



CATHOLIC CHURCH ARMADALE PARISH

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SAINT FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC CHURCH ARMADALE

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Hours: Monday—Friday, 9.00am to 4.00pm

7TH NOVEMBER/8TH NOVEMBER 2020

32ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME—YEAR A

CHURCHES

- **ST FRANCIS XAVIER:** 279 Forrest Rd, Hilbert
- **ST KEVIN:** Richardson St, Serpentine

PARISH TEAM

Fr Mark Baumgarten - Parish Administrator
 Fr Matteo Verdi - Assistant Priest
 Deacon Patrick Moore (Stella Maris Seafarers' Centre - 0414 703 408)
 Mrs Karen Daubney - Parish Secretary (Mon & Tue)
 Mrs Julie Bogoni - Parish Secretary (Wed & Fri)
 Ms Angelina Tang - Parish Secretary (Thurs)
 Mrs Helen Chew - Parish Finance Officer
 Ms Helen Lesniak - Chi Rho Coordinator

WEEKEND MASSES

- **ST FRANCIS XAVIER - Hilbert**
Saturday: 6.30pm Vigil Mass
Sunday: 7.30am, 9.30am, 6.00pm
- **ST KEVIN - Serpentine**
Sunday: 9.00am

WEEKDAY MASSES

- **ST FRANCIS XAVIER - Hilbert**
Monday & Thursday 8.00am
Tuesday 7.00pm
Wednesday & Friday 9.00am
Saturday 8.00am

ADORATION Saturday 8.30am to 9.00am

RECONCILIATION

- **ST FRANCIS XAVIER - Hilbert**
Saturday 8.30am—9.00am & 5.30pm—6.15pm
Sunday 5.30pm—6.00pm
- **ST KEVIN—Serpentine**

First Sunday of the Month after 9am Mass

BAPTISMS Available every Sunday at 11.00am.

Baptism Preparation Meeting 1st Thursday of the month at 6pm. Please contact the parish office to make a booking.

MARRIAGES By appointment please contact the office. Six months notice required.

SCHOENSTATT SHRINE

9 Talus Drive, Mt Richon
Phone: 9399 2349 www.schoenstattwa.org.au

Opening Hours: 7.00am - 8.00pm

Mondays: 6.45pm Rosary Cenacle & Divine Mercy
7.30pm - 8.30pm Silent adoration with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

Fridays: 10.00am Holy Mass, followed by Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament until 8.15pm

XAVIER CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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SALVADO CATHOLIC COLLEGE

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READINGS

1st Reading: Wisdom 6:12-16

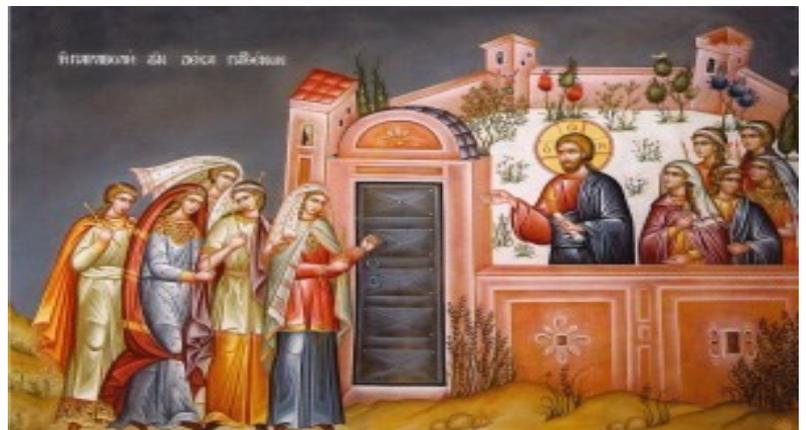
Wisdom is bright, and does not grow dim. By those who love her she is readily seen, and found by those who look for her. Quick to anticipate those who desire her, she makes herself known to them. Watch for her early and you will have no trouble; you will find her sitting at your gates. Even to think about her is understanding fully grown; be on the alert for her and anxiety will quickly leave you. She herself walks about looking for those who are worthy of her and graciously shows herself to them as they go, in every thought of theirs coming to meet them.

Antiphon to the Psalm:

My soul is thirsting for you O Lord my God.

2nd Reading: Thessalonians 4:13-18

We want you to be quite certain, brothers, about those who have died, to make sure that you do not grieve about them, like the other people who have no hope. We believe that Jesus died and rose again, and that it will be the same for those who have died in Jesus: God will bring them with him. We can tell you this from the Lord's own teaching, that any of us who are left alive until the Lord's coming will not have any advantage over those who have died. At the trumpet of God, the voice of the archangel will call out the command and the Lord himself will come down from heaven; those who have died in Christ will be the first to rise, and then those of us who are still alive will be taken upon in the clouds, together with them to meet the Lord in the air. So we shall stay with the Lord for ever. With such thoughts as these you should comfort one another.



GOSPEL

Matthew 25:1-13

Jesus told this parable to his disciples: 'The kingdom of heaven will be like this: Ten bridesmaids took their lamps and went to meet the bridegroom. Five of them were foolish and five were sensible: the foolish ones did take their lamps, but they brought no oil, whereas the sensible ones took flasks of oil as well as their lamps. The bridegroom was late, and they all grew drowsy and fell asleep. But at midnight there was a cry, "The bridegroom is here! go out and meet him." At this, all those bridesmaids woke up and trimmed their lamps, and the foolish ones said to the sensible ones, "Give us some of your oil: our lamps are going out." But he replied, "There may not be enough for us and for you; you had better go to those who sell it and buy some for yourselves." They had gone off to buy it when the bridegroom arrived. Those who were ready went in with him to the wedding hall and the door closed. The other bridesmaids arrived later. "Lord, Lord," they said, "open the door for us." But he replied, "I tell you solemnly, I do not know you." So stay awake, because you do not know either the day or the hour.'

SAFEGUARDING PROJECT

Our Parish Safeguarding Officers:
AMANDA BOWEN 0407 577 435
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We share a commitment to safeguard our children and make our Church safe for everyone.

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, 9 November - *Dedication of Lateran Basilica*

Tuesday, 10 November - *St Leo the Great*

09.00am - Heritage Quilters

01.00pm - XavierCare Meeting

02.30pm - ChiRho Team Meeting

Wednesday, 11 November - *St Martin of Tours*

08.30am - Rosary

06.00pm - Legion of Mary

07.30pm - KSC Executive Meeting

Thursday, 12 November - *St Josaphat*

09.30am - Tai Chi

07.00pm - RCIA

Friday, 13 November

09.00am - All Sorts Craft Group

PRAY FOR THE SICK

Please pray for all those in our Parish 'Book of the Sick'. You are welcome to add names to this book in the church foyer and cross out names when prayers are no longer needed.

DEATH & ANNIVERSARY

Prayers this week will be offered for... Ronald Arnold, Patricia Marsh, Norman Nulty, Peter Offer, John O'Brien Rick O'Rourke, Agata Sansiveri, and all our dearly departed, those recently deceased and those who have their anniversaries around this time. May all our dearly departed rest in the Lord's peace.

Reflections from POPE FRANCIS



In the Creed we profess that Jesus "will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead". Human history begins with the creation of man and woman in God's likeness and ends with the Last Judgement of Christ. These two poles of history are often forgotten; and, at times, especially faith in Christ's return and in the Last Judgement, are not so clear and firm in Christian hearts. In his public life Jesus frequently reflected on the reality of his Final Coming.

Let us remember first of all that in the Ascension the Son of God brought to the Father our humanity, which he had taken on, and that he wants to draw all to himself, to call the whole world to be welcomed in God's embrace so that at the end of history the whole of reality may be consigned to the Father. Yet there is this "immediate time" between the First and the Final Coming of Christ, and that is the very time in which we are living. The parable of the ten virgins fits into this context of "immediate" time (cf. Mt 25:1-13). They are ten maidens who are awaiting the arrival of the Bridegroom, but he is late and they fall asleep. At the sudden announcement that the Bridegroom is arriving they prepare to welcome him, but while five of them, who are wise, have oil to burn in their lamps, the others, who are foolish, are left with lamps that have gone out because they have no oil for them. While they go to get some oil the Bridegroom arrives and the foolish virgins find that the door to the hall of the marriage feast is shut. They knock on it again and again, but it is now too late, the Bridegroom answers: I do not know you. The Bridegroom is the Lord, and the time of waiting for his arrival is the time he gives to us, to all of us, before his Final Coming with mercy and patience; it is a time of watchfulness; a time in which we must keep alight the lamps of faith, hope and charity, a time in which to keep our heart open to goodness, beauty and truth. It is a time to live in accordance with God, because we do not know either the day or the hour of Christ's return. What he asks of us is to be ready for the encounter — ready for an encounter, for a beautiful encounter, the encounter with Jesus, which means being able to see the signs of his presence, keeping our faith alive with prayer, with the sacraments, and taking care not to fall asleep so as to not forget about God. The life of slumbering Christians is a sad life, it is not a happy life. Christians must be happy, with the joy of Jesus. Let us not fall asleep!

Lastly, a word about the passage on the Last Judgement in which the Lord's Second Coming is described, when he will judge all human beings, the living and the dead (cf. Mt 25: 31-46). The image used by the Evangelist is that of the shepherd who separates the sheep from the goats. On his right he places those who have acted in accordance with God's will, who went to the aid of their hungry, thirsty, foreign, naked, sick or imprisoned neighbour — I said "foreign": I am thinking of the multitude of foreigners who are here in the Diocese of Rome: what do we do for them? While on his left are those who did not help their neighbour. This tells us that God will judge us on our love, on how we have loved our brethren, especially the weakest and the neediest. Of course we must always have clearly in mind that we are justified, we are saved through grace, through an act of freely-given love by God who always goes before us; on our own we can do nothing. Faith is first of all a gift we have received. But in order to bear fruit, God's grace always demands our openness to him, our free and tangible response. Christ comes to bring us the mercy of a God who saves. We are asked to trust in him, to correspond to the gift of his love with a good life, made up of actions motivated by faith and love.

Dear brothers and sisters, may looking at the Last Judgement never frighten us: rather, may it impel us to live the present better. God offers us this time with mercy and patience so that we may learn every day to recognize him in the poor and in the lowly. Let us strive for goodness and be watchful in prayer and in love. May the Lord, at the end of our life and at the end of history, be able to recognize us as good and faithful servants.

PARISH NEWS

BAPTISM: We welcome in to God's family through the waters of Baptism this weekend:

- ♦ **Samara Janelle Agahan Peria**, daughter of Jonathan Peria and Sheryl Agahan
- ♦ **Kenzie Jane Holden**, daughter of Thomas Holden and Lyarna Ball

PARISH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING: *This Sunday following 9.30am Mass.* All parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend the meeting in the hall with morning tea. Come along and hear how the parish is travelling and what plans are in place for 2021.

LIFELINK APPEAL: The Archbishops Christmas Appeal for Lifelink will be held **next weekend**. Please collect your copy of Archbishops Costelloe's personal letter at Mass this weekend, read his message and give generously to support the valuable work of our Archdiocesan social service agencies. You can mail your donation directly in the reply-paid envelope provided, or return your envelope & donation to the special collection next weekend. You may also donate (securely) online at www.lifelink.com.au

YOUTH NEWS: The youth are holding a **car wash this Sunday** during the 9.30am Mass, \$10 a car. Funds raised will be going towards our end of year outing. **Youth will be at the entrance to the church car park; please follow directions from youth to the car wash area.**

The final event for the year will be an outing to "Hangout" for rock climbing. The venue will accept youth from 12 years and up. The date for this event is **Sunday 6 December**. More information will be provided in coming weeks. **Interested youth please register your interest with Carol by 15 November on 0409 826 145 to secure a final booking.**

REQUIEM MASSES THIS WEEK:

- † *Deepest sympathy to Margaret Nulty (social committee) and family on the recent passing of **Norman**. Norm's funeral Mass was celebrated on Saturday here at SFX Church.*
- † The Requiem Mass for **Mrs Patricia Marsh** from JE Murray Homes will be celebrated at SFX Church at **11am this Tuesday, 10 November**. *Our sincere condolences to her family at this time.*
- † Mass will be celebrated for **Mr Derick D'Monte** (brother in law of Alberta Cozens) this **Friday, 13 November at 1.30pm**. Rosary and viewing will precede at 12.30am. *Our deepest sympathy to the family in their time of sorrow.*

SPECIAL MASS FOR DECEASED BABIES AND THE UNBORN: If you or someone you know has lost a child in the womb or as an infant, you are invited to a special Mass of Remembrance on **Saturday 14 November at 6.30pm**. *There will be an opportunity to name your baby and light a candle in memory of their precious life.* Feel free to invite those in need of prayer and support.

LEGION OF MARY: Our annual Deceased Legionaries Mass is being offered on **Wednesday 18 November at 9am** followed by morning tea in the hall from 9.30am to 10.30am *We invite our Auxiliary members to join us and all parishioners are most welcome!*

SAVE THE DATE: A busy bee is planned for **Saturday 28 November** at 9am. Many hands make light work, please give an hour of your time to make our church sparkle for Christmas!

NOVEMBER MASS OFFERING: During the month of November, we Catholics are encouraged to pray in a special way for the dead, and the greatest prayer we can offer is the sacrifice of the Mass. If you would like to have a November Mass offered for your deceased family and friends, you may **use one of the envelopes provided** on the pews and **place it in a collection basket**. Fr Mark and Fr Matteo will be sure to have Mass offered for your intention at some point during November.

ADVENT: 1st Sunday of Advent is 29 November and groups will commence the week prior. The 4 session programme will be provided free.

- **Tuesdays: Parish 2.30pm & 6.15pm**
- **Wednesdays: Byford 7pm & Mundijong 10am**

Please add your name to the sign up sheet in the foyer to enable us to prepare the material.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION: For your diary - 2nd Rite of Reconciliation will be held on **Thursday, 3 December at 7pm**.

"FORMED" - The Catholic Faith on Demand: The parish has recently joined "Formed", an online Catholic video streaming service, which hosts a lot of quality Catholic content (a bit like a Catholic Netflix). Includes Catholic movies, children's programming, documentaries, bible studies and talks from leading Catholic experts who will help you grow in understanding of your faith. **Anyone interested in signing up, please contact the parish office to register.** *One log in per family, limited spaces available.*

SAFEGUARDING BOOK: Parents are invited to take a copy of "**God gave Elizabeth Grace the Right to Feel Safe**". This little book has been designed as a resource for parents to help their children develop personal safety and resilience skills. It is a starting point for ongoing discussion about appropriate language, behaviour and problem-solving related to creating a safe and healthy environment for all children. **It is not designed as a child's story book.** The Safeguarding Office hopes this will be a valuable tool for all families. *Any questions can be directed to our Parish Safeguarding Officers.* Contact details are listed in our Bulletin and in the Church foyer.

SCHOENSTATT EVENTS

MARRIAGE CAMINO for couples by couples
Saturday, 21 November from 9.00am to 4.30pm at 9 Talus Drive, Mt Richon. Follow the pilgrim pathway of marriage together. Registrations to **Philomena & David 0417 936 757 before Saturday November 14!** 

GOD'S WORD: There are a few copies available for purchase in the foyer. Please place **\$15** in the envelope provided and put into a collection basket or hand in to the parish office.

MASSES FOR THE HOLY SOULS: During the month of November *Aid to the Church in Need* is encouraging the faithful to arrange Masses on behalf of loved ones and for the souls that have nobody to pray for them. Visit: www.aidtochurch.org/november

REACHING BEYOND 2020: People of all trades and professions are being requested by communities abroad seeking to build the capacity of their organisations and the skills of their people. Restrictions this year have made communities' needs acute, but your assistance will help to develop self-reliance and sustainable solutions to poverty. **Palms Australia** will provide you with thorough preparation to ensure your readiness as travel resumes, and support on assignment. See www.palms.org.au or call Roger on 0431995058 or email palms@palms.org.au

SVDP GIVING TREE

Due to health, fitness, age of members; plus possible Virus Restrictions, we are unable to distribute hampers or accept children's gifts this year. Instead we will be giving out extra food vouchers and vouchers to buy children's presents to the families in most need.

If you are able to assist please:

1. Take an envelope from the tree
2. Pop in a gift card or a cash donation
3. Place envelope into one of the poor boxes at the rear of the church
4. SVDP will distribute vouchers to families in need.



Suggested \$25 or \$30 vouchers. Coles/Myer | Kmart | Target | Big W vouchers preferred. Cash donations will be used to purchase vouchers. **All donations will be used locally to ensure families have a Merry Christmas.**

*If you know anyone who needs emergency food, clothing, financial counselling, extra help for Christmas etc., please refer them to call Vinnies on **1300 794 054 from 9am to 11.30am** on weekdays. All information is treated as confidential.*

SVDP CHRISTMAS CARDS & CALENDARS:

On sale this weekend in the foyer. Cards are \$2.50 for a pack of 6 and calendars are \$9 each.

SALVADO CATHOLIC COLLEGE

We have had a great start to Term 4! We commenced with the School Run4Fun Colour Explosion Day. The staff and students had a great time running through many obstacles whilst being showered with colourful powder. A huge thank you to the Friends of Salvado Parent Committee and to our parent helpers for assisting at such an awesome event and to our families for their generous fundraising efforts.

We held an Ursula Frayne Prayer Service, led by students in Frayne House. We also invited all our students to come to school in their Footy Colours and their craziest socks for Socktober and bring along a gold coin donation to assist the valuable work of Catholic Mission.

Congratulations to our Year 6 Salvado students who were Confirmed by Fr Mark at the Parish on Sunday 25 October and received the Gifts of the Holy Spirit to help guide them on their faith journey. Congratulations also to all the students who received the Sacrament of Confirmation in our St Francis Xavier Parish. Our Interschool Athletics Team were very impressive joining a new competition this year, competing against seven other Catholic Schools in our region. Our students did amazing on both the Field Event and Track Event days of competition!

We are looking forward to our College Community AGM on Thursday 26 November at 6:00pm. It is a great opportunity to hear first-hand what has been happening at Salvado Catholic College, as well as what has been happening with the College Board and Friends of Salvado in 2020, and plans for 2021.

We are taking enrolments for Year 7 in 2021, interviews are ongoing. We are also taking enrolments for Pre-Kindergarten and Year 5 in 2021 and Kindergarten in 2022. Contact us via email – admin@salvado.wa.edu.au or phone 9526 4500 if you would like an enrolment pack.

Peace & Happy Days!
Santino Giancono
Principal

