

In today's Gospel, Jesus feeds the five thousand with five loaves and two fish. The message of stewardship is that God's gifts, *shared*, will always be more than enough.

PREPARING FOR CONFIRMATION

OUR YOUNG PEOPLE ARE PREPARING FOR THE SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION IN SEPTEMBER. THEY ARE VERY BLESSED AS WE HAVE THE ARCHBISHOP OF PERTH, THE MOST REVEREND TIMOTHY COSTELLOE SDB, AS THE MINISTER OF CONFIRMATION THIS YEAR. THE PARENTS ATTENDED A FORMATION SESSION AT ORANA, OUR PARISH SCHOOL, LAST THURSDAY AND TODAY THE CHILDREN, WITH THEIR FAMILIES, ARE MAKING A COMMITMENT TO PREPARE THEMSELVES FOR THIS CELEBRATION OF THE FINAL SACRAMENT OF INITIATION. PLEASE CONTINUE TO KEEP THEM IN YOUR PRAYERS DURING THIS TIME.

JOHN PAUL YOUTH MINISTRY

OUR NEXT MEETING IS **THIS SATURDAY EVENING AUGUST 1st** DIRECTLY AFTER THE 5.30PM MASS.

THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

The **RCIA Program** will start again **THIS COMING Tuesday 4th August** with a six-week **Period of Enquiry** for all people wanting to become new or full members of the Catholic Church. In this program, they will learn about and prepare for the sacraments of Baptism, Holy Communion and Confirmation. All sessions are from 7.00-8.00pm with scheduled breaks during school holidays. Enrolment Forms are available at the back of the church and the Parish Office. Please contact John Richards on 0417933470 or email: livecompany10@gmail.com if you have any questions or you need this information sent to you.

7 AUG | PRAISE AND WORSHIP EVENING

Catholic Faith Renewal invites you and your family to a **Praise and Worship Evening** at **Saints John & Paul Church, Willetton**, at **7.30pm**. Features Songs of Praise, Mass and a presentation by Fr Jason Yeap, on *How Is The Gospel Still Converting Me Today?* For further information call Charles 0413 755 799 or Frans 0403 304 314.

FUNERAL FOR THE LATE JOHN CHAN

THE FUNERAL MASS FOR THE LATE JOHN CHAN WILL BE CELEBRATED IN OUR CHURCH OF STS JOHN AND PAUL, THIS COMING FRIDAY, AUGUST 7, AT 10AM. JUST A GENTLE AND LOVING REMINDER TO PARISHIONERS WHO LIKE TO COME EARLY FOR THE MIDDAY MASS: PLEASE ARRIVE FROM 11.30AM ONWARDS, THUS PROVIDING THE FAMILY PLENTY OF SPACE AND TIME TO FAREWELL THEIR BELOVED.

Rosary in the garden Thursday 13 Aug at 5pm. NO MEAL.

DATE	CHURCH		Parish Centre			
Mon 03 Aug	9:00am	Mass/ 9:30am Rosary	6:00 pm	PA Advocate Prep 7 - Rm 3		
			7:00pm	SVdP - Rm 1		
Tue 04 Aug	9:00am	Mass/ 9:30am Rosary	4:00pm	PREP - All Rooms & Hall		
	7:30pm	Choir Practice	7:00pm	RCIA - Rm 3		
Wed 05 Aug	9:00am	Mass/ 9:30am Rosary	9.30am	Art & Craft group - Rm 3		
	11:30am	ARISE Charismatic Prayer Group	11:00am	ARISE - Hall & Kitchen		
			7:00pm	Liturgy Meeting - Rm 1		
Thu 06 Aug	9:00am	Mass / 9:30am Rosary	6.00pm	Contemplative Prayer & Meditation - Rm 9		
			6:00pm	PA Advocate Prep 7- Rm 3		
Fri 07 Aug	11.15am	Rosary	9:30am	Growing Vine - Rm 3 & Kitchen		
	12.00noon	Mass	6:30pm	CFR Fellowship - Hall & Kitchen		
	7:30pm	Catholic Faith Renewal				
Sat 08 Aug	9.00am	Mass				
	9.30am	Rosary/Reconciliation				
	5.30pm	Vigil Mass				
Sun 09 Aug	7.30am	Mass	1st Reading	1 Kgs	19:	9, 11 - 13
	9.00am	Mass	2nd Reading	Rom	9:	1 - 5
	10.30am	Wedding Anniversary Mass	Gospel	Mt	14:	22 - 33
	2.30pm	Divine Mercy				

MINISTRY TEAM

Parish Priest: Fr John Daly (john.daly@willettoncatholicparish.org.au or 0493 468 190)

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John Paul Care: Rosa Pasquale (0417 994 676)

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Baptisms: Mary de Wever (9310 2426)

R.E. Co-Ordinator: Luanna Bong (0431 055686)

MONDAY 3rd AUGUST 9AM: ST DOMINIC, PRIEST

TUESDAY 4th AUGUST 9AM: ST JOHN VIANNEY, PRIEST

WEDNESDAY 5th AUGUST 9AM: DEDICATION OF THE BASILICA OF ST MARY MAJOR

THURSDAY 6th AUGUST 9AM: THE TRANSFIGURATION OF THE LORD.

FRIDAY 7TH AUGUST MIDDAY: ST SIXTUS II, POPE, MARTYR AND COMPANIONS, MARTYRS

SATURDAY 8TH AUGUST 9AM: ST MARY OF THE CROSS, VIRGIN.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY – PIETY STALL NEW

The Piety Stall has in stock **The New Community Bible (Catholic edition)** in various styles. The Bible is published by St Pauls Publications and is the revised edition of the popular Christian Community Bible translated by Late Bernardo Hurault, a French Priest and biblical scholar, from original languages to Spanish in 1971. Since then it has been translated into many languages and millions of copies have been distributed.

It is available in various styles:

Standard – The Catholic edition – with thumb index, hard cover – **\$40.00**

Deluxe – The Gift edition, gilt edged with thumb index, luxe leatherette cover – **\$50.00**

Deluxe Zipper – The Gift edition as above with zipper casing – **\$55.00**

There is also a large print edition but it is currently out of stock. Please come by the Piety Stall to purchase or order one of these beautiful Bibles. We have no EFTPOS facilities and we only take Cash, thank you for your understanding.

Any queries, please contact Linda on 0402-421-526 thank you.

VOCATIONS EXPO AND WOMEN'S DISCERNMENT DAY

THIS FRIDAY AUGUST 7 THERE WILL BE A **VOCATIONS EXPO** AT THE CATHEDRAL PARISH CENTRE (6-8PM). COME AND MEET PRIESTS, RELIGIOUS SISTERS AND BROTHERS, MARRIED COUPLES AND CATHOLIC ORGANISATIONS.

THERE IS ALSO A **WOMEN'S DISCERNMENT DAY** (AGED 17-35+) ON **SATURDAY AUGUST 15 FROM 9.30 AM TO 4PM**. THIS WILL BE HELD AT TRINITY COLLEGE, EAST PERTH. JOIN OTHER YOUNG WOMEN FOR INSPIRING TALKS, MASS, QUIET REFLECTION AND THE OPPORTUNITY TO ASK QUESTIONS IN A WELCOMING ENVIRONMENT.

THERE ARE NOTICES ON THE NOTICE BOARD WITH A LINK TO REGISTER FOR THIS FREE EVENTS.

Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop

This solemnity will be celebrated this coming Saturday at 9am

Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop, Australia's first canonised saint, was an ordinary woman who lived an extraordinary life. As a woman of faith, courage and hope, she overcame many obstacles and challenges to create a legacy that continues to inspire today.

Born in Victoria to Scottish immigrants, she was the eldest of eight children and worked from a young age to support her family. At 24, she devoted her life to God, taking the name 'Mary of the Cross'.

Together with Fr Julian Tenison Woods, Mary co-founded a school in South Australia to educate poor and underprivileged children. This led to the establishment of Australia's first religious order, the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart, who became affectionately known as the "Brown Joeys". She took her vision for education, especially for the poor, isolated and underprivileged, establishing dozens of schools throughout Australia and New Zealand.

Dedicated to serving the poor, Mary with her Josephite Sisters went wherever they were needed, living amongst the communities they served. Despite facing fierce opposition, including her excommunication, Mary's unwavering resolve and determination never faltered.

In 1884 Mary MacKillop and her sisters moved to North Sydney. On 8 August 1909, Mary passed away in Alma Cottage (the Josephite Convent at the time), now the sacred site of Mary MacKillop Place (North Sydney, Australia). She was beatified in 1995 by Pope John Paul II after a second miracle was attributed to her and, on 17 October 2010, Mary MacKillop was canonised as a saint at St Peter's Basilica, Rome. Her final resting place, the Tomb of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop in the Mary MacKillop Memorial Chapel forms part of Mary MacKillop Place and a site of pilgrimage open to all.

