

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER (7th April)

First Reading Acts 4:32-35

The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common.

The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power, and they were all given great respect.

None of their members was ever in want, as all those who owned land or houses would sell them, and bring the money from them, to present it to the apostles; it was then distributed to any members who might be in need.

Responsorial Psalm:

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Second Reading 1 Jn 5:1-6

Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God; and whoever loves the Father that begot him loves the child whom he begets. We can be sure that we love God's children if we love God himself and do what he has commanded us; this is what loving God is - keeping his commandments; and his commandments are not difficult, because anyone who has been begotten by God has already overcome the world; this is the victory over the world - our faith. Who can overcome the world? Only the man who believes that Jesus is the Son of God; Jesus Christ who came by water and blood, not with water only, but with water and blood; with the Spirit as another witness—since the Spirit is the truth.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe! *Alleluia!*!

Gospel Jn 20:19-31

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.' Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord,' he answered, 'Unless I see the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you,' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

PARISH MASSES & DEVOTIONS 8 April - 14 April

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

REFLECTION

Believing is seeing. We are taught it's the other way around: seeing is supposed to be believing. But we see a lot of things we don't believe. We see how old we are in the mirror and pretend the truth away with hair colour and makeup. We see injustices and rationalise them into sounding all right. We live as in George Orwell's classic novel 1984, in which the news is rewritten daily to conform to the preferences of the powerful. "Facts" are more fluid than we care to admit. Many are convinced, not by us what but what makes all comfortable. they see. by So it seems the reverse is true: believing is seeing. Our beliefs tell us how to see. They tell us what to look for. Faith gives us eyes to see what others may be blind to. The worldly view is cynical: things are bad and getting worse, and not much can be done. But through believing, we see the Kingdom coming, arriving as an invitation to grace in every hour. Believers have hope, which heals the past and invents the future. That's why, though we have not literally seen Jesus, we can believe in him, and in believing, we can truly see. (Source: GPBS eNews)

Thomas represents future generations of Christians who are called to believe on the testimony of others. At the Last Supper, in his prayer to the father, Jesus already had them in mind: 'I pray not only for these, but for those also who through their words will believe in me. May they be one. Father, may the be one in us, as you are in me and I am in you' (John 17:20-21). As profound as Thomas' confession was after he came to believe, the faith of those who do not enjoy the kind of experience he and the other disciples had is more remarkable. Peter speaks so beautifully of this faith: 'You did not see him, yet you love him, and still without seeing him, you are already filled with a joy so glorious that it cannot be described, because you believe; and you are sure of the end to which your faith looks forward, that is, the salvation of your souls' (1 Peter 1:8-9) (Source: God's Word 2024)

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

In the Jubilee Year 2000, Pope John Paul II established at the Mass for the Canonisation of St. Faustina Kowalska, the Second Sunday of Easter as Divine Mercy Sunday. St. Faustina received visions from Jesus, including one of Jesus wearing a white garment with beams of red and white coming from His heart, which came to be known as the image of Divine Mercy. Divine Mercy Sunday focuses on the gift of mercy and love given through Christ's death, burial, and resurrection. As Pope John Paul II stated, "Divine Mercy reaches human beings through the heart of Christ crucified." You are invited to join Fr Nathan for Holy Hour in St. Joseph's Church this Sunday (7th April) at 3pm. The hour of the Lord Jesus' death, 3pm, is a privileged time as regards the devotion to the Divine Mercy. After the Exposition, the Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed. Reconciliation will take place before the Benediction.

MEN'S BREAKFAST

Come, eat and have a chat with other 'Holy Romans on **Thursday, 11 Apri**l, at 8.30am @ 'The Good Egg Café' on Albert Street.

CATHOLIC WOMEN'S LEAGUE

Meeting next Friday 12 April following the 12 noon Mass. Our Guest Speaker will speak on "Demystifying Aged Care" a topic which will provide information for those considering a "move" and/or are in need of care and support, and also for family and friends who may wish to know more. All welcome.



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ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY

acknowledge the Wadandi people the Noongar nation 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.

APRIL INTENTION

For The Role Of Women:

Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognised in every culture, and for an end to the discrimination they face in various parts of the world.

GENTLE REMINDER

Please turn off your mobile phone.

THE SEASON OF EASTER

Eastertide, also known as the Easter season, focuses on celebrating the Resurrection of Jesus Christ. The fifty days from Easter Sunday to Pentecost are celebrated in joyful exultation as one feast day, or better as one "great Sunday". These above all others are the days for the singing of the Alleluia. (General Norms for the Liturgical Year and Calendar, #22) We see white raiment and cloths and the Paschal Candle is placed in a prominent position. This Easter candle represents the Risen Christ who is the Light of the World. All through this season we are dismissed with 'alleluia' (Praise God).

Now therefore, brethren, we urge you to praise God. That is what we are all telling each other when we say Alleluia. You say to your neighbour. "Praise the Lord!" and he says the same to you. We are all urging one another to praise the Lord, and all thereby doing what each of us urges the other to do. But see that your praise comes from your whole being; in other words, see that you praise God not with your lips and voices alone, but with your (St. Augustine) minds, your lives and all your actions.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

Donations of dry goods to stock up the SVDP pantry would be greatly appreciated. Baskets are in the churches, with a list of suggested items nearby. A financial donation could also be made to the Treasurer, Peter Etherington or to the President, Maria Parkinson or simply handed in along with your normal weekend collection. Envelopes are available from the back of the church. Many, many thanks for your continued support.

HOLY LAND COLLECTION & PROJECT COMPASSION

Thank you to all who have supported the Good Friday Holy Land Collection and Project Compassion 2024. If you have any envelopes you wish to bring in, please do so by next weekend so totals can be sent to the relevant bodies.

MAY ROSARY CELEBRATION IN HONOUR OF OUR LADY

Sunday, 5 May at Queen of the Holy Rosary Shrine, Bove's Farm, Roy Road, Jindong, Busselton. Hymn singing commences at 12.30pm. Holy Concelebrated Mass led by Fr Archie Carampatan commences at 1pm. Rosary Procession and Benediction following Mass. ALL WELCOME! Note: Roy Road runs off the Bussell Highway, approximately halfway between Vasse and Margaret River.

Prayers For The Sick



Memorial Anniversary

2013: Eileen Lightowlers

2016: Vincent Triglia

2023: Doris Byrne



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

THANK YOU, THANK YOU, THANK YOU

Thank you to all who helped during our Easter Services: Greeters, readers. commentators, narrators, ushers, collectors, laptop operators, offertory bearers, musicians, conductors, choir, acolytes, deacons, EMHC's, and those who stripped the altar, dressed the altar, readied the bowls and water for the washing of the feet, set up the altar of repose, organised the Easter Fire, lit our candles and put out chairs, you all helped make our services memorable. Many, many prayers and thanks to our beloved Priests who guided us along the way and to all who came and joined our and celebrations. commemorations (There might have been a bit of channelling Fr Jaybee there, do you think?)

Church Collections

(Weekend 30/31 March)

Envelopes: \$ 1,065.00 Loose: \$ 1,517.90

Holy Land Collection: \$1488.25

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 13/14 APRIL

Saturday 6pm

Acolyte: Tim Greeters: Di, Lily Commentator: Mary Readers: Sue, George Musician: Carmelina **Projectionist:** Trish EMHC:

Cleaning: Yvonne, Noreen

Laundry: Di Sunday 9am

Acolyte: Terry **Greeters:** Peter, Aileen Commentator: Maria

Patricia, Kaye C Readers:

Musician: John G **Projectionist:** Veronica

Recorded Music:

EMHC: Kaye M Sacristan: Helen Children's Liturgy:

Sunday 6pm

Acolyte: Frank **Greeters:** Joan, Roz Commentator: Joan Readers: Mona, Jo **Projectionist:** Nola Recorded Music: Robyn

EMHC:

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

Resuming Thursday, 8 February

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 in Busselton and the surrounding Capes region. Would your son or daughter benefit from the St Mary MacKillop experience?

- St Mary MacKillop College 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. You may be surprised at how affordable our fees are!
- There are only a set number of places per year group. Once these places have been allocated, further enrolments will be placed on a waiting list. St Mary MacKillop Year 6 students receive priority for entry into Year 7 along with students from St Thomas More Primary School (Margaret River) and Our Lady of the Cape Primary School (Dunsborough).
- Families are to be supportive of the Catholic ethos; it is not essential to be Catholic.
- A tour of the College campus can be arranged during the week.

For further information, please contact the College Office on 9752 4000

Website: mackillop.wa.edu.au Email: enrolments@mackillop.wa.edu.au

CARITAS TAGALONG '24

Bunbury Diocese Caritas, Project Compassion Tagalong – South Australia and the two Peninsulas (Eyre and Yorke). In this our fourth Caritas Tagalong, we are journeying across the Nullarbor to South Australia, to enjoy the wonderful surroundings of the Eyre and Yorke peninsulas. Due to the additional distances we have stretched the duration from two weeks to three weeks. The entry fee remains the same, at \$500.00 per vehicle (payable to Caritas and deductible). The journey begins in Norseman on **April 19th**, and finishes in Port Wakefield on May 10th. Due to some unanticipated health issues, a few of our "regulars" have had to withdraw from this year's trip. So, three vacancies have arisen for anyone wishing to join our happy throng. If you feel inclined to hitch up the caravan and enjoy a guided and escorted tour of these South Australian beauty spots, please phone Peter Williams on 0428 954 224.

THE KNIGHTS OF THE SOUTHERN CROSS

Resuming the annual Gala Dinners on **Friday, 3 May.** Venue: St. Patrick's Cathedral Parish Hall with guest speaker, UNDA Vice-Chancellor, Professor Francis Campbell, who will address the gathering about the challenges facing Catholic families in passing on the Faith in an increasingly secularised society. Dinner prices: Single \$65, Couple \$120 and a Table of Eight \$420. Dinner includes a three-course meal, two bottles of wine or soft drink per table and coffee and tea available self-serve. For catering purposes please register and make payment at https://go.kscwa.au/bunbury-gala-dinner-3May2024 Contact: Laurie Sutherland for further information on 0488 966 400.

NED KENNY CENTRE

The Ned Kenny Centre will be closed to everyone during the week of 22 April—26 April, to allow for roof repairs to be completed.

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