

OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

25 JANUARY 2026

Hearing that John had been arrested Jesus went back to Galilee, and leaving Nazareth he went and settled in Capernaum, a lakeside town on the borders of Zebulun and Naphtali. In this way the prophecy of Isaiah was to be fulfilled:

Land of Zebulun! Land of Naphtali! / Way of the sea on the far side of Jordan, / Galilee of the nations! / The people that lived in darkness / has seen a great light; / on those who dwell in the land and shadow of death / a light has dawned.

From that moment Jesus began his preaching with the message, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'

As he was walking by the Sea of Galilee he saw two brothers, Simon, who was called Peter, and his brother Andrew; they were making a cast in the lake with their net, for they were fishermen. And he said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you fishers of men.' And they left their nets at once and followed him.

Going on from there he saw another pair of brothers, James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they were in their boat with their father Zebedee, mending their nets, and he called them. At once, leaving the boat and their father, they followed him.

He went round the whole of Galilee teaching in their synagogues, proclaiming the Good News of the kingdom and curing all kinds of diseases and sickness among the people.

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Shorter form: 4: 12-17

HOMILY

PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES' CREED

Or the Nicene Creed may be said.

I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:

R. Blessed be God for ever.

P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.

R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS

P. Accept our offerings, O Lord, we pray, and in sanctifying them grant that they may profit us for salvation. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Lift up your hearts.

R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.

R. It is right and just.

PREFACE I-VIII OF THE SUNDAYS IN ORDINARY TIME

After the Preface, we sing or say:

All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION

P. The mystery of faith.

All: Save us, Saviour of the world, for by your Cross and Resurrection you have set us free.

COMMUNION RITE

P. At the Saviour's command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:

All: Our Father, who art in heaven . . .

P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray . . .

All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.

P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said . . .

R. Amen.

P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.

R. And with your spirit.

P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.

All exchange a sign of peace

LAMB OF GOD

All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.

Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION

P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.

R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON

cf. Ps 33:6

Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Grant, we pray, almighty God, that, receiving the grace by which you bring us to new life, we may always glory in your gift. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit.

P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.

R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

REPENT

Last Sunday's Gospel from John, though critically important for our spiritual reflection, seemed unusual in this year of Matthew. So, today, we return to Matthew. In the past two Sundays, John the Baptist has been central in the Gospel selections. Today he is no longer with us, having been arrested. Our focus is squarely now on Jesus. He moves from his hometown of Nazareth to Capernaum. Both towns are on the fringe. The first, Nazareth, is the symbolic place of exile in Matthew. When Mary, Joseph and Jesus returned from Egypt they could not go back to their hometown of Bethlehem because of the vengeful ruling presence of Herod's son Archelaus. They go to live in Galilee, to Nazareth. They, like the Israelites several centuries earlier, are in exile. It is from here that the rest of Matthew unfolds.

Jesus next moves to Capernaum located geographically close to pagan and Gentile territories. It is a fishing village and a taxation collection centre at the crossroads of two major E-W and N-S highways. It is here that Jesus proclaims the great clarion cry in the Gospel: 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand' (4:17). This cry 'to repent' (Greek *metanoia*) is an urge to have an openness of heart. It comes with a conviction that God is already present and active in the world ('the kingdom of heaven is close at hand').

Finally, after Jesus calls four fishermen to be his first disciples, our Gospel proclamation ends with a note about Jesus' teaching and healing ministry. The first-called disciples will model for Matthew's audience how to be repentant and live out the conviction of God's presence in their lives and world.

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JESUS, OUR LIGHT. At times we can find ourselves 'walking in darkness.' We get caught up in difficulties and cannot see a way out. Today's liturgy reminds us that Jesus is our light and our salvation. As with the first disciples, he calls us to follow him. In the Gospels we have the Good News that brings light into the dark moments of our lives.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 95:1, 6

O sing a new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord, all the earth. In his presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in his holy place.

GREETING

P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.

R. Amen.

P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.

R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT

P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

All: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, (striking the breast) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

R. Amen.

V. Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

V. Christ, have mercy.

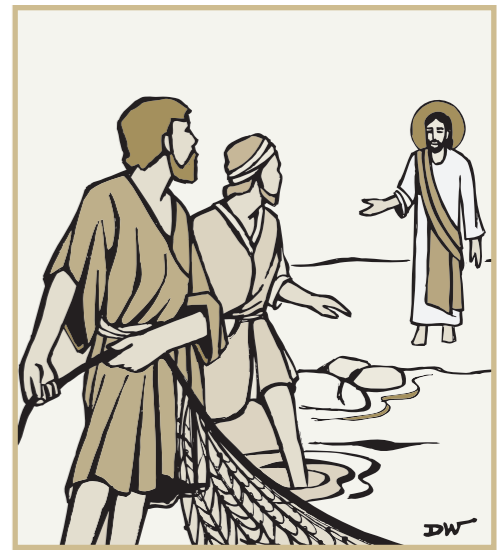
R. Christ, have mercy.

V. Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

GLORIA

Glory to God in the highest, / and on earth peace to people of good will. / We praise you, / we bless you, / we adore you, / we glorify you, / we give you thanks for your great glory, / Lord God, heavenly King, / O God, almighty Father. / Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, / Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, / you take away the sins of the world, / have mercy on us; / you take away the sins of the world, / receive our prayer; / you are seated at the right hand of the



Father, / have mercy on us. / For you alone are the Holy One, / you alone are the Lord, / you alone are the Most High, / Jesus Christ, / with the Holy Spirit, / in the glory of God the Father. / Amen.

COLLECT

P. Almighty ever-living God, direct our actions according to your good pleasure, that in the name of your beloved Son we may abound in good works. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING

Isa 8:23–9:3

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

In the Galilean country, the people have seen a great light.

In days past the Lord humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in days to come he will confer glory on the Way of the Sea on the far side of Jordan, province of the nations.

The people that walked in darkness has seen a great light; on those who live in a land of deep shadow a light has shone.

You have made their gladness greater, you have made their joy increase; they rejoice in your presence as men rejoice at harvest time, as men are happy when they are dividing the spoils.

For the yoke that was weighing on him, the bar across his shoulders, the rod of his oppressor, these you break as on the day of Midian.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PSALM

Ps 26:1, 4,13–14. R.v.1

R. The Lord is my light and my salvation.

1. The Lord is my light and my salvation; / whom shall I fear? / The Lord is the stronghold of my life; / before whom shall I shrink? **R.**

2. There is one thing I ask of the Lord, / for this I long, / to live in the house of the Lord, / all the days of my life, / to savour the sweetness of the Lord, / to behold his temple. **R.**

3. I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness / in the land of the living. / Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. / Hope in the Lord! **R.**

SECOND READING

1 Cor 1:10–13,17

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

I appeal to you, my brothers and sisters, make up the differences between you.

I appeal to you, brothers, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, to make up the differences between you, and instead of disagreeing among yourselves, to be united again in your belief and practice. From what Chloe's people have been telling me, my dear brothers, it is clear that there are serious differences among you. What I mean are all these slogans that you have, like: 'I am for Paul', 'I am for Apollos', 'I am for Cephas', 'I am for Christ'. Has Christ been parcelled out? Was it Paul that was crucified for you? Were you baptised in the name of Paul?

For Christ did not send me to baptise, but to preach the Good News, and not to preach that in the terms of philosophy in which the crucifixion of Christ cannot be expressed.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Mt 4:23

Alleluia, alleluia! / Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom, / and healed all who were sick. / Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mt 4:12–23

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit

P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew.

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

He went to Capernaum, that the prophecy of Isaiah be fulfilled.



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LITURGICAL TIMES

Weekend Masses: Saturday (vigil): 6.00pm Sunday: 7.30 & 9.30am Korean: 11.30 am Indonesian Mass: 4.00pm

Weekday Masses: Monday (Communion Service): 9.00am Tuesday: 5.30pm Wednesday: 9.00am Thursday: 5.30pm Friday 9.00am

Indonesian Cenacle & Mass: 1st & 3rd Thursday 10.30am

Indonesian Community: St Anthony Novena, 3rd Tuesday of each month at 11.00am

Rosary: Recited after 9.00 am Mass on Wednesdays and Fridays except 1st Friday of the month

Reconciliation: Saturday 5.30pm to 5.50pm and on request

Healing Mass: Friday, 6 February 2026 at 9.00am

Anointing of Sick: After each of the weekend masses on the 7 and 8 February 2026 and on request.

Novena and Benediction Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal: Tuesday 6.00pm.

25 Jan 2026	3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	Year A	#2289	01 Feb 2026	4th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Year A	#2290
Acolytes	Sat 6.00pm P Ng			Acolytes	Sat 6.00pm A Kuswandi		
	Sun 7.30am Volunteer				Sun 7.30am K Taylor		
	Sun 9.30am P Redding				Sun 9.30am R Anandappa		
Readers	Sat 6.00pm L Smyth and P McInnes			Readers	Sat 6.00pm K Gan and A Faria		
	Sun 7.30am K Taylor and Volunteer				Sun 7.30am P Neale and V France		
	Sun 9.30am M O'Keefe and G Pogorzelski				Sun 9.30am S Clark and H Clark		
Ministers	Sat 6.00pm N McInnes			Ministers	Sat 6.00pm I Kusnadi		
	Sun 7.30am P Robertson				Sun 7.30am J Winthrop		
	Sun 9.30am C Chalk				Sun 9.30am K Trawinski		
Altar Servers	Sat 6.00pm K Varen, EM Sajan, F Considine			Altar Servers	Sat 6.00pm E & M Fong and T Murphy		
	Sun 7.30am Volunteers				Sun 7.30am Volunteers		
	Sun 9.30am Volunteers and J Jilo				Sun 9.30am A Saputra, M Beaver, G Colalillo		
Greeters	Sat 6.00pm T Iacobellis			Greeters	Sat 6.00pm S Klauz		
	Sun 7.30am C Kuswandi				Sun 7.30am J Winthrop		
	Sun 9.30am G Pogorzelski				Sun 9.30am M Cabassi		
Children's Liturgy	Sun 9.30am Not Held During Holidays			Children's Liturgy	Sun 9.30am Not Held During Holidays		
Our Lady Statue	Sat 24 Jan L Nussey			Our Lady Statue	Sat 31 Jan M Cabassi		
Flower Group	Sat 24 Jan D Brayshaw			Flower Group	Sat 31 Jan A Lingga		
External Clean	Sat 24 Jan G Della Maddalena			External Clean	Sat 31 Jan P & C Taylor		

Parish Mission Statement

LIVING WITNESSES TO THE BODY OF CHRIST

In the spirit of our Lord God, we,

the Pater Noster Community, strive to be living witnesses to the Body of Christ.

Guided by faith and love, we commit ourselves

to nurturing faith, reaching out to others, and reflecting the Grace of our Lord, Jesus Christ.

Catechists Needed for 2026

Pater Noster are seeking volunteer catechists for the 2026 Sacramental Program.

Classes are weekly during school terms.

No experience needed—training and support provided.

Help share the joy of the Gospel with the next generation—interested, please contact Ann Chew on 0424 177 848 or sacraments@paternostermyaree.org.au or speak to Fr. Joseph or Deacon John.

Glass Jars

A parishioner would like donations of clean glass jars with metal lids, with or without labels.

Please leave jars in bags in the Parent/Baby Room collection box.

If any Parishioner can help out, that would be greatly appreciated.

Walking together as "Church" – An Experience of Synodality

Come along to a morning of reflection, deep listening and sharing of experience of and desires for the Church on Saturday, 7th February 2026 (9:15am - 12:30pm) or Wednesday, 11th February 2026 6:45pm-9:00pm (a repeat session) at St Benedict's Church Parish Centre, 115 Ardross St, Ardross WA 6153.

RSVP: essential to ignatianspiritwa@gmail.com by Wednesday, 4th February 2026.

Cost: Free - donation appreciated. (Morning tea provided).

Enquiries: visit: Ignatian Spirituality Workshops — Ignatian Spirituality of Western Australia or contact Rom Cirillo 0408 915 235 or Chris Gardner 0429 995 591

Lent with St Joseph: An Ordinary Man Living God's Sacrificial Love

From 11 March to 1 April each Wednesday night from 7.30pm to 8.30pm (4 sessions) at Myaree Parish.

This course explores the interior workings of St Joseph's lived experience of God's sacrificial love.

St Joseph understood the meaning of Lenten sacrifice as the key to Easter Resurrection, even before Lent and Easter existed in human history.

Cost is \$20.00 and the presenter is Ms Natalie Thomas.

Further information or to register, email cfe@perthcatholic.org or call 08 9278 0261

Electric Golf Buggy Action

The 2023 electric golf buggy auction has commenced and will end on Saturday, 31 January 2026.

To view the progress of the online auction visit: <https://www.32auctions.com/QODBuggy>

To place a bid: register for free with your email at [32auctions.com](https://www.32auctions.com). Minimum bid \$20.00.

Golf enthusiastic Parishioners—this one is definitely for you!

February 2026 Cake and Craft Stall

The first Cake and Craft Stall for 2026 will be held on the weekend of 7 and 8 February 2026.

Donations of cakes, slices biscuits, preserves and treats all gratefully accepted. Together with jigsaws, piety and craft items.

The \$2.00 table is having a well-earned rest until the Book Sale. Items can still be donated via the box in the Parent/Baby Room.

Volunteer Roster

Saturday, 7 February at 6.00pm: S Klauz, M O'Neill, J Martyr

Sunday, 8 February at 7.30am: P Martyr, S Kiely

Sunday, 8 February at 9.30am: P Martyr, J Martyr

Australia Day Mass

Australia Day will be celebrated at Mass on Monday, 26 January at 9.00am.

The Mass will replace the usual Communion service.

Palms from 2025

Palms that were blessed last year on Palm Sunday will be prepared for Lent 2026.

After the palms are burnt, they are the ashes imposed on the forehead on Ash Wednesday, which is 18 February.

Children's Liturgy

Children's Liturgy for term 1 will commence on the second Sunday in February - 8th February.

All parents who have children attending Liturgy are reminded to sign in their children in the register at the foyer - this is for safeguarding purposes.

Volunteers are always sought to lead the Children's Liturgy. All teaching materials will be provided. Being with little cuties teaching them to understand the mysteries of God - could there be anything better?

Please contact Naomi Pavic at naomipavic@gmail.com or Deacon John should this be a calling for any Parishioner.

2nd COLLECTION from last weekend Masses: was 90% of the Parish target. We are fortunate to have our Parishioners.

DIRECT DEBIT: please ask Father Joseph for a form and return completed to Father or Deacon John.

INTERNET BANKING: BSB: 086-006 No: 508212450 Name: Pater Noster Myaree Parish. Enter a brief description in the space provided, e.g. 2nd collection.

EFTPOS FACILITIES: available at each weekend masses. Please confirm if all or part funds are to go other than the 2nd collection.

NEWSLETTER: If you would like to receive the newsletter by email, please email newsletter@paternostermyaree.org.au

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