

COMPACT



St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time
18 October 2020

Year A
#47.20

Reflection

Give to God, what is God's

In Jesus' day, we know that some people thought he was a Zealot. Zealots were a well-organised group who agitated for the end of the Roman occupation of Israel. One of the things Zealots did was withhold paying the Roman taxes. We can see why some people thought Jesus may have been a Zealot. He took the part of the poor, the sick, women and those who lived on the fringes of society. He attacked the religious authorities of his day and certainly stirred up trouble in many places he went. On the other hand, he rejected violence, taught his followers to pray for their enemies and to return good for evil. Jesus showed us that the justice and equality God longs to see in the world comes from a community which is converted by love, not by weapons, fear or revenge. Jesus was no Zealot.

Rather than undermine civil authority, Jesus, in this passage, supports it. But he does more. 'Give to Caesar what is Caesar's' is followed by 'And give to God, what is God's', which encompasses all the Caesars of this world, all civil authorities and states. The sense that we as the People of God can split off our obligations to the Gospel from the State is as false as it's dangerous.

At times we may not agree with our religious leaders; we may think them ill informed; we may even think they have overstepped the mark. If this is the case, we should tell them.

By all means we should give to Caesar all that Caesar is justly entitled to have for the sake of the common good. A higher allegiance, however, goes to God, who will call all Caesars to account for what they have done and what they failed to do. And we might be asked to explain how we let them get away with it in the first place.

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MASS TIMES

Vigil Saturday 5:00pm

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

Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9:30am

Liturgy of the Word with Communion:

Tues 9:30am

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Heart Spirituality

Grace

Grace is the life of God communicated to our whole being, soul and body; It penetrates and permeates us to divinize us; the supreme gift of the heart of Jesus on earth. The name grace is well chosen; it means gratuitous gift.

The greater and more gratuitous the gift, the greater the grace. What a gift is God! And infinite good. Who could ever merit it? Even if we had all created powers at our service and made the most perfect use of them the immense merit that would result from it would be out of all proportion with God's gift of himself.

Grace also means beauty. How beautiful is grace! For grace is God, beauty itself. To live from grace, through grace, in grace; to dwell in it; to possess it habitually; in a word to be in the state of grace is to exist and live in a higher supernatural and divine order.

Jules Chevalier msc
Le Sacré-Coeur de Jésus p.284f Paris 1900

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

Stewardship

Today's readings encourage us Christian stewards to always be mindful of who we are and whose we are in every aspect of our lives.

Jesus reminds us that while civil authorities should be obeyed, we answer to an infinitely higher authority, God, who is Lord of everything and everyone. All things and all people are created by God. In Baptism we have been claimed for Christ. Our lives are a gift from God and we have the privilege and responsibility to use every aspect of our lives in grateful response to God.

Stewardship Reflections from TheCatholicSteward.com

Parish News.....

Archbishop Christopher Prowse Pastoral Visit

Friday 23 October - 9:30am Mass

followed by morning tea and talk with parishioners. Please bring a plate to share.

To book use the TryBooking link below or contact the parish office on 6254 3236 or kippax@cg.org.au

The TryBooking link is:

<https://www.trybooking.com/BLZZP>

Baptism During Mass

We are returning to celebrating Baptism during weekend Mass on the 1st and 3rd Sundays monthly.



As the families will have a number of their extended family and friends attending, available spaces at these masses will be less than usual.

Sacrament of Confirmation

We continue to prayer for the candidates as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Thursday 29 October and Friday 30 October.

Pins & Needles Craft Group

Monday 19 October
7:15pm Parish Library



BELCONNEN YOUTH

Agape - Youth Group

High school students in Years 7 to 12

**First and Third Sundays
after the 6:00pm Mass**

**Our next gathering -
20 September**

This group is a way for young people to learn about the church and deepen their faith together. Contact Eoin.Garton@cg.org.au

“Be on earth the Heart of God”

Madonna

magazine

A gift of spiritual sustenance that lasts a whole year.

Madonna magazine, published by Jesuit Communications, has accompanied Australians in their daily prayer and spiritual growth for more than 120 years. With daily prayers, deep reflections, faith-focused articles and more recently online retreats – it is an ideal spiritual companion, particularly now when we may not be able to freely gather in person with our faith and spirituality communities.

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PARISH BOOKSTORE

Columban Calendars 2021 \$ 9.00

Majellan Christmas Cards \$ 7.00
(Pack of 10)

"Grill'd & God" - 20 October (5.30pm)

Burgers + Senior Students (Yr 10-12) from around Canberra + live music + important topics = a great night. At Grill'd Manuka. Engage in discussion with the panel that will speak on the topic of 'Swipe Right: Are we Dating?'

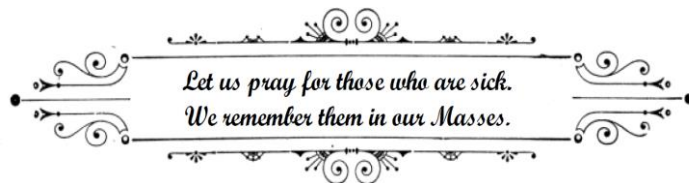
You'll hear from Youth Ministers Christopher Gilroy, Elena Catanzariti and Fr Josh Scott.

There's a 45 person limit so book your spot quick here <https://www.trybooking.com/BMBOW>

Concerned Catholics of Canberra-Goulburn invite all to join in a Public Forum (Zoomed) on **Thursday 22nd October 5 to 6.30pm**, on the topic: ***How can The Light from the Southern Cross shine in dioceses?***

Speakers: Susan Pascoe AM and Virginia Bourke. FORUM CHAIR Andrea Dean. Further information about the speakers and Zoom details visit

www.concernedcatholicscanberra.org/new-events



Recently Deceased: Brenda Boreham, Marie Shaw

Anniversary: Bradley Wattam, Luke White, Audrey Walker, Michael O'Neill, Lauri Brennan, Margaret Van Halderen, Malcolm Waterton, Jeffrey Ashauer, Edwardus van Audenaerde, Hernando Paz, Justin Fisher, George Heath, Matthew Nelson, Ferdor Sonnenberg, Angela Bajrami, Bruce Davis, Patricia Hall, Sebastian Licciarrello, Ursual Gormley, Cheryl Tramantini, Constance Goodall, Richard Koch, Carmel Johnston, Johannes Blengst, Michael McKenzie-McHarg, Robert Imber, Ross Webber, Marion Boland, Barry Parsons, Patricia Harman, Dorothy Sutton, William Lilley, Patrick Menzies, Anne Jones, Helen Gorrell, Martin Moloney, Malcolm Lovelock, Francis Fulton, Peter Geraghty, Alejandra Bai, Jack McMahan, Kerry Hogden

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 October.**

HOLY SOULS - NOVEMBER MASSES

Please complete your November mass intention envelope and return it to the parish office. We would appreciate receiving these before 31 October. The names of your deceased loved ones who you want to remember during the month of November will be read out before the Monday weekday mass. We will also continue to have mass intentions during the month of November for those anniversaries and intentions that occur during that month.

All Saints day – Sunday 1 November
All weekend Masses will celebrate this Solemnity

All Souls day – Monday 2 November
Mass – 9:30am

Becoming Catholic

Rite of Christian Initiation of an Adult [RCIA]
please contact the parish office for more information.

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Baptisms	1st & 3rd Sun during 10:00am Mass
Reconciliation	Sat 5:00pm – 5:30pm
Sacramental Program	Contact Parish Office
School of Religion (Parish Centre)	Sunday 9.15am during school term

PRAYER LIFE

Charismatic Prayer: Maida: 0423 658 326	Thursday 7:30pm Rosary 7:00pm
Meditation	Friday 6.15-7.15 pm
Rosary	Monday – Friday 9:05am
Eucharistic Adoration	1 st Friday of the Month 8:00pm – 9:00pm
Adult Choir	Wednesday 7:30pm

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
Men's Group	3 rd Friday of the Month 6:00pm Parish Centre

SMOKE FREE ZONE

There is a 4-metre smoke free zone from the entrance and exits of the church buildings. Thank you



Hearing Loop: in the central body of the church.



TAP & GO –

The donation amount is set at \$10. As Tap & Go is anonymous we have no way of identifying who has made the donation so we are unable to provide a tax receipt



Donations to the 1st & 2nd Collections at St John the Apostle Parish can now be made using **Qkr**

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

Give the Lord glory and honour

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Shine on the world like bright stars;
You are offering it the word of life.
Alleluia!

Readings – 25 October 2020

First Reading	Ex 22:20-26
Psalm	Ps 17:2-4, 47, 51
Second Reading	1 Thes 1:5-10
Gospel	Matthew 22:34-40

25 October Reading Roster

6:00pm	Elaine Laycock, Joe Ots
8:30am	Carmel Screen, Shane Murtagh
10:00am	Ann Reynolds, Colleen Reed
6:00pm	Terry Fewtrell, Andrew Luck

25 October Ministers of Communion

6:00pm	Margaret McMahon, John Drury
8:30am	Ted Kell, Agnes Pham
10:00am	Pat Sheppard, Ruth Blackwell
6:00pm	James Cox, Matthew Garton, Priscilla Gonsalves

25 October Hospitality Roster

6:00pm	
8:30am	Fay Stephenson
10:00am	
6:00pm	Christine Lancaster

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society:	19 Oct	Mary Cruickshank
Grounds	24 Oct	David Pigram, Mike Lavis, Matthew Garton

Church Cleaning:	19 Oct	Carol Blyth, Beatrice Williams
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On a Lighter note

