

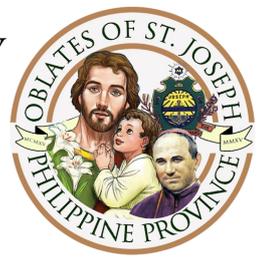


Catholic Diocese of Bunbury ● Oblates of Saint Joseph  
**HOLY FAMILY PARISH CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**

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**6th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, Year B**  
**Sunday 14 February 2021**

*A very warm welcome to everyone in our parish this weekend.*



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First Reading:  
**Leviticus 13: 1-2, 44-46**

Responsorial Psalm:  
**I turn to you, Lord, in time of  
trouble, and you fill me with the joy  
of salvation.**

Second Reading:  
**Corinthians 10: 31-11:1**

Gospel Acclamation:  
**Alleluia, Alleluia! A great prophet has  
appeared among us;  
God has visited his people.  
Alleluia!**

Gospel:  
**Mark 1: 40-45**

Communion Antiphon:  
**They ate and had their fill, and  
what they craved the Lord gave  
them; they were not disappointed  
in what they craved.**

**I Do Will It!**

A leper came to Jesus and kneeling down begged him and said, "If you wish, you can make me clean." Moved with pity, he stretched out his hand, touched him, and said to him, "I do will it. Be made clean." *Mark 1:40-41*

"I do will it." These four little words are worth digging into and pondering. At first, we may read these words quickly and miss their depth and significance. We may simply jump to *that* which Jesus wills and miss the fact of His willing itself. But His act of willing is significant. Sure, that which He willed is significant also. The fact that He cured a leper has great meaning and significance. Certainly it shows us His authority over nature. It shows His almighty power. It shows that Jesus can heal all wounds that are analogized by leprosy. But don't miss those four words: "I do will it."

First of all, the two words "I do" are sacred words used at various times in our liturgies and are used to profess faith and commitment. They are used in marriages to establish an unbreakable spiritual union, they are used in baptisms and other sacraments to renew our faith publicly, and they are also used in the ordination rite of priests as he makes his solemn promises. To say "I do" is what one may call "action words." They are words that are also an act, a choice, a commitment, a decision. They are words that have an effect on who we are and what we choose to become.

Jesus also adds "...will it." So Jesus is not just making a personal choice here or a personal commitment about His own life and convictions; rather, His words are an action that is effective and that makes a difference for another. The mere fact that He wills something, and then sets that will into motion by His words, means something happened. Something changed. An act of God was accomplished.

It would be of great benefit to us to sit with those words and ponder what sort of significance they have in our lives. When Jesus speaks those words to us, what is He willing? What is the "it" He is referring to? He definitely has a particular will for our lives, and He is definitely willing to enact it in our lives if we are willing to hear those words.

In this Gospel passage, the leper was completely disposed to Jesus' words. He was on his knees before Jesus as a sign of complete trust and complete submission. He was ready to have Jesus act in his life, and it is this openness, more than anything else, that evokes these action words from Jesus.

The leprosy is a clear sign of our own weaknesses and sin. It's a clear sign of our fallen human nature and weakness. It's a clear sign that we cannot heal ourselves. It's a clear sign that we need the Divine Healer. When we acknowledge all of these realities and truths, we will be in a position, just like this leper, to turn to Jesus, on our knees, and beg His action in our lives.



### Our Parish Prayer Intention this week

We pray for everyone at home and around the world who have been affected by the Corona Virus Pandemic; those who are sick, for their healing; those who are in isolation and those FRONTLINERS (healthcare workers, peacemakers, first

responders, volunteers and non-health workers) for their protection from harm; and to all our civil leaders, that they would listen to the voice of the Spirit in every decision that they make.

#### We pray for the special intentions:

Norma Doyle, Margaret Muller, Jane Shaw, Robert Main, Jane Bell, Bill Parker, Sarah Stevenson, Virgilio Pesigan, Todd Bennett, Carrie Bertola, Maurice Byrne, Julian Letter, Bonita Stevenson, Gary Maxine Fryatt, Lorelie Donkin, Jose Vecchio, Tegan Castellaro, India Heslop, Sue Dechow, Victor Cruz, Zoe Whittingstall, Comple Family, Theresa Macaulay, Halina Van Moorsel, June Higgins, Allysa and Leonie Dorothy Hard

*If you have a loved one who wishes to be included, or you would like to update your information in our prayer list, please do not hesitate to message or ring us.*

**Anniversary of Death for this month:** John O’Dea, John Simpson, Mick Petruschka  
Maria Szczebatiuk, Stephen Vanni

**Recent Death:** Luigi Di Biase, Franciszek Drzedzon

#### ROSARY STATUES:

*Pilgrim Statue*  
Sue & Donald Maine

*Filipino Statue*  
Minda Rudolowicz

### Our PARISH OFFICE is now OPEN

Our Parish Office will be opened ONLY on Friday from 9am until 12noon.  
During all other times, please do not hesitate to contact us either via phone or email.

Phone: (08) 9841 1129

Email: [albacath@iinet.net.au](mailto:albacath@iinet.net.au)

#### PARISH FINANCE

*Your donation can make a big difference.*

**OPTION 1: Planned Giving Pledge Forms** are available from the parish office.

#### OPTION 2:

##### ONLINE BANK TRANSFER

Account Name: Albany Catholic Parish  
BSB: 086-006 A/C: 84-698-5771  
Reference: Your Name-Planned Giving

#### Last Weekend’s Collections

In today’s second reading, St. Paul urges the Corinthians to “do all for the glory of God.” If we follow that advice in everything we do, we cannot help but be good stewards!

**1st Collection: \$1,120.00**  
**2nd Collection: \$1,125.00**  
**Direct Debit / EFT: \$117.50**

*Thank you for your generosity and support*

#### READINGS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

**First Sunday of Lent, Year B**  
**Sunday, 21 February 2021**

##### First Reading:

Genesis 9: 8-15

##### Responsorial Psalm:

Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.

##### Second Reading:

1 Peter 3: 18-22

##### Gospel Acclamation:

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory! No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!

##### Gospel:

Mark: 1: 12-15

#### ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND

**20/21 February 2021**

##### Saturday 6pm Mass: Holy Family Church

Deacon / Acolyte: Ron Webb

Readers: Erica Mielens, Cris Palfrey

##### Sunday 7.30am Mass: St Joseph’s Church

Deacon / Acolyte: Stan Bemben

Readers: Peter and Julie Jeffs

##### Sunday 9.30am Mass: Holy Family Church

Deacon/ Acolyte: Manuel Navalta

Readers: Helen Lecky, Marinela/ Leizel

##### Sunday 5.00pm Mass: St Joseph’s Church

Deacon / Acolyte: Mike Matusiak

Readers: Georgia Clark, Joanne/ Juan Clark

## Catholic Women's League of Albany

will hold their first meeting for 2021. Our AGM will be on **Tuesday, 16 February** at 1.00pm in New Camfield. All ladies of the parish are most welcome. Most positions have been accepted again for 2021. So please attend, fellowship will be after the meeting. Please bring a plate to share. For further information, please phone Jenny: 0438 241 100 or Colleen: 0417 447 588  
*Jenny Dul, Secretary CWL Albany*

## Musicians and Singers

An invitation is extended to ALL musicians and singers in the parish, including St Joseph's School students and teachers, to join a 'combined choir' for the Triduum Liturgies this year. That is: Holy Thursday Evening Mass of the Lord's Supper, Good Friday celebration of the Lord's Passion and the great Easter Vigil on Saturday night. Stay tuned for more details....



## Fr Chris' 40th Birthday Fundraiser

Fr Chris invites you to join him in celebrating his 40th birthday on **Saturday February 27** after 6.00pm Mass at St Joseph's College Junior School Undercover Area. In lieu of gifts, please consider a donation to Fr Chris' fundraiser which will contribute towards upgrading the ablution block for St Joseph's church. There will also be auctions throughout the evening from the limited edition photographic collection of *The Travelling Priest*. Please come along and help Fr Chris celebrate his special birthday, whilst also raising funds for much needed improvements to the facilities at St Joseph's church.



## Administration and Accounts Officer

Holy Family Catholic Parish, Albany is seeking to employ an Administration and Accounts Officer. The primary objective of the position is to provide administrative services to the parish. This is a Part Time position in a job-share arrangement. The role requires a person with a demonstrated commitment to the mission and values of the Catholic Church, who understands the nature of the front-line responsibility of representing the parish.

Applications must include a Cover Letter and Resumé including the names and contact details of three referees, one of whom should be your parish priest.

Please contact the Parish Office for a full Job Description.

Email: [albacath@iinet.net.au](mailto:albacath@iinet.net.au)

Phone: 9841 1129.

Applications close Friday 5 March 2021

## ASH WEDNESDAY

### MASS TIMES

Day of Obligation  
Day of Fasting and  
Abstinence.



**17 February**

- **9.00am: Holy Family Church**
- **12noon: St Joseph's Church**
- **6.00pm: St Joseph's Church**

## STATIONS OF THE CROSS

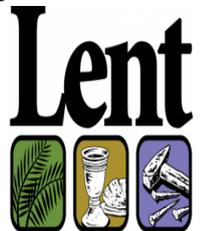
Every Friday at 6.00pm in St Joseph's Church during the Lenten season commencing 19 February.

## LENTEN REFLECTION

17 March, 6.30pm in St Joseph's Church

## SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION

31 March, 6.30pm  
Communal Reconciliation in Holy Family Church



## PARISH LENTEN GROUPS

Discussion groups will be held every **Wednesday** during the Lenten Season beginning Ash Wednesday, 17 February.

### Group Leader

Frank Geers: 0438 651 675

7.00pm Wednesdays: 2 Koonwarra Close

### Group Leaders

Hans & Agnes Fleck: 9841 7767

7.30pm Wednesdays: New Camfield.

### Group Leader

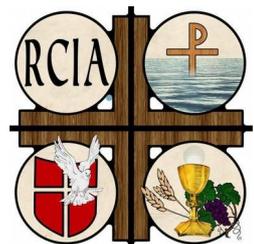
Anne Wiseman: 9841 3121

1.30pm Wednesdays: 20 Baudin Place

If you would like to join one of the Parish Lenten Groups please contact the group leaders or the parish office on 9841 1129.

## Interested in learning more about the Catholic Church?

A group is being formed to begin the RCIA programme, that is, spending an hour per week in discussion, finding out more about the Church. This may



lead to participating in the Sacraments of Initiation to become a full member of the Catholic Church. If interested, please contact Anne Smith on 0478 616 137.

## LENTEN PENANCE

The Church's Canon law reaffirms the obligation to do penance – to interrupt the usual comforts of life, to rediscover in prayer the saving love of God, and to practice charity and justice towards those in need.

During Lent and on the Fridays of the year, we do penance, not only on our own account, but also in the name of the Church and of the world. We must take seriously our penitential obligations and be sure to carry them out. The Australian Catholic Bishops' Conference has not restricted our penance to fast and abstinence in all cases, it has left room for our own responsible choices. We should carefully select the form of penance that we consider most appropriate for our own circumstances and growth in the Christian life.

### Days of Penance

1. Abstinence from meat, and fasting, are to be observed on Ash Wednesday and Good Friday. All who have completed their 18th year and have not yet begun their 60th year are bound to fast. All who have completed their 14th year are bound to abstain.

2. On all other Fridays of the year including the Fridays of Lent, the law of the common practice of penance is fulfilled by performing any one of the following:

(a) **Prayer:** For example, Mass attendance; family prayer; a visit to a church or chapel; reading the Bible; making the Stations of the Cross; praying the Rosary.

(b) **Self-denial:** For example, not eating meat; not eating sweets or dessert; giving up entertainment to spend time with the family; limiting food and drink so as to give to the poor of one's own country.

(c) **Helping others:** For example, special attention to someone who is poor, sick, elderly, lonely or overburdened.

Lent lasts from Ash Wednesday to the Mass of the Lord's Supper exclusive. On Good Friday and, if possible, also on Holy Saturday until the Easter Vigil, the Easter fast is observed.

\*This is an edited version of a statement provided by Catholic Communications, Archdiocese of Sydney.

<https://cgcatholic.org.au/catholic-voice/blog/lenten-penance-explained/>

## CONTACT REGISTER

Places of Worship have now been given an exemption from the 2 square metre ruling and allowed to have 60% capacity in attendance. However, to assist with COVID-19 Contact Tracing the WA Government has stipulated we must maintain a **Mandatory Contact Register**. There are 2 options available to register your contact details each time you attend church.

**Option 1:** Write your name and phone number on the Contact Register in the foyer of the church.

**Option 2:** Download the SafeWA app on your phone and scan the QR code which is on the front page of the bulletin and also on the posters displayed.

I ask everyone to please still strictly observe the following protocols:

- **Please sanitise your hands thoroughly.**
- **COMMUNION is to be received by the hand.**
- Sanitising wipes are available for you to use to wipe over your seat.
- **MASS COLLECTION**, a collector will use a basket on a stick to refrain from passing the basket. In **St Joseph's church**, we will only have one collection, so you may include your Planned Giving Envelopes with the first. At **Holy Family church**, we will still keep the two collections.

**Thank you for your kind understanding!** Fr Chris, OSJ

## OUR TIMETABLE DAILY MASSES

In St Joseph's Church ONLY

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday,  
Thursday and Saturday - 9:00am Mass**

**Friday - 12:00noon Mass**

\*First Friday of the month - Healing Mass

### Daily Devotions:

**Mon, Wed and Thurs 8:30am - LAUDS (Morning Prayer)**

**Tuesday 8:30am - ROSARY**

**Friday 10:00am - Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament;  
Divine Chaplet before the Mass**

**Saturday 9:45am onwards -**

**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**

\*First Thursday of the month 6:00pm - Holy Hour

\*Third Sunday of the month 3:00pm - Benediction and Rosary

**St Joseph's Church is open for personal prayer and devotion from 9:30am until 5:00pm everyday.**

## WEEKEND MASSES

### Holy Family Church

**Saturday 6:00pm**

**Sunday 9:30am**

### St Joseph's Church

**Sunday 7:30am**

**Sunday 5:00pm**

### STATION MASSES

**Gnowangerup**

2nd & 4th Sunday, 9:30am

**Bremer Bay**

3rd Sunday, 9:30am

**Ongerup**

2nd Sunday, 11:30am