

COMPACT

St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish



**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time
10 February 2019**

**Year C
#11.19**

From the Pastor's desk.....

This week marks the tenth anniversary of the Victorian bushfires, one of Australia's worst natural disasters. The memories of the media coverage of those terrifying scenes of fire storms and the devastating aftermath has been etched upon our national psyche. It was not only the full fury of nature that caught the attention of the nation, but also the amazing capacity of the human spirit in confronting this disaster.

I am continually awestruck by people's ability to drawn upon an inner strength that at times enables them to perform superhuman tasks in the face of crises. However, it is in the ordinary and everyday events that we also need to tap into inner sources of wisdom and strength to get us through the day. For people of faith, prayer is the conduit that enables assess this inner reservoir. For Christians Jesus is the One that we name as that source of life and divine energy that we can call upon.

In today's gospel, Peter recognizes Jesus as the source of life and is so overwhelmed in His presence that he leaves everything to follow him. This touching scene from Luke's gospel reminds us that we are all called, each in our unique way, to be missionary disciples. This is what ultimately gives shape and meaning to our lives. We never cease being disciples in spite of ageing and impairments.

***Peace & blessings,
Gerard***

"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
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



Hearing Loop: in the
central body of the church.

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Becoming Catholic Rite of Christian Initiation of an Adult [RCIA]

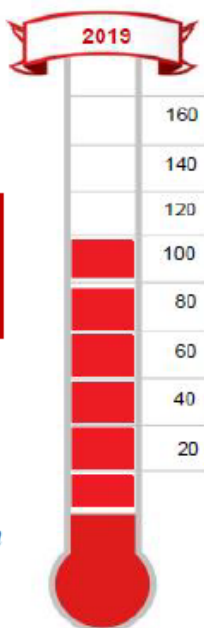
St John the Apostle Parish runs a RCIA program all year. If you know someone who would like to become Catholic, please contact the parish office for more information.

Parish News.....

**We need
YOU!**

**Please
volunteer to
doorknock**

*We also need
volunteers for
the Kippax stall
Saturday 16th
and Sunday 24th*



2019

160 Areas

Our goal

**Vinnies
Doorknock**

**THANK
YOU!**

to the people who
have picked up kits for
the doorknock. We still
have 66 kits to be
allocated if we are to
get 100% coverage.

**Please see one of the Conference members in the
foyer to volunteer and collect a kit.**



**Relax, Review, Reflect
Faith and film**

Friday 22nd February at 7:30pm

We are watching: "The Good Lie"

*Come and relax, (re)view a contemporary film
and reflect and share how you would approach
issues raised in the film in light of your own life's
experience.*

*To register your interest or for more information,
please contact the parish office on 6254 3236 or
kippax@cq.org.au*

2018 Christmas Appeal

Thanks to your wonderful generosity again in 2018 we were able to deliver hampers to 71 families in our local area at Christmas time. We estimate that the total value of the hampers including donations of food, money and gifts was \$12,790. We received donations of food from St John the Apostle Primary School and St Francis Xavier College as well. Thank you to the parishioners who helped with packing and delivery of hampers. The hampers provided much joy at Christmas for the families and we received many votes of heartfelt thanks.

Well done good people of St John's.
SVdP – St John the Apostle

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION

Preparation for the celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation is commencing now.



Formation evening for Parents.

Date: Monday 1 April

Time: 7:00pm – 8:30pm

If you have a child in year 6 not attending St John's primary school and you would like them to receive the Sacrament please contact the parish office.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated at 5:00pm on

Thursday 16 May 2019

with Archbishop Christopher Prowse

We're Going Back To School



PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION ENROLLING NOW

10th and 17th of February

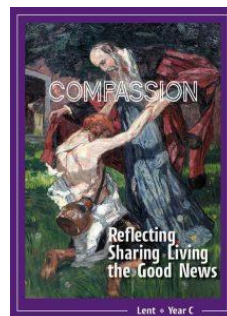
both before and after the 10am Mass

Enrolments in the Church Foyer

Classes will commence on 24 February

Lent Program - "Compassion"

By Evangelisation Brisbane



Available now
Parish Bookstore

Book \$10 each

CD/DVD \$20 each

*If you would like to join a
Lenten Prayer Group please
telephone the Parish Office.*



SUNDAY AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

We are reading

The Shepherd's Hut

by Tim Winton

Sunday 17 February 3:00 pm

Parish Library

St John the Apostle Primary School

Twilight Fete

Friday 1 March 2019

Reflection

Responding to God's Call

Today we consider the call to continue the mission of Jesus by engaging in some form of ministry.

Like Isaiah and Peter, each and every one of us is called. It may not happen through Jesus stepping into our boat, but when we quieten our minds and our hearts enough to really listen, we become aware that God truly is calling to each and every one of us.

Our call is more than a summons to faith; it is a call to ministry. We are called to be sent out to the world. This call comes to us in the ordinariness of life. It will usually come to us as we wash our nets or our dishes, as we teach or raise children, as we prepare a brief for trial or examine a patient; as we repair cars or work at the computer. The call of God comes to us in the ordinariness of life. The call comes to us through our friends; our experiences; our hopes and our fears.

We are called to proclaim the message of the resurrection by any and every means possible. Some, like Isaiah and the disciples of Jesus, will witness in open and dramatic ways. They will teach and preach; they will nurse the sick and care for the elderly.

Others will witness in less conspicuous ways. They will insist on fair practices in their own workplaces; they will weed out expressions of prejudice and violence so that a new and just world can be fashioned for themselves and for their children. Called in the ordinariness of their lives, they will witness to the death and resurrection in that very ordinariness, thus transforming everything into extraordinariness.

Sometimes we are so afraid of hearing the call that we fill our lives with noise and distractions. We fear that the call will involve hardship, or at the very least: unpopularity. But that's no excuse! How have you responded to God's call?

Resources used: *Reflection*, by Dianne Bergant CSS & *Hearing the Call*, by Greg Sunter

Heart Spirituality

Peter's Obedience

Simon Peter said to Jesus, at your word I shall cast the nets. This act of obedience was rewarded with a miracle. And that miracle was the prelude of another, in which the Heart of Jesus was going to reveal his love and mercy in a startling way. Seeing the abundant and unexpected catch, Peter was stunned and prostrated himself at the Saviour's feet.

And the Saviour said:

Do not fear: *Noli timere*;

This miracle that astounds you is the result of your promptness in obeying me. From now on you will be fishers of men (Lk. 5:10).

Having brought their boats to the shore, and leaving their nets, they set out without delay to follow Jesus, becoming his disciples.

Peter's obedience gained their vocation for his companions as well. Who would not admire the power of obedience?

(*Méditations II*; p. 85f. Issoudun 1891)
Jules Chevalier

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

Stewardship

As members of the church, we are called to be disciples, followers of our Lord Jesus Christ. This has astonishing implications as Jesus does not call us as nameless people in a faceless crowd — rather he calls each one of us individually by name.

God has provided each of us with unique gifts — intending for each of us to play a distinctive role in carrying out his divine plan. Mature stewards understand what unique gifts God has given them; they understand their strengths and passions — what they love to do — what gives them joy. However, acknowledging our gifts and blessings is only one-half of the equation. Just as important is putting these gifts of ours into action in service to the Lord.

Therefore, all members of the church have their own role to play in carrying out Christ's mission of proclaiming and teaching, serving and sanctifying.

Stewardship: Responding to the call of discipleship, taken from
<http://thecatholicspirit.com/>

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

Recently Deceased:

Anniversary: Annie McCreath, Clements Cox, Bruce Walker, Carmelita Godfrey, Maria Carrusca, Kenneth Vella, Victoria Wilkinson, Faye Menegazzo, Stella Bell, Margaret Ephgrave, Margaret Davis, Elias Kiki, John Maher, Peter Moore, Rene Stubbs, Roberto Millucci, Robert Galliano, George Griffiths, Trent Foster, Glenn Foster, Nellie Bannon, Henry Moulis, Edward Blake-Smith, Philip Babic, John Thompson, Raychell Nolan, Carmel Page, Charlotte Lansdown, Paulina Jabagat, David Lowe, Colin Waterford, Ian Bransby, Ondina Finzi, Michael Vella, Giuseppe Mammoliti

PRAYER LIFE

Charismatic Prayer: Maida: 0423 658 326	Thursday 7:30pm Rosary 7:00pm
Meditation	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 Monday 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 Lucky Shot Espresso Bar Kippax
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: A collection of titles of Biblical commentaries by Michael Fallon msc is part of the current display

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

In the sight of the angels
I will sing your praises, Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Come follow me, says the Lord,
and I will make you fishers of my people.
Alleluia!

Readings – 17 February 2019

First Reading	Jer. 17:5-8
Psalm	Ps. 1:1-4
Second Reading	1 Cor. 15:12, 16-20
Gospel	Luke 6:17. 20-26

17 Feb

Reading Roster

6:00pm	Bob Raadts, Judy Netting
8:30am	Judith Deklin, Carmel Screen
10:00am	Ivo Astolfi, Libby Kain
6:00pm	Terry Fewtrell, Joe Ots

17 Feb

Ministers of Communion

6:00pm	Joy McInerney, Elaine Laycock, Laurine Smeaton, Maresa Laird, Patrick Corr
8:30am	Jean Tierney, Margaret Conlon, Pat Cowburn, Clyde Sloan, VACANT
10:00am	Marie Flint, Maida Kajkic, Ann Reynolds, Judy Lane, Sugi Mohanadas
6:00pm	Peter Polkinghorne, Brian Mahony, Matthew Garton, Kerry Yard, Stephanie Stewart

17 Feb

Hospitality Roster

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

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society:	11 Feb	Pat Gilchrist
Grounds:	16 Feb	VACANT
Counting:	17 Feb	Group 6
Church Cleaning:	11 Feb	Ted & Carol Quade

On a Lighter note

Q. What do you call a million rabbits walking backwards?

A. A receding hareline!