

SECOND READING **Rom 14: 7 - 9**

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

Whether alive or dead, we belong to the Lord.

The life and death of each of us has its influence on others; if we live, we live for the Lord; and if we die, we die for the Lord, so that alive or dead we belong to the Lord. This explains why Christ both died and came to life, it was so that he might be Lord both of the dead and of the living.

The word of the Lord

GOSPEL ACCLAM. **Jn 13: 34**

Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment: love one another as I have loved you.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL **Mt 18: 21 - 35**

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

I tell you that you forgive not seven times but seventy times seven.

Peter went up to Jesus and said, 'Lord, how often must I forgive my brother if he wrongs me? As often as seven times?' Jesus answered, 'Not seven, I tell you, but seventy-seven times.'

'And so the kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who decided to settle his accounts with his servants. When the reckoning began, they brought him a man who owed ten thousand talents; but he had no means of paying, so his master

gave orders that he should be sold, together with his wife and children and all his possessions, to meet the debt. At this, the servant threw himself down at his master's feet. "Give me time," he said, "and I will pay the whole sum." And the servant's master felt so sorry for him that he let him go and cancelled the debt. Now as this servant went out, he happened to meet a fellow servant who owed him one hundred denarii; and he seized him by the throat and began to throttle him. "Pay what you owe me," he said. His fellow servant fell at his feet and implored him, saying, "Give me time and I will pay you." But the other would not agree; on the contrary, he had him thrown into prison till he should pay the debt. His fellow servants were deeply distressed when they saw what had happened, and they went to their master and reported the whole affair to him. Then the master sent for him. "You wicked servant," he said, "I cancelled all that debt of yours when you appealed to me. Were you not bound, then, to have pity on your fellow servant just as I had pity on you?" And in his anger the master handed him over to the torturers till he should pay all his debt.

And that is how my heavenly Father will deal with you unless you each forgive your brother from your heart.'

The Gospel of the Lord.



Saint John Paul II Parish

13th September 2020

Twenty-Fourth Sunday Ordinary Time

FIRST READING **Sir 27: 30 - 28: 7** **RESP. PSALM** **Ps 102: 1 - 4, 9 - 12**

A reading from the book of Ecclesiasticus

Forgive your neighbour's faults and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven.

Resentment and anger, these are foul things, and both are found with the sinner. He who exacts vengeance will experience the vengeance of the Lord, who keeps strict account of sin. Forgive your neighbour the hurt he does you, and when you pray, your sins will be forgiven. If a man nurses anger against another, can he then demand compassion from the Lord? Showing no pity for a man like himself, can he then plead for his own sins? Mere creature of flesh, he cherishes resentment; who will forgive him his sins? Remember the last things, and stop hating, remember dissolution and death, and live by the commandments. Remember the commandments, and do not bear your neighbour ill-will; remember the covenant of the Most High, and overlook the offence.

The word of the Lord.

R. The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger and rich in compassion.

1. My soul, give thanks to the Lord, all my being, bless his holy name. My soul, give thanks to the Lord and never forget all his blessings. **R**
2. It is he who forgives all your guilt, who heals every one of your ills, who redeems your life from the grave, who crowns you with love and compassion. **R**
3. His wrath will come to an end; he will not be angry for ever. He does not treat us according to our sins nor repay us according to our faults. **R**
4. For as the heavens are high above the earth so strong is his love for those who fear him. As far as the east is from the west so far does he remove our sins. **R**



Saint John Paul II Parish Notices



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SJPII MASS TIMES

WEEKDAY MASS 8.00am

SATURDAY 8.00am **VIGIL MASS** 6:00pm

SUNDAY 9.30am

MASS INTENTIONS If you would like to offer a Mass up for a special intention, please contact Fr Vinh.

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Reconciliation by appointment

Baptism by appointment

Weddings by appointment

ROSTERS FOR THIS WEEKEND - 12TH/13TH SEPT

ACOLYTES	Sat Vigil: Andy	Sun 9.30am: Thomas A
LITURGY OF THE WORD	Sat Vigil: 1. Reshma 2. Paul	Sun 9.30am: 1. Carina 2. Jo
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Sun 9.30am:	
ALTAR SERVERS	Sun 9.30am: Cross Bearer ☩:	Candles:
SUNDAY MORNING TEA		

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEKEND - 19TH/20TH SEPT

ACOLYTES	Sat Vigil: Arnell	Sun 9.30am: Jude
LITURGY OF THE WORD	Sat Vigil: 1. Mailyln 2. Phil	Sun 9.30am: 1. Angela 2. Pancy
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	Sun 9.30am:	
ALTAR SERVERS	Sun 9.30am: Cross Bearer ☩:	Candles:
SUNDAY MORNING TEA		

If you are unable to attend your rostered Mass, please arrange a swap with another person from the particular ministry. Thank you.

ROSTERS Please check with Fr Vinh, Sr Duyen or Sr Tuyen if support is needed for Mass celebrations.

PHASE 4 COVID-19 ROADMAP As we continue in Phase 4 of the Australian Government's COVID-19 Roadmap for recovery, we must continue to keep with the 2 sqm per person rule, maintain good hygiene and physical distancing, including as we enter and exit the Mass centre, and as we prepare to receive Holy Communion. The Church must display a **COVID Safety Plan** and follow strict cleaning measures. The Church will no longer be required to keep a visitor register, however, these will be maintained for a period of 28 days following the lifting of the 'State of Emergency' period. Holy Water fonts are to remain empty. Bulletins, hymnals etc are not to be shared.

Bulletins and Prayers of Intercession will continue to be emailed rather than printed, at this point in time in line with Archdiocesan Directives.

ST JOHN PAUL II CPS ENROLMENTS In Harmony with our God, St John Paul II Catholic Primary School community is centred on Jesus Christ and shaped by the spiritual gifts of unity, compassion and forgiveness. These Charisms, favoured by St John Paul II, our Patron Saint, guide and direct our faith focus and way of life. If these Charisms speak to you and you are looking to enrol your child in an excellent and supportive Catholic school, there are student placements available across all year levels. Applications and interviews for Kindergarten students in 2021 are now being accepted. For more information on the school, please visit the website at www.sjpiicps.wa.edu.au.



THE GATHERING - NORTHERN SUBURBS SENIORS You are invited to 'The Gathering' our monthly social meeting of music, entertainment and community information which will be held on Thursday 17th September at 10.30am at St Anthony's Parish hall, 15 Dundobar Road Wanneroo. (Parking at rear of Church). Please BYO lunch in line with COVID-19 requirements. Come and enjoy some sing along music, meet new friends and hopefully win a prize. Guest Speaker- Vibe Legal- David Endersby. Music by- Bernard Carney OAM; John Bromfield. All welcome; Registration from 10.15am (\$4 contribution). All enquiries to Sean Mc Donagh on 0431 018 388 or Jim Egan - 0413 866 320. Come along and join in the fun.



SACRAMENT OF HOLY COMMUNION This Sunday morning, a special Mass will be held at 11.00am as the students from both our parish school and our PREP classes celebrate their first Holy Communion. Please keep these students and their families in your prayers as they prepare to receive Jesus for the first time, in the Eucharist.



Congratulations

May Jesus come to bless you on your First Communion Day. May you feel His loving presence in a very special way. And as you strive to follow in His footsteps may He bless your life with many graces and lasting happiness.



The Universal Prayer
Sunday 13th September 2020
(Child Protection Sunday)
Twenty-Fourth Week in Ordinary Time

1. That Pope Francis will continue to proclaim the mercy of God in word and action, with a special concern for the protection and care of children and teenagers.
Lord, hear us.

2. That in all of our relationships within families, with neighbours and fellow students we will share the responsibility of caring for children and teenagers with a profound respect.
Lord, hear us.

3. That children and teenagers whose lives and education have been severely disrupted during the Covid 19 pandemic, will be a concern to us all, and especially in regard to their mental health.
Lord, hear us.

5. That in this ‘Season of Creation’ leaders and citizens will learn from the enthusiasm and commitment which children and young people have towards the environment and share with them our responsibility for this planet and universe.
Lord, hear us.

7. That the life and death of family, friends and parishioners will continue to have a good influence upon us as we entrust them to God’s loving mercy.
We also remember...
Lord, hear us.