

**First Reading — Lv 13:1-2. 44-46****A reading from the book of Leviticus**

The Lord said to Moses and [Aaron](#), 'If a swelling or scab or shiny spot appears on a man's skin, a case of leprosy of the skin is to be suspected. The man must be taken to [Aaron](#), the priest, or to one of the priests who are his sons. 'The man is leprous: he is unclean. The priest must declare him unclean; he is suffering from leprosy of the head. A man infected with leprosy must wear his clothing torn and his hair disordered; he must shield his upper lip and cry, "Unclean, unclean". As long as the disease lasts he must be unclean; and therefore he must live apart; he must live outside the camp.'

**Second Reading — 1 Cor 10:31 – 11:1****A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians**

Whatever you eat, whatever you drink, whatever you do at all, do it for the glory of God. Never do anything offensive to anyone – to Jews or Greeks or to the Church of God; just as I try to be helpful to everyone at all times, not anxious for my own advantage but for the advantage of everybody else, so that they may be saved. Take me for your model, as I take Christ.

**Gospel — Mk 1:40-45****A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark**

A leper came to Jesus and pleaded on his knees: 'If you want to' he said 'you can cure me.' Feeling sorry for him, Jesus stretched out his hand and touched him. 'Of course I want to!' he said. 'Be cured!' And the leprosy left him at once and he was cured. Jesus immediately sent him away and sternly ordered him, 'Mind you say nothing to anyone, but go and show yourself to the priest, and make the offering for your healing prescribed by Moses as evidence of your recovery.' The man went away, but then started talking about it freely and telling the story everywhere, so that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in places where nobody lived. Even so, people from all around would come to him.



*A house of welcome to all and a place of service to all*

Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

February 15 2015

**Helping those in need**

Living in Sri Lanka, I see first-hand the wonderful work of 'The Society for Upliftment and Rehabilitation of Persons affected by Leprosy' or SUROL, for short. Formed in 1971, various Redemptorist priests have undertaken the leadership and expansion of the society in recent years to meet the increasing demands for its services. It has more than 350 patients in its care, with many more on the waiting list.

SUROL provides assistance in a variety of ways, such as monthly financial help for families and school children and funds for water tanks, electricity supply, wells, toilets, bathrooms and other basic amenities. SUROL also helps with special needs as evidenced by a 17 year-old student affected by leprosy who recently sought help to complete his final year of school. Because public transport is not regular or reliable in his area, SUROL provided a bicycle and funds for tuition.

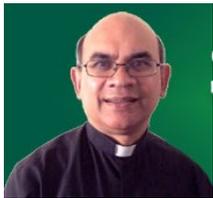
The society also fosters and encourages self-help programs. A newly married man affected by leprosy and with severe clawing of the hands, was unable to find regular work. His wife tried to help by sewing but her old and battered sewing machine had seen better days. A gift of a new sewing machine has now enabled the man's wife to undertake sewing jobs in their local area, ensuring that she can support her husband and family.

My involvement with SUROL has been through its Hamper program. Twice a year, before Easter and Christmas and thanks to the generosity of local and international donors, SUROL delivers 300 much needed hampers to leprosy affected people and families across Sri Lanka.

**Weekly Mass Timings:**

Monday: 7.00 am	Tuesday: 5.30 pm	Wednesday: 8.00 am
Thursday: 7.00 am	Friday: 5.30 pm	Saturday: 8.30 am
<b>Saturday:</b> Vigil 6.30 pm (Novena 6.00 pm)		
<b>Sunday:</b> 8.00 am, 9.30 am, 11.00 am & 6.00 pm		

**Reconciliation:** Saturday: 11.00am - 12.00 noon and 5.00pm - 6.00pm



Fr. Philip Perreau  
Parish Priest



Fr. Jeronimo  
Assistant Priest



Fr. Cyprian Shikokoti  
Priest in Residence



Deacon Bruce  
Parish Deacon

Each large hamper contains items, such as dry rations, clothing, toiletries and other gifts. I have been privileged to accompany SUROL field officers on a number of these hamper trips. Visiting homes and community centres and meeting people of all ages and backgrounds who live with the devastating and, at times, horrific effects of leprosy is both confronting and distressing. Yet, despite the disfigurement and physical incapacity, what I notice most is the sheer delight, happiness and joy, as people greet the SUROL team when they arrive; it is like a reunion of old friends and I too receive a warm welcome. Although limited because of language barriers, it is remarkable how much actual communication takes place through a smile, a handshake, a pat on the back or an arm around the shoulder.

In today's gospel, a leper pleads on his knees before Jesus: *"If you want to, you can cure me."* Moved with compassion and sorrow, Jesus says, *"Of course I want to"* and he reaches out and touches the leper to bring him healing and new life. SUROL continues the example of Christ by reaching out with love and compassion to bring help and hope to people of all backgrounds and faith traditions affected by leprosy. When those in need ask us for help, may our response also be positive and compassionate, helping in whatever ways we can.

David J Hore CSsR  
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**Baptisms:**

We welcome Bethany Krystal Chen Yee Ooi into our Parish Community.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

**Deaths:**

Please pray for Hugh Murray, Rosemary Noone who passed away recently.

**Anniversaries:**

Please pray for Maria Santini, Mary Tho Kiaw Nio, Lai Khuing Sin, Michael Yoong, Ibidun Veronica Felicia Ayeni, Connie De Sousa, Joseph Can, Ronald Chapman whose anniversaries occur around this time.

# R O S T E R S

## for 22nd FEB

NEXT WEEK					
Bulletin:	Sai Mascarenhas				
Flowers :	LENT				
Counter:	1. M Craggs	2. P.Moore	3. A Munro		
	Saturday 6.30pm	Sunday 8.00am	Sunday 9.30am	Sunday 11.00am	Sunday 6.00pm
Greeters	J Doss P Doss	S Gresham G Gunawarde	B Marshall G Marshall	S Mitchell N Mourad	J Grochal I Iman
Acolytes	V Tan	P Cox	M Braganza	M Tloczek	A Taylor
Altar Servers	C Heslop R Lasrado C Latif	L Cherry O Mapfumo	P Sunarko A Waller L Waller	G Mascarenh J Mascarenh O Mumbi	A Moncrieff M Stephen P Stephen
Special Ministers	J Stephen P Taylor M The J Voon J Voon J Basilio M Beh M Davis C Dellaca	R King I P Kusnadi C Morzenti C A Norris R Norris P Pickersg C Price P Price M Woolford	A Sudjana G Sudjana F Sukmono C Sumich J Tan S Teo S Wong B Bucat P Chiu	R D'Annunzi O D'Mello H Dumbell S Dyer M French Y Johan G Knight A Loo J Loo	Youth Special Ministers
Catechists	Mandy Jones (Yrs 1-4) Ira Kusnadi (Yrs 5-6)		J Coleman (Yrs 1-4) K Phua (Yrs 5-6)		
Readers	L Sequeira M Sequeira	J De Silva G Emslie	C Maronovic G Mascarenh	K Wasley E Yustira	K A King G Lynn
Piety stall	Jessica	Anne Marie	Pat	Iris	Ayenis

Readers' Coordinator:  
Lilian Sequeira 9331 5552

### MORE CARE

**Do you need help or know someone who does?**

- † Geraldine 9332 8795 (Visiting)
- † Bernie 9417 7931 (Transport)
- † Monica 9364 8398 (General/Meals)
- † Caroline 9313 5452 (Transport/Meals)
- † Juliana 9310 1747 (General-office hrs)

Rose Garden  
February 2015

Section A  
Sharon Vong

Section B  
Craig McIver

## More For Youth

### Stronger Teens

Great to have our Stronger Youth Group back again for the year! It was awesome to see you all again. We'll be having our next Stronger night on the 27th of February, where we will have more awesome games, the chance to meet new people and learn new things about our faith.

### Young Adults Bible Study

It's still not too late if you want to come and join us for our bible studies. This will be every Sunday from 8-29 of March in the parish hall, right after the 6pm youth mass. If you are coming, please bring a plate to share and \$25 for our very own bible study pack. Hope to see as many of you there!



### Young Adults Shopfront

Thanks for all those who came to the induction. It was great to see so many young people ready to serve others. We have 16 young people from our parish who will be volunteering throughout the year, please keep them and all they come across in your prayers.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

### CYM Holy Hour Commences Again

Don't forget that the Holy Hour hosted by Catholic Youth Ministry Perth will start back again this week on Wednesday at the Office situated at 40A Mary Street, Highgate. Mass will be at 5.30pm, followed by adoration from 6.30-7.30pm, with fellowship and dinner after for a \$5 donation. Hope to see you there!

### World Youth Day Info Night

CYM Perth will be having an information night for all interested in going to the 2016 World Youth Day in Krakow, Poland at Willetton Parish on February the 12th from 7-8pm. Even if you are not 100% sure if you are going CYM would love to see you there.

### Sand Sculpture Competition

The annual Catholic Youth Ministry Sand Sculpture Competition is back! Prizes to be won and of course a chance to get your teams name on the shield! Teams of 2-10 people. \$20 per team. Registration close 27th February (No new teams accepted on the day). As a parish we will be looking at registering some teams. If you are interested, please sign up on the sheet that is at the foyer. Don't miss out!

## Parish News

### WELCOME TO BATEMAN - FR PHONG NGUYEN

A very big WELCOME to Fr. Phong Nguyen as our new Parish Priest of Bateman. We hope you will have a fulfilling and rewarding spiritual journey here with us.

### WELCOME BACK—FR JERONIMO

We welcome back Fr. Jeronimo from his holidays and hope he had a wonderful time with his family back in El Salvador .

### ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

This Wednesday is ASH Wednesday and our Masses times are as follows: 8.00am, 9.00am (School Mass), 4.00pm (R.E. Mass) and 7.30pm.

All parishioners are welcome to join either the school Mass or the R. E. Program Mass on Wednesday 18 February 2015.

### ASH WEDNESDAY

Those celebrating the Lunar Year has been given Dispensation from the Lenten practice from 5.00pm Wednesday to Thursday.

### STATIONS OF THE CROSS

This coming Friday we start the Stations of the Cross after the 5.30pm Mass. All are welcome.

### ADORATION—ASH WEDNESDAY

There will be **NO Eucharistic Adoration** of the Blessed Sacrament on Ash Wednesday as the church is used by the schools for their Liturgy. **Adorers**, please take note.

### THANK YOU

A very big Thank You to all those who helped with making Fr. Philip's Farewell a great success. Special thanks go to Ratin-da, Fiolene and Rachel for the beautiful power-point presentation and also the lovely booklet of photos. Thanks also to Joe & Fatima Basilio, Angela Watts and all those who helped on that night. Thanks to Jenni Gan for the beautiful cake and to all those who brought food for the supper. - Juliana Doss.



### A DEEP, BIBLICAL LOOK AT JESUS CHRIST

The better we understand Jesus, the better we understand ourselves. But who was Jesus, this itinerant preacher whom many called the Messiah?

In Priest, Prophet, King, you'll discover Jesus as the Anointed One—the ultimate priest, prophet and king foreshadowed throughout the Hebrew Scriptures. Using biblical insights and engaging stories, Fr Barron affirms that we see Jesus most clearly through the lens of the Old Testament.

Through this deeply biblical program, you will better understand Jesus, become more familiar with Scripture and realize your own priestly, prophetic and kingly mission, received when you are baptized "into Christ".

Our Lenten Reflection starts Tuesday 24 February 7pm at the Parish Hall.

## SACRAMENTAL DATES for 2015

**Reconciliation:** 15/16 September 2015  
**First Holy Communion:** 20/21 June 2015  
**Confirmation:** 8/9 August 2015

Please note that Confirmation is a 2 year program.



## BATEMAN PARISH RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES

Our parish runs an intensive after school Religious education program for those children in Years 1 to 6 who are not attending Catholic Schools. The program will prepare children for the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Holy Communion and Confirmation (2 year program). There is also a comprehensive program commencing in May for high school children who may not have received all of their Sacraments.

Classes run each Wednesday during the first three school terms starting at 4pm in the church. **Enrolments** are now being accepted. For enquiries please contact Jenny on 93101747 (Tue and Wed) or on 0435695399. Please note that fees for the year can be paid at enrolment.

\$35.00 (Year) for Single child. \$45 (Year) for Family.

## MEN ALIVE CHOIR

Men, if you would like to:

- Participate more in Parish life
- Sing or learn to sing
- Meet more people with similar interest

The Bateman Men Alive Choir may be just the thing for you. We meet at 6.45 pm every Monday night at St. Thomas More, Dean Road, Bateman for an hour of singing followed by fellowship. You are most welcome to join us. No skills or experience required. For more information, please contact George Lopez on 041 991 0039.



## MORECRAFT

Morecraft has re-commenced for 2015. They meet at 12.30pm in the Meeting room on Tuesday during the school terms. All ladies are welcome.

## OLD PALMS

Please bring your old palms to the parish for preparing ash for Ash Wednesday. There will be a box at the foyer of the church.

## VALENTINE'S RAFFLE

The raffle held for St Emily Hostel raised \$1732.50. THANK YOU for your generosity and hope the winners are enjoying their prizes. Many of you made donations and we acknowledge that with deep appreciation. The hostel is near completion. The children will move in very soon. The furniture will arrive soon as it takes some organisation to transport it through the hill country. Your generosity has purchased the beds and mattresses and this raffle will help to equip the kitchen. The Sisters and the children grow their own rice and have had a good harvest. Thank you to the team of sellers led by Anne Marie Burke.

## DIOCESAN NOTICES

### SHRINE TIME

Holy Hour for single Young Adults 18-35 yrs is on **Sunday February 22nd, 7:30pm**, 9 Talus Drive Mt Richon. Please do join for prayer; praise and worship followed by a social. The Shrine Time Team

### BREAKFAST IN THE GARDEN

Announcing the **Mary MacKillop Foundation's 2015 BREAKFAST IN THE GARDEN**. Come and join the fun, meet old friends and make new ones....

**When:** 8am Saturday 14 March 2015

**Where:** Garden Venue—at the Mary MacKillop Centre, 16 York Street, South Perth (St Joseph's Convent)

**Bring:** \$15 for brekkie, byo chairs, tables, blankets, umbrellas, sun screen, smiles!

**RSVP:** Before Friday 27th Feb to:

Laurie Mayne, 92715649, [ljmayne@optusnet.com.au](mailto:ljmayne@optusnet.com.au) or John McCormack 93832615, [johnmccormack@westnet.com.au](mailto:johnmccormack@westnet.com.au)

### PRAYING OUR EXPERIENCES—Growing Awareness of God in my everyday

**February Theme:** Lent—an invitation to renewal. The forty days of Lent invites us to look into our hearts, allowing a loving God to embrace those parts of us that we do not like. An invitation to renew our attitudes, to begin again, to become new and healthy, infused with God's spirit of courage and love. Do I want to be renewed in God's love?

**Date:** Friday 20th February 2015. **Time:** Commencing 10.30am—12.00noon. *Session is repeated 6.30-8.00pm. Tea/coffee available.*

**Contact:** Secretary. Phone: (08) 9334 0999. Email: [laura.mccarthy@sosj.org.au](mailto:laura.mccarthy@sosj.org.au)

**Venue:** Mary MacKillop Centre, 16 York Street, South Perth. (Free & easy parking).

### SON OF GOD: The Daily Gospel Year B-1

This e-book, which may be downloaded free of charge to a computer or e-reader, offers the Gospel for every day of the Liturgical Year B-1 (Sunday Year B, weekdays Year I), together with a reflection of some 750 words on each daily Gospel. It contains the Gospel passages not only for this present but for any B-1 Liturgical Year in the future, together with their respective reflections. It may be passed on to friends or acquaintances as desired. It carries the Imprimatur of Archbishop Anthony Fisher, the Archbishop of Sydney.

**Son of God: The Daily Gospel Year B-1** may be accessed at the following address: [www.catholic-thoughts.info/ebook/](http://www.catholic-thoughts.info/ebook/)

### THOUGHT!

When nails grow long, we cut nails not fingers.  
Similarly when misunderstandings grow up,  
Cut your ego, not your relationship.

“Two things define you. Your Patience when you have nothing,  
And your Attitude when you have everything.”