

# COMPACT



## St John the Apostle Parish

*A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish*

### Fourth Sunday of Easter Year A

7 May 2017

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**“To be on earth the Heart of God”  
“To Lurrean Jainkoaren Bihotz Be”**

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### MASS TIMES

Vigil Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 8:30am, 10:00am, 6:00pm

Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9:30am

### LITURGIES

Liturgy of the Word with Communion: Tues 9:30am

Baptisms: 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun during  
10:00am Mass

Reconciliation: Sat 4:00pm – 4:30pm or by  
appointment with the priest

### ST JOHN THE APOSTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## REFLECTION

### A Life filled with Purpose & Intent



A particular focus taken in today's readings is leadership. Authentic leadership is rooted in authority, and authentic authority is the ability to author or bring life to birth. Genuine authority cherishes guards and encourages the best in life; it provides rest and refreshment; it guides our steps; it nourishes us; it leads us to God. Peter is an example of authentic authority: he proclaims the truth, even if others find it hard to hear; he denounces error, even when this places him in jeopardy; he calls for a change of heart, even when it makes great demands.

Authentic leadership is patterned after the leadership of Jesus. It is gentle and familiar, like the true shepherd; it has won the confidence of those who follow, as did the true shepherd; it is committed to the enhancement of the lives of others, as was Jesus. Authentic leadership is willing to forgo its own needs and to deny its own interests in favour of the needs and interests of others.

Having life to the full does not imply life filled with every convenience, comfort and wealth. Rather, it is about living a life filled with purpose and intent. If we fail to live with purpose and meaning then our life is a hollow shell of what it could be. Jesus came that we may have life – a life that is at its fullest when it is lived in such a way as to be an expression of what Jesus taught and lived.

Heavy demands are placed on those who follow authentic leadership. Those who follow the Good Shepherd must follow him in the dark valleys as well as to the refreshing streams. They must be willing to relinquish some of their own plans and self-determination and entrust themselves to his leadership. They must never forget that they are following a shepherd who has paid the ultimate price on their behalf.

Resources used: *Reflections*, by Dianne Bergant CSS & Greg Sunter.

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

#### Recently Deceased:

**Anniversary:** *Lillian Boyd, Ruth Lloyd, Jack Draper, Clements Cox, Robert Griffiths, Matthew Ray, Helen Kelly, Lawrence Southwick, Andrew Harker, Jeremy Hope, Kenneth Brennan, Harrison Wroe, Krysta Lindstrom, Antonia Gladwish, Kevin Crossley, Sarah Sealey, Betty Cowman, Pat McLindin, Edna Hamilton, Robert Donovan, Elena D'Ambrosio, Hemult Wanda, Bryan McGurgan, Daphne Parnell, Ella Dimitres, Sanra Miniotas, Neil MacFarlane, John Loadman, Bernard Gibson, Gloria Fleming*

### SUNDAY AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

We are reading

“ *The Good Life* ”

By Hugh Mackay

Sunday 21 May - 3:00 pm

Parish Library.

Four copies of the book are available from the parish office.



### “Board Games with L’Arche Genesaret”

*L’Arche Genesaret extends an invitation to their fundraising card day*

Venue: Canberra Bowling Club, Forrest.

Date: 15 May 2017

Time: 10.00am to 2.00pm.

Cost: \$25.00 includes tea, coffee, lunch, wine or juice.

Bookings: Mary 6258 1739 or  
Di 6241 2658 or  
Maree 6247 4002

RSVP: 8<sup>th</sup> May.

**Web Page:** COMPACT is accessible on the WEB go to [www.stjohnkipfax.org.au](http://www.stjohnkipfax.org.au) click on the tab *Parish News* and then *Weekly Bulletin*.

Past COMPACTS can be obtained from the Archive page follow the steps above then click on *2017 COMPACT archive*.

# PETITION

## Open Letter to the Bishops of Australia

*‘Please Listen and Act Now’*

*This Open Letter has been distributed to all parishes in Australia.*

The Open Letter can be signed by Australian Catholics either ONLINE - with comment - at [www.catholicsforrenewal.org.au/OpenLetter](http://www.catholicsforrenewal.org.au/OpenLetter) OR by signing the petition that is available in the church foyer.

### Agape - Youth Ministry

High school students in years 7 to 12

**First and Third Sundays  
after the 6:00pm Mass**

### Next gathering 21 May

*A group where people can explore their faith in a safe environment, share experiences, and encourage each other in their faith journey.*

Contact the Parish Office  
for more information

### COLLEGE OPEN DAY

#### ST FRANCIS XAVIER COLLEGE

Friday 12 May 2017

9.00am – 2.30pm

Barnard Circuit Florey – 6258 1055

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Visit [www.sfx.act.edu.au](http://www.sfx.act.edu.au)

### Weekend Funnies



*George said to Fred, 'I put \$20 on a horse last week and he came in at twenty five to one.', 'Wow! you must be loaded', said Fred. 'Not really' said George, 'the rest of the field came in at twelve thirty.'*

The tipster said this horse would walk in. It did, but all the others galloped.

# PARISH NEWS

**Sacrament of Confirmation:** *The children of the parish who are preparing for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be presented to the parish at the masses this weekend. The children will hand their prayer cards to parishioners asking them to pray for them.*

*The Sacrament will be celebrated by Fr. Anthony Percy VG on Thursday 1 June at 5:00pm.*



## MINISTER'S of GOD'S WORD READING PRACTICE

**Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> May 11:30am**

**Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> May 10:30am**

There are two opportunities for readers to attend a practice to ensure that everyone is aware of the necessary procedures and how to use the microphone. It is **essential** that everyone attend one of the designated practices. If you are unable to attend please contact the parish office.

*Mary French for the Liturgy Committee*



## CLERGY ASSEMBLY

Fr. Gerard will be attending the CLERGY ASSEMBLY from

Monday 15 –Thursday 18 May 2017

There will be a Liturgy of the Word with Communion on Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday of that week.

# REMINDER

**Saturday Vigil Mass  
is now 5:00pm**

## TIME & TALENT ROSTERS

*Our parish needs your gifts to enhance the life and ministry of the parish.*

### NEEDED:

**Ministers of Communion:** 13 vacant position over all the mass times.

**Hospitality:** 5 vacant positions at the Sunday 6:00pm mass.

**Bookstore:** 7 vacant positions across all the mass times.

**Grounds Maintenance:** Group 4 - The fourth Saturday of the month is vacant. It needs 2-3 people.

**Church Cleaning:** More people are needed

*The gifts he gave were that some would be apostles, some prophets, some evangelists, some pastors and teachers, to equip the saints for the work of ministry, for building up the body of Christ, until all of us come to the unity of the faith and of the knowledge of the Son of God, to maturity, to the measure of the full stature of Christ. Eph. 4:11-13*

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## Music Ministry Formation Day *Music from the Heart*

**When:** Saturday, 13<sup>th</sup> May

**Time:** 11:00am to 6:00pm

**Hosted by:** The Archbishop's Office of Evangelisation

**Cost:** \$15.00

*This formation day will include theological formation on the liturgy and worship along with a practical equipping in music ministry skills*

For leaders of music ministries and youth ministries in Parishes.

### Further Information

[www.cg youthministry.org.au/  
musicfromtheheart](http://www.cg youthministry.org.au/musicfromtheheart)

# ROSTERS

## 14 May Ministers of Communion

5:00pm	Sharon Loiterton, Margaret Conlon, Robert Greig, Anthony & Chitra Jayawardena
8:30am	Fay Hodgetts, Brian Green, Fay Stephenson, Margaret Stanford, Shane Murtagh,
10:00am	Anthony Noakes, Cathy Madsen, Frank Colley, VACANT, VACANT
6:00pm	Marian Crowley, Andrew Webster, Andrew Luck, Maria Devine, VACANT

## 14 May Reading Roster

5:00pm	Mary French, Bob Raadts
8:30am	Mariana Rollgejser, Sigrid Kropp
10:00am	Children's Mass
6:00pm	Ruth Dunnicliff-Hagan, Brian Mahony

## 14 May Hospitality Roster

5:00pm	Michael Horan, Chitra Jayawardena
8:30am	Violet Duve, Jean Tierney
10:00am	Joe Pisciotta, Judy Kenny
6:00pm	Vacant

## Other Rosters

7 May	<b>Collections:</b> Group 2
8 May	<b>Altar Society:</b> Margaret Ferguson
8 May	<b>Church Cleaning:</b> Meg Millband, Sabina Van Rooy
13 May	<b>Grounds:</b> Allan Laycock, John Gill, Rob Breen, Mike Blyth

# 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 Friday Monthly After 9:30am Mass
Children's Mass	Second Sunday monthly 10:00am

## 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 <sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the Month 7:15pm Parish Library
Book club	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month 3:00pm Parish Library
Women's Breakfast	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the Month 7:30am Little Chef Café Belconnen

## RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

The Lord is my shepherd;  
there is nothing I shall want.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!  
I am the good shepherd,  
says the Lord;  
I know my sheep,  
and mine know me.  
Alleluia!



## GOSPEL IN A NUTSHELL Jn 10:1-10

When Jesus used the image of himself as a shepherd, he named himself as belonging to a Jewish ancestry that associated itself with shepherds. Abraham, Isaac, Jacob and Moses were all shepherds. David, the second King of Israel, was regarded as the greatest king in Jewish history. His humble beginning, captured magnificently in the sculpture by Michelangelo, was as a shepherd boy guarding his flock with a slingshot. The kings of Israel were charged to 'shepherd' their people rather than to lord it over them as the pagan kings did. When Jesus described himself as the gate of the sheepfold, his audience would have immediately understood the analogy. For a shepherd to become the gate to the sheepfold of a night was to risk his life for not only his own sheep but all the sheep in the fold overnight. It took courage and demonstrated utter commitment.

Resources used: Greg Sunter at LiturgyHelp

**LIBRARY NEWS:** "The Father of the family: a Christian perspective", "Picking up the pieces: helping young people cope with divorce and step-families" and, "Catholic married life" are three books on display this week.

**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.