

St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
4 July 2021

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Reflection

Those who truly believe

This week's gospel sees Jesus returning to his home town of Nazareth. He is well and truly into his public ministry at this point in the gospel and his reputation is obviously growing as a healer and teacher. When he goes to Nazareth the locals are quick to 'put him in his place'. They remember the boy, the teenager, the young man apprenticed to his father's craft. He's a nobody as far as they are concerned; just young Yeshua (Jesus) who grew up here.

It is much the same within families and local communities today. No matter how successful and authoritative a young woman or man may have become, a trip home will quickly remind them that in the eyes of those they grew up with nothing has changed. In the gospel passage they even say, that's Jesus – he's just James' brother; no one special! Why would they think they had anything to learn from a brat who grew up in their own town? What could he possibly tell them? They try to force Jesus back into the mould of the person with whom they were previously familiar and comfortable.

We do this to one another all the time. We have certain expectations about the way a friend normally acts or thinks and when they behave differently we react in a way that lets them know that they are not 'being themselves'. In doing this, we are looking to maintain our own comfort zone. We take away the freedom of the other person to grow and change. Many people seem to enter into relationships thinking that neither of them will ever change. This, of course, is an unsustainable assumption. Surely, if we want the best for those we love and care for, we want them to be constantly growing and becoming all that they can be?

The home town experience is a lesson to the disciples that in the absence of faith, the ministry of Jesus and those who follow him will falter. Only those who truly believe can participate in this ministry and share in the miraculous works of Jesus.

Resources used: Gospel Reflection, by Greg Sunter

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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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Next Meeting: 4 July

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PARISH COMMUNICATION

The parish office sends communications via email and SMS.



If you have not received the emails regarding changes to COVID protocols or our weekly COMPACT online, we do not have your email address on file.

Please provide the parish office with your mobile phone number and email address to receive communication in this format.

Kippax St Vincent de Paul Conference

Next meeting is Monday 5th July 7:30pm

Anyone interested in the good works of local Vinnies is welcome to attend.

Contact: Mike 0419 818 410

KIT – DOWN MEMORY LANE

As we journey towards the parish's 50th Anniversary – 26/02/2022, we are inviting you to share your St John's stories through reflections or photo's of Celebrations, Baptism's, Weddings, Parish events, Antioch, St John's Got Talent, etc.... Whether you have been in the parish a long time or a short time all contributions are gratefully received. Looking forward to hearing from you! Email: kippax@cg.org.au;



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

**We are reading: *Before the Fall*
by Noah Hawley**

St Johns Library – 18 July - 3:00pm

There are copies of the book available at the parish office.

SJA Men's Group

Meeting Monthly

6:00pm – 8:00pm



For more informatin contact the parish office.

Next gathering: Friday 23 July

St John the Apostle Parish Centre

Archdiocesan Women's Taskforce Dinner

CHANGE OF DATE

Due to COVID considerations the Mary Magdalene dinner will now be held **on Friday 3rd September**, still 6.30pm at the Southern Cross Club, Woden. Your ticket remains valid for Fri 3rd September. If you require a refund, no problem, contact elisabeth_doherty@hotmail.com or ring 0432 608 310. Limited tickets still available. Three course meal \$65. Bookings essential at <http://bit.ly/MaryMagdaleneDinner>

The Marriage Course

You're invited to a short, fun course of 7 sessions designed to strengthen your relationship. The course begins on Thursday 29th July and runs Thursday weekly via **Zoom** 7:15pm-9:15pm

Whether you've been together six months or forty years, married or in a long-term relationship, in a good place or struggling, *The Marriage Course* offers practical support and ideas to strengthen your relationship, in a fun-pact format offered online in the comfort of your home **via zoom**.

The course is open to any couple in a committed relationship. Watch this short trailer to find out more: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qba2wYpXgUs>

You can also come and discover more at a **Wine and Cheese Information Night (Free):**

at St John the Apostle Primary School (Library),
Thursday 22nd July - 6.00-6.45pm

Children welcome - baby sitting and pizza will be provided
Please RSVP to marina.philip@cg.catholic.edu.au for catering purposes (advise number of adults and children attending)

Link to Register for the course:

<https://cgatholic.org.au/the-marriage-course-st-john-the-apostle/>

SACRIFICIAL GIVING ENVELOPES 2021-2022

Are now available for collection on a table in the Church foyer.

**Planned Giving Tax Receipts 2020 – 2021
will be emailed after 5 July 2021**

“Be on earth the Heart of God”

Heart Spirituality

The Sacred Heart the quintessence of the faith

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; the Christian religion whose history is found wholly and entirely in the sublime statement: "God so loved the world" (John 3:16); the Christian religion whose whole creed is reduced to these words of the beloved Disciple: "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. The Christian religion, could not be identified so completely with any other devotion as with devotion to the Sacred Heart.

Jules Chevalier msc -
Le Sacré-Coeur de Jésus p. 148f, Paris 1900.

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

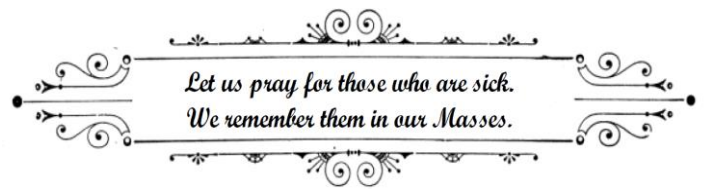
Stewardship

Our readings today remind us that, even in our weakest and toughest moments, God has a plan. We all bear crosses in this life, whether they seem to be little thorns or sharp daggers. The easiest thing to do, as St. Paul did, is to pray for the cross to be taken. It would be great if all of our struggles just magically faded away! But listen to the Lord's words, "My grace is sufficient for you, for power is made perfect in weakness."

Stop and reflect on your cross. Instead of wishing it to go away, look at it as an opportunity to grow and to allow God to work in your life. God permitted this cross in your life for a reason. Do not let the opportunity for Christ to work on your heart pass you by.

Today, recall that God loves us more than we could ever imagine. There is not a moment that goes by that He does not have us in mind. He has a specific plan for our lives. Therefore, may we encounter life's challenges with confidence in Christ.

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Recently Deceased:

Anniversary: Philip Connolly, Daniel Worner, Catherine Farrugia, Nigel Smith, Gilbert Hall, Patrick Salmon, Jean Irvine, Hortencia Cid, John Bell, Jack Synnott, John O'Brien, Elizabeth Dennison, Steven Argy, Rosalie Callaghan, Constance Crowe, Gertrude Czarnik, Conner Cooke, Anne Patterson, Sam Ford, Elsie Bingham, Christopher Davis, Mary Ryan, Josephine Allester, Doris Galea, Mollie Paterson, Marie Richards, Chris Penders, John McEnaney, Leon Nguyen, Bernard Armstrong, Thomas Hallahan, Laurence Swift, Linda Dawson, Victoria Norton, Bede Stinson, Lionel Carberry, Jan Kurzynski, Catherine Raadts, Josephine O'Kane, Joan Ferguson, Monique Pearce, Gayle McGoogan, Veronica Hannah, David Leonard, Paul Kurylowicz

Mass Offerings the week of 5 - 11 July

Mon 05/07	Doris Galea
Wed 07/07	Catherine Raadts
Thur 08/07	Available [contact the office]
Fri 09/07	Available [contact the office]

Sat 10/07	
5:00pm	Leon Nguyen

Sun 11/07	
8:30am	Available [contact the office]
10:00am	Available [contact the office]
6:00pm	Available [contact the office]

To ensure that a mass time is available please telephone the parish office to make a booking.

POWERPOINT OPERATORS

If you are able to assist with the Powerpoint at Saturday's Vigil Mass or 8:30am Sunday Mass please contact the Parish Office.

A short training session will be provided for those who volunteer.

Many thanks

Kerry Yard and Sabina Van Rooy

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Baptisms	1st & 3rd Sun during Mass
Reconciliation	Sat 4:00pm – 4:30pm
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:

Our eyes are fixed on the Lord,
pleading for his mercy.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;
He sent me to bring Good News to the poor.
Alleluia!

Readings – 11 July 2021

First Reading	Am 7:12-15
Psalm	Ps 84:9-14
Second Reading	Eph 1:3-14
Gospel	Mark 6:7-13

11 July Reading Roster

5:00pm	Bob Raadts, Therse Kercher
8:30am	Mariana Rollgeyser, Sigrid Kropp
10:00am	Dennis Puniard, Margaret Luck
6:00pm	Meg Millband, Brian Mahony

11 July Ministers of Communion

5:00pm	Elaine Laycock, Marian England
8:30am	Shane Murtagh, Agnes Pham
10:00am	Frank Colley, Margaret Gill
6:00pm	John McGee, Chitra Jayawardena

11 July Hospitality Roster

5:00pm	Jenny Maher
8:30am	Mandy Lalor, Mercia Needham
10:00am	Judy Kenny
6:00pm	Chitra Jayawardena

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society:	4 July	Margaret Ferguson
Grounds	10 July	Allan Laycock, Rob Breen, Mike Blyth, Dennis Puniard
Church Cleaning:	5 July	John O'Heir, Pat Keenan, Ted & Debbie Milne

On a Lighter note

