



# Our Lady of the Southern Cross Parish

Catholic Diocese of Bunbury

Dunsborough, WA



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## First Reading

**Acts 2:42-47**

***The faithful lived together and owned everything in common.***

The whole community remained faithful to the teaching of the apostles, to the brotherhood, to the breaking of bread and to the prayers. The many miracles and signs worked through the apostles made a deep impression on everyone. The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common; they sold their goods and possessions and shared out the proceeds among themselves according to what each one needed. They went as a body to the Temple every day but met in their houses for the breaking of bread; they shared their food gladly and generously; they praised God and were looked up to by everyone. Day by day the Lord added to their community those destined to be saved.

The Word of the Lord.

## Responsorial Psalm

**(R.)** Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Let the sons of Israel say: 'His love has no end.' Let the sons of Aaron say: 'His love has no end.' Let those who fear the Lord say: 'His love has no end.' **(R.)**

I was thrust, thrust down and falling but the Lord was my helper. The Lord is my strength and my song; he was my saviour. There are shouts of joy and victory in the tents of the just. **(R.)**

The stone which the builders rejected has become the corner stone. This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes. This day was made by the Lord; we rejoice and are glad. **(R.)**

## Second Reading

**1 Peter 1:3-9**

***He has given us a new birth as his children, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead.***

Blessed be God the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who in his great mercy has given us a new birth as his sons, by raising Jesus Christ from the dead, so that we have a sure hope and the promise of an inheritance that can never be spoilt or soiled and never fade away, because it is being kept for you in the heavens. Through your faith, God's power will guard you until the salvation which has been prepared is revealed at the end of time. This is a cause of great joy for you, even though you may for a short time have to bear being plagued by all sorts of trials; so that, when Jesus Christ is revealed, your faith will have been tested and proved like gold – only it is more precious than gold, which is corruptible even though it bears testing by fire – and then you will have praise and glory and honour. You did not see him, yet you love him; and still

without seeing him, you are already filled with a joy so glorious that it cannot be described, because you believe; and you are sure of the end to which your faith looks forward, that is, the salvation of your souls.

The Word of the Lord.

## Gospel Acclamation

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy those who have not seen me, but still believe!

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

## Gospel

**John 20:19-31**

***After eight days Jesus came in and stood among them.***

In the evening of that same day, the first day of the week, the doors were closed in the room where the disciples were, for fear of the Jews. Jesus came and stood among them. He said to them, 'Peace be with you,' and showed them his hands and his side. The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord, and he said to them again, 'Peace be with you. 'As the Father sent me, so am I sending you.' After saying this he breathed on them and said: 'Receive the Holy Spirit. For those whose sins you forgive, they are forgiven; for those whose sins you retain, they are retained.' Thomas, called the Twin, who was one of the Twelve, was not with them when Jesus came. When the disciples said, 'We have seen the Lord', he answered, 'Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe.' Eight days later the disciples were in the house again and Thomas was with them. The doors were closed, but Jesus came in and stood among them. 'Peace be with you' he said. Then he spoke to Thomas, 'Put your finger here; look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe.' Thomas replied, 'My Lord and my God!' Jesus said to him: 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' There were many other signs that Jesus worked and the disciples saw, but they are not recorded in this book. These are recorded so that you may believe that Jesus is the Christ, the Son of God, and that believing this you may have life through his name.

The Gospel of the Lord.

## Communion Antiphon

Bring your hand and feel the place of the nails, and do not be unbelieving but believing, alleluia.

## FOR PRIESTS IN CRISIS

Let us pray for priests going through moments of crisis in their vocation, that they may find the accompaniment they need and that communities may support them with understanding and prayer.



### REFLECTION

1 Peter 1:3-9

and Dunsborough Primary who are preparing themselves to receive the Sacraments of First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation.

- Peace in the world!

### We Pray for the Repose of Souls (Death Anniversaries):

12/04 - Peggy Simkin; Doris Mary Byrne

13/04 - Holly Anne Wilson

15/04 - Cecilia Corrigan

16/04 - Natasha Kirsty Bond; Terry Bean; Eddy Muszczak

17/04 - Gary Lenton



### ADULT CATECHISM

#### 14 promises Jesus made to those who pray the Divine Mercy Chaplet:

1. "I promise that the soul that will venerate this image (of Divine Mercy) will not perish. I also promise victory over one's enemies already here on earth, especially at the hour of death. (Diary of Saint Faustina, 48)
2. I desire that the first Sunday after Easter be the Feast of Mercy ... whoever approaches the Fount of Life on this day will be granted complete remission of sins and punishment. (Diary, 299-300)
3. The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion (in a state of grace on this day) shall obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment." (Diary, 699)
4. "Whoever will recite it will receive great mercy at the hour of death." (Diary, 687)
5. "Even if there were a sinner most hardened, if he were to recite this chaplet only once, he would receive grace from My infinite mercy." (Diary, 687)
6. "The souls that say this chaplet will be embraced by My mercy during their lifetime and especially at the hour of their death." (Diary, 754)
7. "Souls who spread the honour of My mercy ... at the hour of death I will not be a Judge for them, but the Merciful Saviour." (Diary, 1075)
8. "The prayer most pleasing to Me is prayer for the conversion for sinners." (Diary, 1397)
9. "My mercy is greater than your sins and those of the entire world." (Diary, 1485)
10. "To priests who proclaim and extol My mercy, I will give wondrous power; I will anoint their words and touch the hearts of those to whom they will speak." (Diary, 1521)
11. "Through this chaplet, you will obtain everything, if what you ask for is compatible with My will." (Diary, 1731)
12. "When hardened sinners say it, I will fill their souls with peace, and the hour of their death will be a happy one." (Diary, 1541)
13. "When they say this chaplet in the presence of the dying, I will stand between My Father and the dying person, not as a just Judge but as a merciful Saviour." (Diary, 1541)
14. "At three o'clock, implore My mercy, especially for sinners; and, if only for a brief moment, immerse yourself in My Passion, particularly in My abandonment at the moment of agony ... I will refuse nothing to the soul that makes a request of Me in virtue of My Passion." (Diary, 1320)

... in his great mercy. (1 Peter 1:3)

As he opens his letter, St. Peter blesses God, whose "great mercy" has given us "a new birth" (1 Peter 1:3). On this Divine Mercy Sunday, let's look at some of the blessings that God's mercy has won for us.

A living hope (1 Peter 1:3). Jesus, risen in glory, has opened heaven! We aren't doomed to a life of hopelessness marked by sin and death. Now freed from these forces, we can live every day in the sure knowledge that the God of heaven is walking with us. We can know a living hope that assures us that we can be "transformed ... from glory to glory" as we stay connected to him (2 Corinthians 3:18).

An inheritance that is imperishable (1 Peter 1:4). Just as parents leave their children an inheritance, Jesus has left one for us—an imperishable one. Silver and gold, valuable though they may be, can give us only earthly security. But Jesus has left us with the gifts of faith, hope, and love, and these last forever (1 Corinthians 13:13). They sustain us and lift us up in good times and in bad, in plenty and in need. They bind us to the God who loves us without end.

A salvation that is ready to be revealed in the final time (1 Peter 1:5). We often look at divine mercy as a gift for today, but God takes a longer view as well. He promises that in "the final time," at the very end, he has a great salvation waiting for us. As we enter into eternity, "we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is" (1 John 3:2). All pain, suffering, temptation, sadness, and sin will be wiped away, and we will enter the new creation to live forever in the presence of the Lord.

A living hope. An imperishable inheritance. A final salvation. Our God is merciful beyond compare. May we never cease to praise him!

"Jesus, my Savior, I am in awe of your overflowing mercy!"

- from *The Word Among Us*



### PRAYER INTENTIONS

#### Special Intentions:

- For the intentions of our EMHC, acolytes, commentators, lectors, musicians, mass servers, sacristans, greeter, and collectors;
- For the intentions of our PPC members, Parish Finance Committee members, bookkeeper, and bankers;
- For the intentions of our church and ground cleaners, morning tea manpower and food donors;
- For the intentions of God's Farm & Bove Farm; and for all the residents of Cape Care Dunsborough;
- For the intentions of our RCIA candidates and our RCIA Team;
- We also pray for some members of our parish, and our families who are sick - we pray for their speedy recovery.
- We pray for all the students of Our Lady of the Cape Primary

**LITURGICAL ROSTERS**

MARCH	Acolyte	EMHC	Greeter	Commentator	Reader	Altar Servers	Music
11th April Sat	Steve Carmody	Judy Malcolm	Kath Rooney	Jude Kelly	Mimi Morales	Hera Morales	Fr Archie
12th April Sun	Ronnel Casas	Loellen Clark & Fran La Motte	Irene Hughes	Angela Corrigan	Iris Casas	Isabelle Casas	Richard Clark
18th April Sat	Steve Carmody	Kath Rooney	Judy Malcolm	Renate Best	Jenny Huembs	TBA	Fr Archie
19th April Sun	Ronnel Casas	Angela Corrigan M A McMullen	Joan Embry	Carmen McFaul	Iris Casas	Isabelle Casas Xanthe Smart Lily Taylor	Richard Clark

*Mass Schedule* 

Monday 13th April	2:00 PM	NO MASS Group Meditation
Tuesday 14th April	9 AM	Mass of the Day
Wednesday 15th April	9 AM 9.30 AM	Holy Rosary Mass of the Day
Thursday 16th April	9 AM	Mass of the Day
Friday 17th April	9 AM	Mass of the Day
Saturday 18th April	5 PM 6 PM	Confession Vigil Mass
Sunday 19th April	8.30 AM	3rd Sunday of Easter MASS

**LITURGIES & DEVOTIONS**

**Rosary:** You are invited to come and join in praying the Holy Rosary every Wednesday at 9 AM, just before the 9:30 AM Mass.

**First Friday Devotion:** We expose the Blessed Sacrament right after the 9 AM Mass; Adoration continues until 12 noon. We end this devotion with the Benediction.

**Healing Mass:** Mass on the First Tuesday of the month is a Healing Mass. You may receive the anointing oil at Mass.

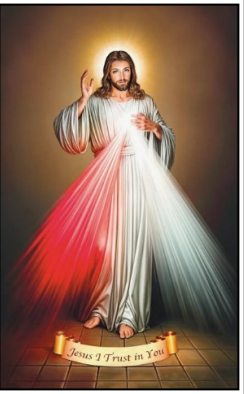
**Group Meditation:** Every Monday at 2 PM.

**Group Prayer Session:** Every Wednesday after the 9:30 AM Mass.

**Second Friday of each Month:** Catholic Men's Prayer Fellowship at 9:30 AM.

**Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:** One hour of Adoration immediately after the 9 am Mass on 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays.

**WE MIGHT AS WELL KNOW:** Why do we celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday? In a series of revelations to St. Maria Faustina Kowalska in the 1930s, our Lord called for a special feast day to be celebrated on the Sunday after Easter. Today, we know that feast as Divine Mercy Sunday, named by Pope St. John Paul II at the canonization of St. Faustina on April 30, 2000. St. Faustina's journal entry: *+ During adoration I felt God close to me. A moment later I saw Jesus and Mary. At the sight of them I was filled with joy, and I asked the Lord, "What is Your will, Jesus, concerning the matter about which my confessor told me to ask You?" Jesus replied, It is My will that he should remain here and that he should not take the initiative of dispensing himself. I asked Jesus whether the inscription could be: "Christ, King of Mercy." He answered, I am King of Mercy, but He did not say "Christ." I desire that this image be displayed in public on the first Sunday after Easter. That Sunday is the Feast of Mercy. Through the Word Incarnate, I make known the bottomless depth of My mercy.*



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**ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF COUNTRY**  
 We acknowledge the Wadandi people of the Noongar nation as the traditional custodians of the land on which we live and pay our respects to Elders past and present.

**OUR PARISH VISION:** To be a thriving Catholic community, engaging and welcoming.  
**OUR PARISH MISSION:** Journeying together with God; growing in FAITH, HOPE and LOVE, through fellowship, outreach and service.

Parish Pastoral Council: Steve Carmody (Chair), Angela Corrigan (Secretary), Carmen McFaul, Joan Smurthwaite, Fran Lamotte, Amie Meyer, Angela Hegney, Father Archie.  
Safeguarding Officer: Angela Corrigan      Sacristans: Robyne de Garis, Mary Cooper, Rebecca Channing, Diane Richards  
Parish Finance Committee: Tony Smurthwaite (Chair); Jack Robinson; Jim Triglone; Father Archie      Parish Bookkeeper: Kathleen Lim  
Parish Priest: Fr. Roberto Archie R. Carampatan

## PARISH NOTICES

### Special Morning Tea Next Today

We skipped our usual last-Sunday-of-the-month morning tea in March to have it today to Celebrate Divine Mercy Sunday, and to joyfully welcome to the Catholic Church, Kane and Kristy Parsons after having gone through the year-long RCIA program. This is also to thank our RCIA Team who journeyed with Kane and Kristy.

### Invitation from Bove Farm

Come and join us! Divine Mercy Sunday celebrations today, 12 of April, 2PM at Our Lady of the Holy Rosary Chapel (Bove Farm, 195 Roy Rd, North Jindong, Busselton). See poster at the foyer for more details.

### Invitation from God's Farm

God's Farm invites you to our monthly Eucharistic Adoration weekend April 17-19th. A visiting Perth priest will preside at mass on Saturday April 18th at 11am with Reconciliation at 10am. A very special holy hour takes place 3-4pm with the Divine Mercy Chaplet, a reading from the Hours of the Passion together with sacred music. Please join us in the stillness and silence of this sanctuary. Accommodation available. Enquiries welcomed - Mary 0438054199.

### Formation Activity for Parish Acolytes, Extra-ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Lectors: 18 April, Sat

Venue: Our Lady of the Bay, Busselton

9:00am - Introduction, Welcome & Prayer

9:15am - Icebreaker

9:30am - The Mass – Sr. Christine Clarke

10:30am - Morning Tea Break

11:00am - The Church, Theology of Ministry and Spirituality – Fr. Pierre

11:45am - Safeguarding – Michelle Scott

12:00pm - Two Tables: The Scripture and The Eucharist – Fr. Tony Chiera EV

1:00pm - Lunch

1:45pm – 3:00pm – Ministry Sessions

- Ministry of Lector – Sr Christine Clarke PBVM

- Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy

Communion – Sr. Pauline Dundon, Fr Archie

- Ministry of Acolyte – Fr. Nathan Barrie, Mr. Aaron Faure

**Please register with Father Archie.**



## DIOCESAN NOTICES

### Invitation from Catholic Mission

Join Catholic Mission online to honour Mother Mary during the month of May through praying the World Mission Rosary.

This beautiful tradition - created in 1951 by the Venerable Archbishop Fulton Sheen in the United States - was born from his desire to pray for the whole world, especially for those living in poverty. Today, it continues the mission and spirit of the founder of Catholic Mission, Blessed Pauline Jaricot.

Our special Rosary prayer sessions dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary will be held through May:

**Dates:** Monday to Friday, 1 May – 31 May

**Time:** 12:00 noon – 1:00pm

**Location:** Online via MicrosoftTeams

Kindly let us know if you will be attending by 24<sup>th</sup> April by replying to this email [Fiona.ng@catholicmission.org.au](mailto:Fiona.ng@catholicmission.org.au)

### 2026 National Count of Attendance

The 2026 National Count of Attendance will be taking place over the first four (4) weeks of May, starting on the 2/3 May 2026. Along with your parish Priest, we ask your assistance and support in ensuring that the National Count of Attendance is successful in your parish. We are greatly appreciative of your help and efforts in this matter.

The 2026 National Count of Attendance is very important for all of us. It allows us to accurately capture data about your parish, the Diocese of Bunbury and the Catholic Church in Australia. This information is cross referenced with the 2026 National Census Data.

The data is key information for parishes and Diocese in planning, considerations and decisions for the future. The data is also used by other organisations such as CEWA, SJOGH, the ACBC and others.

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## CHURCH COLLECTION

4th—5th April 2026

1st Collection	: \$2,561.85
2nd Collection	: \$2,435.60
Good Friday	: \$1,036.30
Project Compassion	: \$ 318.55
Direct Deposit	: \$ 100; \$50; \$40
EFTPOS	: \$ 595.00
10-c Recycling	: \$ 5.50

A Tap & Donate machine is located in the foyer for the convenience of parishioners and visitors who may prefer to use the EFTPOS Machine.

If you wish to make a DONATION, please deposit it directly to our Parish Bank Account:  
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## FREE CONFIDENTIAL SERVICES INCLUDE:

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

## PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE BUNBURY

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Hours: 11am-5pm Tuesdays & Thursdays or by appointment



OLOTSC Parish supports Pregnancy Assistance Bunbury.

Please share the information above and donate any items for babies. God bless!

PREGNANCY ASSISTANCE BUNBURY