

#### **Mass Times**

Vigil Mass: Sat 6.30 pm Sunday 9.30 am 11.00 am Spanish Mass 12.30 pm 6.30 pm

Mon to Sat 10am & 6.30 pm

#### **Sacrament of Confession**

Saturday 10.45 – 11.15 am 6.00 – 6.30 pm Mon – Fri 6:15 – 6:30 pm

# Parish Office Opening Hrs

Mon – Fri 9am to 5pm (Lunch from 1.30pm to 2.30pm)

#### Rosary

Every Wednesday after 10am Mass followed by Tea in the Founders Room.

 Rosary also held on Sundays at 3pm in the Colonnade.

# **Legion of Mary**

Every Tuesday at 7pm in the Parlour.

### **Holy Hour**

1st Friday of every month after 10am Mass. The **Blessed** 

**Sacrament** will be exposed for Rosary, Litany Divine Mercy & Benediction.

#### Saints Days

**Mon 12<sup>th</sup>** – St. Apollonia **Tue 13<sup>th</sup>** – St. Giles Mary of St. Joseph

**Wed 14<sup>th</sup>** – Sts. Cyril and Methodius **Thu 15<sup>th</sup>** – St. Claude de la Colombiere

**Fri 16**<sup>th</sup> – St. Gilbert of Sempringham **Sat 17**<sup>th</sup> – Seven Founders of the Servite Order



#### St. Peregrine Mass of Healing

Our next St. Peregrine Mass of Healing is on **28**<sup>th</sup> of **February 2024** at 6:30pm.

# Relic of Blessed Carlo Acutis

Exposition of this Relic on every Monday after our 10am Mass.

Blessed Carlo, Pray for us.

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6<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (YEAR B) 11<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2024

# **Sunday Reflection**

The first miracle of Jesus, he heals a person within the synagogue. In today's Gospel, Jesus heals a person who has been excluded from the synagogue because of his illness (leprosy). Jesus' relation to the synagogue here is complicated. On the one hand, by touching the leper he violates a religious prohibition against touching the "unclean", on the other hand, Jesus sends the person back to the priest and the prescribed rituals for lepers. To complicate matters further, Jesus tells the healed person to tell no one anything and yet suggests that the person's healed body will serve as a "proof" or "witness". And in fact, the person does become a witness, spreading the word of Jesus' action. Jesus thus heals more than the person's body — he restores him to his community and changes him from someone who was alone and alienated to one who, it seems, cannot help bearing to God's healing power.

Leprosy was regularly used as a metaphor for sin with its destructive effects on the person and on relations with society in social and religious life. But, just like the miracle of the healing of the leper, so too, Jesus has the power to forgive sin.



First Holy Communion – The next Eucharist and parent's meeting will be on 13<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 6:30 pm.

**Ministers of the Holy Eucharist** – We are inviting those who would like to serve as Ministers of the Holy Eucharist to join and attend the forthcoming formation to be given by Mary Crowley on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 7:00 pm at the Founders Room.

Ash Wednesday – will be on 14th February. Masses as usual at 10am & 6.30pm.

The Stations of the Cross — will start on 16<sup>th</sup> February and every Friday after the 6:30 pm

**The Gospel acclamation during Lent** — "Glory and Praise to You, Lord Jesus Christ!"

**Feast of the Seven Holy Founders** – The Servite Order will be celebrating the Feast of the Seven Holy Founders on 17<sup>th</sup> February 2024 (Saturday). The concelebrated mass will be at **11:00** am. Note that there won't be 10:00 am mass. All are invited to join us in this celebration.

**Year of Prayer** – This year has been proclaimed as the Year of Prayer. We will be launching The Year of Prayer in our parish on the 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent. And in line with this, there will be a talk about prayer on 6<sup>th</sup> March 2024 (Wednesday) at 7:00 pm by Fr. Matthew Blake, OCD at the Founders Room.

#### A Prayer for Ash Wednesday

Gracious God, today begins a period of inner reflection and examination. The days stretch before me and invite me inward to that silent, holy space that holds your Spirit. This special time beckons me to see my life through Christ's eyes and the truth and reality of your love incarnate. Give me the grace to enter the space of these days with anticipation of our meeting. And, when I open my soul to your presence, let your loving kindness flow over me and seep into the pockets of my heart.

I ask this for the sake of your love. Amen.

