

Stewardship is not optional! "None of us lives as his own master and none of us dies as his own master," says St. Paul. "While we live, we are responsible to the Lord, and when we die, we die as His servants."

PARISH PILGRIMAGE WALK to ST MARY'S CATHEDRAL

Calling all parishioners to join the Parish Pilgrimage Walk to St Mary's Cathedral on Monday Sep 28 (public holiday). You are welcome to join at various points, or travel by alternative transport. It's a beautiful day to walk together as a community and to chat with someone along the way who you haven't met before. Details on the posters and please register on the forms found at the back of the church.

THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC?

The RCIA Period of Enquiry has come to an end. The RCIA Period of the Catechumenate now begins. There is a lot of people this year and its exciting, so if you have been thinking about becoming a Catholic...This is a great time!

In this program, you 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.

MONDAY 14th SEPT 9AM: EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

TUESDAY 15th SEPT 9AM: OUR LADY OF SORROWS

WEDNESDAY 16th SEPT 9AM: ST CORNELIUS AND CYPRIAN

THURSDAY 17th SEPT 9AM: ST HILDEGARD OF BINGEN AND ST ROBERT BELLARMINE

FRIDAY 18th SEPT, MIDDAY: OF THE DAY

SATURDAY 19th SEPT 9AM: ST JANUARIUS, BISHOP AND MARTYR

CONFIRMATION

WE WELCOME HIS GRACE, TIMOTHY COSTELLOE, THE ARCHBISHOP OF PERTH, WHO IS HERE TO CONFIRM OUR YOUNG PEOPLE THIS WEEKEND. WE ARE VERY BLESSED TO HAVE OUR FEARLESS LEADER IN FAITH FOR SUCH AN IMPORTANT OCCASION.

**FR JOHN IS AWAY NEXT WEEKEND CELEBRATING A WEDDING IN GERALDTON
FR VINCENT, ABLY ASSISTED BY FR PATRICK LIM WILL CARE FOR YOU IN MY ABSENCE!**

DATE	CHURCH		Parish Centre	
Mon 14 Sep	9:00am 7:30pm	Mass/ 9:30am Rosary Adoration Family Holy Hour	6:00 pm	PA Annual Review – Rm 3 & Kitchen
Tue 15 Sep	9:00am 7:30pm	Mass/ 9:30am Rosary Choir Practice	4:00pm 7:00pm	PREP – All Rooms & Hall RCIA – Rm 3
Wed 16 Sep	9:00am 11:30am	Mass/ 9:30am Rosary ARISE Charismatic Prayer Group	9.30am 11:00am	Art & Craft group – Rm 3 ARISE – Hall & Kitchen
Thu 17 Sep	9:00am	Mass / 9:30am Rosary	6.00pm 6:00pm	Contemplative Prayer & Meditation – Rm 9 PA Annual Review – Rm 3&
Fri 18 Sep	11.15am 12.00noon	Rosary Mass	9:30am	Growing Vine – Rm 3 & Kitchen
Sat 19 Sep	9.00am 9.30am 5.30pm	Mass Rosary/Reconciliation Commitment Mass–Reconciliation		
Sun 20 Sep	7.30am 9.00am 10.30am 2.30pm	Mass Mass Commitment Mass–Reconciliation Divine Mercy	1st Reading 2nd Reading Gospel	Is 55: 6 – 9 Phil 1: 20 – 24, 27 Mt 20: 1 – 16

MINISTRY TEAM

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Safeguarding Sunday 2026

Catholics around Australia will mark Safeguarding THIS Sunday on September 13. The 2026 theme "Love Protects" recognises that safeguarding is a practical expression of Christian love. When communities prioritise the safety, dignity, and wellbeing of children, young people and vulnerable adults, they embody the love and care that is at the heart of the Gospel.

"'Love Protects' reminds us that genuine love is demonstrated through action," said chair of the Bishops Commission for Professional Standards and Safeguarding, Bishop Greg Bennet.

"Safeguarding is an essential part of our mission and ministry. It calls each of us to be attentive, accountable and committed to ensuring that every person can participate in the life of the Church safely and with confidence." Safeguarding Sunday also provides an opportunity to acknowledge the work of clergy, staff, volunteers and safeguarding leaders who work to foster cultures of safety and trust throughout church communities.

Their dedication strengthens the Church's commitment to preventing harm, responding appropriately to concerns and promoting the dignity of every person. The Church is showing national leadership in safeguarding through:

Professional development that strengthens the capacity of Catholic organisations

Reviews, audits and assessments of Catholic organisations

Management of the Australian Catholic Ministry Register

Safeguarding awareness, education and communications initiatives

As faith communities gather to mark Safeguarding Sunday, they are encouraged to reflect on the example of Jesus, who welcomed and protected the vulnerable and marginalised. His ministry inspires the Church's commitment to care, respect, and justice. "Love protects when we listen. Love protects when we act. Love protects when we place the wellbeing of others at the centre of our decisions and our ministry," Bishop Bennet said.

"Together, we can build communities where every person is valued, respected and safe."

IN THE PARISH OF STS JOHN AND PAUL, WILLETTON, WE CURRENTLY HAVE 5 SAFEGUARDING OFFICERS. YOU CAN LOOK AT THE NOTICEBOARD TO SEE WHO ARE THEY ARE AND SHOULD YOU HAVE ANY ENQUIRIES OR CONCERNS, PLEASE DON'T HESITATE TO CONTACT THEM

MARRIAGE WEEK: SEPTEMBER 13-19

With our earthly marriages, we need a good understanding that it is not only designed by God and for His purposes. Marriage is a sacred covenant between a man and a woman and God. The covenant is a lifetime commitment and involves a promise to love, honour, and cherish one another.

The Bible speaks of marriage as a union between a man and a woman, with the two becoming one flesh ([Genesis 2:24](#)).

Marriage between a man and a woman is a reflection of the relationship between Christ and His Church, with the husband representing Christ and the wife representing the Church ([Ephesians 5:22-33](#)).

We need to encourage husbands and wives to:

- To put God first in their relationship – which can be a powerful witness to the community.
- Pray for each other. While praying for a parking spot or a new car comes easily to many, praying for a spouse does not.
- To rely on God's strength and not their own.
- To pray together within their home and with their children, if they have been blessed with children.
- Invite Christ into their marriage/family.
- To understand and embrace their God-given roles in marriage and as fathers/mothers if blessed with children.

We all need to enter into spiritual warfare against the continuing attacks on individual marriages and on God's design and purpose of marriage and family. Marriage is precious to God.