

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.

#### CATHEDRAL PARISH

St Mary's Cathedral, St Francis Xavier Church, All Saints Chapel

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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.**

### 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY IN LENT YEAR A

#### Saturday 25 February 2023

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

#### Sunday 26 February 2023

8:00 am – Mass  
9:30 am – Mass  
11:00 am – Mass  
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 4 March

**6:00 pm** Fr Sean Fernandez  
(C) Lisa Deans  
(R) Paul Connelly

##### Sunday 5 March

**8:00 am** Fr Kenneth Acosta  
(C) Helen Ho  
(R) Michael Carren  
(R) Eleanor Le Coultre

**9:30 am** Fr Kenneth Acosta  
(C) Sally-Anne Cook  
(R) Pam Mattes  
(R) Brendon Norris

**11:00 am** Fr Richard Rutkauskas  
(C) Bianca Vernie  
(R) Anna Rowe  
(R) Lolita Hegarty

**5:00 pm** Fr Richard Smith  
(C) Sean Keane  
(R) Ashton Godfrey  
(R) Christine Stewart

##### 9:30 am **ST FRANCIS XAVIER**

Fr Richard Smith  
(R) Lourdes  
(R) Rosanne

**DEAN'S BIT** Lent is upon us once again and normally I would insert 'sigh' into the sentence, but I am feeling more positive about the season for once. It's an opportunity for me to take a fresh look at some of the ways I do things. God wants us to be more truly ourselves so he wants me to be more truly Sean and he wants you to be more truly you. We all have ways of relating to others, habits which reduce our freedom and make us less truly ourselves. What are the habitual ways of relating/behaving which are not freeing for ourselves and others? What are the things we can do which would help us grow in loving freedom and generosity? Christ desires our loving freedom and following him enables us to become more truly and freely ourselves. So an important aspect of Lent is listening to the Lord through reading Scripture every day and talking to the Lord about what we read, what strikes us in any way, what niggles at us. But, as the Holy Father said, another aspect of listening to the Lord is listening to our brothers and sisters, especially those in poverty. What ways do we habitually approach people which prevents our hearing them? How can we hear what is going on in people's hearts? Perhaps we can both grow in the life God wants to give us and be more life-giving to others this Lenten season.

#### PROJECT COMPASSION SUNDAY



Laxmi, 16, lives in in Jajarkot, a remote district in Nepal where almost half of the population live below the poverty line. Tragedy struck when Laxmi was 10 years old and her father passed away. Her father worked hard to pay for his children's education and after losing him



Laxmi was at risk of falling further into extreme poverty.

With the support of our partner Caritas Nepal, Laxmi joined a child's club at her school where she was encouraged to resume her education. Through the child's club, Laxmi developed the skills and confidence to become a leader, advocating for clean water taps at



her school.

Laxmi is now excelling in her studies and working towards her dream of becoming a civil engineer. She continues to be involved in the child's club, serving as an advisor and mentoring the next generation of young leaders at her old school. Please donate to Project Compassion 2023. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](https://caritas.org.au/project-compassion), or by calling 1800 024 413.

**WHAT IS MODERN SLAVERY?** <https://www.acan.org.au> Modern slavery is a form of exploitation of individuals for the purpose of personal or commercial gain. Whether tricked, coerced, or forced, they lose their freedom.

People can become enslaved making our clothes, serving our food, picking our crops, working in factories, or working in houses as cooks, cleaners or nannies. Victims of modern slavery might face violence or threats, be forced into inescapable debt, or have their passport taken away and face being threatened with deportation. <https://vimeo.com/769646656/aa16b9f8d9>



The St Mary's Cathedral in partnership with the WA Australian Catholic Migrant & Refugee Office (WACMRO) is committed to ending modern slavery from its supply chains by adopting an ethical procurement policy.

**CATHEDRAL CHOIR AUDITIONS** Auditions are starting up for the Cathedral Choir 2023 intake – we invite potential choristers to take up the challenge and have a go! Entry age for this round of auditions is 6 years of age (Yr 1) – 12 years of age. No prior singing experience necessary. Registrations close on 21<sup>st</sup> March.

For details contact Director of Music Jacinta at [music.cathedral@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:music.cathedral@perthcatholic.org.au) or on 9223 1377.



**THE CATHEDRAL MORNING TEA SUNDAY OF 5 MAR** Please join us for morning tea in the Parish Centre next week after the 8am Mass. It is a great opportunity to meet other parishioners. All are welcome.

**LENTEN PROGRAMME 2023** As we enter into, let us continue to centre our gaze towards the Lord. The piety stall will be selling the Lenten Program 2023 booklets at \$10 each. Come and get yours today.

**SAFEGUARDING INDUCTION LEVEL 1** The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference has broadened safeguarding to include adults at risk. ALL church workers (volunteers or paid) are to attend a 1-hour safeguarding induction. A church worker is anyone in the parish in any role – paid or voluntary. This induction provides an overview of the Safeguarding Policies and Procedures, the role of the Parish Safeguarding Officer, and the importance of Safeguarding within the parish. The upcoming session is as follows: Date: Tuesday, 07 March 2023, 10.15-11.15 am

Venue: St Mary's, 40 Franklin Street, Leederville WA 6007

Registration: <https://safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training/#induction> or phone 9221 7762 to book in.