

## SACRED HEART PARISH - MUNDARING

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Bulletin Notices: Call the Editor by 5:00pm Thursday

### WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday 8:30am, Wednesday 9:00am, Thursday 8:30am

Friday 8:30am {Exposition 9-10:00am}

Saturday 8:30am {Rosary & Cenacle 9:00am}

### RECONCILIATION

MUNDARING Saturday 9:00am

CHIDLOW 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday of the month 12noon - 1:00pm

### WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil - 6:00pm (Sacred Heart Mundaring)

Sunday – 7:30am – {Rosary 7:00am} (Our Lady of Good Counsel, Chidlow)  
9:30am (Sacred Heart Mundaring)

## Parish Sacramental Preparation Classes

Classes have begun for our children from Year 3 and up, who are not part of a Catholic school sacrament program. New children and enquiries are welcome. Classes continue 4:15pm until 5pm at the Church. The program will finish mid-term 4. Please contact Fr Stephen or Catherine Ledger if you would like your child to join.

## NEWS, HAPPENINGS & CELEBRATIONS

### Parish Facebook Page Our parish has a Facebook page! Sacred Heart Parish Mundaring



Each of us is called to share the Good News by nature of our Baptism and Confirmation. Bishop Don recently wrote in The Record that *“Pope Francis proposes that we ‘boldly become citizens of the digital world’*

By **liking** and **following** our parish page, you not only stay up to date on parish news, but it helps other people in our community discover Christ and His Church. As well as inviting others.

It also helps people discover important events, such as our Parish Sacramental Classes. To be linked directly to the page, your phone camera can recognise and follow the QR code here.



## Happy Father's Day!

We wish all our fathers a very happy Father's Day! In a time where there perhaps are not always clear examples of virtuous fatherhood and masculinity in our culture, we thank you and pray God will bless you to use your gifts and strength for others in sacrificial service.

“But when this fatherhood does not exist, when it is experienced only as a biological phenomenon, without its human and spiritual dimension, all statements about God the Father are empty. The crisis of fatherhood we are living today is an element, perhaps the most important, threatening man in his humanity. The dissolution of fatherhood and motherhood is linked to the dissolution of our being sons and daughters.” Pope Benedict XVI

## 22<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year B

### FIRST READING

**A reading from the book of Deuteronomy. 4:1-2, 6-8**

Moses said to the people: 'Now, Israel, take notice of the laws and customs that I teach you today and observe them, that you may have life and may enter and take possession of the land that the Lord the God of your fathers is giving you. You must add nothing to what I command you and take nothing from it but keep the commandments of the Lord your God just as I lay them down for you. Keep them, observe them and they will demonstrate to the peoples your wisdom and understanding. When they come to know of all these laws they will exclaim, 'No other people is as wise and prudent as this great nation.' And indeed, what great nation is there that has its gods so near as the Lord our God is to us whenever we call to him? And what great nation is there that has laws and customs to match this whole Law that I put before you today?'

■ **The word of the Lord.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 14:2-5, R. v. 1**

**R. The just will live in the presence of the Lord.**

1. Lord, who shall dwell on your holy mountain? He who walks without fault; he who acts with justice and speaks the truth from his heart. **R.**
2. He who does no wrong to his brother, who casts no slur on his neighbour, who holds the godless in disdain but honours those who fear the Lord. **R.**
3. He who keeps his pledge, come what may, who takes no interest on a loan and accepts no bribes against the innocent. Such a man will stand firm for ever. **R.**

### SECOND READING

**A reading from the letter of St James. 1:17-18, 21-22, 27.**

It is all that is good, everything that is perfect, which is given us from above; it comes down from the Father of all light; with him there is no such thing as alteration, no shadow of a change. By his own choice he made us his children by the message of the truth so that we should be a sort of first-fruits of all that he had created.

Accept and submit to the word which has been planted in you and can save your souls. But you must do what the word tells you and not just listen to it and deceive yourselves.

Pure unspoilt religion, in the eyes of God our Father is this: coming to the help of orphans and widows when they need it and keeping oneself uncontaminated by the world.

■ **The word of the Lord.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Jn 1:18**

**Alleluia, alleluia!**

**The Father gave us birth by his message of truth, that we might be as the first fruits of his creation. Alleluia!**

## 22<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME -YEAR B

### GOSPEL

**A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark. 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23.**

***You forget the commandments of God to hold on to human tradition.***

The Pharisees and some of the scribes who had come from Jerusalem gathered round Jesus and they noticed that some of his disciples were eating with unclean hands, that is, without washing them. For the Pharisees and the Jews in general, follow the tradition of the elders and never eat without washing their arms as far as the elbow, and on returning from the market place they never eat without first sprinkling themselves. There are also many other observances which have been handed down to them concerning the washing of cups and pots and bronze dishes. So, these Pharisees and scribes asked him, 'Why do your disciples not respect the tradition of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?' He answered, '*It was of you hypocrites that Isaiah so rightly prophesied in this passage of scripture: This people honours me only with lip-service, while their hearts are far from me. The worship they offer me is worthless, the doctrines they teach are only human regulations. You put aside the commandment of God to cling to human traditions.*' He called the people to him again and said, 'Listen to me, all of you, and understand. Nothing that goes into a man from outside can make him unclean; it is the things that come out of a man that make him unclean. For it is from within, from men's hearts, that evil intentions emerge - fornication, theft, murder, adultery, avarice, malice, deceit, indecency, envy, slander, pride, folly. All these evil things come from within and make a man unclean.'

■ **The Gospel of the Lord.**

### 'LISTEN TO ME'

Returning to the Gospel of Mark this week, we have an edited version of a dispute raised by the Pharisees and some of the scribes from Jerusalem about some of Jesus' disciples eating loaves with unwashed hands. Particularly in light of our recent pandemic experiences, we may have some sympathy with them. Yet as the narrative unfolds, we are given further background, that this is but one of the observations of their tradition. The prescriptions about washing do not stem from the Torah, the Law, but are local interpretations by specific groups. Importantly, we can join the extended crowd to hear Jesus say, 'Listen to me.' The same words are used by the prophets to call the people of Israel to listen to the word of God. Here it is a call to pay attention to Jesus' words that 'nothing that goes into a person from outside can defile.' It is from within, from the human heart, that evil intentions can grow.

Today, let us pick up on Jesus' call to 'listen to me' as we read and pray with the scriptures. Let us also hear Pope Francis reminding us, 'The believer does not turn to the Holy Scriptures to support his or her own philosophical and moral view, but because he or she hopes for an encounter, the believer knows that these words were written in the Holy Spirit and that therefore in that same Spirit they must be welcomed and understood so that the encounter can occur.'

**Dr Rosemary Canavan**