

St. Joseph Catholic Parish of Busselton

Our Lady of the Bay Church, off College Avenue, West Busselton

St. Joseph's Church, Kent Street, Busselton

Vision: Growing in faith, inclusivity & outreach through openness.

Mission: To be a welcoming & loving community; journeying together; proclaiming the Gospel of Jesus Christ through words & deeds; nourished by the Holy Eucharist; discipleship is formed for the service of all.

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (27 SEPTEMBER 2026)

First Reading

Ezekiel 18:25-28

A reading from the prophet Ezekiel

The sinner who decides to turn against sinfulness deserves to live.

The word of the Lord was addressed to me as follows: 'You object, "What the Lord does is unjust." Listen, you House of Israel: is what I do unjust? Is it not what you do that is unjust? When the upright man renounces his integrity to commit sin and dies because of this, he dies because of the evil that he himself has committed. When the sinner renounces sin to become law-abiding and honest, he deserves to live. He has chosen to renounce all his previous sins; he shall certainly live; he shall not die.'

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm

Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Second Reading

Philippians 2:1-11

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians

In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus.

If our life in Christ means anything to you, if love can persuade at all, or the Spirit that we have in common, or any tenderness and sympathy, then be united in your convictions and united in your love, with a common purpose and a common mind. That is the one thing which would make me completely happy. There must be no competition among you, no conceit; but everybody is to be self-effacing. Always consider the other person to be better than yourself, so that nobody thinks of his own interests first but everybody thinks of other people's interests instead. In your minds you must be the same as Christ Jesus:

His state was divine,
yet he did not cling
to his equality with God
but emptied himself
to assume the condition of a slave,
and became as men are;
and being as all men are,
he was humbler yet,
even to accepting death,
death on a cross.
But God raised him high
and gave him the name
which is above all other names
so that all beings
in the heavens, on earth and in the underworld,
should bend the knee at the name of Jesus

and that every tongue should acclaim

Jesus Christ as Lord,

to the glory of God the Father.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;

I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia!

Gospel

Matthew 21:28-32

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

He went out moved by regret. The tax collectors and prostitutes will precede you into the kingdom of God.

Jesus said to the chief priests and the elders of the people, 'What is your opinion? A man had two sons. He went and said to the first, "My boy, you go and work in the vineyard today." He answered, "I will not go", but afterwards thought better of it and went. The man then went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "Certainly, sir", but did not go. Which of the two did the father's will?' 'The first' they said. Jesus said to them, 'I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. For John came to you, a pattern of true righteousness, but you did not believe him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe in him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Next Week's Readings

Isaiah 5:1-7 | Philippians 4:6-9 | Matthew 21:33-43



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Parish Mass & Devotion

Monday	28 Sept	10:00 AM	Rosary Cenacle	St. Joseph's
Tuesday	29 Sept	9:00 AM	Mass	St. Joseph's
Wednesday	30 Sept	9:00 AM	Mass	St. Joseph's
Thursday	1 Oct	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM	Adoration	St. Joseph's
		5:00 PM	Mass	St. Joseph's
Friday	2 Oct	11:00 AM	Holy Hour	St. Joseph's
		11:30	Reconciliation	St. Joseph's
		12:00 NN	Mass	St. Joseph's
Saturday	3 Oct	5:30 PM	Reconciliation	St. Joseph's
		6:00 PM	Mass	St. Joseph's
Sunday	4 Oct	8:30 AM	Reconciliation	Our Lady of the Bay
		9:00 AM	Mass	Our Lady of the Bay
		5:30 PM	Reconciliation	Our Lady of the Bay
		6:00 PM	Mass	Our Lady of the Bay

Reflection:

Having the ability to reflect on our decisions and change our minds is not a bad thing, especially if it helps us align with the will of God. Are we humble enough to acknowledge a mistake and make a change? Jesus addressed his message to the chief priests and the elders of the people, some of whom were proud and could not understand the essence of the law. It was for the reason that Jesus told them that sinners would enter into the kingdom of God before them. Why? Because sinners were the ones who were able to self-reflect, regret what they had done, and change their behaviour, making room for God in their hearts. Therefore, it is not a sign of weakness to acknowledge our mistakes. Rather, in the eyes of God, it is a sign of humility. Lord, help us humble ourselves today and make the necessary changes to align ourselves with your values.

~God's Words Daily Reflection2026

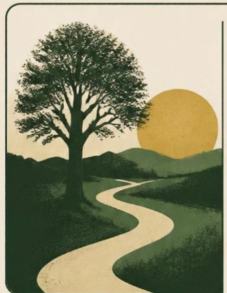
Laudato Si, Season of Creation, Fossil Fuel Treaty

In Laudato Si', Pope Francis reminds us that "everything is connected." Fossil fuel dependence, environmental destruction, and human suffering are part of the same broken system.

The Fossil Fuel Treaty closely aligns with Catholic Social Teaching by promoting:

- ✓ Care for creation
- ✓ The dignity of every person
- ✓ Solidarity with the poor and vulnerable
- ✓ Responsibility toward future generations

Supporting the Treaty is one way to live out these values in today's climate reality.



As we approach the end of the Season of Creation, which finishes on the Feast of St Francis 4th October, we call on members of our Catholic communities to support the call of Laudato Si and sign the Treaty, copies of which are available in the foyer. The purpose of the Treaty is to:

“Support a global call from people of faith for an end to fossil fuel expansion, a fair and planned transition away from fossil fuels, support for workers and communities through a just transition, and solidarity with communities already experiencing climate impacts.”

SIGN THE TREATY
COPIES OF WHICH ARE AVAILABLE IN THE FOYER.

Bunbury Diocesan Social Justice Committee

Baptism

We joyfully welcome our newly baptised children into our parish family. May God bless them and their families as they grow in faith and love.

Gabriel Elodie Mojica

Welcome to our
Catholic family!



Our prayers and
thoughts for all the
families of:

Meg Helyar

who passed away last
week.

Eternal rest grant unto them
Lord. May your perpetual
light shine upon them. Amen



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Protecting Children and Vulnerable Adults
in the Catholic Church

Safeguarding Prayer

Gracious God

Help us to learn from Jesus.

How to love, nurture and keep our
children and vulnerable adults
safe in a welcoming and
empowering environment.

Help us to seek healing for those
who have been harmed and pray
for justice for all.

Keep us active in your service to
safeguard our children and
vulnerable brothers and sisters in
communities that are connected
in faith.

St Joseph, Protector of the Church,
Pray for us
Holy Mary, Mother of God, Pray
for us
Amen

Safeguarding Commitment

We hold zero-tolerance to all
forms of abuse to ensure the
safety and protection of children
and vulnerable people.

Grounded in our faith, we are
committed to safeguarding
everyone involved in our
activities, ministries and services,
and to upholding the highest
moral, legal and ethical standard
in creating a community where
harm is neither ignored nor
tolerated

~The Most Reverend George
Kolodziej SDS DD~
Bishop of Bunbury

POPE LEO'S INTENTIONS FOR 2026

September: For the care of water

Let us pray for a just and sustainable management of water, a vital resource, so that everyone may have equal access to it.

Fr. Jess will be away from 29th September and be back on the 15th of October for his remaining annual holiday. Fr. Jay is looking after the parish for all liturgical masses/celebration.

Morning Tea

We invite everyone for a morning tea on first Sunday of October (4th October) after the 9am mass, hosted by Acolytes, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Sacristans.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL BUSSELTON CALLS FOR YOUR SUPPORT

With grateful thanks to the Winter Appeal at St Mary MacKillop college our cans supply has almost seen us through the winter months. **BUT**, the following items are in short supply ... **1ltr UHT milk, packets of pasta, breakfast cereals, rice, sweet and savoury biscuits, cans of fruit, baked beans and spaghetti, pasta sauce.** Please help fill the baskets in the entry to both our churches or consider a monetary donation – envelopes may be placed in the collection baskets at weekend Masses.

VOLUNTEERS are welcomed to join our wonderful group of conference members. Welfare is open 3 days a week from 10am to12noon and depending on availability, members are rostered 2 - 3 times a month. If you would like to share in this amazing mission please contact President Maria Parkinson (phone 0428 771140 or email maria.parkinson14548@gmail.com).

JOSEPHITE COMPANION GATHERING

Everyone is invited to join the Josephite Companions in Friendship, Prayer and Service. “Preparing an Advanced Care Plan & Enduring Power of Attorney”

Guest Speakers: Martin Hynes (Martin Hynes Lawyers)
Heather Wade (Southwest Compassionate Communities)

Place: Parish Hall Cathedral Precinct, 11 Money St, Bunbury

Date: 7 October **Time:** 9.30am for a 9.45am start

Bring a friend and a plate of food for a shared meal.

Response to this invitation would assist with organisation on the day.
H. Brown 0478 783 990 or helenbrown.hb@gmail.com

October – Month of the Holy Rosary

October is traditionally dedicated to the Holy Rosary. Throughout the month, we will begin all weekday and weekend Masses with the Rosary. We invite everyone to come a little earlier and join us in prayer as we reflect on the life of Jesus through the eyes of Mary.

We need volunteers to lead the rosary during the weekday masses to start 30 mins before the mass.

Feast of St Francis of Assisi—Blessing of Pets

Join us as we celebrate the Feast of St Francis of Assisi on Saturday, 3 October at 10:00am at Our Lady of the Bay Church. Bring along your beloved pets for a special blessing! Everyone is welcome. Morning tea will be provided after the celebration.

NATIONWIDE PUBLIC ROSARY 2026

Saturday, 10 October 2026 – 1.30pm

Our Lady Queen of the Holy Rosary Shrine – Bove Farm, Roy Rd North Jindong.

The afternoon will be led by the CFC Handmaids of the Lord – Southwest and will include:

Holy Rosary, Holy Hour, Act of Consecration, Agape & afternoon tea. Bring along your family, friends and neighbours — everyone is welcome! Please bring a plate to share. Coffee and tea will be provided. For more information: Regie – 0402 802 213 Maria – 0474 974 784 *Please note: There will be no Sunday Cenacle on 4 October. Instead, we will gather on Saturday, 10 October for the Nationwide Public Rosary, initiated by Australia Needs Fatima.*

World Mission Month Begins Next Week

October is World Mission Month, a time for Catholics around the world to unite in prayer, faith and generosity in support of mission. This year marks 100 years of World Mission Sunday, celebrated on Sunday, 18 October.

The 2026 theme is “*One in Christ, united in mission*”, inviting us to walk together in faith and bring hope, compassion and the Good News to others. World Mission Sunday – 18 October 2026
For more information, visit www.catholicmission.org

Church Collections

(Weekend 14 September ~ 20 September)

Envelopes: \$ 605.00

Loose: \$ 1533.50

EFT Machine: \$ 275.00

Direct Debit: \$ 305.00

Containers for change \$ 32.00

Tap and pay machines are now located in the foyers of both churches for the convenience of parishioners and visitors. Direct Deposits can be made to our account: Busselton Catholic Parish, quoting your surname and/or envelope number: BSB: 086-006

Prayers For The Sick

Melissa “Molly” Marshall

Shane Williams

Lorraine Wielgomasz

Sr Eileen Johnson

Fr Hugh Galloway

Bob Tebbit

Zelma Thomson

Fr Roy Pereira



Memorial Anniversary

2014: Hilary Jackson

2016: Ann Crane

2018: Peter Jennings

2019: Heidi Petrik

2021: Deacon Dick Scallan

2021: Sr. Margaret Keane, SJ

2024: Joyce Sludak



WEEKEND ROSTER

3 & 4 October

Saturday - 6:00pm Mass	
Acolyte	Murray
Greeters	Di, Lily
Commentator	Angela H
First Reading	Louise
Second Reading	Rosemary
Laptop	Carla
Music	John AW
Altar Servers	Raziel & Charlotte
Cleaners	Yvonne & Noreen

Sunday - 9:00am Mass	
Acolyte	Jack R.
Greeters	Aileen & Pat Oreo
Commentator	Barb P.
First Reading	Pat T.
Second Reading	Loly S.
Laptop	Veronica
Music	John G
EMHC	Maria P, Julie M, Jess K, Kaye C
Sacristan	Julie
Altar Servers	Leon, Olivia, Isaiah
Children's Liturgy	

Sunday - 6:00pm Mass	
Acolyte	Frank N
Greeters	Joan
Commentator	Robyn
First Reading	Volunteer
Second Reading	Roger
Laptop	Nola
Music	Jo
Altar Server	Andriana, Dominic,

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

Every Wednesday 10am at 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

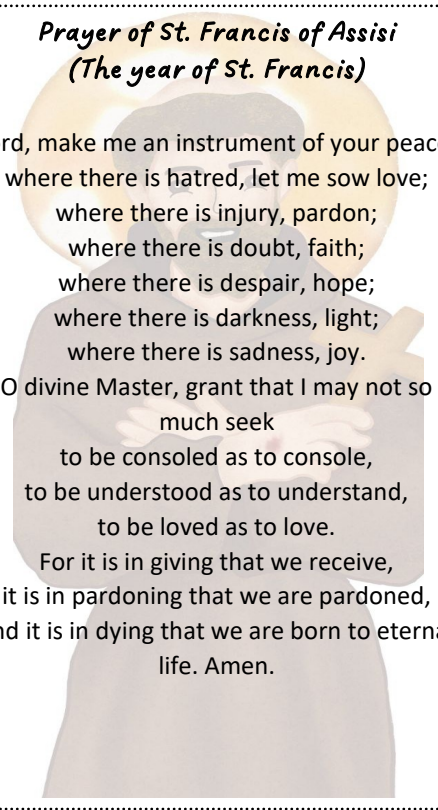
Meets the **4th Sunday** of each month at 11.30am at 'The Esplanade' for coffee and/or a meal.

Prayer for Peace in the Middle East

Lord Jesus Christ,
The Holy Land is once again struck by violence, hatred, and death. Lord, look with mercy upon the land that was your earthly home.
Receive the deceased into your presence. Comfort those who mourn, are wounded, or forced to flee. Be close to all who are full of fear and despair. You are our peace and the light of the nations, put an end to the spiral of terror and suffering in the Holy Land and in the whole Middle East.
Let peace and justice flourish at the holy sites. You are our refuge. Let the people be safe in your Love.
Have mercy on us and on our time.
Amen.

Prayer of St. Francis of Assisi (The year of St. Francis)

Lord, make me an instrument of your peace:
where there is hatred, let me sow love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith;
where there is despair, hope;
where there is darkness, light;
where there is sadness, joy.
O divine Master, grant that I may not so much seek
to be consoled as to console,
to be understood as to understand,
to be loved as to love.
For it is in giving that we receive,
it is in pardoning that we are pardoned,
and it is in dying that we are born to eternal life. Amen.



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. BOTTLE TOPS OFF and please leave the labels on.** (They will not accept them otherwise.)

Many thanks to those getting behind this Parish Fundraising initiative.



Joeys Playgroup welcomes parents, carers and little ones for a morning of play, friendship and community. Join us every Tuesday during school term, 9.30am-11.30am at OLB Hall. New families are welcome—come along for a free trial!

For more information, email busseltonjoeysgroup@live.com.au or find us on Facebook: Busselton Joeys Playgroup.

FOR A SYNODAL CHURCH: COMMUNION, PARTICIPATION, MISSION

Snippet from the Final Document: Part III -

Synodality and Participatory Bodies

108. The Assembly proposes that the diocesan Synod and eparchial Assembly be more highly valued as bodies for regular consultation between the Bishop and the portion of the People of God entrusted to him. This should be the place for listening, prayer and discernment, particularly when it comes to choices pertaining to the life and mission of a local Church. Moreover, the diocesan Synod may provide scope for the exercise of accountability and evaluation whereby the Bishop gives an account of pastoral activity in various areas: the implementation of a diocesan pastoral plan, reception of the synodal processes of the entire Church, initiatives in safeguarding and the administration of finances and temporal goods. It is, therefore, necessary to strengthen the existing canonical provisions in order to better reflect the missionary synodal character of each local Church, making provision that these bodies meet on a regular, and not rare or infrequent, basis.

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