

COMPACT



St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

15th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year B

15 July 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



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...

Most of us would be familiar with the sight of Mormons travelling about in pairs. Usually they are well-groomed young men wearing dark trousers, white shirts and plain tie. They usually travel on foot or on bicycles. If you stopped to chat with these young people chances are that they would hail from Salt Lake City, Utah. They are on mission. They take quite literally the gospel account of Jesus sending out his disciples two by two.

Most Catholics would not consider themselves a missionary. A missionary is often pictured as someone who spends time overseas in the “mission fields” – in places usually identified as developing nations.

In recent times there has been an attempt to broaden our understanding of mission. In his 1975 apostolic exhortation *Evangelii Nuntiandii* (*Evangelization in the Modern World*) Pope Paul VI writes: “For the church, evangelizing means bringing the Good News into all the strata of humanity, and through its influence transforming humanity from within and making it new”. He goes on to say that “Those who have received the Good News and who have been gathered by it into the community of salvation can and must communicate and spread it.” Pope Francis makes this explicit in his apostolic exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium* (*The Joy of the Gospel*) when he writes: “In virtue of their baptism, all the members of the People of God have become missionary disciples”. It reminds us very powerfully that as a parish we are meant to be foremost a *community of missionary disciples*. The more we can grasp this notion and live it out, the more can become agents of God’s transforming love in building up His kingdom.

Peace and blessings
Gerard

Thank you ...The Blessed Peter To Rot Family Group sends out a huge thank you to Father Gerard, Father Kimi, Marian, Sharon, our parishioners, our acolytes, our special ministers and the PNG community families and friends who attended the service for Blessed Peter To Rot’s Feast Day. The mass was a joyous celebration and we are grateful for your prayers and involvement.

PARISH NEWS

Feast of the Assumption Wednesday 15 Aug - Mass 9:30am

We are interested in hearing from parishioners who go to work, their preferred mass time for the additional mass on this feast day.

Morning ☐ 7:00am Wednesday

Evening ☐ 6:00pm Wednesday

Please email or phone your preference to the parish office by **20 July**. The second mass time will be advertised after this date.


Liturgical Ministers..... combined formation session for **ALL** Acolytes, Readers, Communion and Music ministers. **A journey through the mass based on the liturgical catechesis of Pope Francis.**

When: Sunday 5 August 2:00pm – 4:00pm

OR: Thursday 9 August 7:00pm – 9:00pm

Formation is integral to your ministry so it is important that you attend one of these sessions. If you can't attend either of these dates please inform the parish office.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

We are reading
"The New York Trilogy" 
by Paul Auster

Sunday 15 July - 3:00 pm

Parish Library.

New members are always most welcome

Pins & Needles Craft Group



Third Thursday Monthly

Next Meeting: 19 July

7:15pm Parish Library

ST JOHN THE APOSTLE WOMEN'S BREAKFAST CLUB

The next breakfast is:



Tuesday 24 July 7:30am

Little Chef Café
Nettlefold Street Belconnen

St Vinnies Winter Appeal

On the weekend of 28-29 July the Annual Winter Appeal will be held in the parish with a leaving collection after all Masses. Donations can be placed in the poor box as well at any time. All donations will assist St John's Conference in their support of the poor in our local community. Your support is greatly appreciated.



Australian Catholic University Short Course

*Listening to the Spirit:
Towards the 2020 Plenary Council*

What do you think God is asking of us in Australia?

A series of 4 talks – for 4 consecutive weeks.

The first talk is titled.....

Becoming the Church of Vatican II

Presenter: Rev Associate Professor Ormond Rush

When: Monday 30 July 6:00pm – 8:00pm

For information on the 3 other sessions, costs of the course and to register – click on the link below.

http://www.acu.edu.au/about_acu/faculties_institutes_and_centres/theology_and_philosophy/theology/short_courses/canberra

CALVARY PUBLIC HOSPITAL AUXILIARY TRIVIA NIGHT FUNDRAISING EVENT **CHRISTMAS IN JULY**

Date: Friday 27th July

Time: 6:30pm

Venue: Canberra Labor Club Belconnen

Tickets: \$20 per person (EFTPOS available)

All money raised goes to the hospital.

Prizes for Best Dressed and Best Dressed Table Front Door Raffle.

Tickets: Daphne 0407 835 846.

Consultation for: Women of the Archdiocese

Date: September 8 2018

Time: 10.00am to 3.00pm

Venue: Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, Blackall Street, Barton

Register your interest: Jacinta (02) 62019861
or catholic.women@cg.org.au

Reflection

We are all called by God

God chooses ordinary people and confers on them an extraordinary responsibility. Amos was a shepherd and a dresser of sycamores. Most of the apostles were fishermen. Paul was a tentmaker. Christians today are mechanics and clerks, teachers and engineers, doctors and housekeepers. These are all people following ordinary trades or professions, but what they do in them is truly remarkable. They touch minds and hearts and souls, and they heal them. They instruct and comfort people, and they help to drive out the demons that possess them. They participate in very ordinary ways in the extraordinary establishment of the reign of God.

Jesus inaugurated the reign of God on earth. He chose disciples and sent them out to continue the work that he had begun, to preach his gospel and, through healings and exorcisms, to conquer the forces of evil that threatened that reign. And now we have been called; in him we have been chosen, in all of our brokenness and vulnerability.

God calls us to protect and seek justice for those who are poor and vulnerable, and our treatment of people who are "oppressed," "strangers," "outsiders," or otherwise considered "marginal" is a test of our relationship to God, who made us all equal in divine dignity and love.

The task to which we have been called is awe-inspiring; and every spiritual blessing in the heavens has been bestowed upon us so that we will be able to accomplish it. If we allow Christ's saving power to take possession of us, we too will further his prophetic ministry. We will bring the saving grace of God to the world that is terrified and that writhes in pain; we will bring it to those places where healing is needed and where demons still hold sway. We will bring all things under the headship of Christ.

Resources used: *Reflection*, by Dianne Bergant
CSS & Reclaiming Jesus, by Richard Rohr

Heart Spirituality

The large number of saints

It is good to think of the network of love with which God at every moment surrounds each soul he created on earth.

With each one he acts in a different way. Although their differences are numberless, the attentions of his love are more.

Each one's biography is a marvellous history of God's goodness.

Could God's limitless, all powerful love allow him in the end to lose most of those he wanted to save?

In the implacable duel between love and hatred, life and death, is the final and eternal victory to be won by death and hatred?

God did not die on a cross to reap a lean harvest of elect, here and there!

His harvest will be rich and superabundant! And the final victory will be his.

The Heart of Jesus, to whom we owe heaven, fills us with the most consoling hope, for he is mercy incarnate.

Jules Chevalier

[*Le Sacré-Coeur de Jésus*

Quatrième ed. Paris 1900 p. 299f]

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

July Baptisms

We welcome into our community:



Tristan and Scarlett Clarke,
children of Jucinta and Joshua;

Declan Webster,
son of Katie and James;

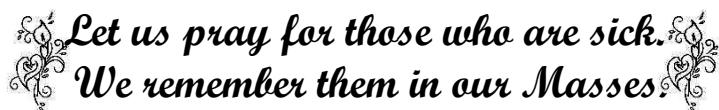
Arlen Cole,
son of Calli and Sam;

Henry Bradbury,
son of Kellie and Neil;

Eva Zarebski,
daughter of Alyssa and Adrian.

First Holy Communion Please pray for the 34 children from the parish and the primary school who are preparing to receive Jesus for the first time in the Eucharist. Communion masses are:

4 August - Vigil	11 August - Vigil
5 August 10:00am	12 August 10:00am
	26 August 10:00am



Recently Deceased: Monique Pearce,
John Brian Kenny (Judy Kenny's brother)

Anniversaries: Gayle McGoogan,
Veronica Hannah, David Leonardo, Paul Kurylowicz,
Mona Castle, Stephen Carson, Stephen Gorst,
Leo Williams, Naomi Slater, Rudi Weiss,
Joseph Myatt, Rita Riddle, Isabella Backhaus,
Gwendoline White, Sheila Marshall, James Patterson,
Queenie Solomonsz, Mary Mules, Maria Pedic,
Thomas Pinner, Czeslaw Kowalski, Wallace Johnson,
Dianne Fraser, Darryle Bremer, Frank Sculthorpe,
Donald Briggs, Valentini Vratovic, Carol Thompson,
Therese Van Der Vliet, Betty Coughlin

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
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LIBRARY NEWS: : Some of the books on display this week are "What do you say after you say hello", "The life factor", "Normal modes of madness" and "The transformation of the inner man".

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ
enlighten the eyes of our hearts
that we might see how great is the hope
to which we are called
Alleluia!

Readings – 22 July 2018

First Reading	Jer 23:1-6
Psalm	Ps 22
Second Reading	Eph 2:13-18
Gospel	Mark 6:30-34

22 July

Reading Roster

5:00pm	Rob Caskie, Elaine Laycock
8:30am	Carmel Screen, Shane Murtagh
10:00am	Louise Honan, Vacant
6:00pm	Marian Crowley, Andrew Luck

22 July

Ministers of Communion

5:00pm	Marie McKie, John Drury, Barbara Witzens, Terry O'Brien, Margaret McMahon
8:30am	Ted Kell, Clare Kell, Violet Duve, Judith Deklin, VACANT
10:00am	Robin Williams, Libby Costello, Pat Sheppard, VACANT, VACANT
6:00pm	Agnes Pham, VACANT, VACANT, VACANT, VACANT

22 July

Hospitality Roster

5:00pm	Barbara Witzens, Marie McKie
8:30am	Fay Stephenson, Margaret Ohlin
10:00am	Vacant
6:00pm	Christine Lancaster

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society:	16 July	Margaret Ferguson
Grounds:	21 July	David Pigram, Rob Caskie, Matthew Garton, Mike Lavis
Counting:	22 July	Group 7

Church Cleaning:	16 July	John & Jenny Maher, Carol Blyth
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On a Lighter note

Q. What do you call a blind dinosaur?

A. Do-you-think-he-saurus.