

Let us remember in our prayers ...

Recently deceased: Dave Anderson, Artemio Valvasori, Peter Dalton

Anniversaries: Henry de Wind, Joy Nicolay, Ferry Zul, Eric Maiden, Fiona Kiernan, Giuseppe (Joe) Agostino, Enrico Moschetti, Mary Long, Elle Mia Palasin, Alfredo Andre da Silva, John Dallimore, Nancye Collopy, June Reed, Valerie Casey

Sick: Judy & John Kerr, Sergio Amadio, Patrick Sweeney, Patricia O'Hara, John Davidson, Mary-Rose Webb, Kathy Choate, Mercedes Ramos, June-Marie James, Jared Haddon-Casey, Kim Crossing

800 YEARS LATER, A NEW COMMITMENT IN THE SIGN OF PEACE

By Andrea Torielli, Vatican News

Eight hundred years after the encounter between St Francis and the Sultan al-Malik al-Kamil, the Pope who bears the name of the Saint of Assisi presented himself to the "Muslim brothers" as a "believer thirsting for peace". Together with the Grand Imam of Al-Azhar, he signed a Declaration destined to mark not only the story of relations between Christianity and Islam, but also the history of the Islamic world.

Pope Francis, who coined the expression "a world war fought piecemeal", with this journey and this gesture inserted himself into the path traced out by his predecessors and took another step forward. At a time when the world faced the threat of nuclear war (a threat that in our day, unfortunately, once again looms over us), Saint John Paul II, beginning with the encounter at Assisi in 1986, engaged religious leaders in order to emphasise how the most diverse faiths should promote peace, coexistence, and fraternity. After 11 September 2001, when terrorist fundamentalism forcefully re-entered the international scene, the elderly Polish Pope made every possible effort to remove any religious justification for the abuse of the name of God in order to justify violence, terrorism, and the killing of men, women, and children.

Benedict XVI moved along this same path throughout his pontificate. In September 2006, then-Pope Benedict said to the leaders of Islamic countries that, "faithful to the teachings of their own religious traditions, Christians and Muslims must learn to work together, as indeed they already do in many common undertakings, in order to guard against all forms of intolerance and to oppose all manifestations of violence".

On 4 February, Pope Francis signed a document where not only is any justification of violence undertaken in the name of God forcefully rejected, but important and binding affirmations were made concerning Islam and certain interpretations of it. The words concerning respect for believers of different faiths, the condemnation of all discrimination, the need to protect all places of worship, and the right to religious liberty, as well as the recognition of the rights of women, are challenging. The emphasis on the deepest roots of nihilistic terrorism — that traces its origins to erroneous interpretations of religious texts, but also to "a moral deterioration that influences international action and a weakening of spiritual values and responsibility" — is also significant. These elements promote frustration and desperation, "leading many to fall either into a general feeling of frustration, isolation and desperation leading many to fall either into a vortex of atheistic, agnostic or religious extremism, or into blind and fanatic extremism".

The Bishop of Rome and the Grand Imam of Al-Azhar declared that, in the East and the West, believers in different religions, who look upon one another as brothers and sisters, can help each other to seek to avoid the "world war fought piecemeal" from breaking out in all its destructive power.

Visit vaticannews.va/en.html to read more about the visit.

PLEASE RETURN PALMS: Please return your palms from 2018 and place them in the box in the foyer. These will be burned on the first Sunday in March for use on Ash Wednesday.

MUSIC & HYMNS	Entrance	Offertory	Communion	Recessional	Setting
6pm Vigil Mass	155	118	36	182	
8am Mass	155	314	335	131	Mass Shalom (370)
10am Mass	155	209	367	140	ICEL Chant Mass (393)
6pm Family Mass	154	118	Jesus Name Above All Names	298	Rivers Youth Mass

CHILDREN'S LITURGY 2019
The Children's Liturgy Program will recommence on **Sunday 17 February** at the **8am Mass**. Please note this time change.

MASS TIMES (Subject to change - refer to Parish Diary for latest information)

Monday	5.30pm
Tuesday/Wednesday/Thursday	9am
Friday	7am
Saturday Reconciliation	5.15 - 5.45pm
Saturday Vigil	6pm
Sunday	8am, 10am, 6pm

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PARISH ROSTERS Please refer to your respective rosters.

Sanctuary	15/16 February	Claudia, Isabella & Eli Walsh	22/23 February	Katie & Daniel Lynch
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YOUTH MINISTRY MEET & GREET

On **Sunday 17 February** following the Sunday 6pm Mass, the Youth Ministry Leaders will be on the Piazza to meet teens, young adults and families. This is a great opportunity to meet the youth team, introduce yourselves and find out what's happening. All welcome.

YOUTH BAND: The Youth Band are an integral part of the Sunday 6pm Mass. Rehearsals are scheduled every Sunday in the Church starting at 4.45pm. Anyone interested in playing an instrument, singing or participating please join us at rehearsal, talk to Joey, our Youth Coordinator following Mass or send your details via email to youth@stjosephssubiaco.org.au.

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2019: Expressions of Interest for the Parish Sacramental Program are **OPEN** and will **close on 20 February**. Parents need to email sacraments@stjosephssubiaco.org.au providing the child's name, date of birth and the sacrament for which they wish to enrol. Application Forms will be sent out **after February 20**, accompanied by a letter explaining the process and listing all dates and details. There will be a **compulsory** Parent Information Night on Thursday 14 March at 7pm. If you have any queries or require further information, please contact Bart Welten on 9381 0400 (Monday/Wednesday/Friday).

LENTEN OPPORTUNITIES

Monsignor Kevin will be conducting an **Adult Lenten Group** on Mondays during Lent. To be held in the Upper Room on 11, 18 and 25 March and 1 and 8 April from 6-7pm. Please send your expression of interest to enquiries@stjosephssubiaco.org.au.

Our Youth Coordinator, Joey Alexander, will be conducting an **Adult Youth Lenten Group** in the Upper Room every Sunday evening during Lent following 6pm Mass. Please send your expression of interest to youth@stjosephssubiaco.org.au.

All parishioners are invited to the **Life in the Spirit Seminar** to be held in the Upper Room on Tuesdays from 5 March to 16 April between 7.30 and 9.30pm. This seminar of teaching and sharing will lead you into a *personal* relationship with Jesus, revealing Him as *your personal* Lord and Saviour, and help you to see the power and presence of the holy Spirit in your daily life. Through this seminar the Sacred Scriptures will come alive for you! Please try to attend all sessions as they build on each other.

For further information contact Win on 0407 216 209 or Colleen on 0448 365 202.

Please email your expression of interest to enquiries@stjosephssubiaco.org.au by 26 February.

ASSIST A STUDENT

St Vincent de Paul are promoting 'Assist a Student', an overseas education program aimed at breaking the poverty cycle. This program has been run since 1998 and has been very successful in producing students ready for the workforce in professional and other roles.

Currently we are seeking some statistics and will provide them once they have been received. Brochures are available in the foyer.

PLENARY COUNCIL LISTENING & DIALOGUE DISCUSSION GROUP

- The final St Joseph's Listening and Dialogue Discussion Group sessions will be held on **Monday 18 and Monday 25 February**. An interpreter for the Deaf will be available at both these meetings. If you are interested in joining us, please register on 9381 0400 or enquiries@stjosephssubiaco.org.au.
- Anyone with a completed feedback form, please return it to the Parish Office as the return boxes have been removed from the Church. Once all forms have been received, priorities will be reviewed and shared with the Parish.

GUEST SPEAKER AT COUNCIL OF CHRISTIANS AND JEWS WA

Sunday 24 February, 2.30pm, 61 Woodrow Avenue, Dianella

Monsignor Kevin will be Guest Speaker following the AGM. The topic *'The Christian debt to the Jewish tradition of praying the Psalms'* will be followed by questions and discussion. All welcome. Please RSVP to ccjwa@aol.com by Wednesday 20 February.

WEEKLY VOLUNTEERS' EMAIL: To assist with the smooth running of the weekend Masses, the office will be sending weekly reminder emails to all volunteers rostered for the weekend. Volunteers are asked to **confirm** their attendance or **notify** the office if a substitute has been arranged either by return email or on 9381 0400 by **4pm on Thursday afternoon**. Your support is very much appreciated.

WORLD DAY OF PRAYER AND ACTION AGAINST HUMAN TRAFFICKING

Pope Francis has declared 8 February to be the **World Day of Prayer, Reflection and Action Against Human Trafficking**. Australians are urged to work together, through grass roots action and corporate governance, to end slavery around the world. This day provides an opportunity to reflect on what we do and what we buy and, if necessary, to commit to act differently in order to work towards the elimination of slavery. Australia's Modern Slavery Act came into effect on 1 January. To learn more, go to <https://acrath.org.au/>

PARISH DIARY

Sunday 10 February		Sunday, Week 5 in Ordinary Time
Monday 11 February		Monday, Week 5 in Ordinary Time <i>Optional: Our Lady of Lourdes</i>
Tuesday 12 February	6pm 7.15pm	Tuesday, Week 5 in Ordinary Time Upper Room: <i>St Vincent de Paul Meeting</i> Church: <i>Schola Cantorum Rehearsal</i>
Wednesday 13 February	10am 5.30pm	Wednesday, Week 5 in Ordinary Time Upper Room: <i>Women's Prayer Group</i> Tribune Chapel: <i>Centering Prayer</i>
Thursday 14 February	4.30pm	<i>Sts Cyril, Monk and Methodius, Bishop, Memorial</i>
Friday 15 February	6.30pm	Friday, Week 5 in Ordinary Time Upper Room: <i>24:7 St Joseph's Subiaco Youth Ministry</i>
Saturday 16 February	11am	Saturday, Week 5 in Ordinary Time <i>Optional: Saturday Mass of Virgin Mary</i> Church: <i>Altar Servers' Meeting</i>