

# OUR LADY OF LOURDES PARISH ROCKINGHAM

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## 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sat 26 June / Sun 27 June 2021

### First reading Wisdom 1:13-15,2:23-24

Death was not God's doing,  
he takes no pleasure in the extinction of the living.  
To be – for this he created all;  
the world's created things have health in them,  
in them no fatal poison can be found,  
and Hades holds no power on earth;  
for virtue is undying.  
Yet God did make man imperishable,  
he made him in the image of his own nature;  
it was the devil's envy that brought death into the world,  
as those who are his partners will discover.

### Responsorial Psalm: Psalm 29(30):2,4-6,11-13

***R/ I will praise you, Lord, for you have rescued me.***

I will praise you, Lord, you have rescued me  
and have not let my enemies rejoice over me.  
O Lord, you have raised my soul from the dead,  
restored me to life from those who sink into the grave. ***IR***

Sing psalms to the Lord, you who love him,  
give thanks to his holy name.  
His anger lasts a moment; his favour all through life.  
At night there are tears, but joy comes with dawn. ***IR***

The Lord listened and had pity.  
The Lord came to my help.  
For me you have changed my mourning into dancing:  
O Lord my God, I will thank you for ever. ***IR***

### Second reading 2 Corinthians 8:7,9,13-15

You always have the most of everything – of faith, of eloquence, of understanding, of keenness for any cause, and the biggest share of our affection – so we expect you to put the most into this work of mercy too. Remember how generous the Lord Jesus was: he was rich, but he became poor for your sake, to make you rich out of his poverty. This does not mean that to give relief to others you ought to make things difficult for yourselves: it is a question of balancing what happens to be your surplus now against their present need, and one day they may have something to spare that will supply your own need. That is how we strike a balance: as scripture says: *The man who gathered much had none too much, the man who gathered little did not go short.*

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!  
Our Saviour Jesus Christ has done away with death  
and brought us life through his gospel.  
Alleluia!

### Gospel Mark 5:21-43

When Jesus had crossed in the boat to the other side, a large crowd gathered round him and he stayed by the lakeside. Then one of the synagogue officials came up, Jairus by name, and seeing him, fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly, saying, 'My little daughter is desperately sick. Do come and lay your hands on her to make her better and save her life.' Jesus went with him and a large crowd followed him; they were pressing all round him.

Now there was a woman who had suffered from a haemorrhage for twelve years; after long and painful treatment under various doctors, she spent all she had without being any the better for it, in fact, she was getting worse. She had heard about Jesus, and she came up behind him through the crowd and touched his cloak. 'If I can touch even his clothes,' she had told herself 'I shall be well again.' And the source of the bleeding dried up instantly, and she felt in herself that she was cured of her complaint. Immediately aware that power had gone out from him, Jesus turned round in the crowd and said, 'Who touched my clothes?' His disciples said to him, 'You see how the crowd is pressing round you and yet you say, "Who touched me?"' But he continued to look all round to see who had done it. Then the woman came forward, frightened and trembling because she knew what had happened to her, and she fell at his feet and told him the whole truth. 'My daughter,' he said 'your faith has restored you to health; go in peace and be free from your complaint.'

While he was still speaking some people arrived from the house of the synagogue official to say, 'Your daughter is dead: why put the Master to any further trouble?' But Jesus had overheard this remark of theirs and he said to the official, 'Do not be afraid; only have faith.' And he allowed no one to go with him except Peter and James and John the brother of James. So they came to the official's house and Jesus noticed all the commotion, with people weeping and wailing unrestrainedly. He went in and said to them, 'Why all this commotion and crying? The child is not dead, but asleep.' But they laughed at him. So he turned them all out and, taking with him the child's father and mother and his own companions, he went into the place where the child lay. And taking the child by the hand he said to her, 'Talitha, kum!' which means, 'Little girl, I tell you to get up.' The little girl got up at once and began to walk about, for she was twelve years old. At this they were overcome with astonishment, and he ordered them strictly not to let anyone know about it, and told them to give her something to eat.

**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 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**

2 Townsend Rd, Rockingham Phone: 9553 9500

**KOLBE CATHOLIC COLLEGE**

25 Dowling Street Rockingham Phone: 9592 1500

**Banking Details 2nd collection** (for the running of our parish):

NAB BSB: 086 006 Account No: 867962536 Account Name: Our Lady of Lourdes Rockingham parish

**Banking Details 1st collection** (for the support of priests in our parish and in the Archdiocese):

NAB BSB:086-006 Account No: 978620205 Account Name: Our Lady of Lourdes Rockingham Presbytery Account

**LOURDESCARE - CATHOLIC OUTREACH**

**Visiting, transport for appointments and meals:** Glenda - 0439 913 621, Ana - 0437 801 085; Laurie - 0449 980 004

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

Natalie Boyd 0410 582 272; Rebeca Svilicic 0403 825 530; Mariza D'Souza 0435 435 013; Daniel Joyce 0431 636 947

**FACEBOOK PAGES**

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

**24:7 SOUTH YOUTH GROUP** meet Friday's, at 7.00pm in the Kolbe Catholic College Sports Hall.

Food, fun, faith, friends, music! Call Will on 0499 516 377 or Amanda on 0421 144 992 for more information.

**MASSES CAN BEEN SEEN ON:**

[Facebook:](#) Rockingham Catholic Community page [YouTube:](#) Our Lady of Lourdes Rockingham Online channel

**BAPTISMS:** James Morton; Seka Joel Haythornthwaite

**RIP'S:** Leontina Miacci; Brian Lee

**TO ANYONE HAVING ANY ROLE IN THE PARISH - SAFEGUARDING UPDATE FOR ALL CHURCH WORKERS**

The following opportunities are available in areas close to us. Please consider taking part to one of these updates - **it is really important to ALL, NOT ONLY** to those who need a Working with Children card.

Baldivis Parish: Tuesday 29th June from 1.00pm – 3.00pm

Yangebup Parish: Tuesday 29th June from 7.00pm – 9.00pm

Kwinana Parish: Monday 5th July from 6.00pm – 8.00pm

Registration is required online at: <http://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training-calendar-church-workers/>

**4 JULY - ABORIGINAL AND TORRES STRAIT ISLANDER SUNDAY 2021**

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics number over 130,000 and growing strongly.

Next Sunday will be an opportunity to acknowledge that God has been walking with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples, making His Presence known through a continuous living culture over many thousands of years.

**FIRST HOLY COMMUNIONS 2021**

This Sacrament will be offered for the first time to many of our children during the weekend Masses in the month of July.

It will be an opportunity for our community to support these younger brothers and sisters in their first encounter with Jesus in the Eucharist. Please keep them in your prayers.

**RCIA**

The journey for adults who wish to join our Catholic community is about to start again. A plan will be announced soon.

Should you know of any adult looking for this opportunity, please encourage them to contact the office or the parish priest.

**CUPPAS AFTER MASS**

With the removal of the 2 square metres rule, we are again in a condition to have our sorely missed cuppas after the Mass.

**MARRIAGE MATTERS:** The triumph of love over fear

The love that a married couple have for one another gives them the strength to overcome together the situations that occur in their life. Whether it is illness, difficult relationships with children or parents, unemployment, work issues or financial worries, Jesus tells us not to be afraid but to trust and have faith in each other and in Him.

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## MESSAGE –13<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME.

I am fascinated by the touch of that woman in the Gospel passage.

I long for the gentle touch of Jesus taking the little girl by her hand and telling her to get up.

These people experienced the healing power of Jesus in their bodies, and were given a new lease of life. They moved from fear to peace, to life and joy. Jesus aims at a complete healing, a healing that lasts forever, that spans across the veil of physical death - because these people eventually died.

“I want you to know that the Son of Man has authority on earth to forgive sins.” So he said to the man, “I tell you, get up, take your mat and go home.” (Jesus to the paralytic man, Mark 10:11) Jesus may give us physical healing as a proof that he really has power to give us life to the full. He knows that our bodily needs are the door to our heart. He is willing to enter through that door.

All the same, physical healing is for a time. Forgiveness and discipleship are forever. These people asked. They overcame their fear of asking. The synagogue official might have had a reputation to defend - Jesus was not an established Rabbi, and certainly not in good standing with the authorities. Yet, he “fell at his feet and pleaded with him earnestly.” The woman was afraid and “came up behind him through the crowd.”

After all, her bleeding made her a permanent outcast, ritually impure. Both wanted Jesus’ power so desperately, they threw their fears and their reputation to the winds.

How badly do I want Jesus’ power? I can ask. For physical healing, and more importantly, for forgiveness and discipleship.

**Jesus aims at the ultimate healing - forgiveness and discipleship.**

**Ask for healing. Ask for the ultimate healing. How badly do you want it?**

## VERANDAH MINISTRIES

Every Thursday morning from 9.00am to 11.00am during the school terms we will be holding a craft morning where you can learn to make rosaries, candles and cards. Looking forward to seeing those who are interested.

## CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Held weekly at St Joseph's Chapel, 27 Penguin Rd, Safety Bay at 9.00am Tuesdays. All are welcome. For further information contact Sr Kath 0409 296 909 or Pauline Lighter 0404 458 843

## THE LIFE AND PRAYER OF VENERABLE PAULINE JARICOT

Thursday, 22 July 2021 9.30am for 10am – 2pm  
Retreat at The Spirituality Hub at Church of the Holy Family 27 Capel St, Kirup, WA

**Presenter:** Fr Brian Lucas, National Director of Catholic Mission

Learn about the inspirational life of Venerable Pauline Jaricot, foundress of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, a visionary social activist, missionary and contemplative. Adults \$20; Concession \$10. Light lunch and refreshments provided. Register via [Bunbury.director@catholicmission.org.au](mailto:Bunbury.director@catholicmission.org.au) or 0474 928 765



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## YOUTH MINISTER POSITION

Our parish is seeking a youth minister. The successful applicant would be required to work part-time to support youth ministry initiatives (teens and young adults) in the parish. Description and requirements are available at the back of the church. To submit your CV with your Working with Children Check, a cover letter and 3 referees, please email [pierluigi.vajra@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:pierluigi.vajra@perthcatholic.org.au) Applications close on Friday 2 July 2021.

## PASTORAL LETTER OF ARCHBISHOP TIMOTHY ON VOLUNTARY ASSISTED DYING

Here is the beginning of the letter, which can be found under "Archbishop's latest" at [perthcatholic.org.au](http://perthcatholic.org.au):

*On Thursday, 1 July 2021, legislation passed by the Western Australian State Parliament in relation to “Voluntary Assisted Dying” (VAD) will be enacted. Put simply this legislation will permit a person, under certain specified conditions, to access medication which is designed to cause that person’s death. The legislation will also permit other people, again under certain specified conditions, to provide assistance to those who without such assistance would be unable to administer the medication to themselves.*

*At this important time for our society, and for the Catholic community which seeks to be a vibrant and engaged part of the wider community, I have decided to share with you some perspectives which I hope will help you to reflect on the significance of this moment.*



## ACT QUICKLY! Interviews underway for Year 7s 2023 at Kolbe Catholic College

If you have a child currently in Year 5 (Year 7, 2023) who would like to attend Kolbe Catholic College in Year 7, enrolment applications are open.

Please be aware that interviews for Year 5s (Year 7s, 2023) are currently underway and you will need to act quickly to submit an application.

## AGENDA PUBLISHED FOR PLENARY COUNCIL

The Council agenda was published on June 18. It will shape the program of the Council's assemblies – the first of which opens on October 3 this year.

The agenda has been developed in the form of posing questions, with 16 questions falling under six themes: Conversion; Prayer; Formation; Structures; Governance; and Institutions.

"The agenda asks us a number of difficult questions, but without asking those difficult questions, we won't be entering into the depth of our hearts to consider how we become that missionary, Christ-centred Church we need today."

(Archbishop Costelloe, president of the Council).

The agenda can be accessed here: <https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>

## SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY AND STATEMENT 2021-2022

We celebrate Social Justice Sunday on the 29th of August. The Australian Bishops' Social Justice Statement, *Cry of the Earth, Cry of the Poor*, invites us to join in responding to Pope Francis' invitation to take a seven-year journey towards total ecological sustainability guided by seven Laudato Si' Goals.

The Statement provides theological foundations to ground and inspire our efforts to care for creation while responding to the needs of the disadvantaged and excluded.

More information: ACBC Office for Justice, Ecology and Peace, [www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au](http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au) or Tel (02) 6201 9845.

## NATSICC

The National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council (NATSICC) is the peak advisory body to the Australian Catholic Bishops on issues relating to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics. The council was founded in 1992 and the Secretariat is based in Adelaide.

Each State and Territory nominates a representative via their local Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Ministry. The council meets monthly via teleconference and twice yearly on a face-to-face basis. NATSICC advises the Bishops Commission for relations with Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholics.

NATSICC is a not-for-profit organization that is funded by the Catholic Church and Caritas Australia's First Nations program.

A rich website, including various resources, can be found at [natsicc.org.au](http://natsicc.org.au).

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