

# Our Lady of the Southern Cross

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Masses and Devotions 15 <sup>th</sup> – 21 <sup>st</sup> October 2018		
Monday		
Tuesday	No Mass	
Wednesday	9.30am	Mass
Thursday	9.00am	Mass
Friday	9.00am	Mass
Saturday	6.00pm	Mass
Sunday	9.00am	Mass

**PLEASE PRAY FOR**  
 Betty Peaker, Ellen Robinson,  
 Saba Rose Button,  
 Tracy Trew, Robert Clements,  
 Helen Miller

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS**  
**29<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time  
 Year B**  
 Isaiah 53: 10-11  
 Hebrews 4: 14-16  
 Mark 10: 35-45

**CHURCH COLLECTIONS**  
 Total for  
 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> October 2018  
 1<sup>st</sup> Collection: \$523.20  
 2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: \$325.85  
 Planned: \$350.00

## From Fr. Ian

In his introduction to the theme of the Mass, Fr. Brendan writes these perceptive words, "The wise person knows that the greatest riches of all is the saving love of God in Christ Jesus, and it is ours for free". He then goes on to write that there is not a problem in possessing material goods, but here is a problem if they possess us. He writes, "If our primary attachment is to Jesus, we will not covet material goods, but use them as necessary". The "use them as necessary" is an enlightened and mature understanding of the true value of material things, for example, money, in that they are to be used to promote the care and wellbeing of ourselves and others.

We are very fortunate to have Ms. Deborah Robertson, the Diocesan Director of Galilee Mission, to present the Annual Catholic Mission Appeal, within our Masses of this weekend. Our Diocese is benefitting from the enthusiasm of Deborah in this role and more importantly, more funds are being raised throughout our Diocese in Catholic Mission, because of her good work. This year, the Appeal has a focus on Myanmar. As a parish we have been making a regular contribution to the Sisters of Our Lady of the Mission in Myanmar, so this will provide further support for the wellbeing of our brothers and sisters there. Pope Francis in his visit to Myanmar said, "...the generous assistance provided by the Pontifical Mission Societies in this country is helping great numbers of men, women and children, regardless of religion or ethnic background".

The call from a loving God is that we are to help all 'regardless of religious or ethnic background'. This spirit of inclusivity is picked up by Fr. Francis J. Maloney in his book, "A Body Broken for a Broken People", with the subtitle "Divorce, Remarriage and the Eucharist", when he speaks of who is welcome to Eucharist and how they are to be received. He writes, "The motley group, that share the Table of the Lord and which indicates how the table should be administered in the Church is well described by Markus Barth in his book "Rediscovering the Lord's Supper". Barth writes:

*"Whoever sits at table with Jesus must also accept the other guests in Christ's company. Jesus is never without his elect, including especially the outcast. No one can have Jesus for oneself alone; Jesus is met with a strange entourage, - the publicans and the sinners, the poor and the homeless from the hedges and byways, a notorious woman who Jesus permitted to touch his feet, the prodigal sons and such treacherous and cowardly disciples as Judas and Peter and the other disciples who partook of Jesus' last meal (none of whom loved him enough to arrange his funeral). Whoever considers those table companions of Jesus too bad, too base, too little, too far removed from salvation to be met at Jesus's side does not see, accept and believe Jesus as he really is. Whoever feels too good and too noble to be found in that company cannot sit at the Lord's table. Only when the homeless just mentioned have been received and waited upon is Jesus received, and only then does Jesus accept the service rendered to him".*

Our love and prayers are with Michael and Moria McMullen who have just experienced a wonderful moment of joy as they celebrated their sixtieth wedding anniversary, but also the deep sadness of the death of Michael's sister, Mary, as a result of a snakebite. May the God of all consolations, console them and their family at this time.

Would you kindly continue to hold Judy Malcolm in your prayers. Judy has just undergone a very serious heart operation.

## Mark in your Calendar

Please forward dates to Parish Office or  
[olotsc@westnet.com.au](mailto:olotsc@westnet.com.au) for inclusion in the calendar

Monday	
Tuesday	
Wednesday	9.00am - Rosary
Thursday	
Friday	9.30am - Marian Movement of Priests Cenacle - New members welcome 19 <sup>th</sup> - 21 <sup>st</sup> October - Galilee Encounter - Pemberton
Saturday	27 <sup>th</sup> - 28 <sup>th</sup> October - Dunsborough Songfest
Sunday	

## SYNOD CONSULTATION THANKS - BISHOP GERARD

I am most grateful to all who participated in the first two consultations for our 2019 Diocesan Synod. The response has been well beyond expectations.

Many obviously took considerable time to consider what they wanted to say. I am grateful to everyone who took the trouble to send the Synod Commission their ideas and suggestions.

### Topics prioritised

The responses will now be broken into topics. Parish Pastoral Councils will then be asked to prioritise these and the result will provide the basis for deciding on the actual 2019 Synod theme.

### The next steps

The next two steps in a few weeks will be the announcement of the Synod theme and the nomination of Parish delegates to the Synod.

Diocesan synods are gatherings with the Bishop. Their purpose is to discern with him the direction the Lord wants a Diocese to follow. Topics discussed relate to areas of the Bishop's authority.

As explained earlier, all consultation responses will be forwarded to the Plenary Council planning group once Diocesan topics have been drawn out.

While the current Diocesan consultation has finished, parishioners can continue to suggest issues for the Plenary Council. Details about how to do so can be found at [www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au](http://www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au).

God bless you all  
 Bishop Gerard

## Dates to keep in Mind:

- World Community Day - "Women Sharing Open Heartedly" - Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> October at 2pm at the Salvation Army, Busselton

## ROSTER 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> October 2018

	Saturday	Sunday
Commentator	Judy	Trish
Readers	Mary Ann and Robyne	Joan and Moira
Ministers of Communion	Lewis and Sue	Loellen and Angela
Music	Richard	
Acolyte	Michael	Michael
Collection Counting		Jim and Felicity

## A significant initiative of the Combined Churches of Dunsborough:

Mrs Una Glennon, has graciously accepted our invitation to speak at a community gathering on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> November at 7.00pm at Our Lady of the Southern Cross Church.

The Novena to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal begins on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 5.00pm.



Bunbury Diocese Annual Catholic Mission Appeal this weekend!!

