

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF GERALDTON



St Francis Xavier Cathedral

Administrator Fr Gerard Totanes VG
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Mass Times
Saturday Vigil 6:00pm
Sunday 7:30am, 9:30am and 6:00pm
Monday – Friday 7:00am **Friday** 12:05pm
Saturdays & Public Holidays 9:00am

Confessions
Friday 11:30am -11:55am
Saturday 11:00am -12:00pm & 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

The Epiphany of the Lord

Year C

5 January 2025

VOCATION VIEW: Many adults never grow up. They continue to praise across the earth looking for a shining star. Tell them who lights up your life, O Christian.



We have seen his star in the East, and have come with gifts to adore the Lord

Pipe Organ Public Sessions in the Cathedral

Saturday 11th January

Experience the music of young organ scholars from Perth as they bring the Cathedral alive with vibrant sounds!

Saturday 2:30pm Short Presentation

On the background of the Cathedral pipe organs and the work of West Australian pipe organ builder John Larner.

Saturday 3:30pm "Have a go" Session

For anyone who would like to have a go playing the pipe organ (*It has 1300 pipes and can play the 27 bell carillon!!*)

Saturday 4:00pm Jam Session

Bring along your musical instrument and have a go playing with the pipe organ!! Featuring popular tunes Beethoven's *Ode to Joy* and Holst's *Thaxted* (from *The Planets*).

Sunday 12th January

They will be playing at each Sunday Mass on the 12th of January including Saturday Vigil at 6pm.

For more details, please contact

Jacinta at jacinta111@icloud.com or Mobile 0419 942 099



Marist Reunion

Former students of all Marist Colleges are warmly invited to attend the Reunion to be held on Wednesday, 22nd of January 2025 at Newman College, Empire Ave, Churchlands.

4.30pm Mass in the College chapel followed by BBQ and fellowship at 5:30pm. BYO everything. Enquiries: Kevin Wringe 0407 511 104, Ambrose Depiazzi 0419 912 187. RSVP unnecessary.

Clergy Retreat this week

Bishop Michael and our Priests will be attending their annual retreat at St John of God Retreat Centre, Safety Bay this week commencing from Monday until Friday. Please keep them in your prayers and thoughts. Fr Steve Casey will be available in Geraldton for any emergency pastoral services. Please phone the Parish Office on 08 9964 1608, which will be diverted to him after hours.

Is your child in a Non-Catholic School and in Year 3?

ENROL NOW FOR THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION THIS YEAR

Any child in year 3 (or higher) this year and not attending a catholic school, who wishes to make their First Confession in the first term, please enroll now for the **After School Program**. No admissions will be accepted once the lessons have started in February. Enrolments invited for other sacraments also.

For enquiries or enrolment please visit our website using the QR Code or the link <https://geraldtoncathedral.org/after-school-sacrament-program/>



Bishop's Christmas Communion Appeal

Please support the Bishop's Communion Appeal. All donations are tax deductible.

"Together we can make a difference".

Scan the QR Code or click on the link <https://geraldtoncathedral.org/bishops-communio-appeal/> for more details and mode of payments.



Please pray for those who are ill:

Fr Peter Downes, Brad Borrows, Ray Sloan, Isabelita Calimag, 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, Zenaida Tan, Cherrille Quilty, Andrew Benzie, Pat Miragliotta and Nadeem Turkia.



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

Anniversaries: Reg Price, Joe Greenland, Evelyn Hovell and Frank Maguire.

Recently Deceased: Laura Drew and Roland Dufult.

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

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Entrance Antiphon

Behold, the Lord, the Mighty One, has come;
and kingship is in his grasp, and power and dominion.

First Reading (Isaiah 60:1-6)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah.

Arise, shine out Jerusalem, for your light has come, the glory of the Lord is rising on you, though night still covers the earth and darkness the peoples. Above you the Lord now rises and above you his glory appears. The nations come to your light and kings to your dawning brightness. Lift up your eyes and look round: all are assembling and coming towards you, your sons from far away and daughters being tenderly carried. At this sight you will grow radiant, your heart throbbing and full; since the riches of the sea will flow to you; the wealth of the nations come to you; camels in throngs will cover you, and dromedaries of Midian and Ephah; everyone in Sheba will come, bringing gold and incense and singing the praise of the Lord.

The word of the Lord.

Arise, shine, for
your light has come,
the glory of the
Lord rises on you!

Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 71)

R. Lord, every nation on earth will adore you.

O God, give your judgement to the king, to a king's son your justice, that he may judge your people in justice and your poor in right judgement.

R.

In his days justice shall flourish and peace till the moon fails. He shall rule from sea to sea, from the Great River to earth's bounds.

R.

The kings of Tarshish and the sea coasts shall pay him tribute. The kings of Sheba and Seba shall bring him gifts. Before him all kings shall fall prostrate, all nations shall serve him.

R.

For he shall save the poor when they cry and the needy who are helpless. He will have pity on the weak and save the lives of the poor.

R.

Second Reading (Ephesians 3:2-3,5-6)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians.

You have probably heard how I have been entrusted by God with the grace he meant for you, and that it was by a revelation that I was given the knowledge of the mystery. This mystery that has now been revealed through the Spirit to his holy apostles and prophets was unknown to any men in past generations; it means that pagans now share the same inheritance, that they are parts of the same body, and the same promise has been made to them, in Christ Jesus, through the gospel.

The Word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! We have seen his star in the East; and have come to adore the Lord....**Alleluia!**

Gospel (Matthew 2:1-12)

A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew.

After Jesus had been born at Bethlehem in Judaea during the reign of King Herod, some wise men came to Jerusalem from the east. 'Where is the infant king of the Jews?' they asked. 'We saw his star

as it rose and have come to do him homage.' When King Herod heard this he was perturbed, and so was the whole of Jerusalem. He called together all the chief priests and the scribes of the people, and enquired of them where the Christ was to be born. 'At Bethlehem in Judaea,' they told him 'for this is what the prophet wrote: And you, Bethlehem, in the land of Judah you are by no means least among the leaders of Judah, for out of you will come a leader who will shepherd my people Israel.' Then Herod summoned the wise men to see him privately. He asked them the exact date on which the star had appeared, and sent them on to Bethlehem. 'Go and find out all about the child,' he said 'and when you have found him, let me know, so that I too may go and do him homage.' Having listened to what the king had to say, they set out. And there in front

of them was the star they had seen rising; it went forward and halted over the place where the child was. The sight of the star filled them with delight, and going into the house they saw the child with his mother Mary, and falling to their knees they did him homage. Then, opening their treasures, they offered him gifts of gold and frankincense and myrrh. But they were warned in a dream not to go back to Herod, and returned to their own country by a different way.

The Gospel of the Lord.



The sight of the star
filled them with delight

Praise to you Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon

We have seen his star in the East,
and have come with gifts to adore the Lord.

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

Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11 | Ps 103 | Titus 2:11-14;3:4-7 | Luke 3:15-16,21-22

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