

# COMPACT



## St John the Apostle Parish

*A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish*

**30th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**25 October 2020**

**Year A**  
**#48.20**

### FROM THE SIDE-DESK

At the end of this year, I will complete my three-year appointment at Kippax parish. Two of those years as assistant priest and this year as parish administrator while Fr. Gerard has been on sabbatical leave.

Last Thursday afternoon (15 October), I met with Fr. Chris McPhee, Provincial Superior of the MSC in Australia. During our meeting, Chris informed me that following the deliberation of his provincial council, he will be recommending to Archbishop Christopher Prowse that I be appointed Parish Priest of St John the Apostle Parish - Kippax for a term of three years commencing 1<sup>st</sup> January 2021. Fr. Gerard has been appointed parish priest of Our Lady of the Sacred Heart Parish (Randwick, NSW).

Chris asked how I felt about my appointment. I told him that if I never progressed further than being an assistant priest for the rest of ordained ministry, I would be very happy. The reason for my reluctance is that as an assistant priest I have the opportunity to do what attracted me to ordained ministry; the pastoral aspect. I am able to leave the administrative aspect of ministry to the parish priest.

However, over the last three years, I recognise how blessed we are at Kippax to have Marian and Sharon in the parish administration team with their experience in the day-to-day operation of the parish but also helping coordinate the pastoral aspects of parish ministry. We have members of the pastoral council and liturgy, finance and other parish committees who are supportive and have the spiritual and pastoral care of our community at heart. So rather than taking me away from what I enjoy about ordained ministry, I am surrounded and feel encouraged in my own calling by so many of you who live our shared baptismal call to priesthood. You will help set the foundation of my ministry as a parish priest.

This as many of you know, will be my first appointment as parish priest, and together with Fr Michael, I look forward to your support and working in collaboration with you over the next three years.

*Pax!*  
Kimi MSC

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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

### ST JOHN THE APOSTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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## KIT

### The parishioner's forum

**Calling all budding photographers**  
**Along with your stories we**  
**are looking for your**  
**photographs for the front**  
**cover of KIT.**

**Please send photos in a jpeg**  
**or png format in to the parish**  
**office. [kippax@cg.org.au](mailto:kippax@cg.org.au).**  
**It is your contributions that keep**  
**KIT going.**

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# Reflection

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## The Cost of Love

In today's Gospel, Jesus does not promise us that the love of God and neighbour is going to cost us nothing. Jesus' law of love involves sacrifice for us individually and as a nation. Through the acceptance of this teaching we are committing ourselves to being our neighbour's keeper. In another part of the same Gospel, Jesus tells us that 'those to whom much has been given, much will be required.' Sadly, many of us want the good life for ourselves, while doing very little to help other countries become more liveable, and then we can reject people who want to share in the blessings we have worked for and inherited.

No pressing issue in the Western World, it seems to me, invites such hysteria as does immigration. Until recently, most western countries have been good in offering hospitality to people who have chosen to leave, or have had to flee their country of birth. Given our comparative wealth this hospitality is entirely appropriate. And it is also appropriate for our countries to have a threshold number for the sake of the common good.

The Gospel of Matthew gives us the story of Mary, Joseph and Jesus being forced to flee Israel for Egypt as refugees. If the Holy Family were coming our way these days, they might be sent back to King Herod. May the Eucharist change our hearts to enable our faith to act justly toward all people everywhere. May our goodness and hospitality mirror on earth the welcome we hope to enjoy from Jesus, Mary and Joseph in the kingdom which is promised to all, irrespective of where any of us has been born.

Resources used: *Homily*, by Fr. Richard Leonard SJ @ LiturgyHelp

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**“Be on earth the Heart of God”**

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# Heart Spirituality

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## The Sacred Heart, God's gift of himself

The Word proceeds from the unfathomable depths of the Heart of God who generates him equal to himself.

God is love itself.

This infinite love that constitutes the very depths of God, and forms his nature, has enclosed itself in a human heart, the Heart of Jesus. That is why God takes delight in this divine Heart, the Heart with which he loves us, his living sacrament.

It is through the Heart of Christ, that the love of God, God himself, pours himself out on the world and on the human race. How? God communicates and gives himself by grace.

This communication, this gift, is not just a figure of speech; it is a fact.

We really share in his nature;

we possess him personally and really.

Jules Chevalier msc  
Le Sacré-Coeur de Jésus, 9. 277 Paris. 1900

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

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## Stewardship

Today's readings are all about the radical love of God for His people and the radical love we are called to live out in response. The stewardship way of life is nothing more and nothing less than the practical application of loving God and neighbour in our daily lives.

Today's gospel message is so beautiful and so challenging, it bears repeating again and again. It is Christ's response to a question about which commandment is greatest. His answer reveals both the greatest and the second greatest commandments.

He says, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind... The second is like it: you shall love your neighbour as yourself."

How is the second like the first? What do the two commands have in common? Love.

Love God first and love neighbour as self. This is the heart of the stewardship way of life — simple enough for a child to understand, challenging enough to be the life's work of every "grown-up."

Stewardship Reflections from [TheCatholicSteward.com](http://TheCatholicSteward.com)

## St John the Apostle

### Women's Breakfast

*Breakfast is back.....*

**7:30am Tuesday - 27 October 2020**

*Lucky Shot Espresso Bar*

Hardwick Crescent KIPPAX

### Sacrament of Confirmation

*This coming Thursday and Friday  
30 children of the parish will receive the  
Sacrament of Confirmation – their photos  
are in the church foyer. We thank you for  
praying for them during this time of  
preparation and ask that you continue to  
pray for them and all the youth of our  
parish.*

**It is 2 months to Christmas.....**

### PARISH BOOKSTORE

Columban Calendars 2021	\$ 9.00
Majellan Christmas Cards (Pack of 10)	\$ 7.00

### 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 –  
1 November**

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



**Taizé with Eucharistic  
Adoration First Friday Monthly  
7:30pm – 8:30pm – 6 November**

Everybody is welcome and encouraged to come along to spend time with our Lord in prayer and thanksgiving to refresh our souls.

There will be periods of reflective music (Taizé) and silent adoration.

*Let us pray for those who are sick.*

*We remember them in our Masses.*

**Recently Deceased:** Arron Foster

**Anniversary:** 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, Elsie Screen, Silva Santos, Gregory  
Robinson, Ann Raadts, Paul Newton, Peter Fox,  
May Skelly, Patrick Healey, Rose Ireland, Maurice  
Scheerlinck, Gavin Smith, Emily Flynn, John Joyce,  
Narim Dawalibi, Rex Kelley

### 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

### SJACARE -

**COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND HOUSEBOUND**  
If you take communion to the sick and housebound as a substitute for someone who normally takes it to that person, please telephone the parish office and inform us. This will help us in the administration of this ministry and avoid any duplications. Thank you.



## 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 <sup>st</sup> 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 <sup>rd</sup> Monday of the Month 7:15pm Parish Library
Book club	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month 3:00pm Parish Library
Women's Breakfast	4 <sup>th</sup> 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 <sup>rd</sup> 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 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Collections at St John the Apostle Parish can now be made using **Qkr**

## RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

I love you, Lord, my strength

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

All who love me will keep my words,  
And my Father will love them  
and we will come to them.  
Alleluia!

## Readings – 1 November 2020

First Reading	Rv 7:2-4, -14
Psalm	Ps 23:1-6
Second Reading	1 John 3:1-2
Gospel	Matthew 5:1-12

## 1 November Reading Roster

6:00pm	Mick Horan, Lesley Givens
8:30am	John O'Heir, Elizabeth McDonald
10:00am	Frank Colley, Robin Williams
6:00pm	YOUTH

## 1 November Ministers of Communion

6:00pm	Helen Kennedy
8:30am	Carmel Screen, Sigrid Kropp, Maria Scarr, Darren Maharaj
10:00am	Pat Sheppard, Priscilla Gonsalves-Momi
6:00pm	YOUTH

## 1 November Hospitality Roster

6:00pm	
8:30am	Carmel Screen, Judith O'Neill, Rob Breen
10:00am	Libby Kain, Magarete Gill
6:00pm	YOUTH

## Weekly Rosters

Altar Society:	26 Oct	Margaret Stanford
Grounds	31 Oct	ALL GROUPS
Church Cleaning:	26 Oct	Joseph Le Van Hai, Sam Nguyen

## On a Lighter note

Knock Knock

*Who's there?*

Lion!

*Lion who?*

Lion down is the best thing to do  
when you you're sick!