

## OUR PARISH & SCHOOL COMMUNITY

**Geordie Thuijs** - Principal, St Bernadette's School 9593 4066  
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### PARISH HOUSE AND MEETING ROOM

56 Benbecula Loop

**PORT KENNEDY WA 6172**

**Tel:** 9593 4670

**Email:** port.kennedy@perthcatholic.org.au

**Web:** www.st-bernadettes.com

### MASS TIMES

Saturday: **6.00pm**

Sunday: **7.30am; 9.00am**

### RECONCILIATION (Confession)

Saturday: **5.15pm—5.45pm** (prior to Mass)

Also available on request.

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tues: **6.00pm**

Wed - Fri: **9.00am**

### ROSARY

**Each weekday Mass:** 25mins prior to Mass

**Monday afternoon:** 3.20pm (during School Term)

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED

#### SACRAMENT

Tuesday: **4.45-5.45pm**

Sunday: **6.15-7am**

### PRAY FOR PRIESTS

Friday morning: **7.30am**

### CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY

**Each Friday:** after 9.00am Mass

### CATECHISM CLASSES

Contacts: Fr. Francis 9593 4670

Angela Bregger 0412 507 505

### RCIA CLASSES

Are you interested in becoming Catholic?

For Enquiries, please contact: Fr Francis or Lucia Allison at our Parish Office: 9593 4670 (during Office hours) or email.

### PRESBYTERY SCRIPTURE AND

#### MEDITATION GROUP

Meets every **Monday 9am-12pm** at the Parish Meeting Room. Spend some time in contemplative prayer. Enq: Angela Bregger 0412 507 505

### BETHANIE NURSING HOME

Holy Communion **every Wednesday.**

### ROSTERS FOR 24/25 April

#### 6.00PM

**Acolytes:** Wayne Payton; Tony Brandt

**Readers:** John Quilty, Lyn Quilty

**Prayers of the Faithful:** Lyn Quilty

#### Music:

#### 7.30AM

**Acolytes:** Claude Coutinho, Ken Hannaby

**Readers:** Mary Burns, Bob O'Neil

**Prayers of the Faithful:** Bob O'Neil

#### 9.00AM

**Acolytes:** David Browne; Claude Coutinho

**Readers:** Valerie Hilton, Tony Brandt

**Prayers of the Faithful:** Isaac Hilton

**Music:** St Bernadette's Church Choir

### CHURCH CLEANERS

**Simeti Family**

**SINCERE THANKS TO ALL WHO SERVE**

### SILVER COIN DONATION

**Collection**            **\$ NIL**

**Total to date:**        **\$ 28,671.50**

### MAIL CORRESPONDENCE

56 Benbecula Loop, Port Kennedy 6172  
or to our email address.

### PLANNED GIVING FOR CHURCH LOAN

If you would like to contribute or be a part of the Parish planned giving, the Parish has **Planned Giving Envelopes** and **Direct Debit** forms available in our Church foyer.

If you would like to make set up the Direct Debit through your bank or a **ONE-OFF DONATION** please send to:

**Port Kennedy Parish**  
**BSB: 086 006**

**Account No: 665505492**

**Reference: (Your Name)**

**MANY THANKS TO ALL CONTRIBUTORS**

### FOR YOUR PRAYER CHAIR 25/04/21

**4th SUNDAY EASTER, Yr. B**

**Acts:**        **4:8-12**

**1 Jn:**        **3:1-2**

**John:**       **10:11-18**



## COMMUNIO - PORT KENNEDY



**Parish Priest: Fr Francis Nguyen** Mob: 0401 797 313 (for Emergencies)

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**3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR B    18/4/2021**

### OUR RESPONSES TODAY...

#### Entrance Antiphon

Cry out with joy to God, all the earth;

O sing to the glory of his name.

O render him glorious praise, alleluia.

#### Responsorial Psalm

Lord, let your face shine on us.

#### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

Lord Jesus, make your word plain to us:  
make our hearts burn with love when you speak.

Alleluia!

#### Communion Antiphon

The Christ had to suffer and on the third day rise from the dead; in his name repentance and remission of sins must be preached to all the nations, alleluia.

### THIS WEEK'S REFLECTION

#### COMMITTING TO A HIGHER POWER

I was recently re-watching the American political drama series, The West Wing. In one episode the White House chief of staff, Leo McGarry (played by John Spenser) who is a recovering alcoholic offers comfort to the deputy chief of staff, Josh Lyman (played by Bradley Whitford) during a period when Josh is suffering with PTSD.

McGarry tells Lyman this story: There was a guy who one day when walking along a footpath fell down an open manhole and

was trapped in a deep trench. Several people walked by and, despite his calls for help, none paid him any attention. Eventually a friend of his came along and, recognising his pal he called, 'Hey Harry! Can you give me a hand? I am stuck in this trench and can't get out!'

Harry immediately leaps down into the trench. His friend looks at him incredulously and sputters, 'Harry, what are you doing? Now we are both trapped!'

Harry turns to his friend and says, 'Hey! It's ok! I've been down here before, and I know the way out!'

The point of the story was that McGarry, as a recovering alcoholic, knew exactly what it was like to suffer mental anguish and hopelessness. As someone who had found a 'way out', he could offer Lyman empathy, support, and direction as Lyman tried to navigate his depression.

The potency of the Easter story is that Jesus has been there before us. He has suffered the worst that life can dish up; and has, not only found a way out, but has become our 'way out'. His death and resurrection are the guarantor that, as the Psalmist proclaimed, 'The Lord hears when I call out' (Ps 4:4).

The Easter story is neither a simple sop for broken hearts, nor an empty reassurance that God will rescue us from our troubles. As today's gospel demonstrates, Jesus was raised still bearing the wounds of his suffering. God did not spare Jesus the cross

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despite his 'agony in the garden.'

Similarly, the character of Leo McGarry in The West Wing was a 'recovering alcoholic.' He was not cured of his alcoholism. Through his participation in Alcoholics Anonymous, McGarry had committed his alcoholism to a 'higher Power' and, thereby, found the strength to 'not take the next drink'. But he also found the wisdom and charity to offer Josh Lyman the support he needed to begin the process of recovery from depression and hopelessness.

For us too, the story of the resurrection is one that can bring hope and encouragement; but by committing ourselves to the 'higher power' of the actual person of the resurrected Jesus, we can find the strength to begin a new journey of recovery – to find a way out. And more! In bringing our sufferings to Jesus, we also find the wisdom and the charity to empathise, support and lead others who need a 'way out' of the darkest trenches of the human condition.

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### FROM MY WINDOW WITH FR FRANCIS

On last Thursday I participated in a safeguarding training workshop for clergy. It was conducted by the staff of the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Office, Andrea Musulin and John Gillespie.

As you may be aware that the Archdiocese of Perth led the way in establishing the Safeguarding Office in 2013 and implementing child safety and protection programs, and providing training and valuable services to child safety and protection for the Catholic and wider communities in Perth and across the

State.

Following the Royal Commission Enquiry into Institutional Responses to Child Abuses, the Australian Catholic Bishops have adopted a national approach to achieving the benchmark of 10 National Professional Standards.

These standards apply to all parishes, agencies, services and ministries within Australia and as such our compliance is imperative.

Creating a safe church is a dynamic process that involves active participation and responsibility by all leaders, clergy, church workers and the wider church community including parents and families the OnStar system is committed to making this possible to collaboration vigilance and proactive approaches across legislation, policies, procedures and practices.

Throughout 2021 and into the future, the safeguarding office continues to offer training workshops to assist and empower all involved in the parish and school in these initiatives.

I invite **all who are involved in any volunteer position or role to attend one of these workshops or complete the required training workshop online.**

The next available workshops are held in Rockingham Parish on 18th May 2021 between 1-3 pm OR 7-9 pm. To register, go to [www.safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training-calendar-church-workers/](http://www.safeguarding.perthcatholic.org.au/training-calendar-church-workers/) or call Mary Mantle on 9221 7762.

If you have any query please refer to the notice board for further information OR contact our Parish Office for assistance.

### MEN'S GROUP

The second meeting of Men's Group went well. Next meeting is held on **Wednesday**

## NEWS FROM HERE AND THERE

**21 April at 7:00 pm in the Parish Office** 56 Benbecula Loop Port Kennedy.

One of the members will speak for a short period some aspect of his life, followed by a group discussion. Please come and share your ideas and enjoy some fellowship over a light supper refreshment. For organizing purposes, please register your attendance.

Email: [port.kennedy@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:port.kennedy@perthcatholic.org.au) or call our Parish Office 9593 4670.

### CONDOLENCES

To the McLeod, Bregger and Glanville families on the sad loss of Ernest Glanville. May God rest his soul.

### NEW MORNING MASS

Due to a number of interests Fr Francis has decided to have a **Saturday morning Mass at 9am**, from this Sat 17 April

### BAPTISM

We warmly welcome to our Parish and God's family **Ari & Mackenzie Coles** son and daughter of **Dylan & Anis Coles** and Aaliyah & Sofia daughters of **Simon and Aimee Payton**. Congratulations to the Parents.

### HELP NEEDED FOR OUR 7.30AM COLLECTION

We are in need of volunteers to help with the collection at 7.30am Mass on Sundays. We would like to have 4 collectors at this Mass. If you attend this Mass and can help this would be much appreciated.

### EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES WITHIN THE ARCHDIOCESE OF PERTH

One position is for a **Programme Office**

**Manager** and the other a **Planning, Risk and Reporting Manager**. There positions are both for 12 months, on a fixed term, full time. For more information please check the bulletin board in our church foyer.

### 2 EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES WITH THE PARISH RENEWAL OFFICE

For more information please check our bulletin board or to receive a Job Description and apply for the position please email:

**[agency.support@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:agency.support@perthcatholic.org.au)** by Monday 12th April 2021. You can also speak with **Julie Fuge on 6104 3600**.

### PARISH LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR

St Teresa parish invites all to a 'Life in the Spirit' Seminar conducted in the church on Wednesday evenings from April 21st—June 2nd. This seminar of teaching and sharing will guide you into a personal relationship with Jesus Christ, revealing Him as your personal Lord and Saviour, and help you to see the power and presence of the Holy Spirit in your daily life. Through this seminar the Sacred Scriptures will come alive for you! Please try to attend all free sessions. For detail contact Sandra 0470 610 478

### OUR SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS

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### OUR PARISH FINANCE COMMITTEE

Fr. Francis Nguyen (Parish Priest), Claude Coutinho (Chairperson), Joe Andrews (Vice-Chairperson), Isaac Hilton (Treasurer), Edith Vimpany (Secretary), Angie Raharuhi, Michael Turner & Cathy Flynn (Parish Pastoral Council Rep)