

# BUSSELTON CATHOLIC PARISH

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***GROWING IN FAITH, INCLUSIVITY & OUTREACH,  
THROUGH OPENNESS.***

## 23<sup>rd</sup> SUNDAY in ORDINARY TIME (8 September)

### First Reading

**Is 35:4-7**

Say to all faint hearts, 'Courage! Do not be afraid. 'Look, your God is coming, vengeance is coming, the retribution of God; he is coming to save you.' Then the eyes of the blind shall be opened, the ears of the deaf unsealed, then the lame shall leap like a deer and the tongues of the dumb sing for joy; for water gushes in the desert, streams in the wasteland, the scorched earth becomes a lake, the parched land springs of water.

### Responsorial Psalm:

Praise the Lord, my soul! .

### Second Reading

**James 2:1-5**

My brothers, do not try to combine faith in Jesus Christ, our glorified Lord, with the making of distinctions between classes of people. Now suppose a man comes into your synagogue, beautifully dressed and with a gold ring on, and at the same time a poor man comes in, in shabby clothes, and you take notice of the well-dressed man, and say, 'Come this way to the best seats;' then you tell the poor man, 'Stand over there' or 'You can sit on the floor by my foot-rest.' Can't you see that you have used two different standards in your mind, and turned yourselves into judges, and corrupt judges at that?

Listen, my dear brothers: it was those who are poor according to the world that God chose, to be rich in faith and to be the heirs to the kingdom which he promised to those who love him .

### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom  
and healed all who were sick

**Alleluia!**

### Gospel

**Mk 7:31-37**

Returning from the district of Tyre, Jesus went by way of Sidon towards the Sea of Galilee, right through the Decapolis region. And they brought him a deaf man who had an impediment in his speech; and they asked him to lay his hand on him. He took him aside in private, away from the crowd, put his fingers into the man's ears and touched his tongue with spittle. Then looking up to heaven he sighed; and he said to him, 'Ephphatha,' that is, 'Be opened.' And his ears were opened, and the ligament of his tongue was loosened and he spoke clearly. And Jesus ordered them to tell no one about it, but the more he insisted, the more widely they published it. Their admiration was unbounded. 'He has done all things well,' they said 'he makes the deaf hear and the dumb speak.'

- *Large Mass cards are available in the foyer as an aid to following the Mass. Small cards are also in a stand to help with the responses.*
- *Perhaps you would like to pick up a copy of the 'Kid's Bulletin' for your child or grandchild?*
- *Please don't forget to add our new email address: [stjosephbsn@outlook.com](mailto:stjosephbsn@outlook.com) to your contact list. Click on the entry you have the Parish under, edit entry and **save**. (Some of our emails are unfortunately going directly to spam. If you haven't received the bulletin for a few weeks check your junk folder. If you would like to receive our bulletin by email drop us a line.)*

**Next Week's Readings (Year B)**

**Is 50:5-9; James 2:14-18; Mk 8:27-35**

**PARISH MASSES & DEVOTIONS**  
9 September - 15 September

<b>Monday</b>	10.00am	Rosary Cenacle	St. Joseph's
<b>Tuesday</b>	9.00am	Mass	St. Joseph's
<b>Wednesday</b>	9.00am	Mass	St. Joseph's
<b>Thursday</b>	8am-5pm	Adoration	St. Joseph's
	5.00pm	Mass	St. Joseph's
<b>Friday</b>	11.00am	Holy Hour	St. Joseph's
	11.30am	Reconciliation	St. Joseph's
	12 noon	Mass	St. Joseph's
<b>Saturday</b>	5.30pm	Reconciliation	St. Joseph's
	6.00pm	Mass	St. Joseph's
<b>Sunday</b>	9.00am	Mass	Our Lady of the Bay
	5.45pm	Reconciliation	Our Lady of the Bay
	6.00pm	Mass	Our Lady of the Bay



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**REFLECTION**

There are many stories about Jesus healing someone in need. Today a deaf man with a speech impediment is brought to Jesus. How blessed that man was to have friends who wanted the best for him! ..... Sometimes we just need others to enable us to be the best we can be. Jesus gave the deaf man his full attention - he took him aside in private and by word and action opened him to a new way of living. ... ***Have there been moments in my life where I have led others to freedom because I have enabled them to see and feel the power of God? Or perhaps someone has led me?*** (God's Word 2024)

St James challenges us to 'look around' our faith community. Do we see any unhealthy favouritism? Are there people being forgotten, ignored or made to feel unwelcome? Are there voices not being heard? Are there people being discouraged from sharing their gifts and talents, or from becoming involved? Are people's contributions being devalued? Hopefully, such things are not happening; however, it's important for us all to 'keep our eyes and ears open'.

*(Source: www.majellan.media Fr David J Hore CSsR)*

**SAFEGUARDING SUNDAY - EVERY CONVERSATION MATTERS**

This weekend, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Safeguarding Sunday, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. Rebuilding trust and confidence in the Church requires constant work and vigilance. We recommit to cultural change that will help the Church be a place that respects the dignity of all children and adults at risk, and empowers and listens to all people, especially those who are vulnerable. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at: <https://www.catholic.au/s/article/Safeguarding-Sunday-2024>

**PRIESTS WELFARE FOUNDATION "FATHER'S DAY APPEAL"**

All priests of the Diocese wish to thank those who contributed most generously to the annual Priests' Welfare Foundation "Father's Day" Appeal. Your donation is gratefully appreciated. **Donations can be made at any time** using the Donation Envelopes at the back of the Church and placing these in the collection basket or sending them directly to the Foundation. Receipts for claiming Tax Deductions will be forwarded to your nominated address as soon as possible. **(There will also be a retiring collection this weekend to make it easier for you.)**

**SEASON OF CREATION CONVOCATION**

**12-14 September - Wonder, Weave, Heal.** Join us during the Season of Creation as we spend time together, learning and sharing how we can all care for creation. Online and in-person options. Go to: [www.caritas.org.au/soc-convocation](http://www.caritas.org.au/soc-convocation) The Holy Father calls us, with the assistance of the Holy Spirit, to seek to live **"a life that becomes a song of love for God, for humanity, with and for creation, and that finds its fullness in holiness."**

**TUESDAY CRAFT GROUP**

The Parish Craft Group is holding a Christmas Craft Stall and Morning Tea after the 9am Mass on Sunday, **December 1**. We would love to have donations of goods to sell as this is the only fundraiser for the parish this year. If you are able to help please contact Fran Smith 0428220822 or Julie McKenzie 0429976602. It was so much fun the last time!

**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**

***We acknowledge the Wadandi people of the Noongar nation as the traditional custodians of this land on which we gather. We recognise their continuing connection to the land and waters, and thank them for protecting this coastline and its ecosystems since time immemorial. We pay our respects to Elders past, present and emerging, and extend that respect to all First Nations people who might be present today.***

**NEW TO THE PARISH?**

Please introduce yourself to Father and our greeters. They will be able to give you our Parish **Census Form**, and **'Welcome Booklet'** which will help you to know what is happening in and around the Parish. Please feel free to drop into the Parish Office on Kent Street (next to St Joseph's Church) when next you pass by. Trish, the secretary, would love to meet you.

**SEPTEMBER INTENTION**

**For the Cry of the Earth:** Let us pray that each of us listens with our hearts to the cry of the Earth and of the victims of environmental disasters and the climate crisis, making a personal commitment to care for the world we inhabit.

**GENTLE REMINDER**

**Please turn off your mobile phone.**

# YOU'VE BEEN INVITED! ARE YOU COMING? HAVE YOU REGISTERED?

## PARISH MISSION "RENEWED IN THE SPIRIT"

Join us for an inspiring journey of faith taking place from this Wednesday, **September 11<sup>th</sup>** to Sunday, **September 15<sup>th</sup>**.

**Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup>:** Fr Rob Galea, an internationally acclaimed musician and Catholic priest, blends his deep faith with musical talent for an unforgettable experience at St Mary MacKillop College Gym 6pm start. **Free Registration** at [www.stickytickets.com.au/T5631](http://www.stickytickets.com.au/T5631) (or use the QR code on the poster at church or phone the Parish Office and we will register for you).

**Thursday, 12<sup>th</sup>:** Dr Carmel Suart, the Director of the Centre for Liturgy and the Office of Christian Initiation for the Archdiocese of Perth. Her main area of expertise is family catechesis, which has seen her provide support to bishops, priests, teachers, catechists, and families in nurturing the faith of children within the context of family life. Venue: Our Lady of the Bay, 6pm arrival. **Register** with Parish Office. *(I read where her great passion in life was to share her faith with others. Maybe we'll get some pointers.)*

**Friday, 13<sup>th</sup>:** **Movie Night - Father Stu: Reborn.** Follows the life of Fr Stuart Long, a boxer turned priest who inspired countless people during his journey from self-destruction to redemption. Our Lady of the Bay, 6pm start. **Register** with Parish Office. The kettle will be on. Bring a snack and sit down to immerse yourself in a great faith story. *(I saw the R rated version last year. It was really, really good.)*

**Saturday, 14<sup>th</sup>:** Parish Pilgrimage "The Desire to Desire". Come along to God's Farm for a day in Ignatian Retreat with Fr Archie Carampatan. Venue: God's Farm, Wilyabrup. 9am arrival. Bus leaves from OLB at 8.30am. BYO Picnic Lunch. **Register** with Parish Office.

**Sunday, 15<sup>th</sup>:** **Parish Showcase** of the various ministries and groups in our parish following the 9am Mass at Our Lady of the Bay. Enjoy a sausage sizzle while you discover new ways of getting involved and connecting with our parish community.

**"Be renewed in the spirit of your minds, and put on the new nature, created after the likeness of God."** (Ephesians 4:23-24)

## PRAYER FOR A NEW BISHOP

*Faithful God,  
You guide your people and raise up  
leaders in every generation.  
We seek the person you are calling  
to be Bishop of Bunbury.  
By your Spirit,  
give to those involved in the  
appointment good counsel,  
holy insight and sound judgement.  
Keep the person you are calling  
under the shadow of your wing,  
and teach us all  
to trust in the guidance,  
which is yours alone,  
through Jesus Christ our Lord.  
Amen*

## CAN YOU BE JESUS' HANDS?

**"The Lord won't ask us, 'What did you study?' 'How many degrees do you have?' 'How many works did you accomplish?' No, no. The Lord will say, 'Come with me because I was hungry and you gave me to eat; I was thirsty and you gave me to drink; I was persecuted and you protected me.'"**  
*Pope Francis*

Perhaps while shopping, you might consider purchasing one or two items extra for both **St. Vincent de Paul** (baskets are in the church) and our **Community Food Pantry** (leave them in the unpowered fridge situated between the parish office and garages) Both are in dire need of non-perishable items to help those residing in our Community who are in need.

### Prayers For The Sick

Damien Philp;  
Clare Freeman;  
Shane Williams;  
Judi Wilder;  
Bruce Stronach



### Memorial Anniversary

1996: Guiseppe Codispoti  
2007: James Kelly  
2012: Tina Piggott  
2016: Brad Hallyburton  
2018: Audrey Woods  
2022: Wally Murphy



### Church Collections

*(Weekend 31 August/1 September)*

**Envelopes: \$ 987.20**  
**Loose: \$ 1,316.60**

Please make all cheques out to 'Busselton Catholic Parish'. **Direct Deposits:** Please quote your surname and envelope number to the Parish Account: **BSB: 086-006 ACC: 846789113**

## WEEKEND ROSTER FOR 14/15 SEPTEMBER

### Saturday 6pm

**Acolyte:** Murray  
**Greeters:** Di, Lorraine  
**Commentator:** Sue  
**Readers:** Angela, George  
**Musician:** Carmelina  
**Projectionist:** Carla  
**EMHC:** -  
**Cleaning:** Rosary Group  
**Laundry:** Di

### Sunday 9am

**Acolyte:** Joe  
**Greeters:** Kaye C, Peter  
**Commentator:** Maria P  
**Readers:** Barb, Pat T  
**Musician:** John G  
**Projectionist:** Peta  
**Recorded Music:** -  
**EMHC:** Eve  
**Sacristan:** Julie  
**Children's Liturgy:** Jo

### Sunday 6pm

**Acolyte:** Frank  
**Greeters:** Joan  
**Commentator:** Joan  
**Readers:** Jency, Evangeline  
**Projectionist:** Sijo  
**Recorded Music:** Robyn

**Could all ministers please contact the office with dates they can/cannot help with to the end of October? Thank you!**

**ALL ARE WELCOME!**

***Divine Mercy***

First Sundays: 8.45am Our Lady of the Bay Church

***Rosary Group***

Monday, 10am: St. Joseph's

***Legion of Mary***

Tuesday, 9.30am Ned Kenny Centre

***Pilgrim Statue***

Escorted to a Parishioner's home. To schedule a visit call Loly 0411 080 141

***Craft & Coffee Group***

Tuesday, 1-4pm Ned Kenny Centre

***Meditation***

Wednesday, 10am Ned Kenny Centre

***Eucharistic Adoration***

Thursday, 8am-5pm: St Joseph's Church

***Catholic Women's League***

2nd Friday of the month after the 12 noon Mass. Ned Kenny Centre

***Catenian Koffee Klub***

Meets the 4th Sunday of each month at 11.30am at 'The Esplanade' for coffee and/or a meal.

**CONTAINERS FOR CHANGE**

There are several options if you wish to donate the proceeds from your eligible bottles and cans (**showing the 10c refund logo**) to the Parish.

- **Take them to the Wright Street Depot and quote the identification Code C10344169.**
- **Bring the cleaned bottles and cans into the Parish Office.**
- **PLEASE NOTE the Rendezvous Road Waste Facility is no longer taking them..**

Many thanks to those getting behind this Parish Fundraising initiative.

**ST MARY MACKILLOP COLLEGE - BUSSELTON**

St Mary MacKillop College is a Three-Year-Old to Year Twelve co-educational school providing a quality Catholic education. SMMC is a low fee school with generous reductions for family enrolments, Health Card Holders, or any family regardless of income wishing their child to attend our College. For further information, please contact the **College Office** on **9752 7400 Website:** mackillop.wa.edu.au **Email:** enrolments@mackillop.wa.edu.au

**ABSENT FROM THE TABLE**

A research project is being conducted to understand why Catholics may not attend Mass regularly. This project aims to reach a greater understanding into why Catholics may not attend Mass and help us to better respond to contemporary religious practices and beliefs. If you or someone you know identifies as Catholic but does not attend Mass regularly (defined as weekly attendance at a Sunday Mass) you are invited to complete this survey found here: <https://bit.ly/AbsentFromTheTableSurvey> This project is an initiative of the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference and is being undertaken by the National Center of Pastoral Research. More information can be found by following the link above. Your time and responses will provide valuable insights for us.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND**

This very special retreat for couples has tentatively been set for 30 November-1st December. The weekend will give couples an opportunity for a very special and intimate time together. This is a time for couples in normal relationships; it's not for saints or for nearly failed marriages. There is no age limit. You will enjoy learning and practicing new life-changing communication techniques. For more information, please contact Brendon or Valerie on 0493 534 865, Email: [WAbookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:WAbookings@wwme.org.au). We are hoping to have 6 couples for the weekend encounter to proceed.

**DAY OF PRAYER & DISCERNMENT - FUTURE OF THE DIOCESAN SUMMER CAMP**

Over the last 13 years our annual Summer Camp has been providing an amazing faith experience for our young people in the Diocese of Bunbury. It has made a difference in so many people's lives. It's also required a 'superhuman' effort from our volunteers and leaders. Unfortunately, this 'superhuman' effort has become increasingly unsustainable over the last few years. We must now decide on its future. On **21 September, 2024** we invite all participants, leaders, volunteers, parents, clergy, and supporters both past and present, for a day of Prayer, Reflection and Discernment for the future of our Camp. **Venue:** Our Lady of the Bay Community Center **Time:** 10am – 4pm and will be facilitated by Fr. Archie Carampatan. Accommodation will be available for those over the age of 18. Food will be provided and we ask for a nominal \$15 to cover costs. Please register for the day here: [Summer Camp Prayer and Discernment Day - Catholic Diocese of Bunbury | Brushfire](#)

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Sacristan

**SPIRITUAL LIFE**

Legion of Mary  
Rosary Group

**FAITH FORMATION LIFE**

Catenians  
Catholic Women's League  
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RCIC  
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Christian Meditation

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