

St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

5 February 2017

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"To be on earth the Heart of God"
" For at være på jorden Guds hjerte"

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MASS TIMES

Vigil Saturday 6:00pm
Sunday 8:30am, 10:00am, 6:00pm
Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9:30am

LITURGIES

Liturgy of the Word with Communion: Tues 9:30am
Baptisms: 1st & 3rd Sun during 10:00am Mass
Reconciliation: Sat 5:00pm – 5:30pm or by appointment with the priest

ST JOHN THE APOSTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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REFLECTION

Salt of the Earth – Light of the World

Jesus employs two metaphors to characterise the essence of discipleship: salt and light. True disciples are the light that shines forth in the darkness of ignorance or faithlessness. They enlighten others not by words but by their manner of living. It is this manner of living that declares to the world that the reign of God has indeed been established in their midst, and that the age of fulfilment has dawned.

We live in a world where appearances frequently matter more than they should. Contrary to this predominating tendency, Jesus teaches us that what we do flows from who and what we are. We can enlighten the world with the message of the gospel, because our lives have been transformed by that gospel and now we ourselves are light for others. We can serve others in various ways, only because we have been saved by God's grace and now we are agents of that grace in the lives of others. Our own renewal becomes the means through which God renews the world.

This may sound grandiose, but it isn't. It is the truth about the way God works. Extraordinary things are accomplished through ordinary people. Jesus grew up as the son of a carpenter; some of the apostles were fishermen; Paul was a tentmaker; we are clerks and teachers, bus drivers and doctors, bank tellers and engineers. Like Paul we come to ministry in weakness and fear and much trembling. It is the Spirit and power of God that work the wonders, and God works them through mundane elements of life such as light and salt.

As children, many of us learned the corporal and the spiritual works of mercy. We learned that we can practise them in every walk of life. Today's readings remind us of this. We may not be asked to perform extraordinary feats, but all disciples of Jesus are called upon to do the ordinary things of life in an extraordinary way.

Resources used: Reflection, by Dianne Bergant CSS

✠ Let us pray for those who are sick.
We remember them in our Masses. ✠

Recently Deceased: Jehanne Thelland

Anniversary: *Julian Oakley, Annie McCreath, Clements Cox, Bruce Walker, Carmelita Godfrey, Maria Carrusca, Victoria Wilkinson, Kenneth Vella, Faye Menegazzo, Stella Bell, Margaret Ephgrave, Margaret Davis, Elias Kiki, John Maher, Roberto Millucci, Robert Galliano, Rene Stubbs, George Griffiths, Trent Foster, Glenn Foster, Nellie Bannon, Henry Moulis, Edward Blake-Smith, Philip Babic, John Thompson, Raychell Nolan, Charlotte Lansdown, Carmel Page*

Parish Assembly
The Heart of our Parish



Program

- Coffee
- Welcome & Prayer
- The challenge of transition
- Developing a pastoral focus for 2017
- Conversation on Discipleship & Mission
- Concluding with a sausage sizzle

Parish Centre

Child minding will be available
All parishioners are invited and encouraged to attend the assembly.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB



We are reading

"The Dry"

By Jane Harper

Sunday 19 February - 3:00 pm
Parish Library.

St Vincent de Paul 2017 Doorknock

Members of the St Vincent de Paul Society are very grateful for the generous response from parishioners so far, which has enabled us to cover 73 of the 162 areas in which we need to doorknock. The demands on the Society are expected to increase in 2017 so it is important that we obtain **89 NEW volunteers**, if we don't that means 4,550 houses will be missed. If you can spare a couple of hours and are willing to help the needy and marginalized in our community, come and see one of the society members at the tables in the foyer.

Kits can be picked up after each Mass this weekend. Detailed instructions are included in each kit.

Các thành viên của St Vincent de Paul Society rất biết ơn sự đáp trả quảng đại từ giáo dân cho đến nay, điều này đã giúp chúng tôi để trang trải 73 của 162 lĩnh vực mà chúng ta cần phải doorknock.

Các nhu cầu về xã hội dự kiến sẽ tăng vào năm 2017 vì thế điều quan trọng là chúng ta có được **89 tình nguyện viên MỚI**, nếu chúng ta không có nghĩa là 4,550 ngôi nhà sẽ được bỏ qua. Nếu bạn có thể dành một vài giờ và sẵn sàng giúp đỡ những người nghèo và thiệt thòi trong cộng đồng của chúng tôi, đến và nhìn thấy một trong những thành viên xã hội tại các bảng trong tiền sảnh.

Kits có thể được chọn sau mỗi Thánh Lễ cuối tuần này. Hướng dẫn chi tiết có trong mỗi bộ

CALENDAR DATES

12 February – Parish Assembly

11:00am – 1:00pm Parish Centre
followed by sausage sizzle lunch

16 February - Mass 11:00am

Opening School Mass for St John the
Apostle Primary School

17 February – Twilight Fete

St John the Apostle Primary school

20 February –Sacrament of Penance

7:00pm Second Parent formation
evening

25/26 February - Presentation Masses

Candidates for the Sacrament of
Penance

1 March – Ash Wednesday Mass Times:

St John the Apostle Kippax

9:30am and 6:00pm

St Matthews Page

7:00am and 9:30am

St Thomas Aquinas Charnwood

9:30am and 7:00pm

St Vincents Aranda

9:30am

St Monicas Evatt

9:30am

St Michaels Kaleen

11:30am and 6:00pm



Lenten Program 2017 “Hope”

Following on from the Year of Mercy –
as where there is mercy, there is hope

A weekly program produced by the
Diocese of Wollongong. Available in
the Parish Bookstore.

\$9.00 per book \$10.00 per CD

On A Lighter Note:

Q: If a butcher wears a size XL shirt
and a size 13 shoe, what does he weigh?

A: Meat.

Volunteering – Calvary Hospital

Calvary Public Hospital Bruce is looking for
volunteers to fill in some gaps on their rosters
to bring communion to Catholic patients in
hospital. In volunteering what is being asked
of you?

Commitment: once a month (or more
regularly) for an hour and a half.

Requirements:

- A current Working with Vulnerable
People Card (WWVP).
- Trained Minister of Communion

Currently there are vacancies on both
weekdays and weekends.

*This is a great way to be the hands and feet of
Christ in the world. The patients, their family
and friends are appreciative of this service.*

If you would like to volunteer for this privilege
role of discipleship please **Contact:** Calvary
Bruce Pastoral Care Team, Ph. 6215 6665.

St John the Apostle Primary School Twilight Multicultural Carnivale FETE

Friday 17th February
4pm - 8pm.

A Fete with a difference! Multicultural food
stalls, Tombola, cow bingo, amazing rides,
'bling it up', dance performances including
professional dancers and much much more
for children and adults. Come along and
join the Carnivale fun!!!

REFUGEE RESETTLEMENT COMMITTEE:

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday
7 February at 7.30pm in the parish centre.
New members are welcome to attend.

*When we welcome the stranger we
welcome Christ.*



PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION

Enrolling Soon

Contact the Parish Office on
6254 3236 or kippax@cg.org.au for
more details

ROSTERS

12 February Ministers of Communion

6:00pm	Sharon Loiterton, Margaret Conlon, Robert Greig, Anthony & Chitra Jayawardena
8:30am	Brian Green, Fay Stephenson, Fay Hodgetts, Margaret Stanford, Shane Murtagh,
10:00am	Anthony Noakes, Cathy Madsen, Jojo Mathew, Shyni Jojo, Francesca Deklin
6:00pm	Henri Clementine, Barbara Gardiner, Marian Crowley, Andrew Webster, Andrew Luck

12 February Reading Roster

6:00pm	Mary French, Tom Halloran
8:30am	Mariana Rollgejser, Sigrid Kropp
10:00am	CHILDREN'S MASS
6:00pm	Judith Deklin, Brian Mahony

12 February Hospitality Roster

6:00pm	Lesley Givens, Chitra Jayawardena
8:30am	David Mather, Therese Mather
10:00am	Margaret Gill, Tony Kennedy
6:00pm	VACANT

Other Rosters

6 Feb	Altar Society: Pauline O'Gorman
6 Feb	Church Cleaning: Debbie Milne, John O'Heir, Pat Keenan, Peter Hofman
11 Feb	Grounds: Henri Clementine, John Gill, Rob Breen, Mike Blyth
18 Feb	Presbytery Cleaning: Maresa Laird, Meg Millband, Pat Cowburn, Sabina Van Rooy, Lynnie Traynor

PARISH ACTIVITIES

PRAYER LIFE

Charismatic Prayer:	Thursday 7:30pm
Maida: 0423 658 326	Rosary 7:00pm
Meditation [Library]	Friday 7.30-8.15 pm
Morning Prayer:	Mon, Tues, Fri 9:10am
Stations of the Cross	First Fri Monthly 5:30pm
Children's Mass	Second Sunday monthly 10am

SOCIAL LIFE

Coffee Club	Second & Fourth Sunday after 10:00am Mass
Over 45's	Last Wednesday of the Month 9:30am Mass and morning tea
Pins & Needles	3 rd Thursday of the Month 7:15pm Parish Library
Book club	3 rd Sunday of the Month 3:00pm Parish Library
Women's Breakfast	4 th Tuesday of the Month 7:30am Little Chef Café Belconnen

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
I am the light of the world,
says the Lord;
the man who follows me
will have the light of life.
Alleluia!



GOSPEL IN A NUTSHELL Mt 5:13-16

Today's gospel passage is one that is quite commonly quoted and relatively well known. When it is taken in isolation, it's very easy to forget that these words immediately follow the Beatitudes that we heard in last week's gospel. The imperative for justice in the images of salt and light of the world becomes even clearer when we remember that these words follow the blessings on those who are poor; who mourn; who are merciful and fight for justice. Jesus has blessed all these who are least in the world and then charges the disciples to be salt and light for them. The whole purpose of being salt and light is to lead others into right relationship with one another and with God. Whilst the translation we have clearly states that disciples are to be salt and light of the world, it is just as clear that the intention is that they/we be salt and light for the world.

Resources used: Greg Sunter at LiturgyHelp

LIBRARY NEWS: "Not less than everything: Catholic writers on heroes of conscience from Joan of Arc to Oscar Romero", "The Underground church: reclaiming the subversive way of Jesus", and, "The Genesee diary: report from a Trappist monastery" are three of the books currently on display.

School of Religion: – 9.15am-10.00am
Sundays Parish Centre (School Term Only)
For children not attending a Catholic School



Hearing Loop: - We have a hearing loop in the body of the church. Adjust your hearing aids according to audiologist's advice.