

Let us remember in our prayers ...

Recently deceased: Fr Joseph Angelo, Mollie Pittorino, John Lawson, Ramona McKeown, Greg Josephson, Brother John Carrigg CFC

Anniversaries: Tony Da Silva, Fr Edward Jerram, Fr Austin Cooper OMI, Tony Bertelli, Glen D’Castro, Patricia Saunders, Molly Paltridge

Sick: Gerri O’Reilly, Ken Metcalf, Beula Reddy, Joan Travers, Joseph Martino, Alan, Max Baldock, Tom Brennan, Yvette Henderson, Sr Deidre Brown IBVM, Celine Williams, Joseph Sheahan, Peter Costelloe, Catherine, Bart Welten, Peter McEvoy, Marilyn Mirabella, Archbishop Barry James Hickey, Stephen Hill, Mimi Epstein, Marie Hebble

THE SILENT SERMON: THE EVANGELICAL POWER OF THE SHROUD *By Daniel Ang*

The Shroud of Turin has intrigued believers and non-believers alike for centuries. And in recent decades, it has become increasingly clear that the Shroud is not merely a religious curiosity. It is, in fact, one of the most extraordinary artefacts in human history. For many, it is a relic. For all of us, it is a mystery. And for those who seek truth, it can be a profound source of encounter with the Gospel. We are living in an age that hungers for evidence, for the tangible, for something real, especially when it comes to faith. And it is here that the Shroud speaks powerfully. Many now know there is a great deal of scientific and historical evidence suggesting the Shroud could not have been the work of a medieval forger, as claimed by the carbon dating results of 1988. In fact, the deeper we delve, the more difficult it becomes to dismiss the Shroud as merely a product of human hands. Less well known is that many leaders within the Catholic Church have expressed belief in the authenticity of the Shroud. Among them are the past three popes – Pope John Paul II, Benedict XVI, and Pope Francis – each of whom made personal pilgrimages to venerate the Shroud. When Pope John Paul II visited the Shroud in 1980, he called it a “distinguished relic linked to the mystery of our redemption”. Eighteen years later, after the carbon dating controversy, he returned, this time thanking God for what he called “this unique gift.” That is no small statement. No pope would thank the Lord for a forgery. More than that, John Paul II called us to gaze upon the Shroud with what he described as “the believer’s loving attention and complete willingness to follow the Lord”. In those words, he gently redirected us – not to get lost in the science or the debate – but to encounter the One whose image we believe is preserved on that cloth. Pope Benedict XVI went further, stating the Shroud had “wrapped the remains of a crucified man in full correspondence with what the Gospels tell us of Jesus”. Pope Benedict, who was always precise with his language, offered here a clear rebuttal to the carbon dating claims. Pope Francis, too, made pilgrimage to the Shroud in 2015. He not only prayed before it but reached up and touched it. With great reverence, he said: “In the face of the Man of the Shroud, we see the faces of many sick brothers and sisters ... victims of war and violence, slavery and persecution”. For Pope Francis, the Shroud was not just about the past. It is about Christ’s presence among today’ss offering. And so the Shroud remains a powerful sign of hope in Christ’s power over evil. But perhaps most remarkable is its impact beyond the church. Over the years, it has impressed and even converted many non-believers – atheists, agnostics, and sceptics who were drawn into a journey of faith by what they encountered in the scientific and spiritual mystery of the Shroud. It has spoken, too, to Protestants and Jewish seekers. I believe the Shroud’s most urgent and timely gift is its power to evangelise. The Shroud is not just a matter of interest for scholars or theologians. It is something ordinary Catholics, young and old, can share in conversations with friends, colleagues, even strangers. It opens the door to a conversation not only about Christ’s suffering, but about his love, sacrifice, and the reality of the Resurrection. And in a world that is increasingly sceptical of faith, increasingly disengaged from tradition, the Shroud is a bridge. It offers people a reason to pause, to question, to wonder. It invites them to consider: Could this really be the burial cloth of Jesus? And if it is, what does that mean for my life? I encourage you to reflect on how you might carry this message. How the Shroud might be part of your own call to evangelise – to bear witness to a love that left its mark not only on human history, but on a simple linen cloth that continues to confound, inspire, and convert.

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WALKING TOGETHER: HOLD ON TO THE DREAM **7pm, Wednesday 16 July, St Thomas More College Chapel Crawley**

‘*Changing to be Faithful: Why Sydonality is the only way forward for the Church*’ will be presented by Fr Eamonn Conway, a priest of the Tuam Archdiocese in Ireland, inaugural Professor of Integral Human Development at UNDA and expert adviser to the 16th Synod of Bishops 2021-2024. To assist with seating and catering please register at wallergranjen51@gmail.com. Limited parking at the College, with overflow parking available at UWA. Come early and bring a cushion!

ADULT FAITH OPPORTUNITIES: CENTRE FOR FAITH ENRICHMENT **Newman Siena Centre, 33 Williamstown Road, Doubleview**


- Catholic Social Teaching: An Introduction: 10am, Thursdays, 24 July – 21 August, Ms Natalie Thomas
- History of the Early Church: The Story Begins: 10am, Tuesdays, 5 August – 9 September, Dr Marco Ceccarelli
- After Life: The Eschaton – Our Living Hope: 10am, Thursdays, 28 August – 25 September, Ms Natalie Thomas

ONLINE

- Catholic Social Teaching: An Introduction: 7.30pm, Thursdays, 24 July – 21 August, Ms Natalie Thomas

For registration and further information about all courses, [visit cfe.org.au](http://visit.cfe.org.au), [email cfe@perthcatholic.org.au](mailto:cfe@perthcatholic.org.au) or [phone 9278 0261](tel:92780261).

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WEEKLY HYMNS					9am & 5pm, Sunday 6 July
Lyrics are available on the Parish website via the QR code (right), or by visiting stjosephssubiaco.org.au/lyrics . Hymn books are also available at Church entrances. Please return them at the conclusion of Mass.					
<i>Mass</i>	<i>Entrance</i>	<i>Offertory</i>	<i>Communion</i>	<i>Recessional</i>	
9am	As We Gather at Your Table	Dear Lord and Father of Mankind (84)	Ave Maria Be Not Afraid (36)	Let There be Peace (207)	
5pm	They’Il Know We are Christians (339)	Peace is Flowing Like a River (277)	How Great is Our God (169) Prayer of St Francis (227)	Be Not Afraid (36)	

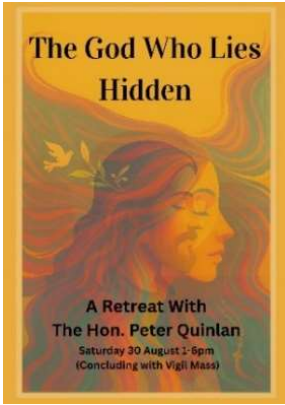
ST JOSEPH’S UPCOMING EVENTS		
Young Family Group 6 July	Youth Group 27 July	Faith Formation for Little Tots 27 July

ST VINCENT DE PAUL

SVDP wishes to sincerely acknowledge parishioners and St John of God Hospital, Subiaco for their generous support of our winter appeal. Thank you for being an amazing community. We are still in need of **tea, coffee, long life milk, canned tomatoes, canned corn, canned mixed vegetables, honey, jam and vegemite**. All non-perishable food item donations can be placed in collection baskets at the entrance of the church. *'Kindness is the language which the deaf can hear and the blind can see'*. (Mark Twain).

2025 MARRIAGE DAY MASS **St Mary’s Cathedral, 10am, Saturday 16 August**

All couples celebrating a milestone anniversary – 20, 25, 30, 40, 50, 60, or even 70 years – are warmly invited, along with your families, to join the Archdiocesan community for this year’s Marriage Day Mass followed by morning tea. Register at trybooking.com/DCFPY. Each registered couple with receive a commemorative certificate to mark the occasion. Registrations close on 1 August.




ST JOSEPH’S PARISH RETREAT: BOOKINGS NOW OPEN

Upper Room: 1pm, Saturday 30 August 2025

The St Joseph’s Parish Retreat this year will be led by parishioner The Honorable Peter Quinlan.

Commencing at 1pm and concluding with the Vigil Mass at 5pm, the theme of the afternoon is ‘The God Who Lies Hidden’.

Attendance is limited to parishioners due to restricted numbers.



MASS TIMES (Subject to change - refer to Parish Diary for latest information)		PARISH CONTACT DETAILS	
Tuesday	5.30pm	Office	Tuesday - Friday: 9.30am to 4.30pm
Wednesday, Thursday & Friday	9am	Phone	9381 0400
Saturday Reconciliation	4.30pm	Postal	PO Box 568, Wembley 6913
Saturday Vigil	5pm	Email	enquiries@stjosephssubiaco.org.au
Sunday	9am & 5pm	Website	www.stjosephssubiaco.org.au
PARISH BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS	First Collection EFT Details		
	Account Name:	St Joseph's Presbytery Subiaco	
	BSB:	086 006	
	Account #:	887 970 525	
	Reference:	Name	
PARISH BANK ACCOUNT DETAILS	Second Collection EFT Details		
	Account Name:	St Joseph's Church Subiaco	
	BSB:	086 006	
	Account #:	564 990 302	
	Reference:	Name	

PARISH DIARY				MONSIGNOR KEVIN
Sunday 6 July	9.45am 10.30am 11.30am	Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time Baptism: <i>Vincent Lawrence Moloney</i> Upper Room: <i>Sacramental Preparation Classes</i> Baptism: <i>Ryan Declan Atkinson</i>	<i>Monsignor Kevin</i> <i>Fr Garner Vergara</i>	
Monday 7 July		Monday, Week 14 of Ordinary Time <i>Optional: Blessed Peter To Rot, Martyr</i>		
Tuesday 8 July	6pm	Tuesday, Week 14 of Ordinary Time Upper Room: <i>St Vincent de Paul Meeting</i>		
Wednesday 9 July	5.30pm 7pm	Wednesday, Week 14 of Ordinary Time <i>Optional: St Augustine Zhao Rong, Priest, & Companions, Martyrs</i> Upper Room: <i>Centering Prayer</i> Church: <i>Music Rehearsal</i>		
Thursday 10 July	9am 2.30pm	Thursday, Week 14 of Ordinary Time Church: <i>Communion Service</i> Upper Room: <i>Camino Salvado Meeting</i>		
Friday 11 July		St Benedict, Abbot, Memorial		
Saturday 12 July	2pm	Saturday, Week 14 of Ordinary Time Upper Room: <i>Sacramental Preparation Classes</i>		