



Floreat Wembley Catholic Parish

Community - Conversion - Mission

St Cecilia's Church, Floreat
Our Lady of Victories' Church, Wembley

BULLETIN

Sixth Sunday of Easter - Year A
9th & 10th May 2026

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MASS TIMES

We celebrate Mass at both

St Cecilia's Church (St C)

47 Peebles Rd, Floreat

&

Our Lady of Victories Church (OLV)

364 Cambridge St, Wembley

Monday: 8.00am - OLV

Tuesday: 6.45am - St C

Wednesday: 6.45am - OLV

Thursday: 6.45am - St C

Friday: 6.45am - OLV

Saturday: 8.00am - St C

Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm - St C

Sunday: 7.30am - OLV

& 9.30am - St C

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays at St Cecilia's only

8.30 - 9.00 am and 5.00 - 5.30 pm

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COME, LET US WORSHIP

THE LORD TOGETHER

We ask everyone to please maintain a respectful silence whilst in the Church.

We appreciate your cooperation in creating a reverent and peaceful environment for prayer and reflection.

Thank you!



WELCOME EVERYONE!

We are so pleased you could join us today. If you are new, please introduce yourself to those seated nearby; we'd love to get to know you! Please also take a membership form from the back of the church, complete and return it to the Parish Office, or pop it into next week's collection basket. Thank you.



THANK YOU FR JASON YEAP & FR VINCENT CONROY

This weekend we welcome **Fr Jason Yeap** who will be celebrating our **Saturday, 6pm Mass at St Cecilia's** and **Fr Vincent Conroy** who will be celebrating **both Sunday Masses** with us.

We give thanks for all God's blessings, especially for the gifts of faith, community and the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass!

A MOTHER'S DAY BLESSING

Almighty God, we ask Your blessing on each mother today.

Fill their hearts with laughter and joy.

Surround them with love from family and friends.

Grant them health, peace and fulfillment as they pursue their vocation.

Let them know their value and worth in Your eyes and ours.

In Jesus' Name. Amen



THE LOVELIEST MASTERPIECE OF THE HEART OF GOD IS THE HEART OF A MOTHER.
~ ST THERÈSE DE LISIEUX

Please join us for a

MOTHER'S DAY MORNING TEA

Sunday, 10th May after the 9.30am Mass in the Parish Hall.

Hymns for OLV - Sunday, 10th May 2023

AOV1: 16 - 133 - 89 - 15

What's on in our parish from
11th – 17th May 2026

Monday	11	MASS 8.00am OLV CENACLE 8.30am OLV SEWING & CRAFT GROUP 1.00pm Parish Meeting Room
Tuesday	12	MASS 6.45am St Cecilia's PAS 6.30pm Parish Hall SVDP MEETING 7.00pm Parish Meeting Room
Wednesday	13	FEAST: OUR LADY OF FATIMA MASS 6.45am OLV REHEARSAL: 1st RECONCILIATION - GRP 1: 4.00pm St Cecilia's - GRP 2: 5.00pm St Cecilia's
Thursday	14	MASS 6.45am St Cecilia's
Friday	15	MASS 6.45am OLV
Saturday	16	MASS 8.00am St Cecilia's RECONCILIATION 8.30am & 5.00pm St Cecilia's CHRISTIAN MEDITATION 9.30am Parish Hall VIGIL MASS 6.00pm St Cecilia's
Sunday	17	ASCENSION OF THE LORD MASS 7.30am OLV 9.30am St Cecilia's ST CECILIA'S GARDEN CREW 2.00pm St Cecilia's

FREMANTLE CHAMBER ORCHESTRA WITH ELLIE MALONZO

Sat, 16th May, 2.30pm, St Patrick's Basilica, 47 Adelaide St, Fremantle. Tickets [online](#) / 0438 933 250.

FIRST COLLECTION - NEW BANK ACCOUNT

Fr Kaz Stuglik has now left the parish, therefore, we ask you to suspend financial contributions to the first collection (priest's) bank account you have been using (BSB: 086-006, Acct #: 67019 7762). That account will be closed.

A new presbytery account will be established soon and those details will be published in the bulletin as soon as possible.

FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE PARISH

Financial contributions to the second collection can continue as normal.

You can continue to contribute via the collection plate and by setting up weekly or monthly online bank transfers (please include your full name or Contributor/Envelope Number in the Payee line);

Second Collection (for parish) -

Floreat Wembley Parish Account:

BSB: 086-006, Acct #: 67019 7607

Thank you for your generosity!

In our Parish Book of Remembrance

We pray for all those who have died recently and for those whose anniversaries occur around this time.



May the Lord grant them eternal rest.

May	10	Heather Asquith, Margaret Enright, Terence Kings-Lynne, Veronica O'Brian, Fr Tom O'Prey
May	11	Prisca Bzira Kare, Kathleen Kelly, Patricia Narula
May	12	Clifford Anderson, Jean Lawrence
May	13	Angela Arthur, Bill Evans, Ida McDermott
May	14	Gerard Cranley, Margaret Gardner



Next week's readings:

Ascension Sunday (A)

1st Reading: Acts 1:1-11

2nd Reading: Ephesians 1:17-23

Gospel: Matthew 28:16-20

Conducted by the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference's National Centre for Pastoral Research, the count will take



place over the first four weekends in May, beginning 2/3 May. Centre director Dr Trudy Dantis said, "The National Count is a simple but powerful way for parishes to contribute to a national picture of Catholic life in Australia." For more information, please go to the ACBC blog page: <https://mediablog.catholic.org.au/national-count-of-attendance-to-start-this-weekend/#more-10557>.



SEWING & CRAFT GROUP

Our friendly group of crafters will meet on Monday, 11th May, from 1pm in the Parish Meeting Room.

New members are welcome!

CASUAL COFFEE CATCH-UPS @ LAWLEYS

All are invited to our casual Wednesday morning Coffee Catch-ups from 10.30am at Lawley's Bakery Café on Cambridge St, Wembley. No need to RSVP. Just drop by!



PARISH SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2026

Fr Arulraj is looking forward to meeting everyone!



First Reconciliation families, please remember the following all occur at St Cecilia's Church;

- **Rehearsal** - Wed, 13th May, 4pm / 5pm.
- **Sacrament** - Wed, 20th May, 4pm / 5pm.
- **Thanksgiving Mass** - Sat, 23rd May, 6pm OR Sun, 24th May, 9.30am.

THE SPIRIT OF TRUTH

In St. John's Gospel, the commandments of Jesus are not multiple, but one. *Love one another, as I have loved you* he says (13:34). We don't have the capacity to fulfil this commandment on our own, because we are not Jesus, not divine Persons, not perfectly united with God our Father. But that will change when Jesus dies on the Cross to take away our sins, and when he sends us the Holy Spirit. As St. John depicts it, the Holy Spirit flows from the pierced side of Jesus on the Cross, as well as from the bosom of God the Father. He comes to divinise us, to make us share the Sonship of Jesus; to give us his own life, his own love, his own relationship with the Father and the Son.

The word Jesus uses for the Spirit here is *Paraclete*. St. John uses the word also about Jesus himself. *We have an Advocate, or Paraclete, with the Father*, he says in his first letter, *Jesus Christ the righteous* (1 Jn 2:1). In the final Discourse at the Last Supper, Jesus speaks about the Holy Spirit as our Paraclete five times (14:16, 26; 15:26; 16:7-11, 12-15). As a noun the word is personal, and masculine. So the Holy Spirit is clearly a Divine Person, not just a notional abstraction. Our translation as "Advocate" well evokes a primary meaning of the term, which is a legal defender in a law court. Some commentators like to portray the whole of St. John's Gospel as one great trial scene. Certainly we find trial language used throughout the Gospel. It would seem that the reader is invited to be the Judge about Jesus: to decide whether or not what he says is true, and comes from God. But more deeply, the reader himself is the one in the dock, and Jesus is the Judge. Very soon after these words are spoken, Jesus himself will go on his trial before Pilate, with no Advocate at all to defend him, except the Truth.

In today's Gospel Jesus calls the Paraclete precisely *the Spirit of Truth* (14:16). That is, above all, he is the one who bears witness to the Truth of Jesus, and the Truth of God; the Truth of God's love that comes to us in Jesus. It's by the Spirit that we recognise Jesus as truly the one he claims to be. It's also by the Spirit that we are able to keep his commandments, to love as he loves, and so to be worthy to be with him in the bosom of his Father in heaven.

It's a remarkable thought that when we stand before the heavenly court for judgement, with all our sins before us, we will find our Advocate is the very one who sits as our Judge. He is on our side; he defends us. He doesn't merely pretend our sins aren't there, or simply excuse us, or let us off. Much better than that: by pouring himself into us; by dwelling in us, and with us, he gives us his own love, which drives all our sins out. It's like a fracking process: one thing drives out another. There can be no more room for non-love when the heart is filled with divine love. Pride, lust, envy, sloth, anger, gluttony, avarice: they cannot stand in the presence of divine love.

So St. John of the Cross famously said: "In the evening of life you will be judged on love."

(Excerpted from a homily for Easter 6A, Sunday 21 May 2017, on John 14:15-21. Copyright © 2015 Pluscarden Abbey, Scotland. www.pluscardenabbey.org/newsandevents/2017/5/23/homily-for-the-8-oclock-mass-sunday-easter-6a-21-may-2017-on-john-1415-21).



R.I.P. GERRY ALLEAUME

Our heartfelt condolences, thoughts and prayers go to Gerry's family and friends on the event of his recent passing. We pray especially for his wife Catherine and their young children at this time.

May his soul rest in peace.



ST CECILIA'S GARDEN & GROUNDS CREW

We welcome new members to join our group of dedicated volunteers as they help maintain the parish grounds around St Cecilia's. **You can assist them on Sunday, 17th May, 2 - 4pm.**



VOLUNTEER THANKSGIVING MASS @ ST MARY'S

During National Volunteer Week, we honour the invaluable contributions of our volunteers in the Catholic Archdiocese of Perth. Please join us in thanking these dedicated individuals for their selfless service with **Bishop Don Sproxtton celebrating Mass on Saturday, 23rd May, 9.30am at St Mary's Cathedral**, followed by light refreshments at the Parish Centre. **Please register & note dietary requirements before Sunday, 10th May; www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1560677.**

MIRACLE PRAYERS HEALING SERVICE

Join us **on Wednesday, 13th May, 7.30pm at 67 Howe Street in Osborne Park** where Derek Boylen will provide an insight into 'Service'. Prayers for healing and other intentions, and the Sacrament of Reconciliation will also be available. For further information, call 0404 028 298.

SMARTLOVING MARRIAGE KIT - FREE TASTER

Catholic Family & Justice Support Services is facilitating a live group course of the SmartLoving Marriage Kit to strengthen and enrich your marriage. What does that entail?

- Complete the Marriage Kit first lesson taster as a group
- Complete the full 5-lesson program online via the SmartLoving platform



The taster session will allow you to consolidate your learning, pray together and be supported by a community of couples.

- **Arrive at 6.30pm on Thurs, 14th May** for cheese & wine. The session follows from 7-9pm at the **Newman Siena Centre (Clune Lecture Theatre W2.07), 33 Williamstown Road, Doubleview**

To register, please go online to: www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1570078?

Readings for Sixth Sunday of Easter - Year A

FIRST READING Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

A reading from the Acts of the Apostles

Philip went to a Samaritan town and proclaimed the Christ to them. The people united in welcoming the message Philip preached, either because they had heard of the miracles he worked or because they saw them for themselves. There were, for example, unclean spirits that came shrieking out of many who were possessed, and several paralytics and cripples were cured. As a result there was great rejoicing in that town.

When the apostles in Jerusalem heard that Samaria had accepted the word of God, they sent Peter and John to them, and they went down there, and prayed for the Samaritans to receive the Holy Spirit, for as yet he had not come down on any of them: they had only been baptised in the name of the Lord Jesus. Then they laid hands on them, and they received the Holy Spirit.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM 65:1-7, 16, 20

Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

R: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Cry out with joy to God all the earth,
O sing to the glory of his name.
O render him glorious praise.
Say to God: 'How tremendous your deeds!

R: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

'Before you all the earth shall bow;
shall sing to you, sing to your name!
Come and see the works of God,
tremendous his deeds among men.

R: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

He turned the sea into dry land,
they passed through the river dry-shod.
Let our joy then be in him;
he rules for ever by his might.

R: Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.

Come and hear, all who fear God.
I will tell what he did for my soul:
Blessed be God who did not reject my
prayer
nor withhold his love from me.

**R: Let all the earth cry out to
God with joy.**

SECOND READING 1 Peter 3:15-18

A reading from the first letter of St Peter

Reverence the Lord Christ in your hearts, and always have your answer ready for people who ask you the reason for the hope that you all have. But give it with courtesy and respect and with a clear conscience, so that those who slander you when you are living a good life in Christ may be proved wrong in the accusations that they bring. And if it is the will of God that you should suffer, it is better to suffer for doing right than for doing wrong.

Why, Christ himself, innocent though he was, had died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life.

The word of the Lord.

All: Thanks be to God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION John 14:23

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,
and my Father will love them and we will come to them.

Alleluia!

GOSPEL John 14:15-21

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John.

Jesus said to his disciples:

'If you love me you will keep my commandments.

I shall ask the Father,
and he will give you another Advocate

to be with you for ever,

that Spirit of truth

whom the world can never receive
since it neither sees nor knows him;

but you know him,

because he is with you, he is in you.

I will not leave your orphans;

I will come back to you.

In a short time the world will no longer see me;

but you will see me,

because I live and you will live.

On that day

you will understand that I am in my Father

and you in me and I in you.

Anybody who receives my commandments and keeps them

will be one who loves me;

and anybody who loves me will be loved by my Father,
and I shall love him and show myself to him.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

All: Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

