

COMPACT



St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A

12 November 2017

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“To be on earth the Heart of God”

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MASS TIMES

Vigil Saturday 6:00pm

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

Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9:30am



Hearing Loop: - in the body of the church.

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

We look forward with Hope

A feature of Christian faith is an approach to life that views the future with hope. In our world today many people look to the future with distrust and even fear. As Christians, we look forward with hope. When change occurs, some allow that change to happen to them whilst others engage in the change process and approach it with hope and expectation.

The wisdom that we have culled from life becomes the treasury from which we draw the prudence and insight needed to negotiate life's paradoxes. It throws light on our strengths and on our weaknesses; it enables us to discern what is important and what is not; it directs us to bring extra oil in our lamps. Life and the wisdom that we have acquired through it, have taught us that we can indeed trust the promises of God. They have been fulfilled in the past, and wisdom assures us that they will be fulfilled in the future. It is wisdom that cautions us to be vigilant, to be ready to adjust our plans. It is wisdom that prepares us for the night watches of life. It is wisdom that instructs us to be ready at all times.

St Ignatius tells us the best way to prepare for the future is to let go of the unhealed past, as best as we can, and live in the here and now. The Holy Spirit helps us see what needs to be done today and what preparation is necessary for tomorrow. This is such simple and sound advice and yet many of us don't heed it. For some of us it takes nothing to feel the hurt and pain of our past or to be consumed by the future.

Today's gospel reminds us to be ready for what the future holds; to look with hope towards what lies ahead, but to ensure that we've prepared ourselves properly. The future can only be viewed with expectant hope if we've done the proper preparation!

Resources used: *Reflection*, by Dianne Bergant CSS,
Reflection, by Greg Sunter, & *Homily*, by Richard Leonard SJ

Invitation **Ministry Thank You Lunch**

Day: Sunday
Date: 26th November 2017
Time: 12 noon
Place: St John the Apostle Parish Centre
RSVP: 20 November 2017
PH: 6254 3236 or kippax@cg.org.au

We thank you for your commitment to ministry and the care and wellbeing of our parish. Join with other parishioners as we take the opportunity to celebrate the past year and give thanks for the gifts

Agape - Youth Group

High school students in years 7 to 12

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

Next gathering 19th Nov

Contact the Parish Office
for more information

SUNDAY AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

We are reading
"The Cuckoo's Calling"
by Robert Galbraith



Sunday 19 November - 3:00 pm
Parish Library.

There is one book available to borrow in
the parish office.

Pins & Needles Craft Group



Third Thursday Monthly
Next Meeting: 16 November
7:15pm Parish Library

FEPCOW CHARITY PROJECT

after 16 years of providing humanitarian charity services to underprivileged children & young adults in underdeveloped countries has passed a resolution to wind the charity up. Eric Weinman and the FEPCOW Committee Members thank parishioners for their support over many years.

Stewardship of our Parish

There are flyers on the seats regarding planned giving and stewardship. We ask you to give this your prayerful consideration. You may place the commitment pledge on the plate or return it to the parish office. Thank you.

*St Francis Xavier year 7 students
will celebrate and give thanks for their first
year of high school at the 9:30am Mass on
Thursday 16 November*

"CHOSEN"

*Daily Advent and
Christmas Reflections*

\$4.50 per book

Available in the parish bookstore

A spiritually rich resource for
praying during Advent. These
daily reflections have been
written by 14 contributors
from the Diocese of Wollongong



Parish Bookstore

Columban Calendars \$9.00

Majellan Christmas Cards \$6.50 Pkt of 10

SECOND RITE DURING ADVENT – 7:30pm

Aranda Thursday 14th December
Charnwood Tuesday 19th December

"L'Arche Genesaret Card Day"

*One and all are invited to attend the
L'Arche Genesaret fundraising Card Day.
Games include Mahjong, Bridge or any
other card/board game*

When: Monday 20th November
Time: 10:00am – 2:00pm
Cost: \$25.00 (includes coffee, tea,
lunch wine or juice)
Venue: Canberra Bowling Club, Forrest
RSVP: Mary on 6258 1739 or
Di on 6241 2658.
RSVPs due on or before November 13th.

PARISH NEWS

Heart Spirituality

Welcome New Parishioners

A BBQ to welcome new parishioners will be held on.....

Day & Date: Friday 17 November

Time: 5:30pm

Where: Parish Centre

If you have come to St John the Apostle parish in the past few years you are invited to come and meet fellow parishioners in a social setting.

RSVP: 13 Nov. – Parish Office

It is anticipated that this pastoral plan initiative, will be held twice a year.

"Do not neglect to show hospitality to strangers, for by this some have entertained angels without knowing it."

Hebrews 13:2

We welcome Fr. Chris Murphy msc who will be with us Thursday 16th and Friday 17th Nov. Fr. Chris is facilitating the three year review of Fr. Gerard's ministry.

RCIA: The Rite of Acceptance into the Order of Catechumens and welcome of Baptised candidates will be at the Vigil mass 18 November. The focus in the rite is twofold: It is on the candidates and on the community.

The invitation is one to follow Christ. The candidates wish to follow Christ and are asking the community's help in this task.

Sacrament of Penance

Preparation for the celebration of the Sacrament of Penance in lent 2018 is commencing now.

Formation evening for Parents.

Date: Monday 20 November

Time: 7:00pm – 8:30pm

If you have a child in year 2 or above and they have not made this sacrament please contact the parish office to register.

Our mission finds expression in specific commitments carried out by individuals and communities. These commitments will be chosen and continually evaluated in the light of our spirit, the needs and mission of the Church and our own missionary tradition. We are sent into the world to establish new churches and to be at their service; to help churches in need and bring those who are far from the Lord into the community of believers. Constitution #23

Would that we fully understood the sublimity of the ministry given us! May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be everywhere loved.

Our Lord Jesus Christ has opened his Heart to the world in order to bring an effective remedy to modern societies that are rushing into an abyss. And we are those whom he has sent to apply this remedy to the world.

Jules Chevalier 1900.

May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be everywhere loved.....forever!

PARISH ASSEMBLY

Sunday 18 February 2018

Sunday 25 February 2018

11:00am – 1:00pm

concluding with a sausage sizzle

HOLY SOULS - NOVEMBER MASSES

Please complete your November mass intention envelope and return it to the parish office. The names of your deceased loved ones who you want to remember during the month of November will be read out before the Friday 9:30am mass. We will also continue to have mass intentions during the month of November for those anniversaries and intentions that occur during that month.

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

Recently Deceased: Adrian Gilchrist
Joukje McArthur [sister of Willi Boettcher],
Greg Puniard (Son of Dennis and Stepson of Margaret)
Elizabeth (Bette) Rogers (Great Aunt of Tony Kennedy)

Anniversary: Marie-Jeanne Shatzman,
Veronica Tippet, Gary Williams, Frances Stow,
Maria Van Audenaerde, Brenden Keir,
Cornelia Onstenk, William Castle, Richard Witrzens,
Gloria Hunter, Maria Wegener, Jamie Gruber,
Kathleen Randall, Garry Marsh, Nell Clarke,
Matthew Biggs, Joey Griffiths, Nelson Canas,
Irene Collbourne, Corstianus Slusser, Patricia McGee,
Honorio Arranz, Dorothy Lenihan, Mary-Ellen Roots,
Krissy Thomas, Herbert Gallagher, John Welfare,
John Patterson, Winifred O'Neill, John Burns,
John Costelloe

PRAYER LIFE

Charismatic Prayer: Maida: 0423 658 326	Thursday 7:30pm 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
Adult Choir	Wednesday 7:30pm
Children's Choir	Thursday 4:00 – 5:00pm

SOCIAL LIFE

Coffee Club	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
Youth Group	AGAPE - First & Third Sunday after 6:00pm Mass Parish Centre
School of Religion (Parish Centre)	Sunday 9.15am during school term

LIBRARY NEWS: "The Desert Fathers", "The Early Church", "A Concise encyclopaedia of Christianity" and "Themes and issues in Christianity" are some of the books on display this week.

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Be watchful and ready:
you know not when the
Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia!

Readings – 19 November 2017

First Reading	Prv 31:10-13. 19-20. 30-31
Psalm	Ps 127:1-5. R. v.1
Second Reading	1 Thes 5:1-6
Gospel	Mt 25:14-30

19 Nov Reading Roster

6:00pm	Jim Jones, Mindalesia Jones
8:30am	Violet Duve, Elizabeth McDonald
10:00am	Ivo Astolfi, Libby Kain
6:00pm	Meg Millband, Matthew Toohey

19 Nov Ministers of Communion

6:00pm	Joy McInerney, Elaine Laycock, Patrick Corr, Daryl and Laurine Smeaton
8:30am	Jean Tierney, Margaret Conlon, Pat Cowburn, Clyde Sloan, VACANT
10:00am	Marie Flint, Colin Fox, Maida Kajkic, Ann Reynolds, VACANT
6:00pm	Peter Polkinghorne, Brian Mahony, Matthew Garton, VACANT, VACANT

19 Nov Hospitality Roster

6:00pm	Mary Barrett, Lesley Givens
8:30am	Norma Sloan, Clyde Sloan
10:00am	Anthony Noakes, Marie Flint
6:00pm	Brian Mahony

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society:	13 Nov	Maresa Laird
Grounds:	18 Nov	VACANT
Counting:	19 Nov	Group 5

Church Cleaning: 13 November	Carol Blyth, Therese Edwards
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On a Lighter note

Q: Why did the pony get detention?

A: Because he was horsing around.

Q: What do gymnasts, acrobats, and bananas all have in common?

A: They can all do splits.