

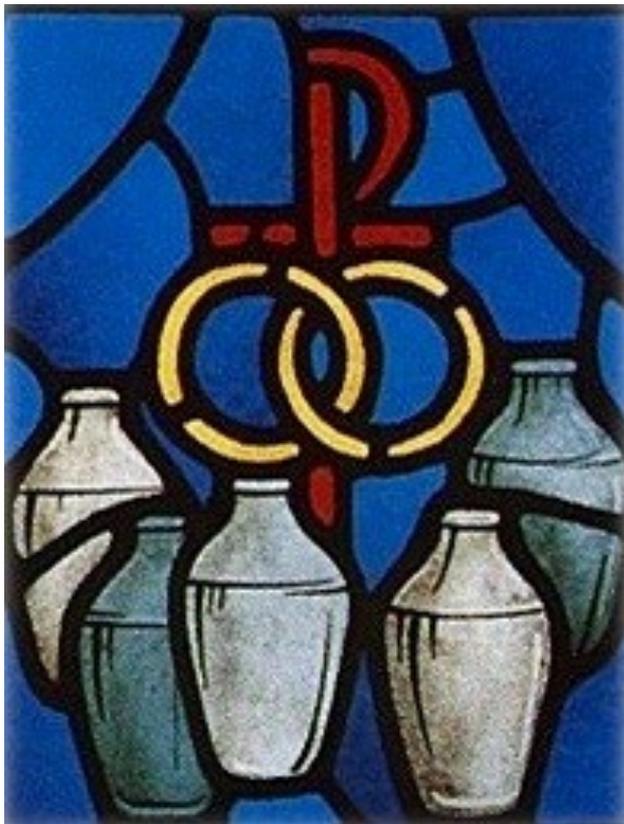


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HOLY FAMILY PARISH CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year C
Sunday 16 January 2022

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



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16 January 2022

First Reading:
Isaiah 62:1-5

Responsorial Psalm:
**Proclaim his marvellous deeds to
all the nations.**

Second Reading:
1 Corinthians 12:4-11

Gospel Acclamation:
Alleluia, alleluia!
**God has called us with the gospel
to share in the glory of our
Lord Jesus Christ.**
Alleluia!

Gospel:
John 2:1-11

Communion Antiphon:
**You have prepared a table before
me, and how precious is the chalice
that quenches my thirst.**

Words of Wisdom From our Blessed Mother

His mother said to the servers, “Do whatever he tells you.” **John 2:5**

This short and direct statement from our Blessed Mother says all we need to know. “Do whatever He tells you.” What else do we need to know in life?

The hard part, of course, is following that advice. It’s easy to believe it, to preach it and to commit ourselves to doing everything that our Lord says, but it’s another thing to actually follow through and fulfil His divine will.

That short exhortation calls us to two things: To discern what Jesus wants of us and, to freely embrace that which we discern. How are you doing in these two areas?

First of all, discerning the will of God can be hard in the sense that it requires a wholehearted attentiveness to His gentle and subtle voice. God does not impose His will on us; rather, He respectfully and quietly invites us to listen. He waits until we give Him our full attention and then reveals His will one step at a time. Yes, some things have been made clear already through public revelation such as the avoidance of sin and the embrace of faith, hope and love. But when we are ready to let those general commands enter practically into our daily lives, we must be ready to give God our full attention.

Second, we should realize that God’s will, when properly discerned, is not always easy to embrace. He requires everything of us. He is a “jealous God” in the sense that He wants our total surrender. The good news is that if we are willing to give Him everything in total obedience, we will discover that our lives are completely fulfilled.

Reflect, today, upon this twofold invitation spoken by our Blessed Mother. Reflect upon how ready you are to listen to God’s will and to do His will, no matter what it is. If you are ready for this, you are on the path toward holiness.

Dear Blessed Mother, thank you for your perfect words of wisdom. Help me to accept your advice in my life. Help me to know what your Son wills of me and then help me to embrace His holy and perfect will. Lord, I give You my life and choose to surrender all to You. Jesus, I trust in You.



Our Parish Prayer Intention this week

We pray for everyone at home and around the world who have been affected by the Coronavirus Pandemic; those who are sick, for their healing; those who are in isolation and those FRONT-LINERS (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:

Corinne Carrington, Wendy Stephens, Lillian Pauley, Norma Doyle, Margaret Muller, Jane Shaw, Jane Bell, Bill Parker, Sarah Stevenson, Virgilio Pesigan, Todd Bennett, Carrie Bertola, Julian Letter, Bonita Stevenson, Gary Maxine Fryatt, Lorelie Donkin, Jose Vecchio, Tegan Castellaro, India Heslop, Victor Cruz, Comple Family, Theresa Macaulay, Halina Van Moorsel, June Higgins, John Touzell, Allysa and Leonie Dorothy Hard, Vicky Southworth, Robert Main, Perla Bautista, Craig Holmes, Luba Greay, Neil Banks, Garry Higgins, Jerry Lambie, Phil Lloyd, Brian Lloyd, Lucille Villalobos

Anniversary of Death: Mattha Hoang, Anthony Nguyen, Philip Russell

Recent Death: Shiela Rogers, Nathaniel Probert, Lucy Mah and Maurice Byrne

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.

ROSARY STATUES:

Pilgrim Statue
Perina Della Benedetti

Filipino Statue
Cirila

PARISH OFFICE Opening Hours

Our Parish Office is open Tuesday to Friday from 9.00am until 12.30pm.
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

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 tells the Corinthians that all of our gifts are from God and that they are given, not for ourselves alone, but for the common good. But the miracle at Cana reminds us that whenever we faithfully do as God asks, He can change our gifts of water into wine!

1st Collection: \$1360.00
2nd Collection: \$1175.00
Direct Debit / EFT: \$504.11

Thank you for your continued generosity

INFORMATION FOR NEXT WEEKEND - 23 JANUARY 2022

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: Nehemiah 8:2-6, 8-10

Responsorial Psalm:

Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 12:12-30

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21

Rosters

Saturday 6.00pm Mass: Holy Family Church

Deacon / Acolyte: Ron Webb
Readers: Helen Polette, Steph Gorman

Sunday 7.30am Mass: St Joseph's Church

Deacon / Acolyte: Manuel Navalta
Readers: Filipina Tracey, Denise Beech

Sunday 9.30am Mass: Holy Family Church

Deacon/ Acolyte: Peter Nagon
Readers: Anne Smith, Christine Liau

Sunday 5.00pm Mass: St Joseph's Church

Deacon / Acolyte: Stan Bemben
Readers: Nathan Farley, William Pauley

Parish Office - Open

We are pleased to announce that the **Parish Office is now open** again after our Christmas break. Operating hours continue as before.

Rosary and Benediction

This **Sunday, 16 January**, along with every other third Sunday of each month, Benediction will be held, accompanied by the recitation of the Rosary.

This will take place at **3.00pm in St Joseph's Church.**

Diocesan Summer School 2022

Explore the challenges we face as Christians living in the world of today, and our role in shaping a better world for the future.

You are invited to join other Christians in the Diocese of Bunbury for a time of input, reflection and sharing as we engage with Pope Francis' call to the Church of the 3rd millennium.

Presented by **Dr Michael Jackson** and **Fr Tony Chiera.**

Date: WEDNESDAY, 19 January 2022

Time: 5.30pm – 8.30pm

Place: New Camfield (154 Aberdeen Street, Albany)

To register, please call: 9841 1129

Please bring along a plate of food to share for a light supper. **See you all there!**

Fr Joeff Holiday Break

Fr Joeff will be on his holiday break from the **Monday, 17th January to Saturday, the 5th of February.**

We pray for his safe and happy travel! We pray for anyone else who might be away as well.

Everyone is invited to the

Santo Niño FEAST DAY CELEBRATION



Sunday, 16 January 2022

9.00am - Assembly at St. Joseph's College Gym for the 9:15am Procession

9.30am - MASS at **HOLY FAMILY CHURCH**

We thank everyone for joining us for the Santo Niño Novena Masses. Please join us for LUNCH at St. Joseph's College Gym after the 9.30am Mass. Everyone is welcome!

For further information please contact Fe Lourdes & Manuel Navalta
Co-ordinator/Organiser 9841 7475.

Special readings will be used for this Mass:

First Reading:

Isaiah 9:1-6

Responsorial Psalm:

The Lord is king; let the many isles be glad.

Second Reading:

Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-18

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

**The Word became flesh
and made his dwelling among us.**

Alleluia!

Gospel:

Luke 2:41-52

Communion Antiphon:

He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to Mary and Joseph.

A Letter from Bishop Gerard

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Pope Francis has announced that there is to be a Synod in Rome in 2023 about 'synodality'. In preparation for this, there is to be synodal dialogue at all levels of the Church between now until then.

The first step in the consultation is the opportunity for individuals and groups to pray and respond to questions from Rome. **Responses need to be submitted by 22 February.** This is not an ideal date for the southern hemisphere but is an extension of an earlier date.

Parishes have the consultation materials for individuals and groups and these can be sought from there. **More information on this synod will be given in 2022.**

I encourage all to participate in the world wide consultation which will impact upon future decision making in the Church across the world.

- Bishop Gerard Holohan

HISTORY OF SANTO NIÑO

On September 20, 1519, a fleet of galleons commanded by Ferdinand Magellan landed in a small island in the central part of the Philippines. Magellan took possession of the islands and named it after King Philip of Spain.



Shortly after, they headed for Cebu. King Humabon and Queen Juana of Cebu gave him a warm reception and embraced Christianity. On the day Queen Juana was baptized, the Image of Santo Nino was presented to her. Magellan was killed in battle, fighting with king Humabon who was at war with the neighboring tribe, and his men returned to Spain.

Spain sent another expedition to the Far East Region. An Augustinian priest, named Andres Urdaneta, who lived in a monastery in Mexico was summoned to lead them. The expedition left Mexico and arrived in Cebu on April 27, 1565.

A battle broke out between them. But heavy artilleries and huge cannons forced the natives to flee, leaving their villages behind to be burnt to the ground. As Spanish soldiers surveyed the debris of the village, **a soldier found the image of the Child Jesus under the pile of ashes unscathed inside a wooden box.** This was the first of numerous miracles and powers attributed to the Holy Image.

During the last World War, a bomb fell inside the Basilica where the Image was kept but the it was recovered unscathed.

The same Image still lies in the same Basilica to this day and has become a favourite destination for millions of pilgrims each year.

Text adapted from:

<http://www.santoninodecebu.org/history.html>

COVID-19 REGULATIONS

COVID-19 Phase 5 WA Government Regulations stipulate we must still 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 posters displayed.

Regulations also recommend maintaining good hygiene standards and COVID-safe principles. Therefore I ask everyone to please still **sanitise your hands thoroughly**.

Thank you for your kind understanding!

-Fr Chris, OSJ

PARISH 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 SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

First Thursday of the month: 6:00pm Holy Hour

Third Sunday of the month: 3:00pm Benediction & 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

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2nd Sunday: 11:30am