

## PARISH NEWS

### Monthly Morning Tea on the 28th of April

We will have our once a month morning tea next Sunday after our 8:30 am Mass. Father Archie would like to avail of this monthly parish friend-raising to belatedly celebrate his 20th Priestly Ordination Anniversary with the parish community. Please bring a plate to share.

### Parish Catechesis for 1st Reconciliation and 1st Communion

Our parish is offering catechism classes for children who are to be prepared for First Reconciliation and First Communion. The first session (30 minutes) is on the 30th of April 2024 (Tuesday). The second is on the 7th of May (Tuesday). Sessions start at 3:30 pm at the church. The number of sessions will depend on the progress of learning. It is likely that this catechetical preparation requires more than two sessions. Please contact Father Archie or Ruth Morley.

### Marian Feast at Bove's Farm

All are invited to the 44th Annual May Rosary celebration at Bove Farm (195 Roy Rd, North Jindong, Busselton) on the 5th of May 2024. Program: 12:30 - Hymn Singing; 1:00 - Holy Mass; Rosary Procession; Benediction. Contact person: Matthew 0420 930883.

### World Mission Rosary prayers sessions throughout May

Join Catholic Mission online to honour Mother Mary during the month of May through praying the World Mission rosary at 12 noon, Monday to Friday.

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://tinyurl.com/cmprayer>

Meeting ID: 893 8798 2280, password: 876574

### Join the Living Rosary Group on Wednesday the 1st of May

The Spirituality Hub Kirup, in partnership with Catholic Mission, offers the opportunity to be part of a Living Rosary group in the tradition of Blessed Pauline Jaricot, founder of the Society of the Propagation of the Faith, now known as Catholic Mission. Join us online (or in person) on the first Wednesday during May (and every month) at 12.00 noon. Contact [deborahmrobertson@bigpond.com](mailto:deborahmrobertson@bigpond.com) or 0419 939 864 for more information about this Living Rosary group and how to participate in person or via Zoom.



### Invitation from Kirup Spirituality Hub

Continuing our exploration of Ignatian Spirituality and practices with lay and clergy guides; Tuesday, the 7th May 2024; 9:30 am gathering for 10 am to 2 pm meeting at Church of Holy Family, 27 Capel St., Kirup; cost is \$20 for fully waged; \$15 for concession or what you can afford; bring your own lunch; refreshments provided;

Dear Parishioners,

*I would like to thank those who have signed up our Church Cleaning Roster. We appreciate their generosity in keeping our church clean for our liturgical celebrations and other parish activities. They come to clean quietly and leave quietly after an hour or so. It can be a spiritual experience when one is aware that he or she is making God's house tidy.*

*May I request others to share in keeping our church grounds/driveway clean? It is also God's grounds/driveway. No need of a cleaning roster for this. When you have extra time, please come and check if our driveway needs blowing or sweeping. God bless!*

*- Father Archie*

### PARISH WEBSITE

Please visit our website to increase number of hits and traction. This will make our website easy to locate.

Just search: [olotscparish.org.au](http://olotscparish.org.au)



# Our Lady of the SOUTHERN CROSS Parish

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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

21st APRIL 2024

### First Reading

Acts 4: 8-12

*This is the only name by which we can be saved..*

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.'

### Responsorial Psalm

R. The stone rejected by the builders has become the corner stone.

### Second Reading

1 John 3: 1-2

*We shall see God as he is.*

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 Reading

John 10: 14

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd, says the Lord; I know my sheep, and mine know me. Alleluia!

### Gospel Reading

John 10: 11-18

*The good shepherd lays down his life for his sheep.*

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.'

Gospel Reflection

*A good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.*

Jesus paints a powerful picture. His good shepherd is a protector; he watches over and guards his sheep. He doesn't sit by passively when predators approach; he acts swiftly to keep his flock safe. He doesn't flee or abandon them; he stands his ground and defends them (John 10:12). He even "lays down his life for the sheep" (10:11).

We know, of course, that Jesus is talking about himself. He is a shepherd unlike the "shepherds" of Israel. In the previous chapter of John's Gospel, the Jewish leaders responded to Jesus' miraculous healing by casting out the formerly blind man from the synagogue (9:34). Jesus offered healing and revelation to God's people, yet these shepherds both rejected him themselves and prevented their "sheep" from receiving the abundant life that Jesus came to give them (10:10). In contrast, Jesus sought out the healed man, comforted him, and led him to faith (9:35-38). This is what a good shepherd does.

Today, rejoice that your good shepherd is guarding and protecting you. He is leading you securely along the perilous paths of life. He is defending you against the wolves and thieves that seek to "steal and slaughter and destroy" you (John 10:10). He is giving you new life that he won by laying down his life and taking it up again in his resurrection (10:18). He will never forsake you. - The Word Among Us

PRAYER FOR RAIN

Most Gracious and Most Merciful God,  
Creator, Source and Giver of all things,  
Most powerful in heaven and on earth,  
We give You honor and glory.

We thank You  
For our home - the earth;  
For our light - the sun, moon and stars;  
For our solace - our family and friends, our community, our neighbors.

United as Your children, we come to You, pleading,  
Shower us with rain, provide us with water that we need.  
Father, Your children are begging to survive,  
Hear us, we desire to live.

Prolonged drought is depriving us of the fruits of our toil;  
Low water supply means hunger and thirst for most of us;  
El Niño continues to threaten our relationship with one another.  
O Lord, this is a very hostile phenomenon that we beg for You to end.

At this time of looming catastrophe, dear Lord, dwell in our hearts.  
Teach us to be more generous; bring out the best in us;  
Turn our eyes and ears toward the needs of others, especially the poor.  
Move us to share more, care more, serve more and love more.

Holy God, You sanctify this earth to be our sacred abode.  
Grant us courage to take in hand the sufferings of the environment;  
Grant us might to save and protect the beauty of nature.  
Grant us wisdom to restore whatever we have destroyed.

O Loving God, behold on us, Your beloved children  
Feel us, feel for us;  
Let heaven cry and its tears be our blessed rain.  
Have mercy on us Lord, have mercy.

We beg you,  
Most Gracious and Merciful God,  
Please, let it rain.  
Amen.



**DISPOSING ONESELF FOR A MEANINGFUL EXPERIENCE OF THE HOLY MASS:** Come to church few minutes early to spend time in silence. In the silence of your heart, TALK to God. During Mass, allow God to TALK to you. Then after Mass, TALK to one another.

Please mark your calendar with the following regular liturgical and devotional celebrations:

- 1st Friday of each month : Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament (3 May, 9:30 am - 3:30 pm)  
We will place a sign-up sheet in the Foyer on the 27<sup>th</sup> & 28<sup>th</sup> of April.  
Please sign up for the roster to spend One Hour of Your Time.
- 1st Tuesday of each month: Healing Mass . All are welcome.
- Group Meditation : Every Monday @ 2 pm
- Group Prayer Session : Every Wednesday after the 9:30 am Mass
- Rosary : Every Wednesday before the 9:30 am Mass
- 2nd Friday of each month : Catholic Men Fellowship @ 9:30 am. All men are welcome.



FREE CONFIDENTIAL SERVICES INCLUDE:  
free pregnancy tests  
emotional support:  
before, during and after pregnancy  
material assistance:  
maternity clothing, baby clothing, baby items  
(nappies & toiletries, prams, cots etc.)  
pre-natal and post-natal information  
assistance with access to other  
resources/services

PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE BUNBURY  
9792 4759  
pregnant@westnet.com.au  
151 Spencer Street, South Bunbury  
Hours: 11am-6pm Tuesdays & Thursdays  
or by appointment

OLOTSC Parish supports Pregnancy Assistance Bunbury.  
Please share the information above and donate any items for babies. God bless!

MASSES & DEVOTIONS (22nd- 28th April)

Monday	9:00 AM	Mass of the Day
Tuesday	9:00 AM	Mass of the Day
Wednesday	9:00 AM	Rosary
	9:30 AM	Mass of the Day
Thursday	9:00 AM	Mass of the Day
Friday	9:00 AM	Mass of the Day
Saturday	5:00 PM	Confession
	6:00 PM	Sunday Vigil Mass
Sunday	8:30 AM	Mass

LITURGICAL ROSTER  
27th April 28th April

Greeter	Frances Bain	Irene Hughes
Commentator	Amie Meyer	Fran La Motte
Reader	Robyne De Garis	Loellen Clark

PARISH CONTACT NUMBERS  
OFFICE PHONE : 08 9755 3944  
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WE OFFER PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR HEALING,  
THE REPOSE OF SOULS, AND OTHER INTENTIONS  
DURING ALL OF OUR MASSES.

<b>For healing:</b>	<b>Rest In Peace</b>
Saba Rose Button	(+) Richard Patrick Leavy
Tracy Trew	(+) Mariafe Soto Galati
John Hogan	(+) Doris Ritter
Liz Grandison	(+) Emma Gair
Ayla Turpin	(+) Dennis Sully
Joy Keel	(+) Luke Hopkins
Morgan Peacock	(+) Buckley Spicer
George Wootton	(+) Zenaida Ramirez
Theresa Lawrence	(+) Thelma Moore
Eddie, Oscar & Millia Gair	(+) Gwenda Willcock
Ray, Rosemary & Karla Lovell	(+) Mark Krasenstein
Maureen Taylor	(+) Moira McMullen
Olga Soter	(+) Alan Button
Stuey Beacroft	(+) Desmond O'Connor
Alfredo Joson	(+) Anthony Egging
	(+) Thomas Henderson
	(+) Leda Battaglini

VOLUNTEER



Our Parish is keen to invite everyone to take part in our different Ministries. We are in need of:  
\*Acolytes \*Altar Servers \*Safeguarding Officers \*Singers  
\*Greeters \*Readers \*Commentators and \*Cleaners  
Please sign up on the Roster provided in the foyer of the Church or ring the office on: 08 9755 3944 or 0480458076  
Thank you for your help.

If you have any intentions to pray for at Mass, write them on the Intention Form at the foyer and give them to Fr Archie before Mass. Thank you!

CHURCH COLLECTIONS:  
13th-14th April 2024

First Collection:	\$ 406.15
Second Collection:	\$ 316.70
Planned Giving	\$ 35; \$ 10

If you wish to make a DONATION to our Parish, you may deposit it directly to our Parish Bank Account:  
BSB: 086-006 ACC: 848054647