



TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YEAR A

23 August 2026

This Week's Feasts:

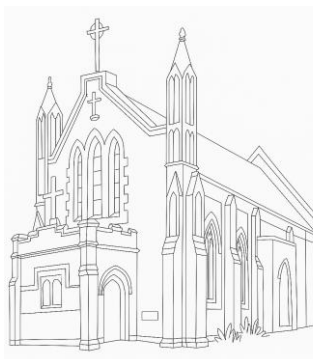
Mon 24th August **St Bartholomew**

Tues 25th August **St Joseph Calasanz & St Louis**

Thurs 27th August **St Monica**

Fri 28th August **St Augustine**

Sat 29th August **The Passion of St John the Baptist**



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Masses and Devotions

Sunday	7.30am	Mass
	9.30am	Mass
Tuesday	12.30pm	Mass
Wednesday	12.00pm	Rosary
	12.30pm	Mass (lunch in meeting room)
Thursday	12.30pm	Mass
Friday	11.30am	Eucharistic Adoration
	12.30pm	Mass
Saturday	5.00pm	Reconciliation
	5.30pm	Vigil Mass

Pope Leo XIV August Prayer Intention
For Evangelisation in the City

Let us pray that in large cities often marked by anonymity and loneliness we find new ways to proclaim the Gospel, discovering creative paths to build community.

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Entrance Antiphon(Cf Psalm 85:1-3)

Turn your ear, O Lord, and answer me;

save the servant who trusts in you, my God.

Have mercy on me, O Lord, for I cry to you all the day long.

First Reading (Isaiah 22:19-23)

A reading from the prophet Isaiah

I place the key of the House of David upon his shoulder.

Thus says the Lord of hosts to Shebna, the master of the palace:

I dismiss you from your office,

I remove you from your post,

and the same day I call on my servant

Eliakim son of Hilkiah.

I invest him with your robe,

gird him with your sash,

entrust him with your authority;

and he shall be a father

to the inhabitants of Jerusalem

and to the House of Judah.

I place the key of the House of David

on his shoulder;

should he open, no one shall close,

should he close, no one shall open.

I drive him like a peg

into a firm place;

he will become a throne of glory

for his father's house.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Responsorial Psalm (Psalm 137:1-3,6,8 R. v.8)

(R.) *Lord, your love is eternal; do not forsake the work of your hands.*

1. I thank you, Lord, with all my heart,
you have heard the words of my mouth.
Before the angels I will bless you.
I will adore before your holy temple. **(R.)**
2. I thank you for your faithfulness and love
which excel all we ever knew of you.
On the day I called, you answered;
you increased the strength of my soul. **(R.)**

3. The Lord is high yet he looks on the lowly
and the haughty he knows from afar.
Your love, O Lord, is eternal,
discard not the work of your hands. **(R.)**

Second Reading (Romans 11:33-36)

A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Romans

From him, through him, and in him are all things.

How rich are the depths of God – how deep his wisdom and knowledge – and how impossible to penetrate his motives or understand his methods! Who could ever know the mind of the Lord? Who could ever be his counsellor? Who could ever give him anything or lend him anything? All that exists comes from him; all is by him and for him. To him be glory for ever! Amen.

The word of the Lord. Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation (Matthew 16:18)

Alleluia, alleluia!

*You are Peter, the rock on which I will build my Church;
the gates of hell will not hold out against it.*

Alleluia!

Gospel (Matthew 16:13-20)

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew

You are Peter, to you I will give the keys of the kingdom of heaven.

When Jesus came to the region of Caesarea Philippi he put this question to his disciples, ‘Who do people say the Son of Man is?’ And they said, ‘Some say he is John the Baptist, some Elijah, and others Jeremiah or one of the prophets.’ ‘But you,’ he said ‘who do you say I am?’ Then Simon Peter spoke up, ‘You are the Christ,’ he said, ‘the Son of the living God.’ Jesus replied, ‘Simon son of Jonah, you are a happy man! Because it was not flesh and blood that revealed this to you but my Father in heaven. So I now say to you: You are Peter and on this rock I will build my Church. And the gates of the underworld can never hold out against it. I will give you the keys of the kingdom of heaven: whatever you bind on earth shall be considered bound in heaven; whatever you loose on earth shall be considered loosed in heaven.’ Then he gave the disciples strict orders not to tell anyone that he was the Christ.

Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you Lord

Communion Antiphon (Cf Psalm 103:13-15)

*The earth is replete with the fruits of your work, O Lord;
you bring forth bread from the earth
and wine to cheer the heart.*

NEWS & EVENTS

YR 4 MASS & SAUSAGE SIZZLE POSTPONED

Due to a clash of events affecting the availability of families, the Year 4 Mass and sausage sizzle planned for Aug 22 will be postponed until later in the year.

Continuing Adult Faith Development

A group of parishioners have asked for continuing parish-based faith development. If you are wishing to deepen your knowledge of the faith or maybe have come from an RCIA process and would like to continue, please contact silvia.kinder@cewa.edu.au We are looking at an early October start with regular meetings.

Church Repairs – Donations *Last Call*

We are currently seeking donations to support essential structural repairs to our church, helping to preserve our sacred space for generations to come. Special Church Repair donation envelopes are available at all entrances. Donations can also be made by direct deposit to **BSB:086006 ACC: 458537432 Account Name: The Roman Catholic Archdiocese of Perth, Claremont Parish**. Please ensure that you label the deposit '*repairs*'. Thank you for your generosity and support.

Church Repairs – Engraved Paver Fundraiser *Last Call*

To help support our church repairs you can purchase a custom engraved paver for \$200. Each paver can accommodate 3 lines of text, up to 16 characters. Envelopes are available at the entrances to our church. To purchase online use the QR code. Pavers will be ordered at the end of August, so please order now to avoid disappointment.

Update on Church Restoration

The internal repair/painting work on the church is now done. Our contractor K&S Restoration will now start on the external work. Thank you once again for your understanding and patience while this work is going on.

Next weekend's readings **Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time,
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Jeremiah 20:7-9, Psalm 62, Romans 12:1-2, See Ephesians 1:17-18,
Matthew 16:21-27