

St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Year B

21 November 2021

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Reflection

What is Truth?

Jesus says to Pilate that he came into the world 'to bear witness to the truth; and all who are on the side of truth listen to my voice.' That is where today's gospel passage finishes but as the gospel continues on, Pilate famously asks Jesus 'What is truth?' and the question is left dangling; unanswered.

Today, there is the prevalent idea that we should listen to the scientific experts when it comes to discerning the truth. However, what makes a person an expert. And how does personal integrity relate to "expertise"? A post-graduate degree? Being a mother who is raising her family well? Being a respected researcher? Living a good life? Being steady and faithful? There are various kinds of experts. Many great thinkers – philosophers, theologians, and even scientists – would say that a man or a woman's personal life affects his or her research and professional expertise? Truth can never be divorced from moral insight since truth and morality are really one at their base. Hence personal integrity or lack of it in any researcher or scholar in some way does colour his or her expertise.

Aristotle, had a concept he called phronesis, which taught that it is impossible to separate the teaching of truth from the practice of virtue. For Aristotle, genuine knowledge, the type that ultimately makes you a better human being, could not issue forth from someone whose intellectual theory and personal moral life were radically out of sync.

Jesus teaches that we see the world accurately only to the extent that we are pure of heart. When he said this he was affirming that purity of heart is a pre-condition in order to see straight in every way, religiously, morally, practically, and scientifically.

The truth Jesus has borne witness to is the truth of his whole life – the revelation of God's love for humanity. It is for proclaiming this truth that Jesus is placed on trial and is brought before Pilate.

Resources used: *Reflection*, by Greg Sunter & *Discerning the Truth*, by Ronald Rolheiser OMI

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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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St John the Apostle Women's Breakfast Tuesday 23 February – 7:30am



Bean Origin

5/32 Nettlefold St,
Belconnen

Vinnies Christmas Appeal



The 2021 Vinnies Christmas Appeal will be launched next weekend.

The Christmas Tree will be adorned with gift cards for children and there will be food donation gift cards as well. Please take a card or two. You can sign on to help with hamper deliveries and there will be a leaving collection after all Masses on 4th and 5th December.

Thank you for your generous support. Full details are in November KIT.

Don't forget the Poor Box Collection

During November all money placed in the Poor Box at the back of the church will go to support the work of our Twin Conference of Sts Peter and Paul in

Tamil Nadu, India. Your donations will make a big difference to their lives.



RETURN TO MASS

The offertory collection has resumed.
The offertory procession has resumed

You are no longer required to book in for weekend masses.



The ACT Government has made it mandatory for everyone entering the church to use the Check in CBR App.

Face masks are no longer required.

Parish Pastoral Council

As 2021 is drawing to a close the PPC is looking forward to 2022 when we will celebrate our 50th anniversary. With this in mind we are asking parishioners to give their prayerful consideration to joining the Pastoral Council. Ideally our Pastoral Council should reflect the diversity of our parish. If you feel you are being called to share your time and talents in serving the parish through this ministry, please telephone the parish office to register your interest.

KIT@ Kippax

Keeping in Touch

Our monthly magazine needs your contributions. Your personal stories of the past two years and how it has affected you are of interest to our community and help keep us connected. Please send your contributions to Marian at

marian@stjohnkippax.org.au

Without YOU KIT will not exist.

Sacrament of Penance

Formation evening for Parents

Preparation for the celebration of the Sacrament of Penance in lent 2022 is commencing now.

Formation evening for Parents.

Date: Monday 6 December

Time: 7:00pm – 8:30pm

If you have a child in year 2 or above and they have not made this sacrament please contact the parish office to register

Rite of Christian Initiation of an Adult RCIA

*"In virtue of their Baptism,
all the members of the
People of God have become
Missionary Disciples"*

Pope Francis Evangelii Gaudium

If you know someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic, please contact Parish Office Ph. 6254 3236



Happenings in the parish office

Fr. Kimi will be on leave
from Friday 19 to
Saturday 27 November



"Be on earth the Heart of God"

Heart Spirituality

Trust in Jesus Christ

Our trust in Jesus Christ is based on his goodness. Why did he become fully human? *For us and for our salvation.*

He loved me and gave his life for me. After so many signs of love, could we hesitate in showing him boundless trust?

Moreover, we shall obtain from his Father everything that we ask for in Jesus' name. Whatever our weakness, our temptations and even our failures, let us drive away all discouragement and open our hearts to trust.

Jules Chevalier msc -
Meditations I, p. 223f – Issoudun 1891.

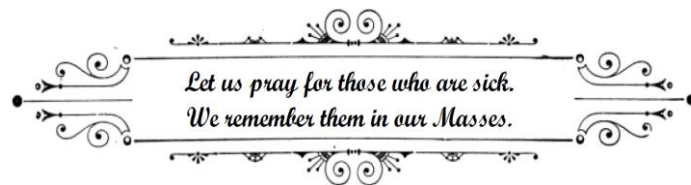
May the Sacred Heart of Jesus be
everywhere loved.....forever!

Stewardship

Humble Servant

The feast of Christ the King is needed more than ever today, for all people and for us especially, as Christian stewards. It reminds us of three vital truths. First, even when it seems the world is spinning out of control, we need not fear because we have a King of kings who is very much in charge and who is loving, merciful and just. Second, if Christ is king of all, then He is also king of me, personally. I am not "lord" of my time, talents, and treasure. He is. I am a servant of the King and a steward of His gifts to me. Third, as His disciple, I am called to imitate my King. Christ's kingship is characterized by humble service, by emptying Himself for the good of others, The Scriptures tell us He went about doing good and He says of Himself, "I came not to be served but to serve." How can I live in any other way than as a humble servant like my King?

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Recently Deceased:

Anniversary

Honorio Arranz, Dorothy Lenihan, Mary-Ellen Roots, Krissy Thomas, Peter Hayes, Phyllis McAllister, Herbert Gallagher, John Welfare, John Patterson, Allan Cockroft, Winifred O'Neill, John Burns, John Costelloe, Susan Sutch, Darren O'Brien, Leslie Lincoln, Conelly Andrae, Alexandre Arekion, Paul Wilson, Vin Stewart, Nancy Selvatino, John Soetens, Kane Cahill

Mass Intentions the week of 22 – 28 November

Mon 22/11	November Mass Intentions
Wed 24/11	Available [contact the office]
Thur 25/11	Angela Sobivepanek
Fri 26/11	Donnika Wright

Sat 27/11	
6:00pm	Available [contact the office]

Sun 28/11	
8:30am	Amy Stephenson
10:00am	Lola Boer
6:00pm	Parish Intentions

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

Eucharistic Adoration in Advent



Will be held on the following Thursday's in December
2 ● 9 ● 16 ● 23 ● 7:30-8:30pm

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Baptisms	1st & 3rd Sun during 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 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 & 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:

The Lord is king;
He is robed in majesty.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Blessed is he who inherits the kingdom
of David our Father;
Blessed is he who comes in the name
of the Lord.
Alleluia!

Readings – 28 November 2021

First Reading	Jer 33:14-16
Psalm	Ps 21:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14
Second Reading	1 Thes 3:12 – 4:2
Gospel	Luke 21:25-28, 34-36

28 Nov Lector Roster

6:00pm	Erin Trevaskis, Elaine Laycock
8:30am	Wendy Wade, Shane Murtagh
10:00am	Keran Niquet, Nunga Umaru
6:00pm	Andrew Luck, Marian Crowley

28 Nov Ministers of Communion

6:00pm	John Drury, Anthony Jayawardena
8:30am	Brian Green, Darren Maharaj
10:00am	Francesca Deklin, Robin Williams
6:00pm	Priscilla Gonsalves-Momi, Theresia Suh

28 Nov Hospitality Roster

6:00pm	Joan Galpin
8:30am	Fay Stephenson
10:00am	Francesca Deklin
6:00pm	Prasadi Martinez

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society:	21 Nov	Angela Boreham
Grounds	27 Nov	David Pigram, Mike Lavis, Matthew Garton
Church Cleaning:	22 Nov	Carol Blyth, Beatrice Williams, Dushyanthi & Nisham Upasena

On a Lighter note

