



CATHOLIC PARISHES OF GERALDTON

St Francis Xavier Cathedral

Administrator Fr Gerard Totanes VG
Assistant Priests Fr Savio Nguyen & Fr Joel Nyongesa
Nagle Chaplain Fr Bernard Balaraj
Sunday Masses **Saturday Vigil** 6pm
Sun 7:30am, 9:30am and 6pm
Weekday Masses **Mon-Fri** 7am **Fri** 12:05pm
Saturdays & Public Holidays 9am
Confessions **Fri** 11:30-11:55am
Sat 11am-12pm & 5:30-5:55pm

St Lawrence's Bluff Point

Mass Times **Wednesday** 10:30am
Saturday Vigil 6:00pm **Sunday** 9:00am
Confessions **Saturday** 5:30-5:55pm or by appointment



Nazareth House

Monday-Saturday 9:30am **Sunday** 10:00am

St John's Rangeway **Sunday Mass** Currently Suspended

St Peter's Greenough **Sunday Mass** 8:00am

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

23 June 2024

VOCATION VIEW: At times we can feel that we are being swamped by various troubles. Like the apostle Paul, we are overwhelmed, not by our troubles, but by the love of God made visible in Jesus Christ.

Synod of the Diocese of Geraldton

Last Chance!. The diocese needs to hear your thoughts.

Please visit www.geraldtoncathedral.org and have your say. Alternatively, you may scan the QR code or visit the Geraldton Diocesan website <https://www.geraldtondiocese.org.au/diocesan-synod/share-with-us-your-hopes-for-the-local-church>



What we need to do in this Synod is **not about the wider Church, it is about the local church**, not about what happens in Rome, the Vatican, or other areas, what we need to do is to focus on the issues and concerns in our own local area.



If we can focus on issues in the local geographical area of the church, this is what this Synod is dealing with. We are listening with an open heart. Together we can build a better future for our community, we just need to hear your hopes and concerns for your local Church. Your submissions are anonymous.

Collect your Planned Giving Envelopes today

Those who did not collect the envelopes last weekend, please collect it today from the Church. Please do not use your unused envelopes of this year or previous years after 30th June. Kindly destroy it.



Thanks to the Direct Debit Donors

Thanks to all who have set up Direct Debits in the past weeks as well as those already in the system. Very much appreciated.

Pledge forms are still available

For the parishioners who are not in the planned giving system, the pledge forms are still available in the Church for those who wish to join.

For more information or Direct Debit forms, please visit <https://geraldtoncathedral.org/planned/> or scan this QR code. Forms are also available in the Sacristy of the Cathedral as well as St Lawrence's Bluff Point. Please talk to a Priest or Sacristan.



Holy Father's Collection Next Weekend

Catholics around Australia are encouraged to support this Appeal on the Feast of St Peter and Paul on the 29th of June. The funds offered by us, the faithful, are a sign of our shared concern with the Successor of Peter in addressing the needs of the Universal Church and to help those in need.



"Holy Father's Collection" envelopes are available at the church doors today for you to contribute. Thank you for the generosity!

Congratulations Bishop Michael

Bishop Michael is celebrating the seventh anniversary of his Episcopal Ordination, next Friday on the 28th of June. Please keep him in your prayers and thoughts.



Solemnity of Saints Peter & Paul next Saturday

Please welcome and join the St Mary's Cathedral Vocal Ensemble as we celebrate the Solemnity of Saints Peter and Paul next Saturday, 29th June at the 9am Mass in St Francis Xavier Cathedral.

The Vocal Ensemble is resident at St Mary's Cathedral, Perth, and is a group of dynamic young singers who sing for Masses, concerts and special events in the Cathedral and the wider community.



Welcome Back Fr Savio

Fr Savio is back in the parish from his very relaxing holidays with his mum and other family members. He also celebrated his birthday with his beloved mother. So, welcome back and a belated happy birthday Fr Savio.

Parish office may be unattended

As the Parish Secretary leaves on holidays this weekend, the Parish Office may be unattended at times for a few weeks, especially when Priests are busy with their pastoral commitments. Apologies for any inconveniences this may cause.

Enrol now for the Sacrament of Confirmation

Any child in year 6 (or higher) and not attending a Catholic Primary School, who wishes to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation in September this year, must attend after-school preparation classes which will be commenced next month. If you would like your child to attend these classes, and have not yet enrolled with the parish, please enrol them as soon as possible. No admissions will be accepted once the lessons have started. For more information and enrolment form, please scan the QR code or visit our website <https://geraldtoncathedral.org/after-school-sacrament-program/>



Anointing Mass

The next anointing Mass for Geraldton Parishes will be on Saturday, 10th August at 9am in the Cathedral. Welcome all to attend if you wish to be anointed.



Parish Office & Holy Shop **Opening Hours** 9:00am - 1:00pm & 1:30 - 4pm Monday-Friday



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If you require a priest in emergency, phone 9964 1608 (24/7)

Baptism Preparation Meeting

The next Baptism preparation meeting will be on Tuesday, 9th July at **5:30pm** in the Parish Seminar Room. This meeting is mandatory for the parents of the eldest child to be baptised. *For booking, please contact the Parish Office on 9964 1608 or Email: gtonparish@geraldtoncatholic.org.au*



June, the Month of the Sacred Heart

Knowing well the intertwining private revelations regarding Christ's merciful Heart and how He desires to fully pour out His graces upon aching mankind, the Most Rev. José H. Gomez, archbishop of Los Angeles and the president of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, said on Good Friday, 2020:



Brothers and sisters, as we stand today at the foot of His Cross, Jesus is calling us to trust in His Sacred Heart. Let's pray often to the Sacred Heart of Jesus: Jesus, I trust in You! . . . Jesus has opened His Heart for us. He has given His life out of love for us. Now He calls us to entrust our lives to Him - our whole heart, our whole mind, all our feelings and thoughts, our words and actions.

In this month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus, let's often repeat some simple little prayer each waking hour of each day for all our loved ones, living and deceased. And let us include all those who have no one who prays for them, especially priests, religious, and victims of neglect or abandonment. *Like the love of Jesus, our love should have no bounds.*

Jesus appeared to Sister Margaret Mary Alacoque and revealed ways to venerate his Sacred Heart and explained the immense love he has for humanity, appearing with his heart visible outside his chest, on fire, and surrounded by a crown of thorns. These different ways include partaking in a holy hour on Thursdays and the reception of the Eucharist on the first Friday of every month.

Courtesy: <https://www.thedivinemercy.org/>



If you or family members are admitted to hospital (or sick and at home) and wish to receive holy communion/pastoral visit, please ring the Parish Office on 9964 1608. You can also request the hospital staff to inform the Parish Office that you have been admitted in the hospital.

WA Professional Standards Office

for abuse complaints against the Catholic Church

Professional Standards Office WA

Saxon Gee (Perth) 1800 072 390/08 9221 7762

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Prayer for the Synod of Geraldton Diocese

Ever loving and merciful Father,
Your presence is all around us
We, Your people, freely come together
seeking Your will and the inspiration
of the Holy Spirit as we work together
to discern our way forward as a local Church.
You feed us with Your Word, who is Christ our Lord.
Open our hearts to listen, to understand,
and to respect each other
as we humbly walk together on this synodal journey.
Renew us in the light of Your Truth
and give us the wisdom to participate
with open hearts and minds,
that we may grow in communion
and engage in mission to the world.
Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.



St Francis Xavier, Patron of the Geraldton Diocese,
Pray for us.

Stella Maris College Reunion

Reunion for Class of '71 (1960 to 1971) of Stella Maris College will be held on Saturday 12 October 2024, 4pm at Clement Street, Swanbourne. For 'expression of interest' please contact Judi Maurice (nee Keeffe) on 0413 588 405.

St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship

The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care.

More information and Applications Forms are available on our website pallottine.org.au/svpscholarship Closing Date 31 July 2024.

MHC Museum & Tours

The Museum is open daily from 10am-4pm. If you would like to learn more about John Hawes and the SFX Cathedral, tours are available on Sunday, Monday and Wednesday at 2:30 and Friday at 4:00. Tickets (\$5) are available at the museum.



"Christians are like manure: spread them out and they help everything grow better, but keep them in one big pile and they stink horribly."
- Francis Chan

Safeguarding Officers of the Catholic Parishes of Geraldton

We thank them for their commitment to the children and the vulnerable of our parishes.



Amy Zinetti



Leonie Golding



Melinda Jupp



Simon Place



Ron Pace



Rosemary Taylor



Safe and Supported

Contact Number 0470 207 707

Every Child, in every community needs a fair go

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The Shetland Islands are north of Scotland and just below the Arctic Circle. They are a group of one hundred islands with only sixteen inhabited. There is a daily ferry for travellers, but also private boats for hire.

A retired naval captain used to skipper a boat taking tourists to the islands, and one day his boat had a party crowd of young people. They smirked at the old captain when they saw him saying a prayer before sailing because the day was fine and the weather calm. However, they were not long at sea before they experienced a sudden storm, and the boat began to pitch violently.

The terrified passengers came to the captain and asked him to join them in prayer.

He replied, "I say my prayers when it's calm and when it's rough I tend to my boat."

We are all likely to pray for help when storms come our way. However, it is also important to seek God in the quieter moments of life and to build a relationship that takes us through all the seasons of life. We are familiar with prayers of petition in times of need and these are personal

where we ask God for certain things in life. There are prayers of intercession when we make requests on behalf of other people. Equally familiar to us are prayers of thanksgiving where

the retired naval captain, and to develop a daily pattern of prayer rather than only turning to prayer in the 'storms of life'. This pattern will help us grow a deeper relationship with God who is ever present but not always engaged.

We have routines for exercise and recreation. We have routines for work and for play. Routines are helpful in that they help us engage in what is essential, but they also help to free us for spontaneity because they create space by taking care of the ordinary things in life. When prayer becomes part of the pattern of the day, we are giving time to nurturing our relationship with God.

As we grow in our relationship, we become more like the disciples who were in awe when Jesus calmed the storm, and they began to recognise more fully the identity of Jesus. May we become more conscious of God's presence by developing daily patterns of prayer.

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we rejoice in what God has done for us. Prayer is about relationship and God invites us to grow the relationship by spending time with God. Two other forms of prayer are prayers of blessing and adoration where we acknowledge our dependence of God and prayers of praise where we express our love for God.

During our busy lives we can sometimes lose sight of the need to stop, reflect and open our lives to God, so it is helpful to heed the advice of

"We need to stop giving people excuses not to believe in God. You've probably heard the expression 'I believe in God, just not organized religion'. I don't think people would say that if the church truly lived like we are called to live."
- Francis Chan

Notice to the Readers and other Ministers

We gently remind all Readers, Special Ministers, Altar Servers and all volunteers involved in any ministry in a Mass, to **Sign-In** and **Sign Out** the Safeguarding Register kept in the Sacristy. It is mandatory to enter your details in the register on the day of your reading or other ministries regardless of weekdays or weekends. Thank you.

Visits to Opal and Hillcrest Residents

Our fellow-Catholics in residential care will gladly welcome parishioners who would like to come and visit. You are welcome to join me there. Our times are:

10.15 - 12.00 on Wednesday at Opal Shore in Fitzgerald St

10.15 - 12.00 on Thursday at Juniper Hillcrest in Onslow St

Please let me know in advance, if possible, if you would like to come. Thank you! - Sr Flora 0459 119 575 / flora@preswa.com.au

"The flesh feeds on the Body and Blood of Christ that the soul may be fattened on God."
-Tertullian



Parish Finances

Contributions of 16th June 2024

	Cathedral	Rangeway	Bluff Point
Priests' Collection \$	1336.95		902.90
Planned Giving \$	513.00	127.00	525.00
Parish Collection \$	835.90		561.90
Friday Fast \$	86.60		

Thank You

Divine Mercy Holy Hour

next Sunday 30th June 3 - 4pm

at St Lawrence's Church, Bluff Point.

Welcome all to be with the risen Lord for an hour!

THE PILGRIM ROSARY STATUE OF THE CATHEDRAL

The rosary statue will be

in the St John of God Hospital Chapel until 28th June.

Rosary prayed at **5pm**, Monday-Friday.

Adoration with Benediction at St Lawrence's

Every second Sunday of the Month 8.15-8.50 am

Last Sunday of each month 3-4pm - Divine Mercy holy hour.

Exposition in the Cathedral

Every Thursday after 7am Mass until 8am, Saturdays 8:30-9:00am

followed by Mass and First Fridays 7:30-9:30pm with benediction.

Please pray for those who are ill:

Fr Peter Downes, Brad Borrows, Ray Sloan, Isabelita Calimag, Sue Harris, Rose Ralph, Noli Soliven, Reg Maisey, Megan Aylmore, Maria Salamone, Bernard Rooney, Tim Conway, Margaret John, Maureen Burke, Joe (Giuseppe) Gaudio, Laura Drew, Andres Rodillas, Derek Levett, Peter Scarpuzza, Diana Bennett, Erica Pirrottina, Kim-Maree Kelly, Shirley Travis, Allan Malonzo, Una McFadden and Cherrille Quilty.

For the deceased: Frank & Lina Zinetti, Jim & Nancy Ward, Don McDonald, Emilia & Novello Amazzini, Alessandro & Ida Caratti, Giovanni & Severina Giudicatti, Rosetta and Anselmo Scarpuzza.

Anniversaries: Monsignor John Cyril Hawes, Joseph Duplex, Thomas and Mary Kennedy, John Doust, Bernie Keogh, Dolores Bone and Maria Arangio.

Recently Deceased: Frank Biancuzzo, Greyc George (Mother of Fr Alby), Gavin Drew and Cheryl Mendoza.



Entrance Antiphon

The Lord is the strength of his people, a saving refuge for the one he has anointed. Save your people, Lord, and bless your heritage, and govern them for ever.

First Reading (Job 38:1, 8-11)

A reading from the book of Job

From the heart of the tempest the Lord gave Job his answer. He said: Who pent up the sea behind closed doors when it leapt tumultuous out of the womb, when I wrapped it in a robe of mist and made black clouds its swaddling bands; when I marked the bounds it was not to cross and made it fast with a bolted gate? Come thus far, I said, and no farther; here your proud waves shall break.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 106)

R. Give thanks to the Lord, his love is everlasting.

Some sailed to the sea in ships to trade on the mighty waters. These men have seen the Lord's deeds, the wonders he does in the deep. **R.**

For he spoke; he summoned the gale, tossing the waves of the sea up to heaven and back into the deep; their soul melted away in their distress. **R.**

Then they cried to the Lord in their need and he rescued them from their distress. He stilled the storm to a whisper: all the waves of the sea were hushed. **R.**

They rejoiced because of the calm and he led them to the haven they desired. Let them thank the Lord for his love, the wonders he does for men. **R.**

Second Reading (2 Corinthians 5:14-17)

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

The love of Christ overwhelms us when we reflect that if one man has died for all, then all men should be dead; and the reason he died for all was so that living men should live no longer for themselves, but for him who died and was raised to life for them. From now onwards, therefore, we do not judge anyone by the standards of the flesh. Even if we did once know Christ in the flesh, that is not how we know him now. And for anyone who is in Christ, there is a new creation; the old creation has gone, and now the new one is here.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! ... A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people.**Alleluia!**

Christmas in July Morning Tea

A special morning tea for 'Christmas in July' will be held in the Catholic Centre on First Sunday, the 7th of July. More helpers wanted. Please talk to Amy Zinetti.

Welcome all to enjoy the cuppa and for a community chat!



If you require a priest in an emergency please phone 9964 1608 (24/7)

First Friday Reflection and Adoration

on Friday 5th July at 11am in the Cathedral

An hour of communal prayer and personal reflection! Come and pray for all your loved ones and for everyone in our Diocese, pray together for our coming Synod.



Gospel (Mark 4:35-41)

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark

With the coming of evening, Jesus said to his disciples, 'Let us cross over to the other side.' And leaving the crowd behind they took him, just as he was, in the boat; and there were other boats with him. Then it began to blow a gale and the waves were breaking into the boat so that it was almost swamped. But he was in the stern, his head on the cushion, asleep. They woke him and said to him, 'Master, do you not care? We are going down!' And he woke up and rebuked the wind and said to the sea, 'Quiet now! Be calm!' And the wind dropped, and all was calm again. Then he said to them, 'Why are you so frightened? How is it that you have no faith?' They were filled with awe and said to one another, 'Who can this be? Even the wind and the sea obey him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

"WHY ARE YOU SO
AFRAID?
DO YOU STILL HAVE
NO FAITH?"
MARK 4:40

Communion Antiphon

The eyes of all look to you, Lord,
and you give them their food in due season.

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.

The Apostles Creed

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, (**bow for the following line** *)

*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.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

Wisdom 1:13-15; 2:23-24 | Ps 29 | 2 Cor 8:7,9,13-15 | Mark 5:21-43

Make your contributions online

If you forgot to bring money for Cathedral collections, scan this QR code and donate online using your debit/credit card (*A surcharge of 1.65% will be deducted from your donation*). Alternatively you can make EFT transfer using **BSB 086 006** and **Account Number 826504934**, AC Name: SFX Cathedral Parish. Please put an appropriate reference/description such as "**donation, second collection**" etc.



Feasts of the Week

24 Jun Mon Nativity of St John the Baptist
28 Jun Fri Saint Irenaeus
29 Jun Sat Saints Peter and Paul

