

COMPACT

St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

**Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
Year B**

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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

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From the Pastor's desk.....

The Solemnity of Christ the King (now called the Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe) marks the end of the Church's liturgical year. We have journeyed with Jesus through the scriptures and now this feast marks a fitting end to the year in which we focus of Jesus' messianic role as king. Today's gospel is from chapter 18 of John where Jesus is on trial before Pilate. Standing before Pilate is Truth itself – truth not as a set of propositions but as embodied and encountered in the very person of Jesus. Pilate fails to penetrate this mystery. Despite all his skill in the juridical and political machinations of his time, Pilate is left perplexed and bewildered in the presence of Jesus. Jesus' kingship will ultimately be revealed in his exhalation on the cross – a baffling mystery to those who judge by the standards of this world.

The Solemnity of Christ the King was established by Pope Pius XI in 1925. This was during a time when atheism and secularism were taking hold in society. Pope Pius XI instituted this feast to remind the faithful that our hope is in Christ, who reveals the truth of who we are and of our destiny. The kingship of Jesus is not associated with wealth, power and prestige, but a kingship in which love reigns over all.

***Peace & blessings,
Gerard***

Carols By Candlelight



Where: St John the Apostle Church carpark
When: Friday, 14 December 2018
6:30pm to 8:30pm
What to bring: Please bring your own picnic, drinks and chairs / rugs / pillow / beanbags.
Candles will be provided.

Hope you will join us for a
“merry, bright and holy night”

PARISH NEWS

Accommodation Wanted:

A quiet trustworthy parishioner is looking for accommodation in the Belconnen area preferably a granny flat. He is a single man, non-smoker with a trade (painter).

Enquiries: Graham Erickson 6254 6754.

St John the Apostle Parish Music Ministry

The parish music ministry is in need of musicians and singers alike.

6:00pm Vigil – Singers and Musicians
10:00am Sunday Children's Mass
6:00pm Sunday (1st & 3rd) to assist
AGAPE Youth Group

Contact: Parish Office kippax@cg.org.au or
Joan Breen robjoanbreen@optusnet.com.au

Christmas musicians and singers

If you are interested in participating in any of the Christmas masses as either a musician or singer, please contact the parish office.



ST JOHN THE APOSTLE WOMEN'S BREAKFAST CLUB

The next breakfast is:



Tuesday 27 November 7:30am

Little Chef Café
Nettlefold Street Belconnen

Agape - Youth Group

High school students in years 7 to 12

First and Third Sundays
after the 6:00pm Mass

Next gathering 2 December

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

Thankyou - Greta and Frank Grybaitis wish to thank everyone who prayed for Anisa. God bless you all.

A Liturgy of Forgiveness

*This Liturgy is a communal celebration of
God's love and forgiveness.*

*It will be an opportunity to express our sorrow
and be open to God's healing as we make our
Advent journey towards Christmas.*

Thursday, 6 December – 7:30pm
St John the Apostle Parish Church

CONCERNED CATHOLICS Canberra-Goulburn

Public Workshop 2020 Plenary Council
Thursday 29 November 2018 - 7:30pm
**The Chapel, Australian Centre for
Christianity and Culture**
55 Blackall Street Barton ACT

St Vincent de Paul - Urgent Call for Summer Holiday Volunteers.

Vinnies Centres need volunteers able to work about 5, 4 hour shifts between the 22 Dec and 1st of Feb. Contact us by phoning 6234 7348 or by emailing volunteer@svdp-cg.org.au.

KANGARA WATERS - Christmas Market

When: Saturday 1st December
Where: Coinda Hall Community Centre
Time: 8:30am – 2:30pm
FEATURING: handmade gifts, cakes, biscuits
Cash sales only

Stage Two

Consultation Day for Women

1 December @ 10:00 AM - 2:00 PM

St Francis Xavier College Florey

All Catholic women welcome. An opportunity to complete a discernment process regarding the future of the Catholic Church in Australia and the possible re-establishment of an Archdiocesan Women's Group. Contact Jacinta on 62019861 or register at www.catholicwomen.org.au

'Listen to what the Spirit is saying'

Presented by: Shane Dwyer
Where: St Thomas Aquinas Charnwood School Library
When: Wednesday 12 December
Time: 7.15pm Prayer (Vespers)
Concluding with Compline.

Reflection

Living the Kingdom of God, Simply

Christ's kingdom is a kingdom of truth and life, of holiness and grace, of justice and love and peace. We need not stand at a distance from him, afraid to approach because of our human vulnerability. He is the one who loved us so much that he handed himself over to suffering and death so that we might live. He has already brought us to birth in this kingdom through Baptism and he has taught us how to live in it.

So how do we live God's kingdom "on earth as it is in heaven" – one way is by living simply. When you agree to live simply, you put yourself outside of others' ability to buy you off, reward you falsely, or control you by money, status, salary, punishment, and loss or gain.

When you agree to live simply, you do not consider the immigrant, the refugee, the homeless person, or the foreigner as a threat to you or as competition with you. You have chosen their marginal state for yourself—freely and consciously becoming "visitors and pilgrims" in this world. A simple lifestyle is quite simply an act of solidarity with the way most people have lived since the beginnings of humanity.

When you voluntarily agree to live simply, you do not need to get into the frenzy of work for the sake of salary or the ability to buy nonessentials or raise your social standing.

When you agree to live simply, you have time for spiritual and corporal works of mercy because you have renegotiated in your mind and heart, your very understanding of time and its purposes. Time is *not* money, despite the common aphorism. Time is life itself!

When you agree to live simply, people cease to be possessions and objects for your consumption or use. Your lust for relationships or for others to serve you, your need for admiration, your desire to use people or things as commodities for your personal pleasure, or any need to control and manipulate others, slowly—yes, very slowly—falls away. Only then are you free to love.

Resources used: *Reflection*, by Dianne Bergant CSS & *Simplicity*, by Richard Rohr OFM.

Heart Spirituality

The motive for my creation

God says to me,
I have loved you with an everlasting
love!
Me!

It is specifically me whom God has so
loved, ungrateful me, sinful me.

God of surpassing majesty,
God of supreme beauty and limitless
perfection, God has loved me.

God!.... me!....

What distance!

The Infinite!..... and nothing!
And God has loved this nothing!

Loved!

O God of love,
make me understand this word:

Loved!

He who has always existed has always
loved me, and it is through love that he
decreed my creation from all eternity.

(Retraite, p.17f) Issoudun 1904.

Jules Chevalier

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

**Sacrament of the Anointing of the
Sick** will be celebrated on the last Friday
of each month after the 9:30am mass.

Next anointing will be 30 November



Working Bee

*Cleaning the church in
preparation for Christmas*

Tuesday 11 December

10:00am – 12 Noon

Over 45's last meeting for the year

Wednesday 28th November for Mass at
9:30am, followed by morning tea in the parish
centre. There is no raffle, but any extra
donation for the Clean Water Project will be
grateful. Please come and join us, you are
all most welcome. Please bring a plate to
share. Enquiries phone Margaret 6254 4048.

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

Recently Deceased: Terence Heinrich fms,
Moira Widdison [Veronica Brennan's sister]

Anniversary: John Welfare, John Patterson,
Winifred O'Neill, John Burns, John Costelloe,
Susan Sutch, Darren O'Brien, Leslie Lincoln,
Conelly Andrae, Vin Stewart, Nancy Selvatino,
John Soetens, Kane Cahil, John Martin,
Martino Forjanic, Brodie McMahon,
Fryan Jasczyk, Dinah Muench.

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 4:30 – 5:10pm

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: "Seeking the Sacred:
transforming our view of ourselves and
others" is one of the titles among the
books on the spiritual life that are on
display this week.

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom
of David our Father;
blessed is he who comes in the name
of the Lord.
Alleluia!

Readings – 2 December 2018

First Reading Jer 33:14-16
Psalm Ps 24:4-5. 8-9. 10. 14.
Second Reading 1 Thes 3:12 – 4:2
Gospel Luke 21:25-28. 34-36.

2 Dec

Reading Roster

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

2 Dec

Ministers of Communion

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

2 Dec

Hospitality Roster

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

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society:	26 Nov	Margaret Stanford
Grounds:	1 Dec	VACANT
Counting:	2 Dec	Group 2
Church Cleaning:	26 Nov	Joseph Lé Văn Hải, Sam Van Nguyen

On a Lighter note

I've started telling everyone about the
benefits of eating dried grapes.

It's all about raisin awareness.