

## Sunday Readings

Year C

### First Reading - Gen 18:1-10

#### A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord appeared to Abraham at the Oak of Mamre while he was sitting by the entrance of the tent during the hottest part of the day. He looked up, and there he saw three men standing near him. As soon as he saw them he ran from the entrance of the tent to meet them, and bowed to the ground. 'My lord,' he said, 'I beg you, if I find favour with you, kindly do not pass your servant by. A little water shall be brought; you shall wash your feet and lie down under the tree. Let me fetch a little bread and you shall refresh yourselves before going further. That is why you have come in your servant's direction.' They replied, 'Do as you say.'

Abraham hastened to the tent to find Sarah. 'Hurry,' he said, 'knead three bushels of flour and make loaves.' Then running to the cattle Abraham took a fine and tender calf and gave it to the servant, who hurried to prepare it. Then taking cream, milk and the calf he had prepared, he laid all before them, and they ate while he remained standing near them under the tree.

'Where is your wife Sarah?' they asked him. 'She is in the tent,' he replied. Then his guest said, 'I shall visit you again next year without fail and your wife will then have a son.'

### Second Reading - Col 1:24-28

#### A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Colossians

It makes me happy to suffer for you, as I am suffering now, and in my body to do what I can to make up all that has still to be undergone by Christ for the sake of his body, the Church. I became the servant of the Church when God made me responsible for delivering God's message to you, the message which was a mystery hidden for generations and centuries and has now been revealed to his saints. It was God's purpose to reveal it to them and to show all the rich glory of this mystery to pagans. The mystery is Christ among you, your hope of glory: this is the Christ we proclaim, this is the wisdom in which we thoroughly train everyone and instruct everyone, to make them all perfect in Christ.

### Gospel - Lk 10:38-42

#### A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

Jesus came to a village, and a woman named Martha welcomed him into her house. She had a sister called Mary, who sat down at the Lord's feet and listened to him speaking. Now Martha who was distracted with all the serving said, 'Lord, do you not care that my sister is leaving me to do the serving all by myself? Please tell her to help me.' But the Lord answered: 'Martha, Martha,' he said, 'you worry and fret about so many things, and yet few are needed, indeed only one. It is Mary who has chosen the better part; it is not to be taken from her.'

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

16th Sunday, Year C

July 17, 2016

### Life's song

What does it mean to sit at the feet of Christ and listen to him like Mary in today's gospel reading? Is it to cease communication with others or to withdraw to monastic seclusion? Or do we have to develop a listening heart, alert to the in-breaking into the ordinary texture of our lives of the risen Christ who indwells all of life.

Such encounters with Christ would inspire us to act truthfully and lovingly as the Psalmist extols. One small family enterprise did have this effect. In the midst of their busy lives, Peter and Anne had arranged an evening barbeque picnic for their children, Mike, 4, and Suzie, 2, Anne's mother and Peter's parents. All were happy to hear that Peter's brother, Alan, a reticent man who had suffered for many years from schizophrenia, had also decided to come. They met by the river at the base of climbing cliffs close to the city centre.

After their meal, a balmy breeze sweeping across the flowing water brought a refreshing sense of calm. In the seclusion of night, while Peter and Anne and her mother entertained little Suzie further away, Alan wandered around the fence and sat down by the river, meditatively. His elderly parents were leaning on the fence rail.

Silently, they enjoyed the peace of the moment with the wide river and the brilliant lights of the city up-stream. Then they heard a fine, high-pitched lilting song. Little Mike had also walked around the fence and sat himself down beside uncle Alan, his

#### Weekly Mass Times:

Monday:	7.00 am	Tuesday:	5.30 pm	Wednesday:	8.00 am
Thursday:	7.00 am	Friday:	5.30 pm	Saturday:	8.30 am
Saturday:	Vigil 6.30 pm (Novena 6.00 pm)				
Sunday:	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. Garner Vergara  
Assistant Priest



Fr. Cyprian Shikokoti  
Priest in Residence



Deacon Bruce  
Parish Deacon

hand resting on the other's leg. Mike was singing his song about the coloured lights glimmering in the water. No-one spoke or moved, not daring to interrupt his angelic voice.

Then Mike exclaimed, "What are those lights? What are all those colours shining in the water granny?" The wonder of it all was so exquisite, granny made a quiet, simple response about city lights and water reflections, wanting to hold that precious moment. It was a moment hard to describe; a crystallisation of what it means to be human, the love, hopes and yearnings in depths of the heart, all brought together in the singular beauty of a human being.

Later, Anne said it was Mike's way to sing spontaneously when his heart was moved.

If this isn't marvellous enough, thought granny, life's song is all around if we have but the ears to hear. It's in the birds, leaves and rustlings of creatures; and the waters of life are full of lights of various colours to inspire us, reflected and refracted from different lives and their journeying's.

Surely, it is the fullness of this life in Christ that attracts us, engages us and draws us on. To open ourselves to the Christ-life, even though we may be busy, often distracted like Martha, we must like Mary find ways to nurture a listening and attentive heart.

Bet Green

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#### Baptisms:

We welcome Sophia Dakota Morgana into our Parish Community.

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR

##### Deaths:

Please pray for Fred Coelho, Rudolph Joseph Ring who passed away recently.

##### Anniversaries:

Please pray for Antonio Ventura, Tommaso Boccando, William Dragon, Augusta Dragon, Joseph Teo & wife, Luke Tan & parents whose anniversaries occur around this time.

# ROSTERS

## for 24th JULY

NEXT WEEK					
Bulletin:	Agnes Widjaja				
Flowers :	Geneveve Cornejo				
Counter:	1. L Thornett	2. S Lau	3. B Galpo		
	Saturday 6.30pm	Sunday 8.00am	Sunday 9.30am	Sunday 11.00am	Sunday 6.00pm
Greeters	J Doss P Doss	G Moriarty N Morzentl	K Tan M Tan	Y Warqdra C Wibisono	T Mancinone A Christophe
Acolytes	D Ng	T Basile	C Dowsett	S McMahon	F Norton
Altar Servers	L Apango C Budiman Z Cohen	L Cherry O Mapfumo	N Arumugam D Bourne L Cariccio	T Carbone B Doray K Ferraz	Y Deandra A Dinata A Dinata
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Catechists	NO CHILDREN LITURGY		NO CHILDREN LITURGY		
Readers	D Hoare C Hoare	M Golding P Golding	J Tang P Weston	M Mareth S Nair	B Vague V Vague
Piety stall	Mary Lo	Anne Marie	Patrick	Rosemary	Ayenis

Readers' Coordinator:

Michele Doray 9310 4051

### MORE CARE

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

† Geraldine	9332 8795	(Visiting)
† Monica	9364 9358	(Meals)
† Caroline	9313 5452	(Transport/Meals)
† Silvia	9417 7131	(Transport)
† Juliana	9310 1747	(General-office hrs)

Rose Garden  
July 2016

Busy Bee

Annual Prune  
and clean-up

## Youth

### BATEMAN TEENS YOUTH GROUP - FRIDAY 12 AUGUST 2016 AT 7PM

Our Bateman Teens Youth Group will commence again in Term 3 on Friday the 12th of August where we will continue the Chosen program. We hope you all enjoy your school holidays and hope to see you back on the 12th.

### YOUNG ADULTS DINNER - SUNDAY 28 AUGUST 2016

Thanks for all those who came to the dinner last weekend. Our following get-together will be on Sunday, August 28th so be sure to keep the date free. Further details will come out closer to the date.

## DIOCESAN NOTICES

### WORLD YOUTH DAY 2016 PERTH FESTIVAL | SUNDAY 31 JULY

"You're only a screen away"

You are invited to bring your friends and family to Northbridge Piazza (Cnr Lake St & James Street) for a special screening of World Youth Day with Pope Francis and entertainment from Ignite Live Band and Kukuleczka Polish dance group. Come down from 1pm-3pm for an afternoon of festivities followed by mass at 5-6pm at St Mary's Cathedral. For further information contact Catholic Youth Ministry – admin@cym.com.au or 9422 7912.

### PLEASE KEEP THE YOUNG PEOPLE WHO ARE ATTENDING WORLD YOUTH DAY IN KRAKOW(POLAND) IN YOUR PRAYERS!

### SHRINE TIME - SUNDAY 24 JULY AT 7.30PM

Holy Hour for Young Adults 18-35 years is on Sunday, July the 24th at 7.30pm at 9 Talus Drive Mt Richon. Please do join in for prayer, praise and worship followed by a social.

### CATHOLIC YOUTH MINISTRY EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Youth Ministry Worker (Full time position & 0.4 Part time position) both temporary positions relieving for long service leave.

The Perth Catholic Youth Ministry office is seeking two vibrant youth workers to join the Youth Ministry team. The successful applicants would be required to work to support parishes and youth ministry initiatives in the Archdiocese of Perth. They must also undergo screening in accordance with the West Australian Working With Children Check. Experience in previous youth ministry teams (eg YMT or NET) and/or parish youth groups is recommended. A full copy of the Job Advertisement and Job Description is available on [www.cym.com.au](http://www.cym.com.au)

To submit your CV with a cover letter and 3 referees including a parish priest, please email: Anita Parker, Director of Catholic Youth Ministry Anita Parker, Director of Catholic Youth Ministry, [anita.parker@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:anita.parker@perthcatholic.org.au).

**Applications close Monday 8 August 2016.**

## Parish News



### SVDP CAKE SALE - SUNDAY 17 JULY 2016

St Vincent de Paul cake sale is on Sunday 17th July. Please support this worthy cause by donating cakes and savouries. For further enquiries contact Ratinda at 9310 1747.

### WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS – SATURDAY 13<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2016

The Wedding Anniversary Mass for 2016 will take place on Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> August at the 6.30pm Mass. All couples celebrating Significant Anniversaries 25, 30, 40, 50, 55, 60, etc are asked to contact Ratinda at the parish office on 9310 1747 to register for this special celebration. **Closing date to register is Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2016.**



### ARE YOU NEW TO THE PARISH?

If you have recently moved into this area and have not registered with the parish, please register in the foyer and make yourself known to the priest after Mass. We warmly welcome you to our Parish.

### CONFIRMATION PARENT/CHILD WORKSHOP - TUESDAY 19 JULY AT 6.30PM

An information night and workshop for all Confirmation Candidates who have committed to making the Sacrament of Confirmation this year with Bateman Parish, and their parents, will be held on **Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> July 2016, at 6.30pm** in the Sadler Centre, Corpus Christi College. It is essential that all candidates and parents attend this meeting.

### 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, Eucharist and Confirmation (2 year program). For enquiries please contact Jenny on 9310-1747 (Tuesdays and Wednesdays) or on 0435695399.

### PLANNED GIVING PROGRAMME

The new box of envelopes for the 2017 financial year are available for collection from the trestle tables in the foyer. Please collect these as soon as possible and return your commitment slips either to the office or in the second collection.

If you are not currently participating in the programme and would like to, please contact either George Lopez, Jeff de Silva or Delfino Morais who can record your details and provide you with a box of envelopes.

### PARENT'S PRAYER HOUR AT CORPUS CHRISTI COLLEGE - 22 JULY AT 8.45AM

Corpus Christi College will resume its weekly parents' prayer hour for the new term on Friday 22 July. During this hour we pray for the college's students, parents, leadership and staff. This takes place from 8.45am - 9.45am at the college's chapel during school terms. Parishioners who are parents / grandparents of students at the college are encouraged to come together to pray that our students discover how their talents, being developed at the college, is part of God's divine plan, designed uniquely for each individual, preparing them for their future vocations.

Contact Kenneth Phua at [kenaphua@gmail.com](mailto:kenaphua@gmail.com) or 0413 643 233 for more information.

## Diocesan Notices

### PRAYING OUR EXPERIENCES – GROWING AWARENESS OF GOD IN MY EVERYDAY

This focused prayer time is assisted with talks on a theme, followed by personal time in the chapel or garden. Optional sharing of our faith with others on the journey, adds to the richness of this prayer time. When: **Friday 29<sup>th</sup> July 2016** Morning session at 10.30am - 12.00noon. (repeated) Evening session at 6.30pm – 8.00pm

Theme: I am the light of the world - the spirit of God, present in our daily lives. A reflection on our awareness and openness to God who dwells among us.

Where: Mary MacKillop Centre, 16 York Street, South Perth. (Parking in York Street)

RSVP: Essential by 27<sup>th</sup> July: 9334 0999, [laura.mccarthy@soj.org.au](mailto:laura.mccarthy@soj.org.au)

### COURSE ON "DISCOVERING RESTORATIVE JUSTICE TOGETHER"

Restorative Justice is a way of building relationships in any setting—families, parishes, workplaces, etc. When we are harmed or we do harm, relationships are damaged. Learning how this harm can be addressed in such a way that we don't need to carry that hurt for the rest of our lives can be a long process. This course will help us to get started on that journey, restoring "right relationship" with others and with God. Restorative Justice is also proactive, which means it can help prevent harm happening. We can learn a new way of relating to people, where everyone communicates honestly with each other, really listens; and feels comfortable in letting others know our affective side. The principles of Restorative Justice can also form a basis for developing policies, running organisations, parishes, and families in many settings. **ALL WELCOME, free of charge.** It will be held at The Catholic Pastoral Centre, 40A Mary Street, Highgate, over four Thursdays, once a month (**July 28, August 25, Sept. 29 & Oct. 25**). Courses will be held from 9am -12.30pm. Morning tea and lunch PROVIDED.

Register ASAP: Claire Chew at 6104 3600 or [agency\\_support@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:agency_support@perthcatholic.org.au).

### TALK ON "COPING WITH CHANGE" - MONDAY 1 AUGUST 2016 AT 10AM

Emmanuel Centre and the parish of Our Lady of Grace-North Beach warmly invite you to a mental health talk title 'Coping with Change'. This session is free of charge and will cover how change can affect individuals, how individuals can learn to better manage emotional wellbeing and proactively build resilience. Participants in the session will learn strategies to proactively reduce personal stress and develop an individual plan to support themselves through times of change. The talk will be held on **Monday, 1 August 2016 at 10am-12noon at Our Lady of Grace Parish, 3 Kitchener Street, North Beach**. Presenter: **Tasha Broomhall** from Blooming Minds. All welcome. Free of charge. **RSVP** : please contact parish office 9448 4888 (Cheryl or Christine) so we could estimate numbers for morning tea purposes.

### DAYDAWN ADVOCACY CENTRE: SEEKING VOLUNTEER SOLICITOR

Daydawn Advocacy Centre, an agency of the Archdiocese, is seeking a volunteer solicitor to assist in supervision of our Restricted Practitioner Tenant Advocate. If you hold a current practicing certificate and are seeking a rewarding and interesting volunteer project, which would allow you to benefit some of the most vulnerable Director, [daydawn@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:daydawn@perthcatholic.org.au), or 9218 8035.

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## YEAR OF MERCY RETREAT



Rev. Dr Elio Capra

Rev. Dr Elio Capra is a lecturer at Melbourne's Catholic Theological College and has taught units in sacramental theology at the Australian Catholic University. He is constantly engaged as a resource person in liturgical and sacramental theology for Catholic Education Offices and dioceses around Australia. He is the chair of the Australian Catechumenate Network and is the chair of the Melbourne RCIA Forum.

<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Topic</u>
21 <sup>st</sup> Jul 2016 (Thurs)	7 – 9pm	Jesus, the merciful face of God
22 <sup>nd</sup> Jul 2016 (Fri)	7 – 9pm	Jesus, the visible mercy of God in his parables and actions
23 <sup>rd</sup> Jul 2016 (Sat)	9 – 10.30am 11 – 12.30pm	Corporal and Spiritual Works of Mercy Ultimate encounter with Mercy

Fr Elio will also be celebrating Mass at: **6.30pm Saturday 23 July**  
**11.00am Sunday 24 July 2016**

**Place:** St Thomas More Catholic Church Bateman,  
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