

Jesus said to his disciples: I tell you, if your virtue goes no deeper than that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never get into the kingdom of heaven.

'You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors; You must not kill; and if anyone does kill he must answer for it before the court. But I say this to you: anyone who is angry with his brother will answer for it before the court;

'You have learnt how it was said: You must not commit adultery. But I say to you: if a man looks at a woman lustfully, he has already committed adultery with her in his heart.

'Again, you have learnt how it was said to our ancestors: You must not break your oath, but must fulfil your oaths to the Lord. But I say this to you: do not swear at all. All you need say is "Yes" if you mean yes, "No" if you mean no; anything more than this comes from the evil one.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Longer form 5:17-37

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. May this oblation, O Lord, we pray, cleanse and renew us and may it become for those who do your will the source of eternal reward. 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: When we eat this Bread, and drink this Cup, we proclaim your Death, O Lord, until you come again.

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 77:29-30

They ate and had their fill, and what they craved the Lord gave them; they were not disappointed in what they craved.

OR

Jn 3:16

God so loved the world that he gave his Only Begotten Son, so that all who believe in him may not perish, but may have eternal life.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. Having fed upon these heavenly delights, we pray, O Lord, that we may always long for that food by which we truly live. 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 and announce the Gospel of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD

HONOURING THE TORAH

As we continue to hear Jesus' teaching in Matthew's 'Sermon on the Mount', we now move into a very Jewish-oriented section. Matthew's audience were Jewish followers of Jesus. They were very familiar with the teachings of the Old Testament, from the Torah (the 'Law') and the Prophets. Jesus now reflects on these teachings stressing that he has come, not to abolish them, but to 'complete them'. In other words, Matthew is not rejecting the Jewish teaching heritage of the audience but deepening it. This preservation and honouring of the Torah is central in Jesus' teaching.

In fact, the one who keeps and teaches others the injunctions of the Torah will be regarded as 'great' in God's Kingdom. Matthew moves to explicate some of the key moral injunctions of the Torah. Each begins with the same formula: 'You have learnt how it was said to our ancestors...' Then follows Jesus' interpretation of the Torah for Matthew's Jewish listeners. It is important to note how this teaching is presented. The usual translation has '... But I say to you...' This is not what the Greek text has. There is no contrast, no 'but', between what the ancients said and what Jesus teaches. There is no contrast between the old (the Torah) and the new (Jesus' teaching), and no rejection of Judaism or its ancient wisdom summed up on the Torah.

Jesus deepens the meaning behind these different aspects of Jewish law concerning murder, adultery and oath-breaking, getting to the heart of each. Undergirding each is the invitation to integrity of relationships. This, too, is the invitation to us, to live with a wholeness of being to others, God and the world.

FR MICHAEL TRAINOR

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME / A

15 FEBRUARY 2026

FOLLOW GOD'S LAW. The vast wisdom of God is revealed in the law God has given to us, a law designed to lead us to the fullness of life and happiness. In today's Gospel, Jesus reminds us that law is not only about external behaviour. Our inner attitudes are also important. It is from within, from the attitudes of our hearts, that good or evil actions flow.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 30:3-4

Be my protector, O God, a mighty stronghold to save me. For you are my rock, my stronghold! Lead me, guide me, for the sake of your name.

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. O God, who teach us that you abide in hearts that are just and true, grant that we may be so fashioned by your grace as to become a dwelling pleasing to you. 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

Sir 15:15-20

A reading from the book of Sirach
He never commanded anyone to be godless.

If you wish, you can keep the commandments, to behave faithfully is within your power. He has set fire and water before you; put out your hand to whichever you prefer. Man has life and death before him; whichever a man likes better will be given him. For vast is the wisdom of the Lord; he is almighty and all-seeing. His eyes are on those who fear him, he notes every action of man. He never commanded anyone to be godless, he has given no one permission to sin.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESP PS Ps 118:1-2, 4-5, 17-18, 33-34. R. v. 1

R. Happy are they who follow the law of the Lord!

1. They are happy whose life is blameless, / who follow God's law! / They are happy those who do his will, / seeking him with all their hearts. **R.**

2. You have laid down your precepts / to be obeyed with care. / May my footsteps be firm / to obey your statutes. **R.**

3. Bless your servant and I shall live / and obey your word. / Open my eyes that I may consider / the wonders of your law. **R.**

4. Teach me the demands of your statutes / and I will keep them to the end. / Train me to observe your law, / to keep it with my heart. **R.**

SECOND READING

1 Cor 2:6-10

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

God in his wisdom predestined our glory before the ages began.

We have a wisdom to offer those who have reached maturity: not a philosophy of our age, it is true, still less of the masters of our age, which are coming to their end. The hidden wisdom of God which we teach in our mysteries is the wisdom that God predestined to be for our glory before the ages began. It is a wisdom that none of the masters of this age have ever known, or they would not have crucified the Lord of Glory; we teach what scripture calls: the things that no eye has seen and no ear has heard, things beyond the mind of man, all that God has prepared for those who love him.

These are the very things that God has revealed to us through the Spirit, for the Spirit reaches the depths of everything, even the depths of God.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

cf. Mt 11:25

Alleluia, alleluia!

Blessed are you, Father, Lord of heaven and earth;

you have revealed to little ones the mysteries of the kingdom.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL

Mt 5:20-22, 27-28, 33-34

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.

Such was said to your ancestors; but I say to you.



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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

Blessed Sacrament Chapel: Open 24 hours, 7 days a week. Entry from Marmion Street. For access contact Paul Menezes 0413 817 857

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 March 2026 at 9.00am

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

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

15 Feb 2026	6th Sunday in Ordinary Time	Year A	#2292	22 Feb 2026	First Sunday in Lent	Year A	#2293
Acolytes	Sat 6.00pm	C Bui		Acolytes	Sat 6.00pm	A Kuswandi	
	Sun 7.30am	K Taylor			Sun 7.30am	Volunteer	
	Sun 9.30am	P Redding			Sun 9.30am	R Anandappa	
Readers	Sat 6.00pm	K Bui and M Burke		Readers	Sat 6.00pm	P Massie-Taylor and J Gorza	
	Sun 7.30am	P Robertson and B Bracewill			Sun 7.30am	K Taylor	
	Sun 9.30am	K Trawinski and M Cabassi			Sun 9.30am	L Jung and L Nussey	
Ministers	Sat 6.00pm	C Bourke		Ministers	Sat 6.00pm	Sr. E Johnson	
	Sun 7.30am	P Robertson			Sun 7.30am	D Brayshaw	
	Sun 9.30am	M O'Keefe			Sun 9.30am	L Nussey	
Altar Servers	Sat 6.00pm	C & J Yeow and H Reid		Altar Servers	Sat 6.00pm	K Varen, EM Sajan, F Consadine	
	Sun 7.30am	Volunteer			Sun 7.30am	Volunteer	
	Sun 9.30am	S Grima, Z De Nicholis, L Nyoni			Sun 9.30am	Volunteer, Volunteer, J Jilo	
Greeters	Sat 6.00pm	S Klauz		Greeters	Sat 6.00pm	B D'Cruz	
	Sun 7.30am	K Hall			Sun 7.30am	D Brayshaw	
	Sun 9.30am	M Cabassi			Sun 9.30am	P Menezes	
Children's Liturgy	Sun 9.30am	C Scafetta		Children's Liturgy	Sun 9.30am	M Brown	
Our Lady Statue	Sat 14 Feb	L Davies		Our Lady Statue	Sat 21 Feb	A Kuswandi	
Flower Group	Sat 14 Feb	C Saldanha		Flower Group	Sat 21 Feb	Indonesian Community	
External Clean	Sat 14 Feb	R France		External Clean	Sat 21 Feb	G Della Maddalena	

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.

2026 World Day of Prayer: Friday, 6 March

Is an international prayer day with the service to be hosted at St Thomas Anglican Church, Willagee commencing 10.30am.

Each year a different country is chosen to prepare the service and this year's service will be prepared by Nigeria.

The service lasts approximately 35 minutes and there will be a cup of tea and coffee afterwards.

This is a great opportunity to meet other Christian people in the area.

Mary MacKillop Today — Breakfast in the Garden

When: 8.00am Saturday, 14 March

Where: GARDEN VENUE at the Mary MacKillop Centre, 16 York Street, South Perth (St Joseph's Convent).

Bring: \$20.00 for breakfast, BYO chairs, sunscreen and smiles.

Extra's: Free raffle ticket on entry, assorted range of potted plants and music by students from Ursula Frayne Catholic College.

The use of cash is encouraged.

RSVP: Before Tuesday, 10 March to Roberta Scanlan at robscan52@icloud.com or 0459 364 872

Stations of the Cross: Friday, 20 February

Acolyte: Philip Redding

Altar Servers: Gianluca Colalillo and Siana Grima

Reader: Peter O'Neill

Pater Noster Men's Group on Thursday, 19 February at 6.00pm Parish Office.

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.

For Parishioners wanting to attend, please place your name on the clipboard in the foyer.

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

Lunar New Year

The Year of the Horse in the Chinese almanac is on Tuesday, 17 February, celebrated for 15 days concluding on Tuesday, 3 March.

Pater Noster will celebrate the Lunar New Year at the 9.30am Mass on Sunday, 22 February with the Chinese Choir in attendance.

Following Mass, there will be a lion dance performed by the Perth Chinese Community.

February 2026 Cake and Craft Stall

The February Cake and Craft Stall raised \$1,210.75 for the Parish.

Thank you very much for your generosity.

The next Cake and Craft Stall is the weekend of 2nd and 3rd May.

Ash Wednesday: 18 February

Mass at 9.00 and 6.00pm

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fasting and abstinence from meat.

All who have completed their 18th year and have not yet begun their 60th year are bound to fast. All who have completed their 14th year are bound to abstain.

On all other Friday's during Lent except on solemnities, the law of the common practice of penance is fulfilled by performing any one of the following:

Prayer - Mass attendance; family prayer, a visit to a church or chapel; reading the Bible; making the Stations of the Cross; praying the Rosary; or in other ways.

Self-Denial - not eating meat; not eating sweets or dessert; giving up entertainment to spend time with the family; limiting food and drink so as to give to the poor.

Project compassion is a major means of expressing our self-denial in Australia.

Helping Others - for example, special attention to someone who is poor, sick, elderly, lonely or over burdened.

Repent and believe as begin our 40-day Lenten journey.

Auxiliary Bishop-Elect Nelspn Po

The Holy Father, Pope Leo XIV, has appointed Fr Nelson Po, presently the Parish Priest of Applecross Parish, as an auxiliary Bishop for the Archdiocese of Perth.

The Holy Father's appointment of Fr Nelson will be greeted with great joy and excitement by the whole Catholic community of the archdiocese.

Let us all support our new bishop-elect with our encouragement, our affection and especially our prayers.

2nd COLLECTION from last weekend Masses: was 99% 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.

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