

Let us remember in our prayers ...

Recently deceased: Sylvie Eustasie, John Brophy, Rita Cody, Sergio Amadio, Donal O’Callaghan, Charlotte Howell, Renato Sabatini

Anniversaries: Zoraida Suarez, Ivan Gugich, Kevin Carton

Sick: Judy & John Kerr, Mary-Rose Webb, Mercedes Ramos, June-Marie James, Karen Ridley, Alison Hancock, Daniel Lackenby, Kasey, Mark O’Neill, Mary Kendal, Jodie McIntosh, Christine Parker, Michael Mitchell, Joe Aquilia, Kaan Geçili, Dr Tony Da Silva Rosa, Todd Bennett, Maureen & Laurie Fennessy, Maureen Davidson

VOLUNTARY ASSISTED DYING (VOLUNTARY EUTHANASIA)

Archbishop Costelloe is encouraging everyone to contact his/her local Member of Parliament to express opposition to this legislation. Recommendations have been made to WA Parliament as to what the new legislation should look like, and it puts many at risk. It’s not too late to convince our parliamentarians that this legislation is fundamentally flawed and represents a real danger to our society. ‘Care for Life’ leaflets outlining how to contact your MPs and listing the Care for Life team details are available in the Church foyer.

FIRST FRIDAY DEVOTIONS

Commencing on Friday 2 August, the First Friday Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with Evening Prayer of the Church will begin. We will start at 5.30pm and conclude with the Angelus at 6pm.

VERITAS NIGHT 2019: A FREE YOUTH EVENT (OPEN FOR ALL AGES)

6pm, Friday 9 August, John XXII College

Veritas Night 2019 is a Catholic youth festival style event. Last year, over 900 young people from across WA attended the event. This year the music, food, fun outdoor activities, DJ, dance, testimonies and a wonderful prayer experience are back with both Archbishop Tim and Bishop Don in attendance. To register or for more information, please visit cym.com.au.

PRAYER REQUESTS

In Ephesians 6:18, St Paul reminds us of our duty to pray for the welfare and needs of all God’s people. From the first Sunday in August, a **Book of Prayer Requests** will be on a lectern in Our Lady’s Chapel. You are invited to share your prayer requests in this journal, and to also pray for those requests written there. Our various prayer groups will use this journal as a means of supporting your requests. Each Sunday, the journal will be taken up as part of the Offertory procession to be placed on the altar along with the bread and wine.

NEW NORCIA WRITERS’ FESTIVAL 2019

9.15am-3.30pm, Saturday 24 August, New Norcia

The programme for the annual New Norcia Writers' Festival has been released with the emphasis on literature as performance, and author readings accompanying each session. Join Amanda Curtin, Kathleen O’Connor, Dr Michael Levitt, Steve Hawke, Jon Doust Annamaria Weldon and Bindy Pritchard. The two performances this year feature The West Australian’s Travel Editor Stephen Scourfield and percussionist Steve Richter presenting a new work for spoken word and music; and operatic baritone Robert Hoffman with pianist Tommaso Pollio performing a German art song in the original language and in translation. Lunch options available.

To buy tickets for this event, visit shop.newnoria.wa.edu.au.

LAST CHANCE: ARCHDIOCESAN MARRIAGE MASS

10am, Saturday 10 August, St Mary’s Cathedral

Parishioners are invited to attend this special Mass where a blessing will be bestowed on all married couples present. If you are a couple celebrating 25, 30, 40, 50, 60 or even 70 years in 2019 the Bishops would like to give these couples a special commemorative certificate as part of the celebration. Couples can register for a certificate at brushfire.com/marriage-mass/455691.

MUSIC & HYMNS	Entrance	Offertory	Communion	Recessional	Setting
6pm Vigil Mass	127	124	174	222	
8am Mass	305	294	216	127	St Joseph’s Mass (385)
10am Mass	270	216	30	316	Notre Dame Mass (382)
6pm Family Mass	70	124	174	283	

CHILDREN’S LITURGY
returns today at the 8am Mass.
Suitable for children
aged 3 to 8 years.

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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CONGRATULATIONS to Eric and June James who celebrated their 70th Wedding Anniversary on Monday.

ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL

1 June – 31 August

The SVDP Winter Appeal continues. Non-perishable food items can be placed in the baskets in the Church foyer. Money can be placed in envelopes (available on the foyer table) and placed in the St Vincent de Paul Poor Box at the back of the Church OR directly to SVDP in the reply paid envelope. **Thank you for your generosity.**

NOT ALL GET CHURCH TEACHING ON COMMUNION

By Elise Harris

Results from a new Pew survey show Jews are the most knowledgeable among America’s religious communities about world religions, while only half of American Catholics know what their own Church teaches on core principles such as communion. According to the survey, exactly 50 percent of Catholics in the US correctly answered a question about Church teaching on transubstantiation - the belief that during Mass, the bread and wine sacramentally become the flesh and blood of Jesus Christ. “The other half of Catholics incorrectly say the Church teaches that the bread and wine used in Communion are just symbols of the body and blood of Christ,” and a small percentage are not sure. Around 34 percent of Americans overall were aware of this teaching, but more than half showed knowledge of the Catholic concept of purgatory as a place of purification for souls who have died before they reach heaven, while nearly a quarter said they believed purgatory was a place of damnation for evildoers. Only 71 percent of Catholics got the purgatory question right, which significantly outweighs the number of Catholics who showed a correct understanding of Church teaching on the Eucharist. Published by the Pew Research Center, a nonpartisan think tank, the new report measures Americans’ knowledge about the beliefs and traditions of the world’s major religions and analyses the correlation between levels of religious knowledge and religious affiliation, diversity of social networks, age, education, and attitudes toward other religious groups. According to the findings, the average U.S. adult was able to answer fewer than half the religious questions correctly, with just nine percent able to answer three-quarters correctly and less than one percent earning a perfect score. The report showed that US adults are generally able to answer basic questions about the Bible and Christianity and they showed knowledge of a few facts about Islam, but they were less familiar with other world religions. Of those who participated, Jews, atheists, agnostics and evangelical Protestants scored higher. Catholics, mainline Protestants and Mormons were roughly in the middle, while young adults and ethnic and racial minorities emerged as less knowledgeable. On average, men scored better than women, and those over 65 scored better than those under 30. Perhaps unsurprisingly, Evangelical Protestants emerged as the most knowledgeable about the Bible and Christianity, followed by Mormons, while Jews took top place in knowledge of other world religions. In terms of wider Christianity, only one-in-five Americans were aware that Protestantism traditionally teaches *sola fide*, meaning salvation comes through faith alone, and others mistakenly believe that *sola fide* is a Catholic teaching. Roughly the same percentage of people were familiar with the ‘prosperity gospel’ principle, which is the belief that strong faith is correlated with God’s blessings of financial success and good health. When it comes to Judaism, just three-in-ten Americans or fewer know when Sabbath begins, and that Rosh Hashana is the Jewish New Year. Basic questions such as “What is an atheist?”, “What is commemorated on Easter Sunday” and “What is Ramadan?” were for the most part answered correctly, while more specific questions on rules for religion and holding office, or texts associated with the Hindu religion, were answered incorrectly. Eight in ten American adults were able to recognise Easter as celebrating Jesus’ resurrection, and they showed knowledge of the Trinity and major biblical figures such as Moses, Abraham and King David. However, only three in ten knew basic facts about other world religions with the exception of Islam, about which Americans demonstrated more knowledge. Overall, college graduates got higher scores than people with a high school education or less. The report also noted that Jews, atheists and agnostics tend to be highly educated, which could be a factor in their high scores. The study also found that higher religious knowledge was linked with more favourable views of religious groups. Asked to measure their thoughts about religion on a ‘feeling thermometer’ (0 being cold and negative, and 100 being warm and positive), overall, Americans gave Jews the best score at 63 degrees, followed by Catholics and mainline Protestants. Buddhists, evangelical Christians and Hindus all hit the mid-50s, while Mormons, atheists and Muslims were near the exact 50 mark. In general, the study showed that higher religious knowledge correlated with more negative feelings about evangelical Christians, who were rated highest by those with the lowest survey scores. The report offered a disclaimer about the findings insisting there is no objective way to determine how much the public should know about religion, or what are the most important things to know. Questions asked were intended to represent a body of general knowledge about religion, but not meant to be a list of the most essential facts.

Read more at cruxnow.com

PARISH DIARY		
Sunday 28 July		Sunday, Week 17 in Ordinary Time
Monday 29 July	6pm	St Martha, Memorial Upper Room: <i>Volunteer Supper</i>
Tuesday 30 July	9am 6pm 7.15pm	Tuesday, Week 17 in Ordinary Time Optional: St Peter Chrysologus, Bishop, Doctor Church: <i>Mass with Anointing of the Sick</i> Upper Room: <i>St Vincent de Paul Meeting</i> Church: <i>Schola Cantorum Rehearsal</i>
Wednesday 31 July	10am 10.30am 5.30pm	St Ignatius of Loyola, Priest, Memorial Optional: St Sharbel Makhlūf, Priest Upper Room: <i>Women’s Prayer Group</i> Rosary & Requiem Mass: <i>Renato Sabatini</i> Tribune Chapel: <i>Centering Prayer</i> <i>Fr C J Millen</i>
Thursday 1 August		St Alphonsus Liguori, Bishop, Doctor, Memorial <i>Monsignor Kevin: At Catholic Education Office</i>
Friday 2 August	6.30pm	Friday, Week 17 in Ordinary Time Optional, St Eusebius of Vercelli, Bishop; St Peter Julian Eymard, Priest Upper Room: <i>24:7 St Joseph’s Subiaco Youth Group</i> <i>Monsignor Kevin: At Catholic Education Office</i>
Saturday 3 August		St Dominic, Priest, Memorial