

who used to sit and beg?’ Some said, ‘Yes, it is the same one.’ Others said, ‘No, he only looks like him’. The man himself said, ‘I am the man’.

They brought the man who had been blind to the Pharisees. It had been a sabbath day when Jesus made the paste and opened the man’s eyes, so when the Pharisees asked him how he had come to see, he said, ‘He put a paste on my eyes, and I washed, and I can see’. Then some of the Pharisees said, ‘This man cannot be from God: he does not keep the sabbath.’ Others said, ‘How could a sinner produce signs like this?’ And there was disagreement among them. So they spoke to the blind man again, ‘What have you to say about him yourself, now that he has opened your eyes?’ ‘He is a prophet’ replied the man.

Are you trying to teach us,’ they replied ‘and you a sinner through and through, since you were born!’ And they drove him away.

Jesus heard they had driven him away, and when he found him he said to him, ‘Do you believe in the Son of Man?’ ‘Sir,’ the man replied ‘tell me who he is so that I may believe in him.’ Jesus said, ‘You are looking at him; he is speaking to you’. The man said, ‘Lord, I believe’, and worshipped him.

The Gospel of the Lord.
R. Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ

Longer form, 9:1-41

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. We place before you with joy these offerings, which bring eternal remedy, O Lord, praying that we may both faithfully revere them and present them to you, as is fitting, for the salvation of all the world. 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 OF 4TH SUNDAY OF LENT

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. Jn 9:11, 38
The Lord anointed my eyes: I went, I washed, I saw and I believed in God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

P. O God, who enlighten everyone who comes into this world, illuminate our hearts, we pray, with the splendour of your grace, that we may always ponder what is worthy

and pleasing to your majesty and love you in all sincerity. 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

‘WE ARE NOT BLIND!’

The rich theological symbolism evident from last Sunday’s Gospel of John continues in today’s drama between light and darkness. Jesus meets a man born blind and tells him to wash in the sanctified pool of Siloam south of the temple. The blind man returns able to see. Over several scenes in one of the most dramatic and engaging stories in all the Gospels, the man who now has vision is consistently interrogated by the religious authorities who, though they are supposed ‘to see’, move into spiritual blindness.

The dynamic evident in the story is that each time the man is interrogated, he goes back to his experience of being healed by Jesus. Each reflection moves him to a deeper realisation of what has happened and who Jesus is: at first he calls Jesus simply ‘a man’, then later, that Jesus is ‘from God’, until finally, the man worships him. This movement of faith into light is accompanied by a similar movement into darkness by the religious leaders. They fail to see that they have become blind to Jesus and his deeds of healing (which John calls ‘signs’). ‘We are not blind, surely?’ they retort.

This drama is acted out in our day. Jesus’ final words to his antagonists and John’s audience are forever relevant. ‘Blind?’ questions Jesus, ‘If you were, you would not be guilty, but since you say, “We see”, your guilt remains.’ This clarity of understanding and insight is important in a world where truth is camouflaged as falsehood and lies proclaimed as truth. We need to journey with the man born blind, to reflect on our experiences, to be with Jesus and ‘see’.

FR MICHAEL TRAINOR

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

FOURTH SUNDAY OF LENT / A

15 MARCH 2026

‘NOW I CAN SEE!’ In today’s Gospel it is the man born blind who gradually comes to see that Jesus is Lord. Meanwhile the Pharisees, the custodians of the traditional faith, fall steadily into blindness. Self-confident in their own knowledge, the Pharisees refuse to see the workings of God in Jesus. Let us humbly ask Christ to open our eyes that we may see his presence in our Eucharistic community and in our world.

INTRODUCTORY RITES

ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Isa 66:10-11
Rejoice, Jerusalem, and all who love her. Be joyful, all who were in mourning; exult and be satisfied at her consoling breast.

GREETING

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

R. Amen.

P. Grace to you and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ.

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.

P. You were sent to heal the contrite of heart: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

P. You came to call sinners: Christ, have mercy.

R. Christ, have mercy.

You are seated at the right hand of the Father to intercede for us: Lord, have mercy.

R. Lord, have mercy.

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

R. Amen.

The Gloria is not said during Lent.

COLLECT

P. O God, who through your Word reconcile the human race to yourself in a wonderful way, grant, we pray, that with prompt devotion and eager faith the Christian people may hasten toward the solemn celebrations to come. 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 1 Sam 16:1, 6-7, 10-13

A reading from the first book of Samuel

In the presence of the Lord God, they anointed David king of Israel.

The Lord said to Samuel, ‘Fill your horn with oil and go. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen myself a king among his sons.’ When Samuel arrived, he



caught sight of Eliab and thought, ‘Surely the Lord’s anointed one stands there before him,’ but the Lord said to Samuel, ‘Take no notice of his appearance or his height for I have rejected him; God does not see as man sees; man looks at appearances but the Lord looks at the heart.’ Jesse presented his seven sons to Samuel, but Samuel said to Jesse, ‘The Lord has not chosen these.’ He then asked Jesse, ‘Are these all the sons you have?’ He answered, ‘There is still one left, the youngest; he is out looking after the sheep.’ Then Samuel said to Jesse, ‘Send for him; we will not sit down to eat until he comes.’ Jesse had him sent for, a boy of fresh complexion, with fine eyes and pleasant bearing. The Lord said, ‘Come, anoint him, for this is the one.’ At this, Samuel took the horn of oil and anointed him where he stood with his brothers; and the spirit of the Lord seized on David and stayed with him from that day on.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 22. R. v. 1

R. The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing I shall want.

1. The Lord is my shepherd; / there is nothing I shall want. / Fresh and green are the pastures / where he gives me repose. / Near restful waters he leads me, / to revive my drooping spirit. **R.**

2. He guides me along the right path; / he is true to his name. / If I should walk in the valley of darkness / no evil would I fear. / You are there with your crook and your staff; / with these you give me comfort. **R.**

3. You have prepared a banquet for me / in the sight of my foes. / My head you have anointed with oil; / my cup is overflowing. **R.**

4. Surely goodness and kindness shall follow me / all the days of my life. / In the Lord’s own house shall I dwell / for ever and ever. **R.**

SECOND READING Eph 5:8-14

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians

Rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.

You were darkness once, but now you are light in the Lord; be like children of light, for the effects of the light are seen in complete goodness and right living and truth. Try

to discover what the Lord wants of you, having nothing to do with the futile works of darkness but exposing them by contrast. The things which are done in secret are things that people are ashamed even to speak of; but anything exposed by the light will be illuminated and anything illuminated turns into light. That is why it is said:

Wake up from your sleep, rise from the dead, and Christ will shine on you.

The word of the Lord.

R. Thanks be to God

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Jn 8:12

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life.

Glory to you, Word of God, Lord Jesus Christ!

GOSPEL Jn 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

P. The Lord be with you.

R. And with your spirit

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

R. Glory to you, O Lord.

The blind man went off and washed himself and came away with his sight restored.

As Jesus went along, he saw a man who had been blind from birth.

He spat on the ground, made a paste with the spittle, put this over the eyes of the blind man and said to him, ‘Go and wash in the Pool of Siloam’ (a name that means ‘sent’). So the blind man went off and washed himself, and came away with his sight restored.

His neighbours and people who earlier had seen him begging said, ‘Isn’t this the man



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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, 10 April 2026 at 9.00am

Anointing of Sick: After each of the weekend masses on the 11 and 12 April 2026 and on request.

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

15 Mar 2026	Fourth Sunday in Lent	Year A	#2296	22 Mar 2026	Fifth Sunday in Lent	Year A	#2297
Acolytes	Sat 6.00pm	A Kuswandi		Acolytes	Sat 6.00pm	C Bui	
	Sun 7.30am	K Taylor			Sun 7.30am	Volunteer	
	Sun 9.30am	R Anandappa			Sun 9.30am	L Rebelo	
Readers	Sat 6.00pm	C Bell-Simmons and P McInnes		Readers	Sat 6.00pm	T D'Cruz and M Demelo	
	Sun 7.30am	P Robertson and B Bracewell			Sun 7.30am	K Taylor and Volunteer	
	Sun 9.30am	Y Anthoni'samy and K Trawinski			Sun 9.30am	S Clark and H Clark	
Ministers	Sat 6.00pm	N McInnes		Ministers	Sat 6.00pm	I Kusnadi	
	Sun 7.30am	D Brayshaw			Sun 7.30am	P Robertson	
	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 Considine	
	Sun 7.30am	Volunteer			Sun 7.30am	Volunteer	
	Sun 9.30am	S Grima, Z De Nicholis and L Nyoni			Sun 9.30am	Volunteer, Volunteer, J Jilo	
Greeters	Sat 6.00pm	B D'Cruz		Greeters	Sat 6.00pm	T Iacobelis	
	Sun 7.30am	D Brayshaw			Sun 7.30am	R Cooper	
	Sun 9.30am	P Menezes			Sun 9.30am	G Pogorzelski	
Children's Liturgy	Sun 9.30am	N Pavic		Children's Liturgy	Sun 9.30am	N Pavic	
Our Lady Statue	Sat 14 Mar	M Burke		Our Lady Statue	Sat 21 Mar	B & T D'Cruz	
Flower Group	Sat 14 Mar	J Hookway		Flower Group	Sat 21 Mar	P Ballantyne	
External Clean	Sat 14 Mar	R France		External Clean	Sat 21 Mar	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.

Glass Jars
Thank you for your clean glass jars with metal lid - please keep them coming.
Please put them in the large plastic donation tub inside the Parent/Baby Room at the back of the Church.
Please do not leave the jars in the Church Foyer or other places where they may be missed or thrown away.

\$2 Table
Please note that we are no longer accepting items for the \$2.00 Table at the Book Sale.

Columbarium Vases
Free vases are available for the Columbarium.
Please contact Father Joseph.

A Knights Leadership Breakfast
The Knights of the Southern Cross WA invite all Catholic men and women over 18 for breakfast with Dr Debra Sayce, Tara Peters and Syona Fernandez on Thursday 19th March at Fraser's Kings Park.
Hot breakfast and bottomless coffee and tea included in price.
Register now at <https://go.kscwa.au/19march26-lead>.

Stations of the Cross: Friday, 20 March, 6.00pm
Acolyte: Louis Rebelo
Altar Servers: Liam Beaver and Hugo Reid
Reader: Paul Menezes

Lent with St Joseph
Has commenced and will run through to 1 April each Wednesday night from 7.30pm to 8.30pm at our Parish.
This course explores the interior workings of St Joseph's lived experience of God's sacrificial love.
Even though the course has commenced, Parishioners are always welcome to join.
The cost is a note donation.

Men's Group
Calling all Men of the Parish - the next Men's Group catch up is Thursday, 19 March at 6.00pm in the Parish Office.
Social interaction is so important for many facets of our lives and being among like minded people helps the soul; so if you have not been before, then make next Thursday the night to do something different which is good for the mind and body.

Caritas-Project Compassion
Life was hard for Manaini and her children living in rural Fiji.
With the support of Caritas Australia's partner, FRIEND, she learnt food processing and gardening skills, improving nutrition and creating new income opportunities to support her children's education.
Project Compassion can be supported online at www.projectcompassion.org.au/donate or by calling 1800 024 413, let's stand together to *Unite Against Poverty this Lent*.

2026 National Count of Attendance
The National Count of Attendance will be conducted throughout Australia in May.
The count will not disrupt Mass; it will be done while the collection is being taken or as Parishioners arrive or leave Mass.
The Count will be conducted over the first four consecutive Sundays and Saturday evenings in May.
More information will be provided in the coming weeks.

Parish Photographs
The Parish has a library of photographs capturing our history but there are very few recent photographs.
The Parish Council would like to ensure special moments in our Parish are documented and photographs will be very important.
Any amateur photographers interested in assisting in this ongoing project are asked to speak to Father Joseph or Deacon John.
Also, if there are any Parishioners who have photographs which may be of significance to the Parish and you are keen to share; please let us know.

Adoration Chapel
Parishioners can pray before the presence of the Blessed Sacrament any time by visiting the Adoration Chapel.
Access to the Chapel is off Marmion Street and a code to enter is required, which can be obtained from Paul Menezes on 0413 817 857.

Beyond the Screen with Daniel Principe
Corpus Christi College invites parents, carers and community members to a free workshop: Beyond the Screen with Daniel Principe.
Discover practical ways to support young people in a digital world with insights into online influencers, consent relationships and fostering empathy and respect.
Thursday, 26 March from 6.30 to 8.30pm in the College Theatre.
For more information, visit www.corpus.wa.edu.au/events

2nd COLLECTION from last weekend Masses: was 93% 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.
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