

COMPACT



St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

Fifth Sunday of Easter
2 May 2021

Year B
#23.21

Reflection

New Growth

Rev Billy Graham once said, 'Being a member of the Church no more makes you a Christian than living in a garage makes you a car.' That's the point of today's Gospel: God will not judge us by what we say or the public face of goodness we can turn on, we will be judged by our acts of love in and through our kindness and compassion.

This metaphor also reminds us that we are connected to each other. There are moments in our life of faith when we hear or see other Christians saying or doing things we cannot countenance. We can try to disown them by retreating into our denomination, but we are all connected in Christ's vineyard. We need the courage to tell them the truth as we see it, and charitably point out the problems we have with what they think is right. And we need the humility to listen when they challenge us.

It's even harder when the diseased part of the vine is in our own Catholic section of the vineyard. Our first instinct can be to lop off the branch, just to get rid of it. But as any vinedresser knows this is the last resort. Whether we find it easy or not, Christ calls us to limited surgical interventions over amputations every time. This is tough love. Even though there are people within our community who have committed terrible crimes and betrayed our trust, the Gospel calls us to hold on to them until it's clear that no matter what intervention we make, they are dying on Christ's vine already. And even then, we hope and pray that our action towards them might see a new growth within them which could be the beginning of a possible grafting back on to us in the future.

Resources used: Homily, by Richard Leonard

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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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17 June 2021

Arboretum

Please support
Ted Kell
as he undertakes his
9th Sleepout

What is your Mother Tongue?

On Pentecost Sunday - when the Apostles spoke in tongues - we would like to hear prayers from many different languages being offered from our ambo. Are you a parishioner whose mother tongue is not English? Please let me know if you would read a prayer in your first language at your Mass on the weekend of 23 May – Pentecost Sunday. The English version will be on the overhead so that the congregation can understand. Please contact the parish office on 6254 3236 or kippax@cg.org.au.

Mary French

Commissioning and Blessings of Ministers Pentecost Sunday 23rd May - All Masses

all those who are taking on ministries June 2021-May 2022, will be commissioned and blessed after Communion.

Taizé with Eucharistic Adoration First Friday Monthly 7:30pm – 8:30pm – 7 May.

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.



We encourage anyone interested in joining us to come along for a meeting.

We are reading: *The Beekeeper of Aleppo*
by Christy Lefteri

St Johns Library – 15 May - 3:00pm

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

St John the Apostle Parish Meditation Group

We are holding our retreat at
St Mary's Towers (Douglas Park)
from Friday 30 July to Sunday 1 August
More information will be available in the coming weeks. Please give prayerful consideration to join us in the special time.
Enquiries: Jenny Maher 0402 112 973

Invest in Your Marriage!

The Marriage Course - via zoom - a 7 week course designed to strengthen your most important relationship.

Tues 11th May - 7:15-9:30pm.

Cost \$70 includes two workbooks.

Register for free 30min info session 7.30pm

Tues 27th April at bit.ly/TMCinflight.

Register and pay for course at

<https://bit.ly/TMCRegister>

Enquiries steph.ransom@cg.org.au

General info at <https://themarriagecourse.org/>

DEANERY PLENARY ZOOM MEETING

Register for the Northern Deanery Plenary Zoom meeting taking place at 5pm Friday 28 May 2021. Register at

<https://cgatholic.org.au/plenary/>

All participants will need to have read the Working Document "Continuing the Journey" available at

plenary.council@catholic.org.au

Women's Prayer/Sharing Groups

Are you looking for an avenue of prayer and sharing the faith journey with a group of friends online or face to face? contact us:
calltoconnect.ministry@gmail.com

"Call to Connect" catholic womens' ministry can help you with free Starter Kits. More information here available at
<https://womenstaskforceacg.wordpress.com/womens-prayer-groups/>

Pins & Needles Craft Group

17 May 2021

7:15pm Parish Library



SJA Men's Group

Meeting Monthly

6:00pm – 8:00pm



For more informatin contact the parish office.

Next gathering: Friday 21 May

St John the Apostle Parish Centre

"Be on earth the Heart of God"

Heart Spirituality

The Sacred Heart

The special object of each devotion of Our Lord is divine love considered under one aspect; but the object of devotion to the Sacred Heart is the love of Christ-God seen as a whole in all its manifestations and in each one of them. "The Sacred Heart of Jesus is the quintessence of the Christian faith; the epitome and substantial summary of the whole of religion. The Christian religion is a work of love in its beginning, development and end.

"We believe in God's love for us" [1 John 4:16], that is, we believe that, in the work of God, the Heart has done everything. Jesus says, child give me your heart.

Jules Chevalier msc -
Le Sacré-Coeur de Jésus Paris 1900

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

Stewardship

Our readings today teach us what it means to bear fruit as disciples of Christ. We must ask ourselves, 'how is God bearing fruit in my life?' and 'have I invited the Holy Spirit to work in me?' The more we try to produce good effects in our lives, the more we will become disappointed if all we are relying on is our own efforts. It is only by inviting the Holy Spirit into our everyday moments that we will see goodness poured out. We can remain in Christ by staying faithful to His commandments and frequently receiving the sacraments. And our day to day moments should be a reflection of those commitments.

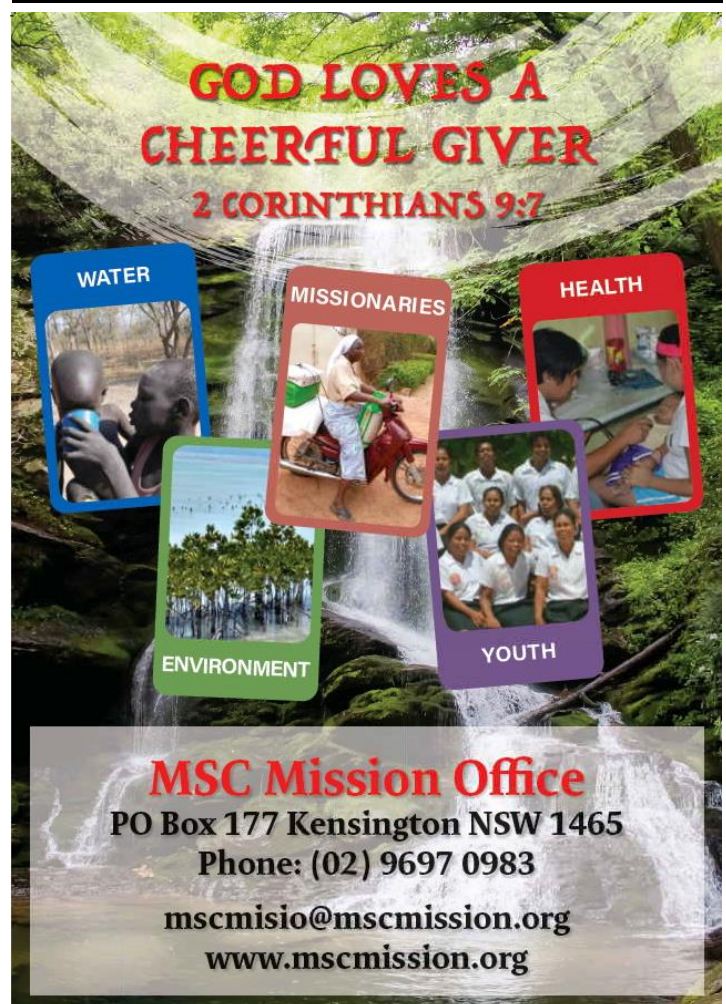
That could mean opening our day with a prayer of thanksgiving, smiling at those we see on the street, asking God for help as we begin our workday, praising God in moments of trial, taking time to listen to our spouse after a long day. To remain in Christ means, in all that we do, we do it with the Lord.

www.catholicsteward.com

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

Recently Deceased:

Anniversary: Miroslav Chodora, Andrea Sannazzaro, Michael Bell, Michael Quigley, Cyril Harper, Anna Rodziewicz, Ashley Johnson, Anna Clobus, Neil White, Gertrude Harridence, John Schmich, John Braddon, Pauline O'Gorman, John Costelloe, Lillian Boyd, Ruth Lloyd, Jack Draper, Robert Griffiths, Matthew Ray, Helen Kelly, Lawrence Southwick, Andrew Harker, Jeremy Hope, Zeffirina Penfold, Kenneth Brennan, Harrison Wroe, Krysta Lindstrom, Antonia Gladwish, Pat McLindin



**GOD LOVES A
CHEERFUL GIVER
2 CORINTHIANS 9:7**

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FEAST OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

Vigil Mass

Thursday 10 June 5:30pm -
followed by supper

Try booking link will be sent out tomorrow
with COMPACT.

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

Friday 11 June - 9:30am Mass
No booking required

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 7:30pm – 8:30pm
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 Bean Origin Belconnen
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**



Check In CBR App is mandatory
<https://www.covid19.act.gov.au/business-and-work/check-in-cbr/information-for-businesses#Using-the-app-at-your-business-or-venue>

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

I will praise you, lord,
in the assembly of your people

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Live in me and let me live in you,
says the Lord;
My branches bear much fruit.
Alleluia!

Readings – 9 May 2021

First Reading	Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48
Psalm	Ps 97:1-4
Second Reading	1 Jn 4:7-10
Gospel	John 15:9-17

9 May Reading Roster

5:00pm	Mary French, Therese Kercher
8:30am	Sigrid Kropp, Mariana Rollgejer
10:00am	Erin Trevaskis, Dennis Puniard
6:00pm	Brian Mahony, Joe Ots

9 May Ministers of Communion

5:00pm	Anthony Jayawardena, Chitra Jayawardena
8:30am	Brian Green, Margaret Stanford, Shane Murtagh, Peter Polkinghorne
10:00am	Anthony Noakes, Frank Colley, Margarete Gill
6:00pm	Margaret Curry, Andrew Webster, Andrew Luck

9 May Hospitality Roster

5:00pm	Jenny Maher
8:30am	Mandy Lalor
10:00am	Judy Kenny
6:00pm	Kay Dwyer

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society:	2 May	Margaret Ferguson
Grounds	7 May	Allan Laycock, Rob Breen, Mike Blyth, Dennis Puniard

Church Cleaning:	2 May	John O'Heir, Pat Keenan, Debbie and Ted Milne
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On a Lighter note

