

## OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH ROCKINGHAM

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Order of the Clerics Regular of Somasca

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### **First reading Isaiah 55:1-3**

Thus says the Lord:

Oh, come to the water all you who are thirsty;  
though you have no money, come!  
Buy corn without money, and eat,  
and, at no cost, wine and milk.  
Why spend money on what is not bread,  
your wages on what fails to satisfy?  
Listen, listen to me, and you will have good things to eat  
and rich food to enjoy.  
Pay attention, come to me;  
listen, and your soul will live.  
With you I will make an everlasting covenant  
out of the favours promised to David.

### **Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 144(145):8-9,15-18**

**R/ *The hand of the Lord feeds us;  
he answers all our needs.***

The Lord is kind and full of compassion,  
slow to anger, abounding in love.  
How good is the Lord to all,  
compassionate to all his creatures. **/R**

The eyes of all creatures look to you  
and you give them their food in due time.  
You open wide your hand,  
grant the desires of all who live. **/R**

The Lord is just in all his ways  
and loving in all his deeds.  
He is close to all who call him,  
who call on him from their hearts. **/R**

### **Second reading Romans 8:35,37-39**

Nothing can come between us and the love of Christ, even if we are troubled or worried, or being persecuted, or lacking food or clothes, or being threatened or even attacked. These are the trials through which we triumph, by the power of him who loved us.

For I am certain of this: neither death nor life, no angel, no prince, nothing that exists, nothing still to come, not any power, or height or depth, nor any created thing, can ever come between us and the love of God made visible in Christ Jesus our Lord.

### **Gospel Acclamation Matthew 4:4**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
No one lives on bread alone,  
but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.  
Alleluia!

### **Gospel Matthew 14:13-21**

When Jesus received the news of John the Baptist's death he withdrew by boat to a lonely place where they could be by themselves. But the people heard of this and, leaving the towns, went after him on foot. So as he stepped ashore he saw a large crowd; and he took pity on them and healed their sick.

When evening came, the disciples went to him and said, 'This is a lonely place, and the time has slipped by; so send the people away, and they can go to the villages to buy themselves some food.' Jesus replied, 'There is no need for them to go: give them something to eat yourselves.' But they answered 'All we have with us is five loaves and two fish.' 'Bring them here to me' he said. He gave orders that the people were to sit down on the grass; then he took the five loaves and the two fish, raised his eyes to heaven and said the blessing. And breaking the loaves handed them to his disciples who gave them to the crowds. They all ate as much as they wanted, and they collected the scraps remaining; twelve baskets full. Those who ate numbered about five thousand men, to say nothing of women and children.

### **MASSES CAN BEEN SEEN VIA FACEBOOK PAGE AND YOUTUBE**

Facebook: Rockingham Catholic Community page. YouTube: Our Lady of Lourdes Rockingham Online channel.  
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**PUBLIC MASSES ARE RESUMING FOR A MAXIMUM OF 120 PARTICIPANTS IN THE CHURCH  
AT THE USUAL TIMES (SEE BELOW).  
IF MORE THAN 120 PARTICIPANTS THEY WILL BE ACCOMMODATED IN THE PARISH HALL  
WITH LIVE-STREAMING AND COMMUNION.  
PROTOCOLS AND HYGIENE WILL APPLY AS PER REGULATIONS OF THE DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH  
AND THE ARCHDIOCESE OF PERTH.**

**MASS and EVENT TIMES AT OUR LADY OF LOURDES**

Sunday 7.30am, 9.30am & 6.00pm  
Monday – Saturday 7.30am  
Friday 8.00am – 9.00am Holy Hour  
Saturday 8.00am intercessory Rosary  
6.00pm (Vigil)

**Reconciliation:** (Church only)  
Saturday: 11.30am – 12.30pm; 4.30pm – 5.30pm  
*Priests can be contacted at any other time as well.*

**SOTS PRIMARY SCHOOL**

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25 Dowling Street Rockingham Phone: 9592 1500

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Account name: Our Lady of Lourdes Rockingham parish

**Banking Details 1st collection:** NAB BSB:086-006 Account No: 978620205  
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**LOURDESCARE - CATHOLIC OUTREACH**

**Visiting, transport for appointments and meals:** Glenda - 0439 913 621, Ana - 0437 801 085; Laurie - 0408 900 650

**SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS - SAFETY OF CHILDREN AND VULNERABLE PERSONS**

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**FACEBOOK PAGES**

Please look for "Rockingham Catholic Community" and "Lifted High".

**24:7 SOUTH YOUTH GROUP For all youth in Years 7-12 Every Friday, 7.00pm - 9.00pm (during school term)**

Call Ming Yan 0414 998 043, Will 0499 516 377 or Charli 0472 684 508 for more information

**FAREWELL TO OUR FR. VIJAY - ALL WEEKEND MASSES OF 29-30 AUGUST 2020**

Our Fr. Vijay, who played such a great role in the renewal of our parish as our Assistant Priest, is now assigned to be the Parish Priest at St. Jerome's, Spearwood. As we continue to work together in various ways, Fr. Vijay will still be around whenever necessary - so we will not lose him completely.

To satisfy the desire of our community to see him again, thank him and wish him every success in his ministry, we requested him to come and celebrate **all weekend Masses on Saturday 29 and Sunday 30 August 2020.**

**CHILD PROTECTION WEEK COMPETITION 2020**

Open to all young people 12 – 18 years. Create a 2-minute media clip outlining the importance of 'Putting children's needs first'. First prize \$500 Gift Voucher. Entry forms are available from the back of the church or visit: [www.perthcatholic.org.au/safeguarding](http://www.perthcatholic.org.au/safeguarding) **Entry closes Friday 14th August.**

The Safeguarding Office in consultation with the Archbishops office will shortlist a number of finalists. On Tuesday 8th September a Showreel featuring these finalists' media clips will be made available on the Safeguarding Website [www.perthcatholic.org.au/safeguarding](http://www.perthcatholic.org.au/safeguarding) and through some Catholic Secondary Schools . Peers/friends/students are encouraged to watch the showreel and vote for the best clip. The winners will be announced at the 11 am Child Protection Week Mass held at St Mary's Cathedral on Sunday 13th September.

**GENESIS TO JESUS**

Join Us for an Inspiring Bible Study at Our Lady of Lourdes Church. **Beginning Wednesday August 19 2020** (for 12 weeks except for 1st Wed of Sep/Oct/Nov/Dec) from 7pm to 9pm in the Parish Hall. Bring a Bible, notebook & pen. **Registration: \$15. Contact:** Anne Irvine 0424293776 / Sandra Carson 0470610478 / Mariza Dsouza 0435435013. Brought to you by the St. Paul Center (Journey Through Scripture).

**MARRIAGE MATTERS:** *It can be hard to have compassion sometimes*

It's hard to have compassion for my spouse when caught up in my own worries and stress. Jesus moved on from His own sadness to see the need of the crowds; He fed them. We witness to the Good News that nothing can come between us when we nourish each other in all ways - physically, mentally, emotionally and spiritually.

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## MESSAGE – 18<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY. "Give them something to eat yourselves."

"Why spend money on what is not bread, your wages on what fails to satisfy?" (Isaiah 55:2).

People around Jesus may not have known who he exactly was. At the same time, they were attracted to him, they longed to listen to him, they wanted to access his healing power. People perceived that Jesus could "satisfy". They went to great lengths to be with him. He responded to their longing. We can perceive Jesus' love through our bodily needs: healing, food.

At the same time, Jesus wanted people to find complete satisfaction, which comes from choosing him alone as our Master, not merely as a provider of pleasures and comfort: "Truly, truly, I tell you, it is not because you saw these signs that you are looking for Me, but because you ate the loaves and had your fill. Do not work for food that perishes, but for food that endures to eternal life, which the Son of Man will give you." (John 6:26-27). Jesus alone "endures to eternal life."

Jesus works through us, his Church. "Give them something to eat yourselves." (Matthew 14:16).

*'All we have with us is five loaves and two fish.'*

Jesus is multiplying our own loaves and fish right now, among us, through our neighbourhood connections: our friendship with him, our community of faith, our meaning in goal in life. Like Jesus, we need to enter through the door that is open to us: the needs of the people around us, the needs that trouble them at the moment. Like Jesus, we want them to find the "food that endures to eternal life": Jesus himself. Our treasure.

**Jesus tells us: "Give them something to eat yourselves."**

**Through the door of human needs, provide the "food that endures."**

## YEAR 7 ABORIGINAL SCHOLARSHIPS 2022

Application open 26 June and close 7 August 2020. Information and application forms available at [www.kolbe.wa.ed.au](http://www.kolbe.wa.ed.au)

## SATURDAY EVENING VIGIL MASS - MOVED TO 6.00PM FROM 18 JULY 2020

A number of our Mass attendants requested that the Saturday Vigil Mass be moved one hour backward. Until now we resisted the idea because we thought that this was the only 7.00pm Mass in our area. After consulting the neighbouring Priests, we decided to try the move to 6.00pm on a trial basis from Saturday 18 July.

## REVISED RECONCILIATION TIMES - 4.30PM TO 5.30PM ON SATURDAYS

With the Vigil Mass time on Saturdays at 6.00pm, the afternoon reconciliation time will be held from 4.30pm to 5.30pm on Saturdays. The morning time of 11.30am to 12.30pm remains unchanged.

## PARISH RENEWAL: INSTRUCTION FROM THE HOLY SEE

This newly issued, relatively short document from the Vatican outlines principles and avenues for parish renewal and evangelisation. It was encouraging to see that our community has already been on this journey for a little while: it is like hearing an experienced person telling you "you are on the right track, keep going!" Here it is:

<http://press.vatican.va/content/salastampa/en/bollettino/pubblico/2020/07/20/200720a.html>

## FROM THE INSTRUCTION "THE PASTORAL CONVERSION"

"Pastoral conversion is one of the central themes in the "new phase of evangelisation" that the Church is called to foster today, whereby Christian communities be ever more centres conducive to an encounter with Christ.

The Holy Father, in this regard, recommends that: "If something should rightly disturb us and trouble our consciences, it is the fact that so many of our brothers and sisters are living without the strength, light and consolation born of friendship with Jesus Christ, without a community of faith to support them, without meaning and a goal in life. More than by fear of going astray, my hope is that we will be moved by the fear of remaining shut up within structures which give us a false sense of security, within rules which make us harsh judges, within habits which make us feel safe, while at our door people are starving and Jesus does not tire of saying to us: "Give them something to eat" (Mk 6:37)." (Instruction "The Pastoral Conversion, 3).

## ADULT FAITH EDUCATION

Have you ever felt like just giving it all away? Some of the early Christians must have too. Matthew the evangelist wrote to demonstrate to those Jews who had become Christians that they had NOT sold out on the faith in which they were brought up. How did he do this? Come along and find out for yourself. **When:** Saturday August 8 from 9.00 till 11.00am;

**Where;** in the narthex of the new Mother Teresa Church, [739 Eighty Rd Baldivis](#).

**How:** Listen in and ask questions to the talk and discussion led by Ern Azzopardi, B Theol, DRE.

## SHOULD I COME TO CHURCH WHEN I AM NOT WELL?

Our present circumstances have considerably heightened people's awareness of hygiene and the risk of infections. It is a fact that our community includes a number of people who are vulnerable. Should we be unwell (cough, cold, flu etc.), it is an act of Christian charity towards them if we join our community online while staying at home. An advantage of our present neighbourhood connections is that Catholics in our area may be able to bring us communion if we let them know. And then, back to church as soon as we recover!

## STATUE OF OUR LADY AT THE CHURCH

Some of our community members would love to have a clear sign of our church being dedicated to Our Lady of Lourdes. The statue of Our Lady at the church is not the one that people associate with Lourdes - it does not reproduce the one that stands at the cave of Massabielle. There is a proposal to purchase a statue of Our Lady of Lourdes. The cost would be about 3,000 dollars plus shipping, for a statue about the size of the present one. Our Finance Committee suggested putting the idea to the whole community through the newsletter, in case any parishioners would like to sponsor or contribute.

## PARISH RENEWAL CORNER: MAKING CONNECTIONS

Healthy church communities are churches where people know and care for one another in their immediate neighbourhoods.

A new area is starting to make connections:

- area around Georgetown Drive (North: Rae Rd; East: Read St; South: Malibu Rd; West: Waikiki Rd). Craig.



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