





# Our Lady of Lourdes Parish Lesmurdie

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Parish Office: Tuesday, Thursday and Friday 9.00-3.30pm

Please Note: Monday is **Father Michael's DAY OFF** so, unless it is urgent, please wait until Tuesday to contact him. Thank you.

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## Fourth Sunday Of Lent / A 19th March 2023

<u>SUNDAY MASS TIMES</u>  <b>OUR LADY OF LOURDES</b> Saturday Vigil 6.00pm Sunday 8.00am and 9.30am  <b>OUR LADY OF GRACE</b> Sunday 8.00am	<u>FEBRUARY WEEKDAY MASS TIMES</u> <u>REFER TO MASS TABLE BELOW</u>  NO Monday Mass Tuesday: 8.00am or 9.15am (School Mass) Wednesday: 8.00am Thursday: 8.00am Friday: 9.00am	<b>COVID-19 as of 23 Nov 2022</b> 1. Book your Fourth dose if eligible. 2. Wash or sanitise your hands regularly. 3. If unwell, stay home and get tested. 4. Wear a mask if necessary 5. Collect your free RAT's from locations across state: register positive results.
<u>RECONCILIATION</u> <b>OUR LADY OF LOURDES</b> Saturday 11.30am - 12.00pm and 5.15pm - 5.45pm <b>OUR LADY OF GRACE</b> Sunday Before 8.00am Mass	<u>CELEBRATIONS</u> <b>Baptisms:</b> Contact Parish Office <b>Weddings:</b> Contact Father	<u>FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK</u>  20/03 Solemnity of St. John, spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary 25/03 Solemnity of the Annunciation of the Lord

### PARISH EVENTS:

**Easter Choir.** Practices for Easter Choir have started on **March 1<sup>st</sup>** Come and join this beautiful and blessed ministry each Wednesday at 7:30pm in the Church. For more information contact **Shirley 0412 762 788**

<u>WEEKLY MASS INTENTIONS</u>			<b>Planned Giving</b>
Sat 18	6.00pm	Int. Faccin Family	The Planned Giving program is an important part of the Parish as it allows us to maintain all aspects of the Church, Presbytery and Parish Centre. In order to keep the Parish viable we must maintain a target of 95% and above each week. Last week's giving was <b>77%</b> of target. <b><i>Thank you!</i></b>
Sun 19	8.00am	Bob Agar (Ann)	
	9.30am	Int. Charles & Jacinta	
Tue 21	8.00am	Matthew Sala Tenna (M.M.)	
Wed 22	8.00am	Paul Jefferys (Ann)	
Thu 23	8.00am	Sylvia Le Guier (Ann)	
Fri 24	9.00am	Int. Henderson Family	
<b>Prayer for Vocations</b> Jesus you are the Good Shepherd who is always mindful of your Church. Watch over those who are baptised in your name and grant peace and harmony to all families. We ask you to choose from the families of our Parish many priests, deacons, sisters, and brothers who will gladly spend their lives making you known and loved. <b>Amen.</b>			<b>PROFESSION OF FAITH</b>  I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible. I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man. For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church.  I confess one baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. <b>Amen.</b>
<b>Prayer for Peace and Justice in Ukraine</b> God of peace and justice, who change the hardened heart and break the power of violence, we entrust the people of Ukraine to you. Protect them in this time of peril. Let them know not death but life, not slavery but freedom. You are Father of all. We are brothers and sisters. Give us the strength to live that truth in love, choosing peace not war. Through Christ our Lord. <b>Amen.</b> Mary Our Mother, Queen of Peace, Pray for us.			

## SPECIAL PARISH INFORMATION AND ARCHDIOCESAN EVENT

**VOLUNTEERS AS READERS AND COLLECTORS ARE NEEDED FOR HOLY WEEK AND EASTER LITURGIES. IF YOU CAN HELP PLEASE REGISTER YOUR NAME ON THE ROSTERS CLIPBOARDS AT THE ENTRANCE OR THE CHURCH.**

**Lenten Second Rite of Reconciliation at Holy Family Parish Kalamunda Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> March at 7:00pm All Welcome!!**

**BUSY BEE PREPARATION for HOLY WEEK and Easter. To prepare the Church and grounds for Easter Celebrations. Please bring your own gardening tools. Saturday 1st April 8am start. Many thanks in advance!!**

Through his time in ministry, Jesus was frequently confronted by the scribes and Pharisees – the leaders of the people of Israel. Oft charged with blasphemy and of defying laws of Moses, Jesus was repeatedly challenged to justify his teachings and to defend his actions. In all his responses, Jesus faithfully stood firm in his missionary purpose: that all would know the extent of the never ending, compassionate and merciful love of the Father – a love that Jesus, as the Son of God, truly embodied. It is Jesus who takes the initiative to enter into the life of someone who could not take the initiative himself. The man born blind knows that he cannot take the initiative. He is the epitome of those who know they can do nothing without the help of others – those who know they need God.

This, too is our calling. As Christians, we are called to be an embodiment of God's love – in faith and all we do – for we are indeed the handiwork of God. As Pope Francis so astutely notes, it is through our actions, undertaken with "love and good cheer, that our faith germinates and bears much fruit." (*Angelus, 10 July 2016*)

Today's reading is a confronting story about how wickedness and sinfulness can blind us to truths which are right in front of our eyes. Most of the passage is not a conversation between Jesus and the man born blind, Jesus appears only at the beginning and the end. Rather, John is concentrating on the record of the words of those who refuse to believe in the testimony of the cured man and thus the testimony of Jesus himself. The blind Pharisees they have their preconceived ideas about God, and nothing is going to sway them. The observers, they are blind and deaf to the one who stands before them. They are unable to see that the Law is being fulfilled before their very eyes. Their hearts do not perceive the truth, and so they are truly blind. Their blindness is also apparent in their ignorance of the Law. They think they know, but they do not. Their appeal to Scripture is superficial and literal. They are incapable of seeing; incapable of hearing the truth. Jesus often appeals to those who have eyes to see and ears to hear. Seeing and hearing are two ways in which we know our world, and on a deeper level, they are fundamental to knowing itself. Blindness, in the Scriptural sense, renders us incapable of recognising the truth. Similarly, an inability to listen incapacitates the obedience which is a sign of our own listening to the Spirit. The physically blind man listened to Jesus and in humility obeyed Jesus' command to "go and wash in the Pool of Siloam." Truth and obedience lead us to knowing.

*Lord help me to know where I resist seeing and hearing you. As I gently look over the past week, show me where I may have been blind or deaf to the truth so that I might truly understand. Amen.*

**PLEASE PRAY FOR THE SICK** Mark Blackwell, Louise Miller, Elvin Fernandez, Matt Don, Pekka Marttinen, Ann Elliott, Fiona Mackenzie-Round, Barbara Chodorowski, Jim Everett, Colleen Searle, Vincent Ramsay, Ralph Leon Mendoza, Paula Silla, Olive Ferguson, Emma Newman, Oliver Reid, Fiona Chandler, Marc Fernandes, Mary J Wilson, Reece McCutcheon, Herman Z, Rita Z, Beatrix Zureich, Amparo Ortiz, Phillip Everett, Liz Lennon, Lin Sole, Ryan Campbell, Jenny Conti, Fiona Ball, Greg O'Connor, Jill Turner, Marjorie Bly, Baby Juliette Tysoe, Julia Everett, Katie Ammendolea, Lucy Barranca, June McGinnity, Katie Searle, Tom Ryan, Delta & Eris Toop and those battling terminal illness *and all those who have asked for our prayers.*

### **RECENTLY DECEASED:**

**ANNIVERSARIES THIS WEEK:** Bob Agar, Matthew Sala Tenna, Paul Jefferys, Sylvia Le Guier, Keith Hawkins *Eternal rest unto them O Lord and may Perpetual Light shine upon them.*

MARCH / APRIL	25	26	26		01	02	02
MASS	6PM	8AM	9.30AM		6PM	8AM	9.30AM
PROCLAIMER	Pam	Leon	Sue		Peter	Chris L.	Sabrina
ACOLYTE	Richard	Dermot	Terry		George	Dermot	Terry
COLLECTION	Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers		Volunteers	Volunteers	Volunteers
MUSIC	S. Spencer	Quiet Mass	Mark & Eddie		S. Spencer	Quiet Mass	Mark & Eddie
CHURCH CLEANER	Pam				Steph B.		
MORNING TEA					Veronika		

