

Sunday Readings

Year C

First reading - 2 Kings 5:14-17

A reading from the second book of Kings

Naaman the leper went down and immersed himself seven times in the Jordan, as Elisha had told him to do. And his flesh became clean once more like the flesh of a little child.

Returning to Elisha with his whole escort, he went in and stood before him. 'Now I know' he said 'that there is no God in all the earth except in Israel. Now, please, accept a present from your servant.' But Elisha replied, 'As the Lord lives, whom I serve, I will accept nothing.' Naaman pressed him to accept, but he refused. Then Naaman said, 'Since your answer is "No," allow your servant to be given as much earth as two mules may carry, because your servant will no longer offer holocaust or sacrifice to any god except the Lord.'

Second reading - 2 Timothy 2:8-13

A reading from the second letter of St Paul to Timothy

Remember the Good News that I carry, 'Jesus Christ risen from the dead, sprung from the race of David'; it is on account of this that I have my own hardships to bear, even to being chained like a criminal – but they cannot chain up God's news. So I bear it all for the sake of those who are chosen, so that in the end they may have the salvation that is in Christ Jesus and the eternal glory that comes with it.

Here is a saying that you can rely on:

If we have died with him, then we shall live with him.

If we hold firm, then we shall reign with him.

If we disown him, then he will disown us.

We may be unfaithful, but he is always faithful,

for he cannot disown his own self.

Gospel - Luke 17:11-19

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

On the way to Jerusalem Jesus travelled along the border between Samaria and Galilee. As he entered one of the villages, ten lepers came to meet him. They stood some way off and called to him, 'Jesus! Master! Take pity on us.' When he saw them he said, 'Go and show yourselves to the priests.' Now as they were going away they were cleansed. Finding himself cured, one of them turned back praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked him. The man was a Samaritan. This made Jesus say, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' And he said to the man, 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.'

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

28th Sunday, Year C

October 9, 2016

Being courteous

How often have you encouraged your young children to say 'thank you' after they are given something. Saying 'thank you' is a common courtesy that is used almost without thinking. Yet it's much more than a courtesy. When you give your children food or a gift, or do something for them, you do so without question because you love and care for them. Your giving is an expression of your relationship with them.

As does saying 'thank you'. It is the relationship that is most important. Saying thanks is a personal acknowledgment of what you have done for them, sometimes with considerable effort on your part. Saying 'thank you' implies that I am not taking for granted what you have done for me. It can be very annoying if we feel others are taking for granted what we do for them. Even Jesus may have been annoyed with the nine lepers who did not return to say thank you for being cured. The word translated as 'lepers' does not refer to the disease that is known today as leprosy. It did not exist at that time in Palestine. But the 10 people suffered a disfiguring skin disease meant they were isolated from their families and communities, and could not even approach Jesus. How distressing this must have been for all concerned.

Jesus sent all 10 lepers to the Jewish priests, because only after the priests had formally verified they were cured would they be able to return to their homes and families. Soon after setting off to see the priests they realise they've been cured, but it is only the Samaritan who returns to thank Jesus. This Samaritan must have been dou-

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

bly isolated, suffering from this disease – being ritually unclean – and belonging to a heretical religion and tribe. Jews were not supposed to have any contact with Samaritans because they had separated from the Jewish people and established their own temple worship.

How excited and overcome with emotion was this Samaritan, ‘praising God at the top of his voice’ and throwing himself at the feet of Jesus. The other nine disappeared, but the Samaritan enters into an intense personal relationship with Jesus. Being cured is really a springboard into a deeper relationship.

St Luke is telling us something significant here: it is the most excluded and marginalised of the group who responds to Jesus, while the other nine, Jesus’ own co-religionists, have taken the gift but ignored the giver. By thanking God and falling to the ground before Jesus, the Samaritan is relating with God on an entirely new level. He is not only cured but as Jesus remarks, it is his faith that has saved him. For us too, saying thanks to God for all the gifts of life and love around us will surely enrich our relationship with God.

Bruce Duncan CSsR
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Baptisms:

We welcome Brooklyn Anita Arnett, Danny Reid McMullen into our Parish Community.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Deaths:

Please pray for Elizabeth O’ Neill who passed away recently.

Anniversaries:

Please pray for Julie Ann Norris, Tony Byrne, Irene Ross, Merle Papineau, John Haines, whose anniversaries occur around this time.

ROSTERS

for 16TH OCTOBER

NEXT WEEK					
Bulletin:	Tuty Basuki				
Flowers :	Tania Herbert				
Counter:	1. J Ingrassia	2. G Oldenhof	3. N Kristianto		
	Saturday 6.30pm	Sunday 8.00am	Sunday 9.30am	Sunday 11.00am	Sunday 6.00pm
Greeters	A Mourad R Oetomo	G Gunawarde J Hidajat	J Hicks A Lauw	E Connolly A Ford	M Tiamson T Mancinone
Acolytes	D Ng	P McManus	L Papineau	P Doray	P Moore
Altar Servers	C Heslop C latif	L Cherry O Mapfumo	N Arumugam D Bourne L Cariccio	T Carbone B Doray K Ferraz	M Franyne E Hasan E Hasan
Special Minister	D Liew L Morzenti A Mourad V Ng D Nicholson R Oetomo L Rego J See	C A Norris R Norris C Price P Price M Woolford C Cox C Derries G Dunsford	T Rudianto K S Tan C Tan J Tan S Teo S Wong B Bucat H Klass	A Loo J Loo J Louie A Mascarenh M O’Brien C Poore J Roper C Tan	Youth Special Ministers (Only with Working With Children’s Card)
Catechists	SCHOOL HOLIDAYS		SCHOOL HOLIDAYS		
	NO CHILDREN LITURGY		NO CHILDREN LITURGY		
Readers	R Craggs A De Souza	D Dennis J de Silva	A Adeola P Weston	A Loo L Loo	B Vague V Vague
Piety stall	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED	CLOSED

Readers’ Coordinator:
Liliana Sequeira 9331 5552

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
October 2016

Section A
Sharon Vong

Section B
Craig Mclver

Youth

BATEMAN TEENS YOUTH GROUP

We will be back for term four with our chosen series on the 21st of October! Make sure to come on down for a night of fun and learning about many more things about our catholic faith. REMEMBER YOU ARE CHOSEN!

Diocesan Notices

CYM HOLY HOUR

Catholic Youth Ministry is running a 6 week Spring Speaker Series after our weekly Holy Hour at 7:30pm. Hear from some of the best speakers in Perth and overseas about topics of interest.

5.30pm: Mass, 6.30pm: Holy Hour, 7.30pm: Dinner & Talk

EMBRACE THE GRACE – WHO AM I?

(ETG is not just a place to learn about faith but an opportunity to experience a community that is a witness to this faith. Join us for an enriching and powerful experience where you will be exposed to the beauty of the Catholic faith to truly discover yourself through the discovery of God.

Who 16 – 25 year olds
Date 7-11 December 2016
Venue New Norcia
Date/Time
Date(s) - Wed 07 Dec, 2016 - Sun 11 Dec, 2016
5:00 pm - 2:00 pm
Location
New Norcia Benedictine Community



PARISH NEWS—CONT'D

THANK YOU FROM CARITAS AUSTRALIA!

Caritas Australia would like to apologise to the Bateman Parish Community for giving us a wrong total donation towards Project Compassion, as they did not include our credit card totals in the previous amounts. They apologise for the oversight. The total Project Compassion donation from our Parish including cash and credit cards is **\$27,696.35**. They thank you for the very generous support!!!

Parish News

SR. ANN'S NEW APPOINTMENT

We would like to inform you that Sr. Ann Cullinane SJG will be leaving the Bateman Parish to take up her new appointment in Subiaco. Due to Sr. Ann's absence from the parish since late July up until two weeks ago, she has not been able to announce her new appointment publicly. We ask you to remember Sr. Ann in your prayers as she has officially commenced her new ministry on Friday 7th October 2016. Our parish community has certainly been very blessed to have Sr. Ann with us for 10 years. We wish her all the very best as she settles into her new place. Due to the short notice of Sr. Ann's appointment, we will no doubt invite Sr. Ann back so that we can have an opportunity to show our gratitude to her and express our deep appreciation for her ministry and contribution to our parish community at Bateman. We will be having **Sr. Ann's Farewell on Saturday 29th October after the 6.30pm Mass, together with the Bush Dance**. A cake and Coffee/Tea will be provided at the Bush Dance.

IMPORTANT FOR ALL PARENTS!

Saint Thomas More Parish has organised a presentation that exposes the "Safe" Schools Program and how it will adversely affect our children, from pre-primary all the way to senior high school. Entitled "Sexualising Children from Kindy to Year 12" this presentation will uncover the strategy this program uses to spread its damaging effects through our schools' curriculum. Mark your calendar to hear James Parker's insightful presentation. He has lived first-hand the devastating effects of the material contained within this program and he seeks to help adults identify the hidden method used to roll out these materials across the school curriculum, a deliberate ploy to sexualise our children from their earliest years. Details - **7pm, Thursday, 20 October, 2016, Saint Thomas More, parish hall**. Hosted by concerned parents and families across WA. For more info contact Kenneth Phua 0413 643 233.

MONTH OF OCTOBER—OUR LADY'S HOME ROSARY

All those interested in having the Rosary in their homes during the month of October, please write your names on the sheet in the church foyer. A Statute of Our lady and some books are available for you to use. Enquiries to Juliana on 9310 1747.

OUR LADY'S CANDLELIGHT PROCESSION FOR OCTOBER—22ND OCTOBER

Our Bi-Annual Candle-light Procession for Our Lady for the month of October will take place on Saturday 22nd October after the 6.30pm Mass. All are welcome. White Chrysanthemums are needed to decorate the float for our lady. Please bring the flowers to the Church on Saturday morning at 10am.

Chaplets of the Divine Mercy.

A beautiful, prayerful, sung devotion held at St Thomas More Catholic Church, Dean Road Bateman, on the second Wednesday of each month commencing at 7.30 pm. The Next devotion will be on 12th October 2016. If you have not attended previously, why don't you come along and participate in this uplifting experience? All are welcome. Enquiries to George Lopez on 9310 9493 or 041 991 0039.

FOR SALE – COLUMBAN CALENDARS+CHRISTMAS CARDS.

Columban calendars and Christmas Cards will be sold in the Church Foyer on Sundays after 8.00am and 9.30 am masses.

CHAT PLANT SALE

Many thanks to all who brought plants to sell, to those who sold them on the day and to all who bought plants. The Sale raised \$1162.00.

Parish News (continued)

Bateman Parish Bush Dance – Saturday the 29th October 7:30 PM



Please join us in the courtyard for a night of fun and dance straight after the 6:30 Mass on Saturday the 29th October.

More than ever it's important to connect with our families and our fellow parishioners, so put away your phones, laptops and devices and get your feet moving.

This is a fun activity for kids and adults alike. No dance experience needed. All dance steps will be taught and called out.

Bring your own dinner, snacks and drinks. Tea and coffee will be provided.

This is a FREE event, so don't miss out.

FIRST RECONCILIATION 2016

Please take time to look at the Reconciliation Banners which have gone up in the church. All the students who have been preparing for First Reconciliation have their photo on the banner. The banners are to remind us, as a Parish Community, to support the children with our prayers. You are invited to pray for one or more of the students by remembering these students when you say your family prayers before meals or when you say your evening prayers with your children. Let us all, as a Parish community, support them. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be celebrated in the Parish on the 18th October 2016.

SVDP CAKE SALE 16TH OCTOBER

St Vincent de Paul cake sale is on 16th October. Please support this worthy cause by donating cakes and savouries. For further enquiries contact Juliana (secretary at 93101747)

PIETY STALL – ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

The Piety Stall is closed temporarily until **5th November 2016**. The St Vincent de Paul Society apologises for the inconvenience caused.

WEDNESDAY FAITH PROGRAMME— YIDARRA MOTHERS/GRANDMOTHERS

In the next two sessions, we will be looking at people in the Gospel who encountered Jesus. Get to know Jesus through the people He ministered to. See the way He related to so many people from such diverse backgrounds like Simon Peters, Matthew, to name a few. The first session is on **12th October from 9.15—10.45am** in the Parish hall. All are welcome. Enquiries: Carolin—0432 855 605

Diocesan Notices

OUR LADY OF SORROWS PRAYER GROUP

You are invited to attend a Course provided by the Centre of Faith Enrichment's Mr. John Auer at St. Benedict's Parish, Ardross St., Applecross from 13th October - 10th November (exc. 3rd Nov) from 1pm to 3pm for four Thursday afternoons. There will be a cost of \$20 per person for the course which will explore Thomas Merton's Life and Journey and the spiritual path he took. For Enquiries or Bookings, please call Elspeth O'Connor 93645800

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Are you looking for a weekend where you can spend time with your spouse, free from the usual distractions and focus on just the two of you. Remember the early days of your marriage. Just being together was most important. The Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend has the same focus. The weekend centres entirely on your relationship. It is a positive, private experience between you and your spouse, that assists you to see again those loving qualities in each other that you may be taking for granted. There is NO GROUP sharing on the weekend. We invite you to join us on our next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. **21-23 October 2016 at Swanleigh, Middle Swan**

For information or booking contact: **0424 220 625 – George & Monica** or Email: WAb bookings@wwme.org.au Website – www.wwme.org.au

WHY BE CATHOLIC? 20—22 OCTOBER 2016

Rediscover the Reasons for Our Hope in Jesus Christ and His Church. St. Lawrence & Mary Immaculate Catholic Church, 392 Albert Street, Balcatta W. A. 6021

Key Speaker: Fr. Leo Patalinghug

Ticket Pricing: For conference— Normal \$50*

Early Bird (up to 18 Sept.2016) - \$40*

Note: There is a \$2 fee for online registration.

To register for the WBC Conference 2016, please go to:

<http://www.whycatholic.com.au/#/events/cghg>. If you are having difficulty with registering, please contact us at info@whycatholic.com.au

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Talk on Hope and Healing—Presented by Norma Woodcock

We all seek hope, wholeness, integration and healing.

Wednesday 26th October 7.30pm to 8.30pm, St Benedict's Church, Cnr Canning Highway & Ardross St Applecross WA Cost: Collection. All Welcome

[Catholic Education Staff can obtain hours for Faith Formation Accreditation—Registration fee \$10 per session]. Norma's 3 new CDs—Imaginative Meditations for Emotional Healing and Healing of Memories will be available on the night.

Further info --www.normawoodcock.com, norma@normawoodcock.com-- 0894871772