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St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

21st SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - Year B

26 August 2018

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“To be on earth the Heart of God”

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Answer to the riddle: The catcher in baseball game

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...

Over the past five weeks we have been following chapter 6 of John's Gospel, often referred to as the 'Bread of Life' discourse. It began with the feeding of the multitude. The crowd, overwhelmed by the miracle, try to take Jesus by force and make him king. But the fickle crowd soon loses interest and at the end of this scene they turn away from Jesus, grumbling that his teaching his too hard to accept.

But a core group of the disciples did remain with Jesus. And like those early disciples who remained with Jesus, we too continue to believe and celebrate this teaching of Christ present to us in the Eucharist. The outward appearance the Mass may have changed over the centuries, but the inner reality of the Mass has remained the same. The bread and wine offered becomes the Body and Blood of Christ.

Peace and blessings
Gerard

A copy of **Pope Francis' letter to the People of God** is available on the table in the church foyer.

Youth Ministry in Belconnen

Agape Youth Group, for young people at school in years 7-12 meet after the 6pm Mass at St John's Kippax on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month. This group is a way for young people to learn about the church and deepen their faith together.

Contact Jake.Wenger@sfx.act.edu.au or 0431797644

Journey in Faith is a young adults' group for 18-30 year old's who are interested in growing their faith and forming friendships with other like-minded people. We meet after 6pm Mass at St Monica's, Evatt on the 1st Saturday of the month.

Contact Katie at Kaitlyn.Golding@sfx.act.edu.au

We are looking to start up a **Junior Youth Group** at St Vincent's and St Matthew's parish for primary school aged students. If you think your children, grandchildren, nieces or nephews might be interested in participating please send an email to sarahlarkin980@gmail.com

PARISH NEWS

We welcome Archbishop Christopher Prowse who will celebrate the Saturday Vigil mass this weekend.

First Holy Communion 10:00am mass

We welcome: Archie Beveridge, Huon Hogg, Lachlan Sammons and William Sammons;

Who will receive Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time this weekend.

We pray that Jesus will be their light and guide all the days of their lives.

FUNERAL NOTICE

Requiem Mass to celebrate the life of
Denise Smith

Will be celebrated at 1:30pm

Monday 27 August 2018

St John the Apostle Parish Kippax

SUNDAY AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

We are reading

"The Sympathizer"

by Viet Thanh Nguyen

Sunday 16 September - 3:00 pm

Parish Library.

There are two copies of the book in the parish office to borrow.

New members are always most welcome

ST JOHN THE APOSTLE WOMEN'S BREAKFAST CLUB

The next breakfast is:



Tuesday 28 August 7:30am

Little Chef Café
Nettlefold Street Belconnen

Living into death, dying into Life. Retreat

A retreat for those who are living with a life limiting illness that causes them to ponder and reflect on their situation and their life.

Date: 17-20th September, 2018

Place: St Mary's Towers, Douglas Park.

Ph: 02 4630 0233

Email: contact@towersretreat.org.au

SVdP Kippax – News

During the period 21 July – 13 August 2018 members of the Kippax Conference visited 15 families and gave them assistance totalling \$1204.75. When we reach out to our neighbour we reach out to Jesus.

'Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me.' Matt. 25:40

Our next meeting will be held on Monday 27 August at 7.30pm in our meeting room at the back of the Parish Centre.

Contact Mike Blyth on 0419 818 410

National Child Protection Week commences on Father's Day 2 - 8 September

CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT IN AUSTRALIA
Child abuse and neglect is one of Australia's most significant social problems. Last year over 35,000 Australian children were proven to have been abused or neglected.

The term 'child abuse' includes:

- Physical abuse:
- Psychological abuse:
- Sexual abuse:
- Children's exposure to family violence:



NAPCAN
PREVENT CHILD ABUSE & NEGLECT

<https://www.napcan.org.au/national-child-protection-week/>

Consultation Day for Women

An opportunity to contribute to a discernment process regarding the future of the Catholic Church in Australia and the possible reestablishment of an Archdiocesan Women's Group. All Catholic women welcome.

When: 8 Sept, 10am to 3pm

Where: Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture

Contact: Jacinta on catholic.women@cg.org.au or 6201 9861

Charismatic Prayer Group will be presenting a series of seminars on Thursdays.

Date: Starting 23rd Aug – 4th Oct

Time: 7pm to 9pm.

Venue: SJA - Parish Centre

Each evening includes praise & worship, a talk, prayer ministry and sharing groups

Further information contact, Maida 0423 658 326, Neda 0415 266 019 or Carl 0402 883 322

Reflection

Bread discourse in John's Gospel

Today's Gospel features the last of the readings from the sixth chapter of John's Gospel. At this stage the 'Bread of Life' discourse has ended and what we have is the reaction to it from Jesus' audience. In a divided response, many of the hearers, including even a number of disciples, describe it as 'intolerable' and choose at this point to leave him and go elsewhere.

Jesus has consistently claimed to be the Bread of Life that has come down from heaven, a new 'Manna' sent down by God, superior in life-giving power to the Law of Moses. What gives 'eternal life' is acceptance in faith of the revelation of God communicated through the human 'flesh' of Jesus.

Jesus reveals a God who doesn't just remain in heaven or summon an intermediary for a meeting upon a mountain, but who, in the person of the Son, descends to 'pitch a tent among us'

Eucharist as Meal of the Kingdom

◆ The Eucharist opens a vision of God's kingdom and calls us to work for justice, love and peace. It anticipates the definitive coming of the kingdom.

◆ It brings into our present age a new reality which transforms us into the image of Christ whose table fellowship expresses a solidarity with the marginalised.

◆ Food for the apostolic journey, it nourishes and strengthens us to go with Jesus to the cross and resurrection.

At the Last Supper, on the night when he was betrayed, our Saviour instituted the Eucharistic sacrifice of his Body and Blood. He did this in order to perpetuate the sacrifice of the Cross throughout the centuries until he should come again, and so to entrust to his beloved spouse, the Church, a memorial of his death and resurrection: a sacrament of love, a sign of unity, a bond of charity, a paschal banquet in which Christ is eaten, the mind is filled with grace, and a pledge of future glory is given to us.
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Resources used: *Liturgy News* – June 2018, by Liturgy Brisbane, & *Scripture Commentary*, by Brendan Byrne SJ

Heart Spirituality

The Sacred Heart, God's gift of himself

The Heart of Jesus is the Heart of God, the centre of divine love, the means by which the incarnate Word loves us. The Heart stands for the whole Jesus, the living summary of his adorable person. All the treasures of the Godhead are enclosed in it. His Heart is the moral centre of all worlds, the mysterious altar on which all sacrifices are offered, and where burns the incense of all creatures. His Heart is the sacred bond uniting heaven and earth and binding all things to the One from whom everything flows. In this Heart God gives himself completely. Yes, God gives himself completely. God is wholly love; he experiences a supreme need, a hunger and thirst to give himself. Infinite fullness, unfathomable, unbounded ocean, he wants to overflow and spread himself. And he has overflowed on to the world through his Word made flesh.

Jules Chevalier
Méditations II

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

Migrant and Refugee Sunday

Join us after 10am Mass on

Sunday, 26 August for a Multicultural Morning Tea in the parish centre.

Come and enjoy a cuppa & some yummy cultural food.

Welcomes
Protects
PROMOTES &
Integrates
MIGRANTS AND REFUGEES

Let's be a community that

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

Recently Deceased: Jolan Bogsanyi

Anniversaries: Marjorie Carew, Edmund Kennedy, Alexander Aikman, Hedwig Von Straaten, Anna Yoo, Winifred Bridges, Joseph Weinheber, Andres Munoz, Tere Fearon, Bill Fearon, Josephine Weinheber, Sheila Dignam, Antonia Mrsnik, Armando Cavuoto, Patrick Sheehan, Gladys Anderson, Virginia Matera, Melinda Davis, Annette Polak, William Wiegold, Philip Smith, Mary Telford, Gaye Walmsley, Susan O'Dwyer, Josephine Smith, Ralph Dunn, William Schofield, Dorothy Hush, Ivan Jones, Andre Domjan, Kathleen MacKay, Collin McEvoy, Anton Mrsnik, Sonia Mewburn, Andrew Jeffers, Patrick Whittle, Josephine Boyd, John Grannall, Michelle Brewer, Alvaro del Busto, Christopher Halloran

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
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: Among the books on display on the Eucharist are: "It's the Lord's Supper - The Eucharist of Christians", "His presence in the world" and "Stay with us Lord - Apostolic letter for the year of the Eucharist".

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Your words, Lord, are spirit and life:
you have the words of everlasting life.
Alleluia!

Readings – 2 September 2018

First Reading	Dt 4:1-2. 6-8
Psalm	14:2-5
Second Reading	Jas 1:17-18, 21-22, 27
Gospel	Mark 7:1-8. 14-15. 21-23

2 September Reading Roster

5:00pm	Michael Horan, Lesley Givens
8:30am	John O'Heir, Violet Duve
10:00am	Robin Williams, Frank Colley
6:00pm	Matthew Garton, Dennis Puniard

2 September Ministers of Communion

5:00pm	Joe Catanzariti, Maria Catanzariti, Helen Kennedy, Janet Almond, Marie McKie
8:30am	Carmel Screen, Sigrid Kropp, Maria Scarr, Victoria Scarano, VACANT
10:00am	Pat Sheppard, Jenny Howarth, Nunga Umaru, Bonnie Benedictos, Rose Benedictos
6:00pm	James Cox, Toni Cox, Margaret Curry, Anthonoy Dunncliff-Hagan, VACANT

2 September Hospitality Roster

5:00pm	Joe Catanzariti, Maria Catanzariti
8:30am	Carmel Screen, Mercia Needham
10:00am	Libby Kain, Margarete Gill
6:00pm	Agnes Pham

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society:	27 Aug	Margaret Stanford
Grounds:	1 Sept	VACANT
Counting:	2 Sept	Group 1

Church Cleaning:	27 Aug	Joseph Lé Văn Hải, Sam Van Nguyen
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On a Lighter note

A man runs away from home. He turns left, and keeps running.

After some time he turns left again and keeps running. He later turns left once more and runs back home.

Who was the man in the mask?

Answer somewhere in Compact !