

The Cathedral parish acknowledges the Whadjuk people of the Noongar nation, the Traditional Owners who have walked upon and cared for this land for thousands of years. We acknowledge the continued deep spiritual attachment and relationship of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples to this country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

OUR MISSION

We strive to be an inspiring Catholic community in the heart of our city, welcoming everyone and providing sanctuary for the marginalized, the sorrowful and the seeker of Jesus' love.

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The Cathedral toilets are downstairs and accessible to the public. Please ensure that children are accompanied when they go to the toilets. Let's work together to build a safe environment for children and vulnerable adults. Contact our safeguarding officers if you have any concerns or questions.



There is a feedback box in the foyer if you have any suggestions, etc. for the safeguarding officers.

2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT YEAR A

Saturday 3 December

5:00pm - 6:00pm Confessions
6:00pm - Vigil Mass

Sunday 4 December

8:00 am - Mass
9:30 am - Mass
11:00 am - Mass
3:00 pm - Divine Mercy
5:00 pm - Mass

Monday - Friday

8:00am - Mass
11:00am - 12:00 noon Confession
12:10pm - Mass

Wednesday

7:30pm - Miraculous Medal Novena

Friday

11:00am - Holy Hour

NEXT WEEKEND'S ROSTER

Saturday 10 December

6:00 pm Fr Richard Smith
(C) Paul Connelly
(R) Lisa Deans

Sunday 11 December

8:00 am Fr Richard Rutkauskas
(C) Thomas Everett
(R) Jessica Patterson
(R) Godfrey Bonavia

9:30 am Fr Israel Quirit
(C) Rebecca Henderson
(R) Pam Mattes
(R) Stephanie Schenk

11:00 am Fr Israel Quirit
(C) Barbara van Reyk
(R) Lolita Hegarty
(R) Benna Masbate

5:00 pm Fr Richard Smith
(C) Sean Keane
(R) Ashton Godfrey
(R) Revonne Godfrey

9:30 am **ST FRANCIS XAVIER**
Fr Richard Rutkauskas
(R) Ann
(R) Minnie

DEAN I have been asked to put the words of a prayer I spoke about in my homily in the bulletin; here it is: *Lord, please reveal yourself to me. Teach me what you wish to teach me. Lead me to where you wish to meet me.*

You will not see me this weekend or the next, I am off on my annual retreat. There is much rejoicing in the office and Cathedral House; Fr Israel said that he will throw a party so ask him for an invitation! Please do keep me in your prayers.

FROM YOUR PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL The PPC has been working on a mission statement which sets out a vision for our parish community. May it provoke and inspire all of us.

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MASS GREETERS Mass Greeters are to be introduced over the next month for Weekend Masses. Interested Parishioners are asked to contact the Parish Office on 0892231350 or by email cathedral@perthcatholic.org.au and you will be followed up. We are looking for at least 3 for each Mass.

PIETY STALL RAFFLE Last chance to buy tickets before the 11am Mass! The raffle tickets can be bought at the piety stall at \$5 each. Ticket holders stand a chance to win a Nativity set valued at \$350. Come grab your tickets now! The winning ticket will be drawn at the 11am Mass on 4 December. Individual purchase of Nativity set at \$350 is also available.

ARE YOU BUYING ETHICAL CHOCOLATE THIS CHRISTMAS SEASON? Did you know that much of the chocolate available in Australia comes from cocoa beans picked by children, many of whom have been trafficked or forced to work in exploitative conditions? It is estimated that there are at least 800,000 children working in the cocoa industry at present: 5-10% of these have been trafficked. To ensure that the chocolate you buy has been produced in an ethical manner, look for the following labels: Fairtrade, Rainforest Alliance or UTZ.

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED AUSTRALIA ACN is the Pontifical Foundation dedicated to supporting the suffering and persecuted Church. That Catholic Shop - Christmas orders from Aid to the Church in Need's online store - That Catholic Shop - can still be made all the way up to 19 December! Choose from our broad range of religious gifts and receive free shipping for orders over \$100. Peruse our Christmas range at www.thatcatholicshop.com

MERCY CONNECT PERTH You can make a real difference to the life of a child who often feels isolated and anxious at school. With your willingness to form a strong relationship with a child and through your assistance to develop language skills, a refugee/migrant student is able to considerably improve his/her capacity to succeed at school and in the wider Australian community. As a volunteer for Mercy Connect, you are allocated a student, or a small group of students, and you assist at their primary or secondary school for half a day per week during school terms. Training is provided and commencement at a school is in February 2023. To request an application dossier, please contact Mrs Kristen Soon at: Email: mercyconnectp@mercy.org.au Website: www.mercyworks.org.au

TO THE PARENTS OF OUR YOUNG CHILDREN, MAY WE SUGGEST

Relax! God put the wiggle in children; don't feel you have to suppress it in God's house. All are welcome!

Sit toward the front where it is easier for your little ones to see and hear what's going on at the altar. They tire of seeing the backs of other's heads.

Quietly explain the parts of the Mass and actions of the priest, altar servers, choir etc.

Sing the hymns, pray and voice the responses. Children learn liturgical behaviour by copying you.

If you have to leave Mass with your child, feel free to do so, but please come back. As Jesus said "Let the children come to me."

Remember that the way we welcome children in church directly affects the way they respond to the church, to God, and to one another. Let them know that they are at home in this house of worship.

TO OTHER MEMBERS OF OUR PARISH

The presence of children is a gift to the church and they are a reminder that our parish is growing.

Please welcome our children and give a smile of encouragement to their parents.

If you see a parent struggling, be supportive not discouraging!