

Sunday Readings

Year B

First Reading - Acts of the Apostles 4:8-12

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Filled with the Holy Spirit, Peter said: 'Rulers of the people, and elders! If you are questioning us today about an act of kindness to a cripple, and asking us how he was healed, then I am glad to tell you all, and would indeed be glad to tell the whole people of Israel, that it was by the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene, the one you crucified, whom God raised from the dead, by this name and by no other that this man is able to stand up perfectly healthy, here in your presence, today. This is the stone rejected by you the builders, but which has proved to be the keystone. For of all the names in the world given to men, this is the only one by which we can be saved.'

Second Reading - 1 John 3:1-2

A reading from the first letter of St John

Think of the love that the Father has lavished on us, by letting us be called God's children; and that is what we are.

Because the world refused to acknowledge him, therefore it does not acknowledge us. My dear people, we are already the children of God but what we are to be in the future has not yet been revealed; all we know is, that when it is revealed we shall be like him because we shall see him as he really is.

Gospel - John 10:11-18

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John

Jesus said:

'I am the good shepherd: the good shepherd is one who lays down his life for his sheep. The hired man, since he is not the shepherd and the sheep do not belong to him, abandons the sheep and runs away as soon as he sees a wolf coming, and then the wolf attacks and scatters the sheep; this is because he is only a hired man and has no concern for the sheep.

I am the good shepherd; I know my own and my own know me, just as the Father knows me

and I know the Father; and I lay down my life for my sheep.

And there are other sheep I have that are not of this fold, and these I have to lead as well.

They too will listen to my voice, and there will be only one flock and one shepherd.

The Father loves me, because I lay down my life in order to take it up again.

No one takes it from me; I lay it down of my own free will, and as it is in my power to lay it down, so it is in my power to take it up again; and this is the command I have been given by my Father.'

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A house of welcome to all and a place of service to all

4th Sunday Easter, Year B

April 21, 2024

The Good Shepherd's promise

Today's readings highlight how knowing Christ can change people. The first reading shows how the Resurrection and the presence of the Holy Spirit transformed Peter. Now, he heals as Jesus did and preaches as Jesus preached.

In Peter, we see living proof of what is further explained in the second reading. Through faith in Christ, we come to participate in the relationship of love and communion that the Son has with the Father: "we are God's children now."

Knowing the Father in this way as children of God gives us access to a whole new way of living, and means being transformed into becoming more and more like him. We come to know and participate in God's way of being.

When Peter heals and preaches, he does so because Jesus lives in him, transforming Peter in his own likeness. Like Peter, we live as co-heirs, through Jesus, to the promises of God. What belongs to Jesus as the Son, namely his capacity to know the Father's heart and to do the Father's will, is also promised to us.

Becoming like God does not mean that we lose our individuality or freedom. Instead, we become more our true ourselves, each of us according to the grace and the gifts

WEEKLY MASS TIMES

Saturday: 6:00 pm Vigil Mass

Sunday: 8:00 am and 10:00 am

Tuesday: 5:30 pm

Wednesday: 9:00 am

Thursday: 9:00 am

Friday: 5:30 pm

RECONCILIATION

Friday: 4:30 pm – 5:15 pm

Saturday: 5:00 pm – 5:45 pm

DEVOTIONS

Eucharistic Adoration:

Wednesday: 9:30am - 11:00am

First Friday : 6:00pm - 9:00pm

Divine Mercy Chaplets

Second Wednesday: 7:30pm

Novena

Saturday: 5:30 pm

Parish Priest: Rev. Fr. Phong Nguyen
Priest in Residence: Rev. Fr. Anthony Vu
Parish Secretary: Heidy Lu

we have been given.

This is the life for which God created us: to be persons, different and diverse, each uniquely gifted, and, through love, bound together with Jesus, gathered together into one flock with one shepherd.

Like a good shepherd, Jesus has faced and overcome the mortal danger posed to his flock by the power of sin and death, against which they have no other escape. In laying down his life for his sheep, he proves that he is the true guardian, protector and carer of his flock, the Good Shepherd.

Through his death and Resurrection, Jesus claims power for himself and for all who love him over whatever impediments or difficulties befall us on our journey to the fullness of life and union with God. He assures us: "I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep . . . I have power to lay it down, and I have power to take it up again." Jesus' power to take his life back up again is the power that restores us to new life and relationship with God.

Jesus opens up for humanity a whole new way of living. Whatever the hatreds, conflicts and divisions that arise between people, Jesus invites us into one fold, the flock of the Good Shepherd. He calls us to lives of faith, hope and love, under his protection and in relationship with him as the Good Shepherd.

There is no other power or god or ideology in the world that can promise this same hope for the human race that the Good Shepherd promises. Let us follow him.

Joseph Doyle
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Baptisms:

We welcome Maximus Keogh and Alexander Keogh into our Parish Community.

PLEASE PRAY FOR

Deaths: Please pray for Michael Pieu Sai Foo, Juliana Kueh, Anna Papalia, Rosalind Jessie Chua, Desmond (Des) Charles Hinton and Gary Raymond Monck who passed away recently.

Anniversaries:

Please pray for Peter Yeap Kok Keong, Francesco Zagari, Derick Addis, Eileen Kemp, Marcal Francis Joanilho, Giuseppe Nazzareno Spadaro, Antoine Matthys, Luigi Negrin, Richard Elton-Bott, Jack Kerrigan, Ng Cheuk Nam, Andre Mali and Brian Colin Poore whose anniversaries occur around this time.

R O S T E R S

FOR 28TH APRIL

Bulletin: Ratinda Oetomo
 Flowers: Elda Ruoss
 Counters: 1. D Kumala 2. R Sciascia 3. T Santos

	Saturday 6.00pm	Sunday 8.00am	Sunday 10.00am
Acolytes	V Roque	P Cox	T Roper
Altar Servers	J Poole M Poole A D'Monte	B Karczub N Karczub	A Evans S Evans A Hadiyanto
Extra Ordinary Minister Of Holy Communion	L Morzenti S Teo A Ruban P Ardianto K Poole O D'Mello J Doss	M de Rozario T Kusnadi I Kusnadi C Price P Price J Sciorilli M Saji	P Demberger N Winata A Ring E Tandy V Tan J Lim S Wong
Catechists			CHILDREN'S LITURGY Michelle Lowth
Readers	KA King A Loo	J Kingsley C Morzenti	M Doray V Hodgson
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MORE CARE - DO YOU NEED HELP OR KNOW SOMEONE WHO DOES?

- ♦ Stephen 0408 167 400 (Coordinator) Christine 0412 887 950 (Transport)
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- ♦ Angela 0418 953 992 (Bereavement Support)
- ♦ Parish Office 9310 1747 (General Enquiries)

YOUTH NOTICES

BATEMAN TEENS GROUP

For any inquiries regarding our youth ministry please don't hesitate to contact CYM directly at admin@cym.com.au or 9422 7912. Visit them at <https://cym.com.au/> or follow them on Facebook.



MUSO'S & VOCALISTS WANTED!

CYM is establishing a Music Ministry Team!

We are running several upcoming events this year and we need your help to share our faith with the young people of Perth. (For Young Adults 18 to 30 years)

For further information please email admin@cym.com.au



YOUNG ADULTS WINTER DANCE 2024

Join the Young Adults for an evening of music, movement and community.

Saturday 25th May 7pm (after the 6pm mass). **Tickets are \$25.**

All proceeds will go towards the St Vincent de Paul Society.

<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/sfx-winter-dance-2024-tickets-856630554047?aff=oddtcreator>

Please note: In 2024, there will be Masses for the following Solemnities, Holy Week, Octave of Easter, and Octave of Christmas that will fall either on Monday or Saturday:

- Monday 24th June – 9.00am – The Nativity of St John the Baptist
- Saturday 29th June – 9.00am – St Peter and St Paul

PARISH EMAIL ADDRESSES

Please be advised of our parish email addresses at St Thomas More Catholic Church, Bateman Parish:

1. Bateman Catholic Parish (Secretary): bateman@perthcatholic.org.au
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PARISH NEWS

FR ANTHONY'S NEW APPOINTMENT AND FAREWELL

We would like to announce that Fr. Anthony Vu has been appointed as Parish Priest of St Pius X, Manning Parish. Please keep Fr. Anthony in your prayers as he prepares to take up his new appointment.

Our Parish is organising a Farewell Mass for Fr. Anthony on **Sunday 19th of May 2024 at 10.00am** with refreshments to follow in the Parish Hall.

Please bring a **DISH of SAVOURY FINGER FOOD** to share. We appreciate if you could write your name, contact details, and what you would like to bring on the sheet available in the church foyer.

PARISH MISSION 8TH – 11TH MAY 2024

Please pray for the success of the Mission which is dedicated to an increase in vocations. 2 & 1/2 weeks to go!!

We are privileged to be invited to share in the Eucharist and teaching with Father Rob Galea on Friday 10 May at 2pm in our parish church. The teaching mass is part of formation for staff who have invited our parish to join them. What a blessing that this opportunity coincides with our parish mission.

Let us *break bread* together.

Reminder: have you purchased your tickets to hear Fr Rob Galea?

Tickets can be purchased here: <https://events.humanitix.com/father-rob-galea>

Facebook event:

<https://facebook.com/events/s/charity-concert-with-father-ro/1149896982718108/>

Please use your flock notes bulletin for easy access to these links.

The Parish Mission Prayer

Jesus, You taught us to know God as "Our Father".

We ask You Father to shower Your blessings and grace upon our parish community at Saint Thomas More.

Help us, through our parish mission, to grow together in unity and strength, to pray together in love, to learn together in humility and to share in fellowship during the days of the parish mission. We pray through the intercession of Mary our Mother, who knows our needs.

May we deepen our faith, hope and love for You Father as we dedicate this mission to an increase in vocations. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Please keep a copy of this prayer to bring to weekday masses.

PARISH NEWS

THE MEN ALIVE 10TH ANNIVERSARY MASS - SAT 20TH APRIL 2024

The Men Alive Choir from Bateman Parish, is celebrating our 10th Anniversary, on the 20th of April, at the 6.00 pm Mass. As we come together to mark this milestone, we invite all past and present members of the choir to help us rejoice in the joyous melodies and shared memories that singing for the parish community has brought us all in communion with Christ.

The Mass will be followed by fellowship and a shared meal in the Parish Hall.

Please contact George Lopez on 0419 910 039 if you want to know more about the choir, which meets every Monday from 7.00 to 8.00 PM for practise and 8.00 to 9.00 PM for fellowship.

SACRAMENTAL DATES FOR 2024: ST THOMAS MORE CATHOLIC CHURCH, BATEMAN

First Holy Communion: 22nd June 2024 - Enrolments for this class have now closed.
Confirmation: 7th/8th September 2024 - Enrolments for this class have now closed.
Reconciliation: 26th October 2024 - Enrolments close for this class 31st May.

SVDP FOOD SALE - SUNDAY 28TH APRIL 2024

Our food sale will be on Sun 28th April. Please come and support us. Any donations of food or enquiries, please contact Winnie 0421601095.

SAFEGUARDING NOTICE

Have you thought about becoming a Safeguarding Officer? We are urgently looking for volunteers to work with the Parish Safeguarding Team. If you are interested please contact the parish office 93101747 or email bate-man@perthcatholic.org.au.

FRONT GARDEN MAINTENANCE

There is an opportunity for garden enthusiasts to express their love for the Lord. Help is needed to maintain the front garden beds of our church and presbytery. Please contact Max Mayes 0407 990 506.

DIOCESAN NEWS

ALBUM LAUNCH CONCERT – Fr Mark Baumgarten is launching a new album of original songs with a concert on the evening of **Saturday 4th of May**. He will be joined by several accomplished musicians, including many who helped record the album. The concert will be held in the parish hall of **St Francis Xavier, Armadale (279 Forrest Road, Hilbert)**. The concert will begin at **7.30pm**, with doors opening at 7pm.

Tickets are \$10 standard, \$40 for a family pass, and children under 12 are free. Get tickets at <https://trybooking.com/CQTAN> or by calling 9399 2143, and see more at <https://pianopriest.com>.

DIOCESAN NEWS

MAY PILGRIMAGE AT THE SCHOENSTAT SHRINE SUNDAY 5TH MAY 2024, 2.30 – 4.30 PM

Rosary Procession, Reflections PMA - Coordinators' Recommissioning Benediction, Refreshments. You are welcome to bring flowers; children are invited to dress in white for the procession. 9 Talus Dr Mt Richon - www.schoenstattwa.org.au. "Mary, Teach us to pray." (Year of prayer 2024)

ST CHARLES' SEMINARY VOCATION OPEN DAY - SUNDAY 5TH MAY 2024

"Time to Consider the Priesthood".

A Priesthood Vocation Open Day for men from the age of 17 years and above at St Charles Seminary in Guildford, on Sunday 5th May 2024, from 9am to 1.30pm, including brunch. This Open Day will answer questions about the Seminary and discernment into Priesthood. For further information or to register attendance please call (08) 9279-1310 or email: stcharlesseminary@perthcatholic.org.au

LIFTED UP FOR MOTHER'S DAY - SUNDAY 12TH MAY FROM 3PM

A violin & piano recital on Sunday 12th May from 3pm in the Braham Auditorium at Trinity College, East Perth. After the Mother's Day lunch or before the Mother's Day dinner, your mum and grandmum are sure to be lifted up by an hour of beautiful music from two highly regarded classical musicians in Daniel Carney on violin & Tommy Seah on piano. Tickets are available online for a donation to Catholic Mission in support of other mums and their children escaping domestic violence and homelessness at the House of Mercy refuge in Mongolia. To book online visit <https://www.trybooking.com/CQFOU>. Online bookings are essential because seating is limited.

For further details contact Francis at director.cm@perthcatholic.org.au

PILGRIMAGE OF FAITH TO SAINTS AND SHRINES IN EASTERN EUROPE

TUESDAY 1ST TO WEDNESDAY 16TH OCTOBER 2024

PRESENTATION ON SATURDAY 1ST JUNE 2024 AT 10AM

There will be a pilgrimage presentation to Saints and Shrines in Eastern Europe (Croatia, Bosnia-Herzegovina, Slovenia and Austria). The pilgrimage includes visiting the UNESCO Plitvice Lakes National Park, Medjugorje, where alleged apparitions of the Blessed Virgin Mary are continuing, Dubrovnik, Split, Croatia, Marija Bistrica (old Marian shrine of the Black Madonna), Ljubljana, Brezje, Bled Slovenia, Mariazell, Maria Taferl, Melk and Vienna, Austria, renowned throughout the world as a City of Music.

The presentation by Anawim Journeys with Fr. Phong as spiritual advisor is on **Saturday 1 June at 10am** in the Parish Hall. Don't miss this opportunity to find out more about the pilgrimage of faith and secure a booking!

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