First Sunday of Advent 29th November 2020

First reading

You, Lord, yourself are our Father,

Isaiah 63:16-17, 64:3-8

Second reading

1 Cor 1:3-9

'Our Redeemer' is your ancient name. Why, Lord, leave us to stray from your ways and harden our hearts against fearing you? Return, for the sake of your servants, the tribes of your inheritance. Oh, that you would tear the heavens open and come down! – at your Presence the mountains would melt. No ear has heard, no eye has seen any god but you act like this for those who trust him. You guide those who act with integrity and keep your ways in mind. You were angry when we were sinners; we had long been rebels against you. We were all like men unclean, all that integrity of ours like filthy clothing. We have all withered like leaves and our sins blew us away like the wind. No one invoked your name or roused himself to catch hold of you. For you hid your face from us and gave us up to the power of our sins. And yet, Lord, you are our Father; we the clay, you the potter, we are all the work of your hand.

Responsorial Psalm

Ps84(85):9-14

Lord, make us turn to you, let us see your face and we shall be saved.

O shepherd of Israel, hear us, Shine forth from your cherubim throne. O lord, rouse up with your might, O Lord. Come to our help. **R.**

God of Hosts, turn again, we implore, Look down from heaven and see. Visit this vine and protect it, The vine your right hand has planted. **R.**

May your hand be on the man you have chosen, And the man you have given your strength. And we shall never forsake you again: Give us life that we may call upon your name. **R.** I never stop thanking God for all the graces you have received through Jesus Christ. I thank him that you have been enriched in so many ways, especially in your teachers and preachers; the witness to Christ has indeed been strong among you so that you will not be without any of the gifts of the Spirit while you are waiting for our Lord Jesus Christ to be revealed; and he will keep you steady and without blame until the last day, the day of our Lord Jesus Christ, because God by calling you has joined you to his Son, Jesus Christ; and God is faithful.

Gospel Acclamation

Ps 84:8

Alleluia, alleluia! Lord, show us your mercy and love, And grant us your salvation. Alleluia!

Gospel

Mark 13:33-37

Stay awake! You never know when the Lord will come

Jesus said to his disciples: 'Be on your guard, stay awake, because you never know when the time will come. It is like a man travelling abroad: he has gone from home, and left his servants in charge, each with his own task; and he has told the doorkeeper to stay awake. So stay awake, because you do not know when the master of the house is coming, evening, midnight, cockcrow, dawn; if he comes unexpectedly, he must not find you asleep. And what I say to you I say to all: Stay awake!'



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ST TERESA OF CALCUTTA PARISH (MOTHER TERESA'S)

PARISH NEWSLETTER

First Sunday of Advent 29th November 2020

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Sat. 6.00pm: Chandima, Lesanda &

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READERS: Next week: Dec 5/6th

Sat. 6.00pm: Ferdinand Prajogi Sun 9.30am: Nia Parker Sun 5.00pm: Willy Masini

READINGS: Next week: Advent 2

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 2 Peter 3:8-14 Mark 1:1-8

1. MESSAGE FROM FATHER GEOFF

- 1. It is <u>10 years</u> since I arrived (came down from Geraldton) to take up my appointment in Baldivis. At that time of course there was nothing on the church block. It was nearly 5yrs before I moved into the Parish House. The parish was officially established by Archbishop Hickey on Dec.8th, feast of the Immaculate Conception, 2010. We will celebrate our <u>Tenth</u> <u>Anniversary</u> next weekend.
- 2. Our popular Sat 'Sausage Sizzle' will start again after the Vigil Mass this weekend.
- 3. We welcome Thomas & Alexander, children of Will and Tania Graham as well as Riley and Ruby Hillary, children of Benjamin and Judy Hillary to be baptised at the 9.30am Mass. The next **Baptism preparation** will be this Tuesday evening.
- 4. Next Friday, 4th Dec., is the <u>1st Fri.</u> of the month, so Mass at 6.00pm instead of 9.00am.

2. PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

THE YEAR OF MARK



The 29th November marks the beginning of a new Church Year. We transition where the gospel readings are from Mark. Who was Mark? When was this gospel written? How did it come about? Who was it written for? What does it mean for us today? Come and find out for yourself; perhaps bring a friend too.

Where? Mother Teresa Parish Church narthex; **When**? Saturday 5 December from 9.30am till 11.30am. **Presenter/facilitator**: Ern Azzopardi B Theol, DRE, life member AARE.

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MASS TIMES in the Church

Tuesdays to Fridays: 9:00am

Saturdays: 6:00pm

Sundays: 9.30am & 5.00pm First Friday of every month

6:00pm

MORNING TEA

Every Saturday, Sunday (morning), and Wednesday after Mass. Please join us for a chat and a cuppa.

RECONCILIATION

(Confession)

- Saturdays 5.30-5.50pm (before the 6pm Mass)
- Sundays 4.30-4.50pm (before the 5.00pm Mass)

HOLY HOUR

- Every Wednesday at 8am, before 9am Mass
- First Friday of Each Month at 5.00pm, before 6.00pm Mass

PRAYER FOR PRIESTS

Every Friday at 7.45am

Note: First Friday at 4.00pm

SAINTS & FEAST DAYS

3rd St Francis Xavier, Priest

PLANNED GIVING FOR CHURCH BUILDING



1st Offering: \$496.35 2nd Offering: \$1420.75 (incl. direct debits and other donations)

The Parish has planned giving envelopes and direct debit available to Parishioners. Envelopes can be placed in the basket at Mass or you can download a direct debit form from our website and Facebook page.

For ONCE-OFF DONATION please send to:

Baldivis Parish

BSB: 086 006

Account:181363512)

3. PARISH NOTICES AND GROUPS

"MISSIO AD GENTES"



Fr Daniel Chama

Address: 42 Coldicott Terrace, Baldivis

Phone: 9523 0256

daniel.chama@perthcatholic.org.au

Mondays at 9.00am

Our <u>sausage sizzle</u> will be on every Saturday night after Mass from the **28**th **Nov** until Christmas week. Gold coin donations will go towards the Church funds.





CHRISTMAS HAMPER

The Fund-raising committee are collecting items for our Christmas hamper. If you have something you would like to donate, please place the item/s in the basket in the Narthex or drop it off at the Parish office. Suitable items include non-perishable food items, books, etc. **Much appreciated!**

Our 'resident florist', Silia, is looking for helpers to set up the flowers for Mass. There is no cost involved, the flowers are donated to us. Please let us know on 9523 6097.

CHRISTMAS GIFT APPEAL



Our annual Christmas Gift Appeal is upon us. In the tradition of St Nicholas, of showing kindness & bringing joy to those in need, please take a tag or two & purchase a gift for either a boy or girl aged 0-12. Gifts to be bought into Mass/Parish house by Sun. 13th December.

Housebound Parishioners

If you or any member of your family is unable to come to Mass due to illness, or old age and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact Fr Geoff or the Parish Office on 9523 6097.

Charismatic Prayer Group – Baldivis

Encounter Jesus through
Praise & Worship,
Talk/Teaching,
Healing, Deliverance and
Fellowship

If YOU are wanting to enjoy a fuller Christian life, YOU are welcome to join the Charismatic Prayer Group, every Wednesday from 7 to 9 pm at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Hall, 2 Townsend Rd, Rockingham. If you require any additional information, please contact

Mariza - 0435435013 / Sandra - 0470610478

4. PARISH CARE GROUP

Psychological & Counselling Services for Children, Teenagers, Adults, Family & Career Counselling

Please contact Dr Simon Karginoff (or Maya) by email: doctork@westnet.com.au or by text message on 0481533689. This is a service offered by Simon and his wife Maya through our 'Parish 'Care Group'.

A donation may be made towards our Church Building.

5. SOCIAL NEWS

We have started a collage up on the back of our notice board in the Narthex. We will be putting up photos of Parish events.

Feel free to have a browse.

Ask and seek, and your heart will grow big enough to receive Him and keep Him as your own.



From Blessed Teresa of Calcutta Words of Inspiration



This photo was taken on the 24th Nov last year

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6.

OTHER NEWS AND NOTICES

Christmas with The Giovanni Consort St Mary's Cathedral, Perth Friday December 11th 7.30pm



GLOBAL GIFTS

Support the work of 'CARITAS' by buying a card as a Christmas gift (see fliers for sample cards on table at back of the Church).

Tickets at giovanniconsort.com

ADVENT RETREAT

Our Christian tradition focuses all humanity's attention, anticipation and longing for the 'more' of God's coming in the person of a young woman from Nazareth.

We will journey this Advent with Mary, as she becomes the meeting place of human and divine longing, and risks bringing God's future into being.

When: Saturday 5 December 2020

Time: 9.15am to 2.30pm Where: Retreat House

Redemptorist Monastery Camelia St North Perth Mildred Rego on 63805335

Email: mildred.rego@cewa.edu.au Facilitator: Dr Pina Ford

Please bring your own lunch.

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