

**First Reading - Amos 7:12-15****A reading from the prophet Amos**

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer; get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets.' Amos replied to Amaziah, 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

**Second Reading - Eph 1:3-14****A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians**

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of heaven in Christ. Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through love in his presence, determined that we should become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ for his own kind purposes, to make us praise the glory of his grace, his free gift to us in the Beloved in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom, the forgiveness of our sins. Such is the richness of the grace which he has showered on us in all wisdom and insight. He has let us know the mystery of his purpose, the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the beginning to act upon when the times had run their course to the end: that he would bring everything together under Christ, as head, everything in the heavens and everything on earth. And it is in him that we were claimed as God's own, chosen from the beginning, under the predetermined plan of the one who guides all things as he decides by his own will; chosen to be, for his greater glory, the people who would put their hopes in Christ before he came. Now you too, in him, have heard the message of the truth and the good news of your salvation, and have believed it: and you have been stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit of the Promise, the pledge of our inheritance which brings freedom for those whom God has taken for his own, to make his glory praised.

**Gospel - Mk 6:7-13****A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark**

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals, but, he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people with oil and cured them.

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

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

July 12, 2015

## Living Simply

Most of us can only admire those who reach the top of their profession. We realise what commitment is required to be an Olympic athlete, or to be a virtuoso musician: the hours of practice and training which culminate in winning trophies or playing in the great concert halls of the world.

Today we are reminded that God's chosen ones are called to make that kind of unconditional commitment to the cause. The prophet Amos is an interesting character. We hear enough of his story to know that it had not been an easy ride. One minute he was minding his own business and faithfully carrying out his duties as a shepherd and the next minute he realised that he was being called to challenge his people over their unfaithfulness to God. Clearly he was a man filled with passion for justice and he proclaimed his message without fear or favour. Consequently he incurred the wrath of Amaziah, the priest, who told him to go away, but Amos had the strength of character to do his job in the face of all the attempts to discredit him.

Like the prophets of old, Jesus prepared his disciples for the possibility of rejection before sending them out on their first mission. His instructions were precise and demanding. They were not to carry any unnecessary baggage. They were to rely on the hospitality of the people and if that was not forthcoming they

### 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. Phong Nguyen  
Parish Priest



Fr. Jeronimo  
Assistant Priest



Fr. Cyprian Shikokoti  
Priest in Residence



Deacon Bruce  
Parish Deacon

were to demonstrate their displeasure and move on. In fact we are told that the mission was a success, with many people being cured and devils cast out.

So how are we to interpret this message in our own time and place? St Paul is at pains to let us know that we are adopted children of the Father, stamped with the seal of the Holy Spirit, chosen to live in freedom. It is a freedom which should enable us to take up our missionary role in the Church, but it is a freedom which can so easily be threatened in our sophisticated and technological world.

In every generation the Lord's disciples are challenged to ensure that their lives are not cluttered with unnecessary baggage. But how do we live simply when we are constantly bombarded with the advertising that suggests that our lives will not be worth living without all the latest gadgets and inventions? I would suggest that Pope Francis has shown us a wonderful way of living simply amidst all the splendour of the Vatican and he is not afraid to use modern means of communication. He has focused our attention on the joy of the gospel message and perhaps therein lies the secret. So, if we find ourselves weighed down, it may be time to free ourselves up again.

Timothy Buckley, CSsR  
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**Baptisms:**

We welcome Levi & Addison Toni Masci, Anthony John Giulian Lloyd-Booth, Matilda Rodriguez into our Parish Community.

**PLEASE PRAY FOR**

**Deaths:**

Please pray for Antonio D' Amico, Wilma Arenis, who passed away recently.

**Anniversaries:**

Please pray for Antonio Ventura, Yeo Moh Cheng, Felipe Cornejo, Eileen Bydder, whose anniversaries occur around this time.

# R O S T E R S

## for 19th JULY

NEXT WEEK					
Bulletin:	Yunita Darmawan				
Flowers :	Tania Herbert				
Counter:	1. A Vinci	2. C Iannello	3. P Murray		
	Saturday 6.30pm	Sunday 8.00am	Sunday 9.30am	Sunday 11.00am	Sunday 6.00pm
Greeters	M Craggs S Dalby	J Hidajat M Ivanac	J Hendricks J Hicks	G Mascarenh S Mascarenh	C Jung K A King
Acolytes	V Tan	P McManus	C Dowsett	M Tloczek	S Carrello
Altar Servers	K Lim J Ye R Ye	L Cherry O Mapfumo	S Ratnasing C Salachan C Salachan	G Mascarenh J Mascarenh A Mo	A Moncrieff P Stephen J Teixeira
Special Minister	J Stephen P Taylor M The J Voon J Voon J Basilio M Davis C Dellaca	B Auret M Banasik B Bydder B Bydder C Cox A Gabriel D Gabriel L Gabriel	L Ford D Garreffa Y Johan H Klass A Lai M McFarlene P McMinn G Mo	K Prasetyo J Roper S Saverimut L Spadanuda C tan G Tedjakunt R Varen R Wong L Yeo	Youth Special Ministers
Catechists	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS		SCHOOL HOLIDAYS		
Readers	R Craggs A De Souza	C Banasik B Bydder	D Booth A Adeola	R D' Mello A de Ridder	M Bautista V Hodgson
Piety stall	Jessica	Mary	Patrick	Iris	Ayenis

Readers' Coordinator:  
Kim Gamba 9258 6263

### MORE CARE

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

- † Geraldine 9332 8795 (Visiting)
- † Monica 9364 9358 (Transport/Meals)
- † Caroline 9313 5452 (Transport/Meals)
- † Juliana 9310 1747 (General-office hrs)

Rose Garden  
July 2015

Section A  
Sharon Vong

Section B  
Robyn Guyton

## More For Youth

### YOUNG ADULTS SOCCER SESH

Winter is here! Keen to get some exercise to keep the weight off? Or just want to have a kick around with some mates (ALL are welcome) We're looking at starting a casual game on a 5 a side artificial grass soccer pitch. For more info, or better yet, to confirm your interest email Josh at [joshualow@inet.net.au](mailto:joshualow@inet.net.au) Get in quick! Spots are limited!



### COMMUNITY EVENTS

#### CYM HOLY HOUR

Holy Hour hosted by Catholic Youth Ministry Perth is held every Wednesday at the Office, 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!

#### CYM BALL

Young adults from across Perth are invited to the Catholic Youth Ministry Hearts of Gold Charity Ball on Saturday, 8th August. Come along for an unforgettable night - meet other young adults and enjoy delicious food, beverages and entertainment while supporting a worthy cause. We're looking to make some tables for our parish at the ball. Contact us at [youth@batemancatholic.org](mailto:youth@batemancatholic.org) if you're keen!



Cost: \$110 per ticket – includes buffet meal + beverages (beer, wine and soft drinks)  
Dress: Formal Attire

#### CHIVALRY BALL 2015 (16—25 years old)

Missing out on the CYM Ball? Fear not! The Chivalry Ball is being held the week after for young adults between the ages of 16 and 25! The Chivalry Ball has traditionally been held on the Feast of the Assumption in honour of Our Lady.

This year's is to be held at St. Kieran's Parish Hall  
7.30pm—Midnight (\$35/- per ticket—Only 100 available)  
Light Supper and Drinks Provided

Black Tie Event

Gentlemen in Tux/Suits—Ladies White Ball Gowns

Strictly 16—25 years old.

Alcohol Free event

## Parish News

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS – SATURDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> AUGUST 2015

The Wedding Anniversary Mass for 2015 will take place on Saturday 1<sup>st</sup> August at the 6.30pm Mass. All couples celebrating Significant Anniversaries - 25, 30, 40, 45, 50, 55, 60, etc are asked to contact Juliana at the parish office on 9310 1747 to register for this special celebration.

**Closing date to register is 21<sup>st</sup> July 2015.**



### SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION—WEEKEND OF 8TH / 9TH AUGUST 2015

PLEASE take time to have a look at our Parish's Confirmation banners. All of our Parish children who have been preparing for Confirmation have their photo on the banners. The banners are to remind us, as a Parish Community, to support the children through our prayers. You are invited to pray for one or more of the candidates and to remember our Confirmation candidates when you say your family prayers.

### CAKE SALE—SVDP

St Vincent de Paul cake sale is on Sunday 19th July 2015. Please support this worthy cause by donating cakes and savouries. For enquiries, please contact Juliana on 9310 1747 during office hours.



### CATHOLIC MISSION—11TH/12TH JULY (ONE WEEK BEFORE THE APPEAL)

AS the Twelve were sent out to continue Christ's Mission in the world, so too are we called to support this endeavour as His disciples through our prayers and generosity. Your donation to the Catholic Mission Appeal next week-end goes towards Pope Francis' official universal overseas missionary aid agency in order to sustain the work of our missionaries in every parish community throughout the developing world.

### FRIENDS OF L'ARCHE PERTH INC (FOL) - CROWD FUNDING

We are people with and without intellectual disabilities, sharing life in communities belonging to an International Federation. Mutual relationships and trust in God are at the heart of our journey together.

FOL Perth is currently reliant on volunteers and private donations. We need a base to call our own and would be so pleased to have funding to secure our own premises for our Perth Office.

Please donate at <https://chuffed.org/project/friends-of-larche-perth> to make FOL Perth a viable long-term option for our members. Crowd funding ends on 11/08/2015. Thank you for your generosity.

## ANNUAL ROSE PRUNING—1st AUGUST 2015

Please come and lend a hand to prune and weed our Rose Gardens in preparation for a colourful display in spring. Bring your pruners, saws and loppers if you have them. This is also a good opportunity to learn rose pruning techniques from some of our experts in the rose pruning team. This will take place on Saturday 1st. August 2015 at 8.00am to 10.00am.

Inquiries to Craig Mclver 0431 279 368.



## DIOCESAN NOTICES

### NATIONAL VOCATIONS AWARENESS WEEK 2015

Sunday 9th August—Vocations Enquiry Afternoon—4.00pm Start.  
St. Charles Seminary, Meadow Street, Guildford. Contact: 9279 1310

Sunday 16th August— Holy Hour for Vocations—3.00pm  
St. Mary's Cathedral. Celebrant: Archbishop Timothy Costelloe SBD  
Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Benediction. ALL WELCOME!

### 4 WEEKS—MARANATHA COURSE IN JULY/AUGUST Do You Know the History of Our Church?

Maranatha presenter Dr Robert Andrews will be discussing MEDIEVAL Church History at the Infant Jesus Parish, Morley on Thursday evenings of 30 July, 6, 13, and 20 August from 7—9p, at a cost of \$25.

To know ourselves—we must know our history. From the fall of the Roman Empire in the West and the rise of the Byzantine Empire in the East, the history of Medieval Christianity is a story of rich diversity set within the rise of western civilisation, byzantine and islam.

Please register your intention to attend on the board in the foyer or contact the Parish Office on 9276 8500 or email to [ijparish@carmelite.com](mailto:ijparish@carmelite.com)

NOTE: Participants will need to negotiate a flight of stairs to get to the conference room.

### AUSTRALIAN CATHOLIC RELIGIOUS AGAINST TRAFFICKING IN HUMANS — FUND RAISING CONCERT.

ACRATH is organising a Fund Raising Concert followed by afternoon tea, on Sunday 30th August 2015 at 2.00pm. Venue: Loreto Nedlands Performing Arts Centre, 69 Webster Street, Nedlands. Cost: Adults \$25, Concession \$20. Closing date: 23rd August. Enquiries: [Naomi.McClements@goodshep.org.au](mailto:Naomi.McClements@goodshep.org.au)  
Book Online: <http://www.trybooking.com/IDNU>

## ACHIEVING PREGNANCY NATURALLY

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## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

A weekend for married couples. Take time out of your busy schedule, to invest in your most precious asset . . . Your Marriage! This is a unique opportunity to recharge your relationship batteries, refocus on each other and fall in love all over again! For info or booking contact Joe & Margaret on 0424 220 625 or email: [WAb bookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:WAb bookings@wwme.org.au) Website – [www.wwme.org.au](http://www.wwme.org.au) Weekends, 31 July - 2 August 015, 23 -25th October 2015 Swanleigh, Middle Swan

## KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS—Modern Missions

“The Knights of the Southern Cross invite active Catholic men who seek further opportunities to bring about positive change in the Catholic Community through Christ Centred Service, to attend our guest speaker in August.”

When: Wednesday 19th August 2015

Time: 5.45pm—8.00pm

Where: Terrace Lounge, 185 St Georges Terrace

Cost: \$15 includes canapes and entry. Discounted drinks available.

## PRAYING OUR EXPERIENCES—Growing Awareness of God in my every day

This focused prayer and contemplation time is assisted with talks on a theme, followed by personal time in the chapel or garden. Optional sharing of one's faith with others on the journey, adds to the richness of this experience.

Ministry of the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart.

**Theme:** Saints as everyday role models—Australian Mary MacKillop (and discerning your own)

**Date:** Friday 24th July 2015.

**Time:** 10.30am—12.00 noon repeat session 6.30pm –8.00pm.

**Venue:** Mary MacKillop Centre, 16 York Street, South Perth

**RSVP:** by Wednesday 22nd July, 9334 0999, [laura.mccarthy@sosj.org.au](mailto:laura.mccarthy@sosj.org.au)

## SISTERS OF ST JOHN OF GOD PUBLIC LECTURE SERIES—Tuesday 21 July '15

The liturgy that does justice—What does liturgy—the service of God in thanksgiving for creation and redemption—have to do with justice? In Christian sacramental worship we embody what we hope to achieve, namely a just world with unity among all people. Venue: Notre Dame University, Tannock Hall (ND4), Corner of Croke & Cliff Streets, Fremantle. To register, please visit [www.nd.edu.au/events/ssjg](http://www.nd.edu.au/events/ssjg) or call 9433 0575.