

ST FRANCIS XAVIER ARMADALE

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PARISH TEAM

Fr Mark Baumgarten - *Parish Priest* Deacon Patrick Moore Deacon Errol Lobo Mrs Karen Daubney - *Parish Secretary* Mrs Julie Bogoni - *Parish Secretary* Mrs Helen Chew - *Parish Finance Officer* Ms Helen Lesniak - *Chi Rho Coordinator*

WEEKEND MASSES

ST FRANCIS XAVIER - Hilbert Saturday: 6.00pm 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 Wednesday: 9.30am - 12.30pm Saturday: 8.30am - 9.00am

RECONCILIATION ST FRANCIS XAVIER - Hilbert Saturday 8.30am - 9.00am & 5.00pm - 5.45pm Sunday 5.15pm - 5.45pm

ST KEVIN - Serpentine First Sunday of the month after 9am Mass

BAPTISMS / MARRIAGES By appointment; please contact the office.

SCHOENSTATT SHRINE

9 Talus Drive, Mt Richon 6112 Phone: 9399 2349 <u>www.schoenstattwa.org.au</u> **Opening Hours:** 7.00am - 8.00pm **Mondays:** 6.45pm Rosary Cenacle & Divine Mercy 7.15pm - 8.15pm 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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03/04 FEBRUARY 2024

5TH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME - YEAR B

READINGS

First Reading Job 7:1-4,6-7

Job began to speak: Is not man's life on earth nothing more than pressed service, his time no better than hired drudgery? Like the slave, sighing for the shade, or the workman with no thought but his wages, months of delusion I have assigned to me, nothing for my own but nights of grief. Lying in bed I wonder, 'When will it be day?' Risen I think, 'How slowly evening comes!' Restlessly I fret till twilight falls. Swifter than a weaver's shuttle my days have passed, and vanished, leaving no hope behind. Remember that my life is but a breath, and that my eyes will never again see joy.

Antiphon to the Psalm:

Psalm 146(147):1-6

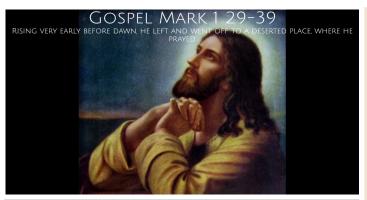
Praise the Lord, who heals the broken-hearted

Second Reading:

1 Corinthians 9:16-19,22-23

I do not boast of preaching the gospel, since it is a duty which has been laid on me; I should be punished if I did not preach it! If I had chosen this work myself, I might have been paid for it, but as I have not, it is a responsibility which has been put into my hands. Do you know what my reward is? It is this: in my preaching, to be able to offer the Good News free, and not insist on the rights which the gospel gives me.

So though I am not a slave of any man I have made myself the slave of everyone so as to win as many as I could. For the weak I made myself weak: I made myself all things to all men in order to save some at any cost; and I still do this, for the sake of the gospel, to have a share in its blessings.



Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 8:17

Alleluia! Alleluia! He bore our sickness, and endured our suffering. Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mark 1:29-39

On leaving the synagogue, Jesus went with James and John straight to the house of Simon and Andrew. Now Simon's mother-in-law had gone to bed with fever, and they told him about her straightaway. He went to her, took her by the hand and helped her up. And the fever left her and she began to wait on them.

That evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were sick and those who were possessed by devils. The whole town came crowding round the door, and he cured many who were suffering from diseases of one kind or another; he also cast out many devils, but he would not allow them to speak, because they knew who he was.

In the morning, long before dawn, he got up and left the house, and went off to a lonely place and prayed there. Simon and his companions set out in search of him, and when they found him they said, 'Everybody' is looking for you.' He answered, 'Let us go elsewhere, to the neighbouring country towns, so that I can preach there too, because that is why I came.' And he went all through Galilee, preaching in their synagogues and casting out devils.



WEEKLY CALENDAR

Monday, 05 February - St Agatha 08.00am - Mass

Tuesday, 06 February - St Paul Miki and companions 04.00pm - Chi Rho Registration 04.00pm - Chi Rho Teens 05.30pm - Legion of Mary 07.00pm - Mass 07.30pm - Choir Meeting

Wednesday, 07 February -

08.30am - Rosary 09.00am - Mass 09.30am - Adoration 06.00pm - RCIA

Thursday, 08 February - Sts Jerome Emiliani & Josephine Bakhita 08.00am - Mass

Friday, 09 February -08.30am - Rosary 07.00pm - Catholic Charismatic Renewal Group

PRAY FOR THE SICK: Please pray for 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 required.

DEATH & ANNIVERSARY: Prayers this week will be offered for Norman Paul McKenzie, Yvonne Dowling, Barbara Hibbert Gertie Somerville, Dennis Marshall, Zorica Remisko, Shirley Rae Chiera, Haleemah Foster, John Allan, Peter Stokes, Kenneth Ashby 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.

St Francis Xavier Parish Armadale

AFTER SCHOOL RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTION FOR CHILDREN ATTENDING SCHOOLS OTHER THAN CATHOLIC

Chi Rho classes commence **13 February 2024 REGISTER NOW**

BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR PRIMARY SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN

PREPARATION TO RECEIVE THE SACRAMENTS OF:

- RECONCILIATION FIRST HOLY COMMUNION CONFIRMATION

Our Parish Safeguarding Officers:

ATU AMATO SMITHA EMPRAYIL **REBECCA FURFARO** WENDY MONGAN

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Email: sgo.armadale@perthcatholic.org.au Armadale Parish is committed to the safety and security of all children, young people and vulnerable adults.



A maximum of 2 sacraments is allowed per year.

PLEASE CONTACT THE

PARISH OFFICE ON

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

 Kai Mitchell O'Donnell, son of Mitchell and Jaid O'Donnell

WELCOME AND THANK YOU: To Fr Grant who will be celebrating Mass at St Kevin's this weekend.

CHILDREN'S LITURGY REGISTRATION 2024: Children aged 5-8 years are invited to gather in the parish meeting room at the Sunday 9.30am Mass to have the Liturgy of the Word presented to them in a way that they can understand. Activities are used to highlight the theme of the Mass, the readings especially the Gospel, prayers and season. Our first session for 2024 will be held this Sunday 5 February at 9.20am. To meet safeguarding requirements children must be registered and parental consent given (even if they attend on a casual basis). If your child/children would like to join the group, please complete a green registration form available in the foyer and return it to the office. Current families - if your contact details have changed or your child/children will no longer be attending, please notify the parish office.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE: In recent years a group of very dedicated ladies were responsible for organising social events in the parish. Because of their efforts we enjoyed high teas, international food festivals, quiz nights and Christmas parties. We thank them for their generous service to the parish.

We are now asking parishioners to bring their ideas, talent and energy to the parish by creating an 'EVENTS TEAM'. If anyone would be interested in assisting with providing food or organising even one social event this year, please add your details to the sign up sheet in the foyer.

TONGAN MASS: The Tongan Community invite all parishioners to join them for Mass celebrated by Fr Csiale Kautai, **this Sunday at 1pm in SFX Church.**

CHI RHO REGISTRATION DAY: This Tuesday, 6 February from 4-5pm. Religious instruction and sacramental preparation for children attending non-Catholic schools is held on Tuesdays from 4pm to 5pm during term time. If you would like your child to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, First Holy Communion or Confirmation please register now! Enrolment packs are in the foyer and on the website. If you pre-register you do not need to attend the registration days! Classes commence Tuesday 13 February.

BAPTISM PREPARATION FOR SCHOOL AGED CHILDREN: The Archdiocesan Guidelines state that all children from year 2 and above must receive instruction prior to Baptism. In response, our parish requires any primary school aged children who would like to be baptized attend a ten-week baptism preparation program. *Classes commence 13 February*. The program will be held on Tuesdays from 4pm to 5pm. Following the end of the programme they will be baptized as a group during a 9.30am Sunday morning Mass. **Please register now!** Call *the office or email* <u>armadale@perthcatholic.org.au</u>

LEGION OF MARY: Meets each **Tuesday at 5.30pm** in the parish meeting room. New members welcome! Join the Rosary on Wednesdays & Friday at 8.30.

CHOIR MEETING: A reminder that a representative from each group must attend the meeting **this Tuesday at 7.30pm.**

MINISTRIES ROSTER: The next roster will commence in March. Acolytes, Readers & Hospitality Ministers, please notify your respective coordinator if you are going away on holidays or there are changes to your work roster.

ACOLYTES TRAINING: Next Saturday 10 February at 9.30am. All Acolytes are required to attend.

PROJECT COMPASSION 2024: The launch for this year's appeal will be held **next weekend.** *Please take home a set of envelopes and/or a box for your donations.*

LENTEN PREPARATION: Lent is just around the corner! Join us in the meeting room on **Tuesdays at 1.30pm commencing on 13 February** and prepare well for Easter! This year we will be using the program 'Pieta' from the Archdiocese of Wollongong. \$5.00 per copy. *Sign up sheet is in the foyer.*

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS TIMES: For those of you who like to plan ahead, Mass will be celebrated in St Francis Xavier Church on **Wednesday 14 February** at **8am**, 9am (with Xavier Catholic School) and at **7pm**.

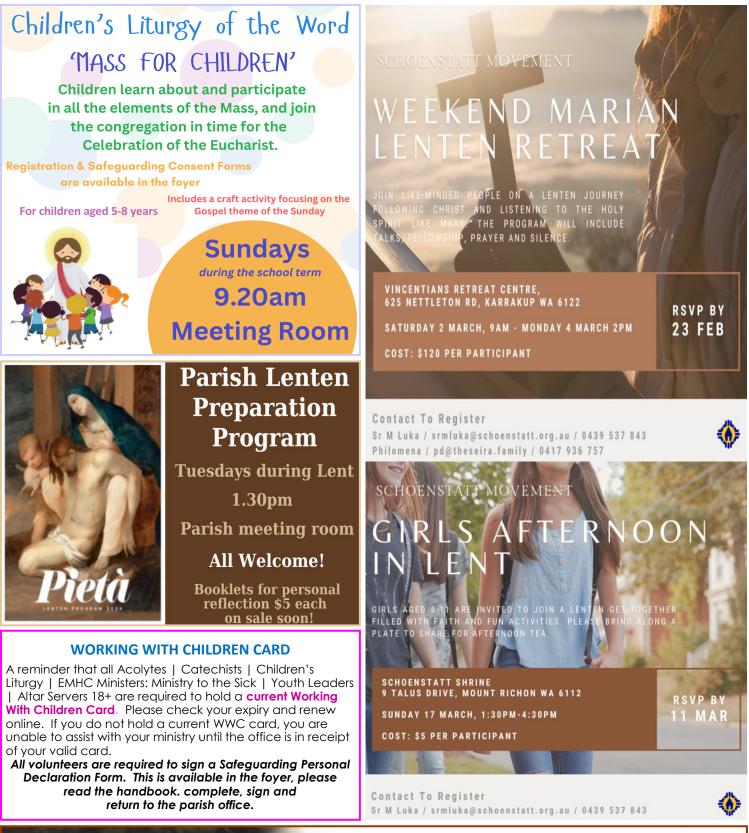
SAFEGUARDING DURING MASS: It has been noted that children are going to the bathroom and even outside the church during Mass, by themselves. **Parents must accompany and supervise their children at all times.**

SAFEGUARDING BOOK FOR PARENTS & CHILDREN: 'You are God's marvellous creation' was released in 2021. The story book is aimed as a tool to assist parents to educate children aged 3-8 to protect their bodies. The books are designed for children to read together with their parents. Copies are available in the foyer.



ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL TOUR VOLUNTEERS: At our beautiful Cathedral, St Mary's, we have a very enthusiastic band of volunteers who conduct tours to schools, public and private organizations as well as the general public. This voluntary Ministry was founded in February 2011 and has grown over the years from two to eight tour guides; however, we are looking to increase our numbers. On Tuesday 20th February at 10.30am we will be conducting a tour followed by a light morning tea in the Cathedral's Parish Centre. The aim of this "Open Day" is for those individuals who are perhaps retired or are available during the week and would like to find out more of what is involved, to come along to the fact-finding event. You will be able to ask questions, meet the other guides and perhaps decide to join us. Your commitment would only be determined by your availability and may be just one tour every month or so for approximately 11/2 hours. Of course, all necessary training and resources are provided.

To register your attendance, or for more information, please call Carol Wright, Tour Guide Co Ordinator on 0419 948 411 Email: clwwright@bigpond.net.au





In parts of Nigeria, ongoing conflicts between communities, marked by threats to safety and security, are all too common. Poverty, food insecurity, violent extremism, and tensions among ethnic groups have contributed to instability and violence. Beyond these challenges, our missionaries inNigeria are facing fear and violence. In 2022 alone, four priests were killed, and 28 others were kidnapped. Amidst this danger, there are young seminarians who continue to answer their calling to the priesthood and to peace.

Will you help train the next generation of church leaders who are dedicated to serving God and their communities?

Your support assists seminarians in areas of conflict with formation, education and essential supplies to equip them on their journey to priesthood.

To support seminarians in areas of conflict and help bring peace to communities in need, visit catholicmission.org.au/peace or scan the QR code. To make an ongoing difference, please consider becoming a monthly Mission Partner.