

## OUR PARISH & SCHOOL COMMUNITY

**Lisa Gallin** - Acting 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

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### 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**

Saturday: **4.00pm-5.00pm (Silent)**

### PRAY FOR PRIESTS

Friday morning: **6.00am**

### 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 28/29 Nov

#### 6.00PM

**Acolytes:** Wayne Payton; Tony Brandt

**Readers:** Ann Elliott, John Quilty

**Prayers of the Faithful:** Tanesha Harris

**Cleaners:** Volunteers

#### Music:

#### 7.30AM

**Acolytes:** Claude Coutinho; Brian Marley

**Readers:** Jane Briggs, Lucia Allison

**Prayers of the Faithful:** Lucia Allison

**Cleaners:** Volunteers

#### 9.00AM

**Acolytes:** David Browne; Claude Coutinho

**Readers:** Lisa McCormack, Tony Brandt

**Prayers of the Faithful:** Tony Brandt

**Cleaners:** Volunteers

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

**SINCERE THANKS TO ALL WHO SERVE**

### OUR SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS

**Julie Ferguson (Co-Ordinator)**

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### SILVER COIN DONATION

**Collection**           **\$ 16.65**

**Total to date:**       **\$28,451.45**

### MAIL CORRESPONDENCE

Direct all mail to: 56 Benbecula Loop, Port Kennedy 6172 or to our email address.

### FOR YOUR PRAYER CHAIR 29/11/20

**1st Sunday of Advent Yr. B**

**Ezek:**     **34:11-12, 15-17**

**Ps:**       **22**

**1 Cor:**   **15:20-26**

**Mt:**       **25:31-46**



## COMMUNIO - PORT KENNEDY

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

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## CHRIST THE KING YEAR A 22/11/2020

### OUR RESPONSES TODAY....

#### Entrance Antiphon

How worthy is the Lamb who was slain, to receive power and divinity, and wisdom and strength and honour. To him belong glory and power for ever and ever.

#### Responsorial Psalm

The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.

#### Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

Blessings on him who comes in the name of the Lord! Blessings on the coming kingdom of our father David!

**Alleluia!**

#### Communion Antiphon

The Lord sits as King for ever.

The Lord will bless his people with peace.

### THIS WEEK'S REFLECTION

#### LIVING IN THE TIME OF WAITING

When COVID-19 began to impact negatively on all aspects of our lives, we questioned when the situation would turn around for the better. We heard a lot of predictions but, in reality, no one knew when the pandemic would end. And we still don't.

Today, we begin the Advent journey of waiting for the coming of our Saviour Jesus Christ. In today's gospel Jesus speaks of a man who travels abroad, leaving his servants in charge, warning them to stay

awake, always prepared and ready for his return. Jesus reminds us that we should stay awake, ready for his return: 'Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will come.' So, we await the coming of the Lord. But no one knows when it is going to happen. This should not frighten or confuse us. Our faith tells us that the Lord will come and he will come unexpectedly.

During his earthly life, Jesus showed us that God is all loving and merciful, faithful to His people and to His promises. So, we wait in readiness and with a sure hope and joyful expectation for the Lord's coming.

The pandemic and other struggles we encounter day-to-day might lead us sometimes to doubt and question the presence of God in our lives and our world. It is sometimes especially hard to wait for the Lord's coming while we are facing the fear and the difficulties life brings. But the first coming of the Saviour – as a babe, born like us and sharing in our human experience, its joys and its sorrows – assures us that our faith and our hope for his return is well-founded.

Jesus left us with a simple commandment, yet a challenging one. 'Love God and love your neighbour.' It really is as simple – and as difficult – as that. The length of the period of waiting for his coming does not matter, but the quality of our discipleship does matter. We are called to live 'the time of waiting' by loving and placing our trust in

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God, and by caring for one another - especially the poor, needy and vulnerable in our world - and for the whole of God's creation. But we must stay awake! We do not know the time, but we must prepare and be ready for his coming! This is vital.

We can be sure, through it all, that God cares for us and continues to love us. The Holy Spirit, our advocate, guides and teaches us to live the life of discipleship to which we are called as followers of Jesus, our Saviour. Let us be joyful and join with Saint Paul by saying, 'I never stop thanking God for all the graces we have received through Jesus Christ.'

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### **FROM MY WINDOW WITH FR FRANCIS**

This weekend sees some 50 children from our Parish Catechesis Program and St Bernadette's Catholic Primary School making their First Holy Communion. They have taken religious lessons, workshop, retreat, rehearsal and the Sacrament of Reconciliation with the generous support of the priest, teachers, catechists, parents, office staff and volunteers.

A huge thank you to all those who are involved and contributed in any way. We are equally elated to share in the great joy of their special day and pray that the gift of Jesus in the Eucharist continue to enrich and make a real difference to their lives and our parish community.

The Solemnity of Christ the King draws to the last week of the Ordinary Time, year A. It is a fitting time to re-evaluate our commitment, loyalty and allegiance to Jesus Christ. If Christ is our King, to what extent have we rendered him our worship and allegiance? How has his reign taken to our hearts and our lives? What do we imagine his kingdom would look like? What kind of values would be present in his kingdom? What sort of values are our lives built upon?

The Season of Advent arrives on the weekend of 28/29 November. It is a relatively short but intense time of spiritual preparation for Christmas. We are invited to renew and strengthen our relationship with God and Parish Community, especially through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. A second Rite of Reconciliation is scheduled in our Parish on Thursday 17 December at 7 pm. Please save it early in your diary and come to receive God's mercy and healing.

The Gospel this weekend focuses our attention on the reality of the last days and the fruit of our lives, and on Christ the universal King before whom we will be expected to render an account of our lives. The many tiny acts of loving kindness and faithful service to Christ and his people proves to be decisive in relation to our hope of a final glorious destiny (Mt 25:11-46).

**Anniversary Mass and Brunch:** In praise and gratitude to God and his people, Fr Francis will celebrate a thanksgiving Mass on the 20th Anniversary of his Ordination to the Priesthood at **9 am on Sunday 13 December 2020**, followed by a brunch afterwards. You are cordially invited. For catering purposes, please confirm the number of attendances by placing your name and phone number on the signup sheets in the church foyer, or by emailing or calling the Parish Office **before 10 December**. No gifts are required.

### **UPCOMING DATES FOR DIARY...**

#### **PARISH FINANCE MEETING**

**28th Nov 2020** at 11am.

#### **PARISH AGM MEETING**

**6th Dec 2020** at 10.15am.

### **FUNDRAISING!!!LUCKY NUMBERS**

Due to COVID-19 our finances have suffered so we are trying to raise some

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money, especially for the church fund and towards the running expenses of the Parish.

As you have seen during the last two weeks we have been running our Lucky Numbers and this has been very productive.

We would like to thank all who have generously supported and donated prizes.

If you have not already done so please help support our fundraising by either donating a prize or picking a number, write your name and telephone number in the square this is a cost of \$1.00 which you will put into the tin provided. You can purchase as many numbers as you wish. We are asking for **donations for prizes, something new and nice, something that you would like to win**. We look forward to your support.

### **HOLY COMMUNION CARDS**

Our Parish and School students will be celebrating their Sacrament next weekend. If you are looking for cards to give to your loved one who is receiving this Sacrament please take a look at our Piety Stall we have a number of cards and gifts available.



### **CONGRATULATIONS!!!**

We would like to Congratulation all our Parish and School children who received their Sacrament of First Holy Communion this weekend.

### **THE YEAR OF MARK**

The 29th Nov marks the beginning of a new Church Year where the gospel readings

are from Mark. Who is Mark? When was this gospel written? How did it come about? Who today?

**Come and find out for yourself; perhaps bring a friend too.**

Where? **Mother Teresa Parish Church**

When? **Saturday 5th December from 9.30am till 11.30am.**

Presenter/facilitator: **Ern Azzopardi B Theol, DRE, life member AARE.**

### **VOLUNTEERS**

We are looking for volunteers to help with a variety of different tasks in our Parish. If you are interested in finding out more please call our Parish Office.

### **COFFEE FOR THE BEREAVED**

If you have lost any loved one especially during this stressful time and would like to share with others how you are coping or just need the company please feel free to come along. Our next gathering is on **Wed 25th Nov** and will continue to meet monthly, on the **last Wed of each month, 10am-12pm** in the Parish Meeting Room, 56 Benbecula Loop, Port Kennedy. For all enquires please contact Lyn Sadler 0403 579 003 or email: [lynneb61@gmail.com](mailto:lynneb61@gmail.com).

### **THANK YOU!!!**

To Fr Francis & Des Braine for cutting the grass around the Church and Car Park sites, and also to Geoff Vincent for Fixing the security lights, emergency lights and clearing the hall's roof.

### **OUR PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEE**

Fr Francis Nguyen (Parish Priest), Wayne Payton (Chairperson), Cathy Flynn (Vice Chairperson), Monica Hunter, Lisa Gallin (Acting Principal), Christine Stock, Alan Stock, Tony Brandt, Mary Gray (Secretary) & Pat McNulty