

First Reading Malachi 3:1-4

A reading from the prophet Malachi
The Lord whom you seek will come to his temple.

The Lord God says this: Look, I am going to send my messenger to prepare a way before me. And the Lord you are seeking will suddenly enter his temple; and the angel of the covenant whom you are longing for, yes, he is coming, says the Lord of hosts. Who will be able to resist the day of his coming? Who will remain standing when he appears? For he is like the refiner's fire and the fuller's alkali. He will take his seat as refiner and purifier; he will purify the sons of Levi and refine them like gold and silver, and then they will make the offering to the Lord as it should be made. The offering of Judah and Jerusalem will then be welcomed by the Lord as in former days, as in the years of old.

Responsorial Psalm Ps 23:7-10. R. v. 10

(R.) Who is this king of glory? It is the Lord!

- O gates, lift up your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! (R.)
- Who is the king of glory? The Lord, the mighty, the valiant, the Lord, the valiant in war. (R.)
- O gates, lift high your heads; grow higher, ancient doors. Let him enter, the king of glory! (R.)
- Who is he, the king of glory? He, the Lord of armies, he is the king of glory. (R.)

Second Reading Hebrews 2:14-18

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews
He had to be made like us in all things.
Since all the children share the same blood and flesh, Jesus too shared equally in it, so that by his death he could take away all the power of the devil, who had power over death, and set free all those who had been held in slavery all their lives by the fear of death. For it was not the angels that he took to himself; he took to himself descent from Abraham. It was essential that he should in this way become completely like his brothers so that he could be a compassionate and trustworthy high priest of God's religion, able to atone for human sins. That is, because he has himself been through temptation he is able to help others who are tempted.

Gospel Acclamation Luke 2:32

Alleluia, alleluia!

This is the light of revelation to the nations, and the glory of your people Israel. Alleluia!

Gospel Luke 2:22-40

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke
My eyes have seen your saving power.

When the day came for them to be purified as laid down by the Law of Moses, the parents of Jesus took him up to Jerusalem to present him to the Lord – observing what stands written in the Law of the Lord: Every first-born male must be consecrated to the Lord – and also to offer in sacrifice, in accordance with what is said in the Law of the Lord, a pair of turtle-doves or two young pigeons. Now in Jerusalem there was a man named Simeon. He was an upright and devout man; he looked forward to Israel's comforting and the Holy Spirit rested on him. It had been revealed to him by the Holy Spirit that he would not see death until he had set eyes on the Christ of the Lord. Prompted by the Spirit he came to the Temple; and when the parents brought in the child Jesus to do for him what the Law required, he took him into his arms and blessed God, and he said: 'Now, Master, you can let your servant go in peace, just as you promised; because my eyes have seen the salvation which you have prepared for all the nations to see, a light to enlighten the pagans and the glory of your people Israel.' As the child's father and mother stood there wondering at the things that were being said about him, Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, 'You see this child: he is destined for the fall and for the rising of many in Israel, destined to be a sign that is rejected – and a sword will pierce your own soul too – so that the secret thoughts of many may be laid bare.' There was a prophetess also, Anna the daughter of Phanuel, of the tribe of Asher. She was well on in years. Her days of girlhood over, she had been married for seven

years before becoming a widow. She was now eighty-four years old and never left the Temple, serving God night and day with fasting and prayer. She came by just at that moment and began to praise God; and she spoke of the child to all who looked forward to the deliverance of Jerusalem. When they had done everything the Law of the Lord required, they went back to Galilee, to their own town of Nazareth. Meanwhile the child grew to maturity, and he was filled with wisdom; and God's favour was with him.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Luke 2:30-31

My eyes have seen your salvation, which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION

By these holy gifts which we have received, O Lord, bring your grace to perfection within us, and, as you fulfilled Simeon's expectation that he would not see death until he had been privileged to welcome the Christ, so may we, going forth to meet the Lord, obtain the gift of eternal life. Through Christ our Lord.

Readings Next Week

SUNDAY 9 Feb 2025
Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C

First Reading: Is 6:1-8

A reading from the prophet Isaiah
Here am I! Send me.

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 137:1-5. 7-8. R. v. 1

(R.) In the sight of the angels I will sing your praises, Lord.

Second Reading: 1 Cor 15:1-11

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians

I preach what they preach, and this is what you believe.

Gospel Acclamation: Mt 4:19

Alleluia, alleluia!

Come follow me, says the Lord, and I will make you fishers of my people.

Alleluia!

Gospel: Lk 5:1-11

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

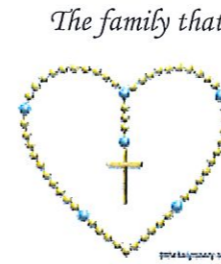
They left everything and followed him.



St Anne's, Bindoon



St Catherine's, Gingin



The family that prays together, stays together. A family at prayer is a family at peace!

Welcome to: **OUR LADY OF THE VISITATION PARISH**
(Gingin, Bindoon, Bullsbrook & Lower Chittering)



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Parish Roster - Readers		
	2 FEB	9 FEB
Bindoon	Ida	Rickie
L/Chittering (Vigil)	Volunteer	Volunteer
L/Chittering 9.30 am	Moira	Troy

OUR PARISH SCHOOL
Immaculate Heart College (PreK-12)
34 Santa Gertrudis Drive, Lower Chittering
Ph. 9571-8135
www.ihc.wa.edu.au



PROTECTION FROM CATAclysms IS PROMISED TO THOSE WHO LIVE WITHIN THE VICINITY OF A 'CROSS OF LOVE' AND PRAY THE DAILY PRAYER! THE CROSSES AROUND THE PARISH FORM THE FIGURE 'M' TO REMIND US THAT THE PARISH IS CONSECRATED TO OUR LADY.

Mass Times Prayers precede Weekday Holy Masses from 3pm

MONDAY	LOWER CHITTERING (DIVINE MERCY SHRINE)	3.30 pm
TUESDAY	LOWER CHITTERING (DIVINE MERCY SHRINE)	7.00 AM 3.30 pm
WEDNESDAY	LOWER CHITTERING (DIVINE MERCY SHRINE)	3.30 pm
THURSDAY	LOWER CHITTERING (DIVINE MERCY SHRINE)	7.00 AM 3.30 pm
FRIDAY	LOWER CHITTERING (DIVINE MERCY SHRINE) (WHOLE SCHOOL MASS)	8.45 AM 7.00 pm (1 ST FRIDAYS ONLY 7PM)
SATURDAY	LOWER CHITTERING (DIVINE MERCY SHRINE)	9.00 am
SUNDAY (Saturday/Sunday Vigils)	GINGIN (ST CATHERINE'S)	4.30 pm SATURDAY Vigil 5.00 pm
	HOLY ROSARY	SATURDAY Vigil 6.45 pm
	LOWER CHITTERING (DIVINE MERCY SHRINE)	7.30 am
	BINDOON (ST ANNE'S)	
	LOWER CHITTERING (DIVINE MERCY SHRINE) PRIOR TO HOLY MASS - CONFESSION / ADORATION & HOLY ROSARY	9.00 am 9.30 am

COMING EVENTS and UPCOMING PILGRIMAGES

FEBRUARY 5^{Feb} First WED 7^{Feb} First FRI

9th Sun Sunday 9.30am Mass will be offered for those who sold Raffle Tickets. Special Morning tea after Mass.

13 Thu Parish Council Meeting

MARCH 1^{Mar} First SAT 5^{Mar} First WED 7^{Mar} First FRI

5 Wed Ash Wednesday

FATIMA PRAYER Most Blessed Trinity, Father, Son and Holy Spirit, I adore You profoundly and I offer You the most Precious Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, present in all the tabernacles of the world, in reparation for the outrages, sacrileges and indifference with which He Himself is surrounded, through the infinite merits of His most Sacred Heart and the Immaculate Heart of Mary, I beg the conversion of all poor sinners. Amen.

PRAYER FOR THE HOLY SOULS Eternal Father, I offer You the most precious blood of thy Divine Son, Jesus, in union with the Masses said throughout the world today, for all the Holy Souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal Church, for those in my own home, and in my family. Amen
St. Gertrude the Great was told by Our Lord that each time she piously recited this prayer, it would release 1,000 souls (or a vast number) from their suffering in purgatory.

CONFESSION Before SAT Vigil Masses & Sunday Masses
Wednesdays 4.30 -4.55 pm *St Anne's Bindoon.*
Saturdays after 9am Mass & Weekdays after 3.30pm Mass *DM Shrine Lower Chittering* *If we say we have no sin, we deceive ourselves, and the truth is not in us (1 Jn 1:8). The Church teaches that by frequent Confession "genuine self-knowledge is increased, Christian humility grows, bad habits are corrected, spiritual neglect and tepidity are resisted, the conscience is purified, the will strengthened; a salutary self-control is attained and grace increased in virtue of the Sacrament itself.*

THE TEN COMMANDMENTS

- I am the Lord your God: You shall not have strange Gods before me.
- You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain.
- Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day.
- Honour your father and mother.
- You shall not kill.
- You shall not commit adultery. (fornication is also a serious sin)
- You shall not steal.
- You shall not bear false witness against your neighbour.
- You shall not covet your neighbour's wife.
- You shall not covet your neighbour's goods.

LOCAL NEWS:

Divine Mercy Shrine is thrilled to announce the winners of our building fund raffle.

- 1st Prize: ticket 0278 - \$10,000
Juliana Tan
- 2nd Prize: \$3,000 ticket 5775
Caterina Cattaruzza
- 3rd Prize: \$1,000 ticket 6557
Kristina Popovska

A Heartfelt 'thank you' to everyone who supported the raffle.

Parish Planned Giving 2nd Collection
Have you considered Tithing? This is a tradition in the Catholic Church and in other faiths and cultures
Give, and it will be given to you (Lk 6:38).
Banking details: Direct pay
Acc Name: Gingin-Chittering Parish
BSB: 633 000 - **Acc No:** 158396804

THE COR MARIAE YOUTH GROUP
Fridays of School Term in the Hall
3.30pm-5.30pm
The Group meets Fridays of school term. The Cor Mariae Form for new participants is available in the church foyer.
(Note: students who signed the Form last year need not supply a new one).
Further enquiries e-mail:
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Mobile: 0459 724 227

Parish Choirs at Divine Mercy Shrine
Parish Choirs
Wednesday Choir practice. 7.00 pm -8.30pm.
Teen & Adult choir in the Hall
For More Info Contact Paul 0403922619

IMMACULATA PRAYER WARRIORS (ROSARIES)
Monday to Friday 6pm-7pm DMS
Prayed in the Divine Will. Jesus speaks to Luisa: "My daughter, ugly is the human nature that lives without My Will, because it was created by the Supreme Being to live united together with the Divine Fiat. So, by living without It, a shift takes place in the human nature; in this shift, the order, the strength, the love, the light, the sanctity, the very reason, are shifted. All of these beautiful qualities are present in the creature, because they were placed by God as within a sacrum; but they are present outside of their place—all in disorder; and since they are out of place, one is against the other: passions fight sanctity, weakness fights strength, human love fights the Divine, the creature the Creator, and so forth. The human nature without the Divine Will transforms itself into ugly, it turns upside down, and in its disorder it wages war against its Creator. *The Book of Heaven, August 10, 1931 Vol 29.*

MARIAN MOVEMENT CENACLES PRAYED IN OUR LADY'S CHAPEL/CHITTERING
At Tuesday Men's Rosary AND After Saturday Morning Mass.

LEGION OF MARY
Meets on Wednesdays
All welcome. Contact Priscilla,
0400 889 062

PERPETUAL ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT AT DIVINE MERCY SHRINE LOWER CHITTERING, BINDOON & GINGIN
Come, spend an hour with the lord Jesus!
He won't be outdone in generosity!!

Divine Mercy Shrine - Lower Chittering
Sign up for a Holy Hour - Roster - inside main door of Church or in Our Lady's Chapel
MONDAY to THURSDAY
Main Altar after 3.30 pm Mass ie 4pm - 9 pm

FRIDAY & FIRST FRIDAYS All-night Vigil
ie 4.00 pm to Saturday 8.55 am (Men's watch)
Adorer needed for 5pm to 6pm hour, Wednesdays

St Anne's Bindoon
Wednesday 4.30-4.55 pm (prior to 5.00pm Mass)
St Catherine's Gingin
Saturday 4.30-4.55 pm & Rosary (prior to 5.00pm Mass)

There is also 24 hour access every day in Our Lady's Adoration Chapel - For key code See Fr Paul)
Please note:
For Exposition Tabernacle in Our Lady's Chapel, Members of public are only permitted by the Church to open the Tabernacle Windows (small external doors only) and close them upon leaving the Adoration Chapel, they are not permitted to open (unlock) the Tabernacle.

- I GIVE YOU THE WEAPON AGAINST YOUR GOLIATH (THE DEVIL), HERE ARE YOUR FIVE STONES**
1. Prayer from the Heart (e.g. Rosary)
 2. Eucharist - Holy Mass (as well as, during the week if you can)
 3. Holy Bible
 4. Fasting
 5. Monthly Confession

NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING (NFP) Planning or postponing Pregnancy Natural Fertility Simply, Naturally, Effectively
Tel 9399-4394 or 1800 819 841
"Billings Method". NFP (unlike contraception and sterilization) is in harmony with Church Teaching. NaProTechnology is the church approved answer to IVF. www.fccau.org

NEED HELP MANAGING GRIEF?
The Archbishop has in place, a new service to those in our Catholic community who may need Help - The Spiritual and Counselling Referral Service - contact number is 0432 541 588
The Archdiocese has established this 24 hour mobile number for those struggling with grief who may need professional assistance
If you need help finding professional support for grief, please call so they can help you find appropriate assistance.
The centre for Life, Marriage and Family has also produced brochures on managing grief and loss.

The Safeguarding Program was introduced to the Archdiocese of Perth in 2014 by Archbishop Timothy Costelloe to ensure the safety of children, young people and the vulnerable in our parishes. For more information or a copy of the Safeguarding Handbook, phone: 9221 7762
Safeguarding Officer: Sharon Pegrum: email: sharonpegrum@outlook.com
Mobile: 0466 430 979

The Divine Will Study Group
Resumes 7th February 2025,
1.30pm Parish Meeting Room,
Lower Chittering

Consider starting the New Year in the best possible way by signing up for a Holy Hour at the Divine Mercy Shrine. We will only really appreciate the value of the Holy Hours we made when we reach Heaven.
Tel. Priscilla on 0400 889 062



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DONATIONS: Refer to Divine Mercy Shrine WA website for complete list of items: <https://divinemercuryshrine.com.au/donate/>

Stained Glass to Side Chapels	2	\$6,000 each
Windows Large	45	\$3,000 each
Windows Small	55	\$1,500 each
Advance purchase of Niche in the Divine Mercy Columbarium	1,000	\$1,000 or \$1,800 (Dble)

Please see list under **Donate on Website**

Children's Catechism Classes (during school term)
Tel: IHC 9571 8135



PIPE ORGAN FUND
Tax deductible donations can now be made to OHTA for our Pipe Organ.
OHTA (Organ Historical Trust Australia) *: ANZ Bank - BSB 013-035 Acc: 2940 70724
*To clearly identify you Please ensure that the description/ reference section includes: your Name and words "Chittering Appeal"

For PayPal donations:
<https://divinemercuryshrine.com.au/organappeal/>
Amounts of \$2 and over are tax-deductible!

REAL PRESENCE IN THE EUCHARIST
In the Mass the elements of bread and wine are changed through the words of Consecration and Jesus becomes fully present - Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity. It is the same Jesus as born of the Virgin, and is now seated at the right hand of the Father in heaven who is contained in the Sacrament. "...Whoever eats the Bread or drinks the cup...in an unworthy manner will be guilty of profaning the Body and Blood of the Lord" (1 Cor 11:27). Anyone who eats and drinks without discerning the Body, eats and drinks judgement upon himself (1 Cor 11:29)

COMPENDIUM OF THE CATECHISM OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH in relation to this Sunday's readings (Our Lord teaches us in and through His Church and gives us the word of the Father. Hence, our submission to the Church's teaching is not submission to mere human opinions, but to the very word of God (cf. Thes 2:3). An upright and true moral conscience is formed by education and by assimilating the Word of God and the Teaching of the Church. It is supported by the gifts of the Holy Spirit and helped by the advice of wise people. Prayer and an examination of conscience can also greatly assist one's moral formation.

520. By what is love for the poor inspired? 2443-2449 2462-2463 Love for the poor is inspired by the Gospel of the Beatitudes and by the example of Jesus in his constant concern for the poor. Jesus said, "Whatever you have done to the least of my brethren, you have done to me" (Matthew 25:40). Love for the poor shows itself through the struggle against material poverty and also against the many forms of cultural, moral, and religious poverty. The spiritual and corporal works of mercy and the many charitable institutions formed throughout the centuries are a concrete witness to the preferential love for the poor which characterizes the disciples of Jesus.
123. Why does Jesus call upon his disciples to take up their cross? 618 By calling his disciples to take up their cross and follow him Jesus desires to associate with his redeeming sacrifice those who are to be its first beneficiaries.
342. Are all obliged to get married? 1618-1620 Matrimony is not an obligation for everyone, especially since God calls some men and women to follow the Lord Jesus in a life of virginity or of celibacy for the sake of the Kingdom of Heaven. These renounce the great good of Matrimony to concentrate on the things of the Lord and seek to please him. They become a sign of the absolute supremacy of Christ's love and of the ardent expectation of his glorious return.
346. What are the effects of the sacrament of Matrimony? 1638-1642 The sacrament of Matrimony establishes a perpetual and exclusive bond between the spouses. God himself seals the consent of the spouses. Therefore, a marriage which is ratified and consummated between baptized persons can never be dissolved. Furthermore, this sacrament bestows upon the spouses the grace necessary to attain holiness in their married life and to accept responsibly the gift of children and provide for their education.
434. "Teacher, what good must I do to have eternal life?" (Matthew 19:16). 2052-2054 2075-2076 To the young man who asked this question, Jesus answered, "If you would enter into life, keep the commandments", and then he added, "Come, follow Me" (Matthew 19:16-21). To follow Jesus involves keeping the commandments. The law has not been abolished but man is invited to rediscover it in the Person of the divine Master who realised it perfectly in himself, revealed its full meaning and attested to its permanent validity.
- YOU SHALL NOT TAKE THE NAME OF THE LORD YOUR GOD IN VAIN 447. How does one respect the holiness of the Name of God? 2142-2149 2160-2162 One shows respect for the holy Name of God by blessing it, praising it and glorifying it. It is forbidden, therefore, to call on the Name of God to justify a crime. It is also wrong to use the holy Name of God in any improper way as in blasphemy (which by its nature is a grave sin), curses, and unfaithfulness to promises made in the Name of God.
574. What are the difficulties in prayer? 2729-2733 2754-2755 Distraction is a habitual difficulty in our prayer. It takes our attention away from God and can also reveal what we are attached to. Our heart therefore must humbly turn to the Lord. Prayer is often affected by dryness. Overcoming this difficulty allows us to cling to the Lord in faith, even without any feeling of consolation. Acedia is a form of spiritual laziness due to relaxed vigilance and a lack of custody of the heart.
126. What place does the Resurrection of Christ occupy in our faith? 631, 638 The Resurrection of Jesus is the crowning truth of our faith in Christ and represents along with his cross an essential part of the Paschal Mystery.
127. What are the signs that bear witness to the Resurrection of Jesus? 639-644 656-657 Along with the essential sign of the empty tomb, the Resurrection of Jesus is witnessed to by the women who first encountered Christ and proclaimed him to the apostles. Jesus then "appeared to Cephas (Peter) and then to the Twelve. Following that he appeared to more than five hundred of the brethren at one time" (1 Corinthians 15:5-6) and to others as well. The apostles could not have invented the story of the resurrection since it seemed impossible to them. As a matter of fact, Jesus himself upbraided them for their unbelief.
586. What does the phrase "Who art in heaven" mean? 2794-2796 2802 This biblical expression does not indicate a place but a way of being: God transcends everything. The expression refers to the majesty, the holiness of God, and also to his presence in the hearts of the just. Heaven, or the Father's house, constitutes our true homeland toward which we are moving in hope while we are still on earth. "Hidden with Christ in God" (Colossians 3:3), we live already in this homeland.

HOLY SAINTS FEAST DAYS THIS WEEK FEBRUARY (Yr C)

- 3 Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr
- 3 Saint Ansgar, Bishop
- 5 Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr
- 6 Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs
- 8 Saint Jerome Emiliani
- 8 Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin