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St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

TENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year B

10 June 2018

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"To be on earth the Heart of God"

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MASS TIMES

Vigil Saturday 5:00pm

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

Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9:30am

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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 4:00pm – 4:30pm or by

appointment with the priest

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From the Pastor's desk...

On Pentecost Sunday this year the Plenary Council was launched. Although the actual two sessions of the Plenary Council will not take place until 2020, the lead up to this Council will be important. During this weekend Masses we will show a video of Archbishop Tim Costello inviting all of us to be involved in the lead up through what he describes as a process of listening and dialogue.

As much as I remain loyal and committed to our Church I have found it frustrating over the years that the Church has operated essentially in a top-down approach. An example of this was the manner in which the revised translation of the Missal was imposed upon clergy and laity alike in 2011. Under the pontificate of Pope Francis we are seeing a change. His pontificate has been characterized by a desire to listen, not only to the members of the church, but to all people. It is in this spirit, I believe, that the bishops of Australia are calling on all members of the Church to participate in the process of deep and profound listening.

What we are being offered, therefore, is a promise that there will be a change in the way of being Church in Australia. A change not for the sake of change, but a transformative change that will lead us into a hope filled future firmly founded on the teaching and example of Jesus.

I am hoping that there will be opportunities for our parish community to participate in the Plenary Council. At the next meeting of the Parish Pastoral Council we will view the resources that are being made available for the Plenary Council and to discuss how best our parish can be involved in this venture.

Peace and blessings Gerard

PARISH NEWS

Church Car Park Accidents

We have received reports of people having their cars damaged in the church car park whilst they have been attending mass. The people inflicting the damage have left without providing their name and details.

This is disturbing for us to hear as it is contrary to living within Christian principals. We say our mission is "To be on earth the Heart of God", we participate in this mission by being truthful. Jesus is "the Way, the Truth and the Life" and being honest and truthful is essential in following Jesus.

SJACare – We are in need of volunteers who are willing and able to provide a meal for the sick and house bound. This is only required on a needs basis. To volunteer please contact the parish office. We thank those people who already provide this service.

SJAYOuth — We are in the process of establishing a Youth Ministry Team and would like to hear from parishioners who might be interested in being part of this team. A meeting has been organised for Thursday 26 July at 7:30pm. Please contact the parish office to register your expression of interest.

Sacrament of the Eucharist. **Formation Evening for Parents** Monday 18 June 2018 7:00pm - 8:30pm St John the Apostle Parish Centre

First Holy Communion will be celebrated at the following masses

> Saturday 4 August 5:00pm 10:00am 5 August Sunday Saturday II August 5:00pm Sunday 12 August 10:00am

SUNDAY AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

We are reading

"SAPIENS: A brief history of humankind"

Sunday 17 June - 3:00 pm Parish Library.

By Yuval Noah Hariri CLUB

New members are always most welcome

Pins & Needles Craft Group

Third Thursday Monthly Next Meeting: 21 June 7:15pm Parish Library

"Winter Woolies at Calvary"

The Calvary Hospital Auxiliary is having a WINTER WOOLIES sale

Date: Thursday 14 July Time: 8.00am - 4.00pm

Venue: main foyer of the Hospital.

Take the opportunity to visit and buy scarves, beanies, crocheted/knitted rugs and many more hand knitted items while supporting the work of the Auxiliary, that raises funds to provide medical equipment and items for patient comfort.

Enquiries Mary Cruickshank 62544084.

St Thomas More Forum Dinner "The Freedom of Religion in Australia"

Speaker: The Hon Dan Tehan MP

Date: 22 June 2018

Time: 7pm for a 7:30 start, Mercure Hotel, Ainslie Venue:

cost \$85 per head.

Bookings essential, RSVP 12pm Friday 15 June. Enquiries to forum@stthomasmore.org.au or campbell@cg.org.au or 0416 823 447.

VINNIES SLEEPOUT 21 June 2018

"One night isn't a lot, but it can make a whole lot of difference"

Archbishop Christopher Prowse & our parishioner Ted Kell

are both participating in the **SLEEPOUT** this year. To donate go to www.ceosleepout.org.au and donate using their particular reference.

Reflection

Family Bonds

Family members are often the last ones to allow us to change from who we have been to who we want to become. Unintentionally, family will sometimes continue to treat us as the child we were growing up in the family environment, despite our various accomplishments and changes in direction.

Sometimes it's easier to continue to treat someone we love as we have always treated them, rather than learning to adjust and accommodate a new way of relating. When you're the one seeking to establish a new life or a new way of operating, family can appear to be 'keeping you in a box'.

Today's gospel paints a picture of Jesus' family wanting him to play safe and remain the person they've known him to be, rather than growing into his ministry and preaching his challenging message. They can see that his actions are causing the authorities to pay attention and their reaction is to try to get Jesus to stay under the radar; to live small.

The incarnation of Jesus in the world – God becoming fully human and physically present in the world – was an act of supreme love for the world. The image of binding the strong man echoes this act of love. The image is reminiscent of a bully or tyrant who is wreaking havoc and terrorising a community. Before justice can be restored and the victims/survivors lifted up, the 'strong man' must be restrained and subdued. To bring about the loving act of God in the world, the power of evil must be resisted and bound up.

At the end of today's gospel passage, Jesus states, 'Whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother.' Family bonds were critically important in 1st Century Palestine. Jesus does not deny his family kinship, but expands it to include anyone who does the will of God. All those who work to bring about the Kingdom or Reign of God share a bond with Jesus, they share a familial link with him. Whenever we act to bring about God's dream for this world, we join our efforts with those of our brother, Jesus.

Resource used: Reflection, by Greg Sunter

Heart Spirituality

The Holy Spirit is our teacher

In the order of salvation we are completely powerless. Of ourselves we can do nothing. We cannot even pronounce the name of Jesus in a way that merits heaven.

We have been initiated into the knowledge of the mysteries of our faith, but if the Holy Spirit does not come to our aid, we cannot grasp the harmony of these mysteries, just as we cannot contemplate masterpieces of painting in a room, nor admire their beauty, if the light does not shine on them. From a supernatural point of view, the book of the truths of faith and the book of nature, without the Holy Spirit, remain closed to our eyes.

He is their key; he can open them for us. To profit from the instructions of this Teacher, we should come to him with a docile mind and a heart detached from earthly desires, and say with Samuel: Speak, Lord, Your servant is listening.

(1 Sam. 3:9) Jules Chevalier (Méditations 1, p. 576f)

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

Fr. Adrian Meaney msc from the MSC Mission office will be in our parish next weekend 16/17 June. There will be a collection for MSC Missions during mass.

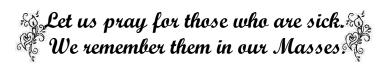
Housekeeper Position

The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference is looking to employ a casual House Keeper for the General Secretariat residence in Braddon, ACT. A copy of the position description and additional information is available at

www.employmentrelations.catholic.org.au

Letters of application are to be addressed to the Employment Relations Advisor and emailed to oeradvisor@catholic.org.au

Applications close at 5pm Monday 25 June 2018. For more information contact Jane Bashiruddin on 0447 238 432 or email oeradvisor@catholic.org.au



Recently Deceased: Celestine O'Connor,

Fr. Doug Smith msc

Anniversaries: Stephen Carew, Elizabeth Strike, Jack Draper, Marie Johnson, Evelyn Weinman, Ian Cupitt, Denise Doyle, John Bray, Ilona Ham, Dorothea Guilfoyle, Elsie Dickason, Robert Scarr, Wendy Hawes, James Webb, Ingrid Soria, Marie Tyack, Mavis Southwick, Sheila Phillips, George Carney, Ann Joyce, Kerry Montgomery, Maureen Ashley, Helen Heindl, Francis Quinn, John McAppian, Christopher Robinson, Eileen Gehrig, Vivienne Thompson, Lucy Wilcott, Robert Cocks, Joan Loughry, Pat Williamson, Noni Glover, Jean Chapman.

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
	monthly10:00am
Adult Choir	Wednesday 7:30pm
Children's Choir	Thursday 4:00 – 5:00pm

SOCIAL LIFE

Coffee	Fourth Sunday
Club	after 10:00am Mass
Over 45's	Last Wednesday of the Month
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Pins &	3 rd Thursday of the Month
Needles	7:15pm Parish Library
Book club	3 rd Sunday of the Month
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Women's	4 th Tuesday of the Month
Breakfast	7:30am Little Chef Café Belconnen
Youth	AGAPE - First & Third Sunday
Group	after 6:00pm Mass Parish Centre

School of Religion	Sunday 9.15am
(Parish Centre)	during school term

LIBRARY NEWS: "Caring, living and dying", "Euthanasia: should we kill the dying?", "Worlds apart: Christianity and the New Age" and "Alcheringa: The Australian experience of the sacred" are some of the titles on display this week.

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
The prince of this world will now
be cast out,
and when I am lifted up from the earth
I will draw all to myself, says the Lord.
Alleluia!

Readings - 17 June 2018

 First Reading
 Ez 17:22-24

 Psalm
 91:2-3. 13-16.

 Second Reading
 2 Cor 5:6-10

 Gospel
 Mk 4:26-34

17 June Reading Roster

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5:00pm	Bob Raadts, Judy Netting	
8:30am	Violet Duve, Elizabeth McDonald	
10:00am	Ivo Astolfi, Libby Kain	
6:00pm	Meg Millband, VACANT	

17 June Ministers of Communion

5:00pm	Joy McInerney, Elaine Laycock, Patrick Corr Laurine Smeaton, Daryl Smeaton,	
8:30am Jean Tierney, Margaret Conlon, Pat Cowburn, Clyde Sloan, VACANT		
10:00am	Marie Flint, Maida Kajkic, Ann Reynolds, VACANT, VACANT	
6:00pm	Peter Polkinghorne, Brian Mahony, Matthew Garton, VACANT, VACANT	

17 June Hospitality Roster

5:00pm	Mary Barrett, Lesley Givens	
8:30am	Norma Sloan, Clyde Sloan	
10:00am	Marie Flint, Olivia McMahon	
6:00pm	Brian Mahony	

Weekly Rosters

Allera Caratal	11	
Altar Society:	June	Pat Gilchrist
Custonals	16	
Grounds:	June	VACANT
Carratina	17	
Counting:	June	GROUP 6

Church Cleaning:	11 June	Ted & Carol Quade
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On a Lighter note

Q: What do you call a slow skier?

A: A slopepoke.