



St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time 31 October 2021



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Reflection

Love God, Self, and Neighbour

Jesus reminds us 'You must love your neighbour as yourself.' There's an unspoken, underlying idea here that is absolutely crucial. Before you can love your neighbour, you must first love yourself. To say that you love yourself today can imply a level of boastfulness or ego. However, what is required is a genuine love of self – an acceptance; a respect; a true valuing of self. Only then can we know how to treat others. When we ask ourselves how we would want to be treated it points us towards how we should treat others.

The problem with the term 'love of self' is that we often hear in it an encouragement to 'adore self'. Nothing could be further from what Jesus is saying. We are called to love our body, not worship it. Jesus is not calling us to a narcissistic love, like we see in the sex industry and the gym cults, where the only thing we love is our self. If we have no sense of our own self-worth, our own dignity and the personal love of God for each of us, it is impossible for us to give the same to others and to claim from others the dignity we deserve. We will either treat others as our inferiors on the one hand, or allow others to walk all over us, on the other.

Jesus shows us 'love of self' by the way he loved his Father, us, and himself, and that true love always involves sacrifice. If we love our self in the right way, we have the self-control to forgo those things that are most destructive in our life and we have the generosity to do for others the things that will enrich their lives. Jesus knew, that we can never love others if we hate ourselves.

Resources used: Reflection, by Greg Sunter & Homily, by Richard Leonard

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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

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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 – Monday 1 November Mass 9:30am All Souls day – Tuesday 2 November Mass 9:30am

Streaming of Mass

As our capacity limit changed on Friday 29 October 2021, the Mass will no longer be filmed and available on our YouTube channel.

BOOKING FOR WEEKEND MASSES

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To attend weekend mass please use the Trybooking link. The link will be emailed out.



The ACT Government has made it mandatory for everyone entering the church to wear face masks and to use

the Check In Canberra app.

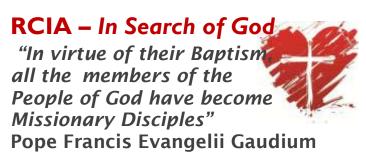
Taizé with Eucharistic Adoration Thursday Fortnightly **Thursday 4 November** 7:30pm – 8:30pm

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.

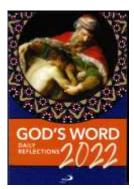
For those who would like to attend, please contact the parish office kippax@cg.org.au



Commencing 2 November 2021 – 7:00pm - Parish Library Contact Parish Office Ph. 6254 3236

AVAILABLE NOW IN THE BOOKSTORE





God's Word Columban 2022 Calendar \$19.95 each \$10.00 each

Part Time Parish Secretary – South Belconnen Parish

Vacant - position Parish Secretary at South Belconnen Parish. This is a part-time permanent position 18 hours per week (Tuesday to Thursday).

Salary will be subject to Clerk Award Level 4/5 rates. Please email

belconnensouth@cg.org.au for a copy of the duty statement. Applications addressing the Selection Criteria above to the Parish Priest, South Belconnen Parish must be received by 2 November 2021.

Blackfriars Lecture: How does social capital enhance health and wellbeing? 2 November - 6:00 pm

Dr Ursula Stephens, CEO, Australian Catholic Safeguarding Ltd. (former CEO of Catholic Social Services Aust.)

ACU Canberra, Room 301.1.20, Veritas Building, ACU Campus, 223 Antill Street, Watson. RSVP to ocd.canberra@acu.edu.au by 29 October. This is a free public lecture.

"Be on earth the Heart of God"

Heart Spirituality

Pray to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

Missionaries of the Sacred Heart have the duty to pray earnestly to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, from whom proceeds every perfect gift, and to Mary Immaculate who has been granted so great an influence over this divine Heart.

Since Saint Joseph was the helper, friend and guardian of Jesus and Mary the Society will place all its houses, now and in the future, under the care of this outstanding protector and acknowledge him as their patron in perpetuity.

Jules Chevalier msc - Constitutiones Missionariorum Sacratissimi Cordis Jesu, 1877

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

Stewardship

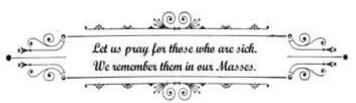
Love of God & Neighbour

Today's Gospel presents the two greatest commandments. Love the Lord with all your heart, soul, mind, and strength. And love your neighbour as yourself. These commandments relate to three aspects of a Christian steward's daily life — the giving of our time, talent, and treasure.

The use of time refers primarily to our relationship with the Lord — in other words, our prayer life. In loving God with all my heart, soul, mind, and strength, I need to intentionally chose to spend time with God in prayer.

The use of talents refers to the way I offer the abilities, skills, and interests the Lord has given me for the good of those around me. Doing so is a practical way to "love my neighbour as myself."

The use of material gifts — or treasure likewise demonstrates both love of God and of neighbour. When I trustingly offer a sacrificial gift to God through the offertory collection, I am showing God in a very tangible way that He comes before all else in my life and I am putting my material resources at the service of my neighbour in the parish community and beyond.



Recently Deceased:

Anniversary: Francis Fulton,

Peter Geraghty, Alejandra Bai, Jack McMahon, Kerry Hogden, Elsie Screen, Silva Santos, Gregory Robinson, Ann Raadts, Paul Newton, Peter Fox, May Skelly, Patrick Healy, Rose Ireland, Maurice Scheerlinck, Gavin Smith, Emily Flynn, John Joyce, Narim Dawalibi, Rex Kelley, Edward Dwyer, Ursula Bell, Grace Carmichael, Patricia Smith, Adrian Gilchrist, Marie-Jeanne Shatzman, Margaret Webster, John Roots.

Mass Intentions the week of 1 - 7 November

Mon 01/11	All Saints Feast Day			
Wed 03/11	Available [contact the office]			
Thur 04/11	Adrian Gilchrist			
Fri 05/11	Doris Galea			
Sat 06/11				
6:00pm	Edward Walpole			
Sun 07/11				
8:30am				
10:00am	Available [contact the office]			
6:00pm	Parish Intentions			
To ensure that a mass time is available please				

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

MEMORIAL MASS Eileen Boyldew 9 August 1941 – 9 August 2021

As Eileen died just before lockdown we were unable to hold her funeral at that time. There will be a memorial mass for Eileen on Wednesday 17 November -11:00am. There will be light refreshments served after.

Australian Catholics Magazine

Produced by the Jesuits the Spring and Summer Editions are available in the foyer

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

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

PRAYER LIFE

Charismatic Prayer:	
Maida: 0423 658 326	Thursday 10:00am
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

Over 45's	Last Wednesday of the Month	
	9:30am Mass and morning tea	
Pins &	3 rd Monday of the Month	
Needles	7:15pm Parish Library	
Book club	3 rd Sunday of the Month	
	3:00pm Parish Library	
Women's	4 th Tuesday of the Month 7:30am	
Breakfast	Bean Origin Belconnen	
Youth	AGAPE - First & Third Sunday	
Group	after 6:00pm Mass Parish Centre	
Men's	3 rd Friday of the Month 6:00pm	
Group	Parish Centre	
SMOKE EREE ZONE		

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 -

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RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

I love you Lord, my strength

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

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

Readings – 7 November 2021

First Reading	1 K
Psalm	Ps
Second Reading	He
Gospel	Ma

1 Kgs 17:10-16	
Ps 145:7-10	
Heb 9:24-28	
Mark 12:38-44	

7 Nov Lector Roster 6:00pm Paul McGrath, Fay Padarin 8:30am Elizabeth McDonald, John O'Heir 10:00am Robin Williams, Frank Colley 6:00pm YOUTH 7 Nov Ministers of Communion 6:00pm Joy McInerney, Judy Netting Carmel Screen, Pat Cowburn 8:30am Pat Sheppard, Arie De Bear 10:00am Marian Crowley, Andrew Luck 6:00pm 7 Nov **Hospitality Roster** 6:00pm Kay Dwyer, Chitra Jayawardena Rob Breen, Carmel Screen 8:30am 10:00am Libby Kain, Margarete Gill 6:00pm **Christine Lancaster** Weekly Rosters

Altar Society:	31 Oct	Gabe Culhane		
Grounds	6 Nov	Vacant		
Church Cleaning:	1 Nov	John O'Heir, Pat Keenan, Debbie & Ted Milne.		

On a Lighter note 5. Leviticus 19:18

