



# Weekly Bulletin

**Holy Name of Mary Catholic Parish**

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**FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR B**

**Sunday, 14 July 2024**

**“WE MAKE PROGRESS IN SOCIETY ONLY IF WE STOP CURSING AND COMPLAINING ABOUT ITS SHORTCOMINGS AND HAVE THE COURAGE TO DO SOMETHING ABOUT THEM.”—**

**ELISABETH KÜBLER-ROSS**



*She begins her program with Bach's Jesu, Joy of Man's Desiring. Her fingers dance over the frets of her guitar with the quiet confidence of her years of practice and study. She next plays into an Irish air, then a Bob Dylan folk song and finally a jazz improvisation of her own creation. She plays for an audience of one: a 70-year-old woman dying of cancer. The venue: the dying woman's room at the local hospice. Music is her ministry, providing a measure of peace and tranquillity for those taking the last steps from this world into eternity.*

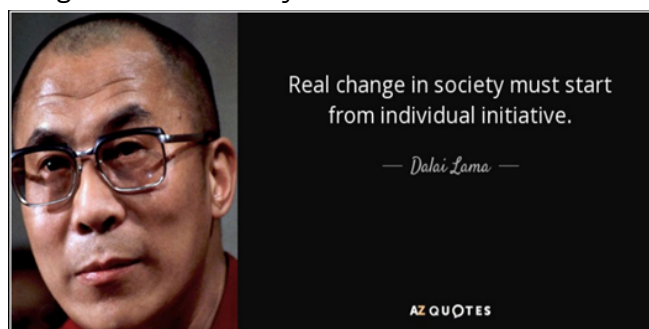
*Most spring and summer nights, as soon as he gets home from the office, he heads to his small garden behind the garage. This quarter-acre is his favourite place on earth. He grows tomatoes, beans and corn. He saves a few things for his own family; he shares the rest of the harvest of the good earth with needy families served by the local soup kitchen and pantry.*

*She suffered from bulimia as a teenager. Thanks to her wise and caring family, she overcame this devastating disease. Now a mother herself, she read about a support group for girls suffering from eating disorders. Every week she is there. She says very little; she is there to listen and to support, and when asked one-on-one by a girl who is terrified at what is happening to her, she offers the hope of her own story.*

*With their “walking sticks” — guitars, vegetable seeds, and their own stories and experiences — these three and so many others like them realize that Christ has sent them forth, like the Twelve in today's Gospel, to be his prophets of peace, apostles of compassion, ministers of healing (Source: A connection sampler)*

The gospel presents to us a lifestyle that we should embrace. We are expected to make inroads in community and society at large not by exerting power over people, but by humanizing life, alleviating suffering and making freedom and solidarity grow. Each one of us is singled out for this specific task (mission) of making the world a little more as Jesus wants it to be.

This mission consists of Proclaiming the Good News (through witnessing life), casting out the ‘unclean spirits’ (violence, intolerance, abuse, exploitation or manipulation, corruption, discrimination), embracing a simple lifestyle (a real challenge in today's materialistic world; contentment). As people are brainwashed today that access to the ultra-modern sophistications, and accumulation of material wealth would make us secure in our life, the readings assert that we find real security in Jesus alone. Jesus made it very clear in his teachings that financial or material investments do not guarantee security in life.



**What is important?** A few years ago, at the Seattle Special Olympics, nine contestants, all physically or mentally disabled, assembled at the starting point for the 100-yard dash. At the gun they all started out, not exactly in a dash, but with the relish to run the race to the finish and win. All, that is, except one boy who stumbled on the asphalt, tumbled over a couple of times, and began to cry. The other eight heard the boy's cry. They slowed down and paused. Then they all turned around and went back. Every one of them. One girl with Down's syndrome bent down and

kissed him and said, “This will make it better.” Then all nine linked arms and walked together to the finish line. Everyone in the stadium stood, and the cheering went on for ten minutes.

**God's blessings**

**Fr. Vince**

# This Sunday's Readings



## Entrance Antiphon:

As for me, in justice I shall behold your face;  
I shall be filled with the vision of your glory.

## First reading: Amos 7:12-15

*'Go, prophesy to my people.*

Amaziah, the priest of Bethel, said to Amos, 'Go away, seer;' get back to the land of Judah; earn your bread there, do your prophesying there. We want no more prophesying in Bethel; this is the royal sanctuary, the national temple.' 'I was no prophet, neither did I belong to any of the brotherhoods of prophets,' Amos replied to Amaziah 'I was a shepherd, and looked after sycamores: but it was the Lord who took me from herding the flock, and the Lord who said, "Go, prophesy to my people Israel."

## Responsorial Psalm: Ps 84:9-14

**R: Lord, show us your mercy and love,  
and grant us your salvation.**

I will hear what the Lord has to say,  
a voice that speaks of peace,  
peace for his people.

His help is near for those who fear him  
and his glory will dwell in our land. **R**

Mercy and faithfulness have met;  
justice and peace have embraced.  
Faithfulness shall spring from the earth  
and justice look down from heaven. **R**

The Lord will make us prosper  
and our earth shall yield its fruit.  
Justice shall march before him  
and peace shall follow his steps. **R**

## Second reading: Ephesians 1:3-14

*Before the world was made, he chose us in Christ.*

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ,  
who has blessed us with all the spiritual blessings of  
heaven in Christ.

Before the world was made, he chose us, chose us in  
Christ, to be holy and spotless, and to live through  
love in his presence, determined that we should  
become his adopted sons, through Jesus Christ  
for his own kind purposes,  
to make us praise the glory of his grace,  
his free gift to us in the Beloved,  
in whom, through his blood, we gain our freedom,  
the forgiveness of our sins.  
Such is the richness of the grace  
which he has showered on us  
in all wisdom and insight.

He has let us know the mystery of his purpose,  
the hidden plan he so kindly made in Christ from the  
beginning

to act upon when the times had run their course to the  
end:

that he would bring everything together under Christ, as  
head,

everything in the heavens and everything on earth.

And it is in him that we were claimed as God's own,  
chosen from the beginning,

under the predetermined plan of the one who guides all  
things as he decides by his own will;

chosen to be, for his greater glory,

the people who would put their hopes in Christ before  
he came.

Now you too, in him, have heard the message of the  
truth and the good news of your salvation,

and have believed it;

and you have been stamped with the seal of the Holy  
Spirit of the Promise,

the pledge of our inheritance which brings freedom for  
those whom God has taken for his own, to make his  
glory praised.

## Gospel Acclamation : **Alleluia! Alleluia!**

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ  
enlighten the eyes of our heart  
that we might see how great is the hope  
to which we are called. **Alleluia!**

## Gospel: Mark 6: 7-13

*He called the Twelve, and began to send them out.*

Jesus summoned the Twelve and began to send them  
out in pairs giving them authority over the unclean  
spirits. And he instructed them to take nothing for the  
journey except a staff – no bread, no haversack, no  
coppers for their purses. They were to wear sandals but,  
he added, 'Do not take a spare tunic.' And he said to  
them, 'If you enter a house anywhere, stay there until  
you leave the district. And if any place does not welcome  
you and people refuse to listen to you, as you walk away  
shake off the dust from under your feet as a sign to  
them.' So they set off to preach repentance; and they  
cast out many devils, and anointed many sick people  
with oil and cured them.

## Communion Antiphon:

Whoever eats my flesh and drinks my blood  
remains in me and I in him, says the Lord.



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## Prayer:

Blessed are you, God our Father, that you have chosen us in Christ to be your sons and daughters, set free by the blood of your Son. Keep us free and make us live a life that reflects the Good News brought to us by Jesus. Make our spirit of love and service contagious, that it may inspire people and attract them to you, our living and loving God. We ask this in the name of Jesus the Lord. R/ Amen. (Kayala)

Kindly keep praying for the completion of the intended project with God's grace and guidance.

Fr.Vince

## FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK

### July

Monday 15 - **St Bonaventure**  
bishop, doctor

Tuesday 16 - **Our Lady of Mount Carmel**

Saturday 20 - **St Apollinaris**  
bishop, martyr

**Our Lady of Mount Carmel** - On July 16, 1251, our Lady appeared to St. Simon Stock, in Kent, England. She gave him a scapular for the monks to wear all the time and told them that "Those wearing this scapular shall not suffer eternal fire."

Since then, the Brown Scapular of Our Lady of Mount Carmel has become a favorite with Catholics all over the world, many popes and saints wearing it daily. The Church has granted many spiritual benefits to the wearing of the Brown Scapular.



**St. Bonaventure** is one of the major figures in the history of the Franciscan Friars. He was a major philosopher and theologian.

## Let us pray for ...

### Sick

Aileen Pelias, Estelito Fenis,  
Tom Nayler, Louela Davis,  
Linda Dysoco, Judy, Catherine,  
Elizabeth, Monika, Maree Buttenshaw,  
Robert Power

### Recently Deceased

Naza Nazah Janice Watson

### Anniversaries

Michael Caruana

# PARISH ROSTERS

## 20/21 July 2024

	Computer Operators	Lectors	Altar Servers	EMHC	Counters	Cleaning Ministry	Altar Society
<b>Sat Vigil 5.30pm</b>	Jenny Hendry	Sue & Len Farrugia		Diane O'Shea Michelle Acharya	Kathleen Burrows Frank Camilleri	Monica Jung	Pam McKay Annabel Manlutac Gail Dick
<b>Sun 8.00am</b>	Christopher Younis	Will & Angela Finneane		Lina Flores Barbara Rosario			
<b>Sun 10.00am</b>	Vincent Austria	Cynthia Oscar Joseph Andrews		Evelyn Artiaga Sheila Tapiador			

## 27/28 July 2024

	Computer Operators	Lectors	Altar Servers	EMHC	Counters	Cleaning Ministry	Altar Society
<b>Sat Vigil 5.30pm</b>	Thomas Russo	Maddison Boulous Michael Marston		Susan Boulous Kathy Saad	Kathleen Burrows Dominic & Lynnette Rodrigues	Susan Boulous & family	Maria Greenfield Lily Hon O.Ham
<b>Sun 8.00am</b>	Pamela McKay	Jodie MacGregor Anton Fernando		Barbara Rosario Lina Flores			
<b>Sun 10.00am</b>	Lynnette Rodrigues	Linda Tsang Jessica Tapiador		Sheila Tapiador Evelyn Artiaga			

# PARISH NEWS AND EVENTS



## ALTAR SERVING

Children who have received their **First Holy Communion** are invited to join the **Altar Serving**.

The dates & times for training will be announced shortly.

Please get in touch with the Parish office by email [admin@holymary.org.au](mailto:admin@holymary.org.au) or M) 0450 422 165



## SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

The Celebration for the Sacrament of Confirmation is **Friday 8th November at 7:00pm**.

All the other details and dates are on the information form located at the entrance to the Church.

### Donations for Altar Flowers

Altar flowers help to make God's house beautiful.

Our Parish is asking for people who can, to donate for the purchase of the Altar flowers. If you wish to donate, kindly contact the Parish Office.



### Research: Why Catholics don't attend Sunday Mass

The **Australian Catholic Bishops Conference** is undertaking a research project aimed at investigating why some Catholics do not participate in regular weekly Sunday Mass (Sunday Mass includes the Saturday Vigil). The project will provide in-depth information about contemporary religious practices and beliefs of Catholics in Australia. The insights would enable parishes, movements, and school communities to respond to the trends in participation in the Church, update the Church's awareness and understanding of the present-day context, and enable responses and collaboration around the underlying factors for non/dis-engagement.

Those who meet the selection criteria for this survey are:

1. That they self-identify as Catholics and are 18 years and over.
2. That they do not regularly\* attend weekly Mass on Sundays.

\*Regular weekly attendance is defined as physical attendance at Sunday Mass three or more times a month, including the Saturday vigil celebrated in many parishes.

Suitable participants may include parents of children in the parish school, family members of parishioners or other Catholic acquaintances who do not attend Mass regularly.

If our regular parishioners could share this with their family and friends, that would be appreciated.

The survey is anonymous and only aggregated results will be published. No identifiable information will be collected about participants. The survey takes approximately 6 -10 minutes to complete and will run from Monday, 17 June 2024 and close on **Tuesday, 20 August 2024**.

Information letters for Participants are on the tables at the doors of the church.

### WEEKDAY MASSES

Tue - Wed - Thu - Fri - Sat 9:15 am

*Novena to our Lady of Perpetual Succour  
Every Wednesday 7:00pm*

**ROSARY** at 3:00pm on the last Saturday of every month at Ermington Shopping Centre (near the Post Office).

### SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday (Vigil) 5:30 pm  
Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am

### RECONCILIATION

Saturday 8:30 am - 9:00 am

### ADORATION (EXPOSITION)

Saturday 8:30 am

### BAPTISM

1st & 3rd Sunday of the Month 11:30 am

## PARISH TEAM

**Fr. Vincent Savarimuthu**  
Parish Priest

**Cheryl Percan**  
Parish Secretary  
Tue / Wed / Fri  
10am to 3pm

**Deacon Leon**  
Finance Secretary  
Thur  
10am to 2pm

**Sacramental Coordinator**  
**Childrens Liturgy Coordinator**  
**Lectors Coordinator**  
**Senior Server Coordinator**  
**Finance Chairman**  
**St Vincent De Paul President**  
**Rydalmen Coordinator**

Diane O'Shea  
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