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YOUTH LEADERSHIP

We are looking for young people interested in becoming youth leaders for the parish. If you are interested, or if you know of anyone who is, in being part of this very rewarding and enjoyable experience, please contact us on our email youth@batemancatholic.org.

STRONGER RALLY 7TH OF MARCH

More details to follow in the following weeks.

Get in Contact with Us!

For the latest event updates and youth notices find us on Facebook www.facebook.com/bateman.parish or contact us at youth@batemancatholic.org.

BLESSING OF TERTIARY & YEAR 12 STUDENTS

There will be a special blessing for all tertiary and year 12 at the weekend masses of 22-23 February. There will also be a sausage sizzle after the Sunday 6.00pm youth mass.

THOUGHT!

Worrying doesn't empty tomorrow of its sorrow, it empties today of its strength.

ANGER is a feeling that makes your mouth work faster than your mind.

DIOCESAN NEWS (CONT)

FLAME MINISTRIES INTERNATIONAL CATHOLIC BIBLE SEMINAR

Understanding the Bible as a Living Experience covering 40 Bible subjects. Information Night: Thursday, 27 February at 7.45pm followed by 15 weekly sessions including 3 weekend daytime retreats, at the Edel Quinn Centre, 36 Windsor Street, East Perth. www.flameministries.org or contact fmi@flameministries.org or kayford@bigpond.com. Phone: 9382 3668 or Mobile: 0439 981 515.

MERCEDES COLLEGE ACCELERATED LEARNING PROGRAM 2015

The Accelerated Learning Program (ALP) is being offered to a small group of Year 7 students with high intellectual ability. For more information on how to set the ALP entry test, please visit the college website: www.mercedes.wa.edu.au. Students enrolled for 2015 are welcome to apply. Application close Friday 23 March 2014.

FEAST OF THE ANNUNCIATION ROSARY AT FREMANTLE MAUSOLEUM

A Rosary to commemorate the Feast of the Annunciation will be held at Fremantle Mausoleum on Tuesday, 25 March 2014 at 6 pm. The Metropolitan Cemeteries Board welcomes all parishioners to this spiritual occasion. For further details, please contact Fremantle Cemetery on 9319 0400. All visitors are asked to park in the Carrington Street car park at the front of the cemetery.

Parish News

WELCOME

Welcome to all students from overseas and interstate who have come to study in Perth, and also all other new parishioners.

OLD PALMS

Could you please bring your old palms from last year that we may prepare ashes for Ash Wednesday.

LENTEN PROGRAM WITH FR. ROBERT BARRON

Each year the Church gives us the sacred time of Lent for us to develop our faith. A time to experience the deep joy and new life of following Christ more closely. In other words, to experience the power of the Resurrection a little more in our lives this Easter. As a means to prepare for the new life of Easter I invite you to a Lenten formation program facilitated by Fr. Mark. This program will be based on Fr. Robert Barron's series of talks on the Seven Deadly Sins and the Seven Lively Virtues. It will be held every Tuesday evening from 7pm to 8pm, starting on the 25th of March until the 8th of April.

ST. PAUL TO THE GALATIANS

Paul's letter to the Galatians speaks directly to the heart of Christians. This fascinating letter reveals the merciful love that God the Father has for us, his children. It speaks of the extraordinary gift of salvation that Jesus has won for us, and it explains how we can unite ourselves to Christ's redeeming sacrifice through faith and love. Galatians is an eight-part Bible study by Jeff Cavins and Gayle Somers. It will reignite your love for God as you learn of the astonishing love God has for you.

Enquiries: Sr. Ann on 0403 130 200. The sessions will be on Wednesday night 7.30 – 9.00pm, and Thursday afternoon 1.30-3.00pm.

BREKKIE TEAM

Thank you to the wonderful people who have put up their hands to join this team. This will ensure that this important aspect of parish life continues.

SENIOR MORNING COFFEE

Thursday, 13 March 2014. Mass at 10.00 am. If you are attending, please register in the foyer. Enq. Daisy 9310 4781.

LADIES BIG BATEMAN BREAKFAST

Saturday, 1 March 2014. After 8.30 am mass. Not to be missed! We particularly invite those who have not been to any of these breakfasts before. They are great way to meet others and chat. This time, we will be introducing our new volunteers, so please come and keep them busy. David Booth will give you an update on CHAT. \$6 for a sumptuous breakfast. Tickets at the piety stall. No door sales.



HOW TO APPLY THE BEATITUDES TO FAMILY LIFE?

Friday, February 28 at 7.30pm at St. Thomas More Parish Hall. We are delighted to have Sr. Margaret Scharf O.P. return to our parish to present a very important topic in this year of the Laity, titled : **“How to apply the Beatitudes to family life?”** The family forms the foundation of Christian life. Jesus’ great sermon teaches his followers the way of being the family of God-the Church-in our world. **So how do we apply the Beatitudes to family life?**

Approximately eighty people came to hear Sr. Margaret last time and the feedback was very positive. So you will need to be on time to get a good seat if you want to enjoy an enthusiastic and inspiring presenter.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

The St. Vincent de Paul Society of Bateman would like to invite all past and present members and volunteers to Morning Tea on Saturday, 8 March at 9.30 am at the Parish Hall. To assist us with catering, please fill in your name and phone number on the Form provided on the table at the Church Entrance by 2 March 2014.

SVDP CAKE SALE – RESUMES

Sunday 16 March 2014 after all morning Masses. We would appreciate if you could donate some savoury food besides cakes. Do come to socialise with fellow parishioners and expand your friendship. Enq. contact Daisy 9310 4781.

VOLUNTEERS FOR THE FLOWER GROUP

“Looking for volunteers to refresh our flowers weekly at Church. Talent not necessary, only require simple arrangements for ordinary Masses. If interested please email to Diana at di4na@yahoo.com

ST. THOMAS MORE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION PROGRAM

Enrolments are still being accepted for the Religious Education Program. Children, whose parents wish them to receive the Sacrament of First Reconciliation this year must commence classes by no later than the 26th February 2014. Children may commence after this date, however they will be unable to receive the Sacrament this year. Please contact Jenny Figliomeni at the Parish Office on 9310 1747 Tuesdays/Wednesdays or on 0406 799 017 outside of these days.

Sacramental Dates 2014

Reconciliation: May 27 and 28
First Holy Communion: June 21 and 22
Confirmation: September 13 and 14

Please note that Confirmation is a 2 year program.

Further information, contact Jenny Figliomeni on 9310 1747 (Tues/Wed) or 0406 799 017.



DIOCESAN NEWS

LENTEN SESSIONS 2014

Every Tuesday Evening in Lent

4th March—15th April {7sessions} 7pm—8pm

St Benedict’s Church Cnr Canning Highway & 115 Ardross Street, Applecross

Spirituality & The Sunday Gospels

The Lent Gospel readings have the power to transform us and deepen our relationship with God through Jesus Christ.

Norma Woodcock—Presenter

Cost: collection

Register: 94871772

Email norma@normawoodcock.com

Website www.normawoodcock.com

PRAYING OUR EXPERIENCES – GROWING AWARENESS OF GOD IN MY EVERYDAY

Talks on the theme for the day with guided prayer, reflection and some (optional) sharing with others. There is time for private prayer in the chapel and garden. Contemplation and silence sets the ambience for this time with God.

Date: Friday, 28th February (last Friday of each month)

Theme: Lent – What is my call?

Time: 10.30am – 12.00 noon Repeated: 6.30 pm – 8.00pm
Those who arrive early, tea and coffee is available.

RSVP: Secretary: Phone (08) 9334 0999

Venue: Mary MacKillop Centre, 16 York Street, South Perth (free and easy parking)
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PRAYER DAY

Focus: Luke 1:78 “... through the tender mercy of our God.”

When: 10.00am to 3.30pm Thursday 6 March

Where: Penola by the Sea, 27 Penguin Road, Safety Bay

Presenter: Sr Wendy Lailey

Cost: Donation

RSVP: (08) 9527 2517

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BREAKFAST IN THE PARK

Come and join the fun, meet old friends and make new ones.

When: 8am Saturday 8 March 2014

Where: NEW VENUE - Mary MacKillop Centre, 16 York St, South Perth (St. Joseph’s Convent)

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

RSVP: Before Friday 28th February to :

Laurie Mayne 9271 5649, ljmayne@optusnet.com.au OR

John McCormack 9383 2615, johnmccormack@westnet.com.au