostles rejoined Jesus and told him all they had done and taught. Then he said to them, ‘You must come away to some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while’; for there were so many coming and going that the apostles had no time even to eat. So they went off in a boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But people saw them going, and many could guess where; and from every town they all hurried to the place on foot and reached it before them. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them because they were like sheep without a shepherd, and he set himself to teach them at some length.



The Gospel of the Lord