

Reflection

The Call to Discipleship

Jesus' invitation to 'Come and See' is a powerful image in this week's gospel. It is not a simple reply to the question of where Jesus is living; in some ways it is a summary of his whole ministry – come and see what I am on about and become part of it. It is typical of the invitational nature of Jesus' ministry. Throughout the gospels, Jesus offers and invites, he does not force his ministry onto anyone. When he invites us to 'Come and See' it is an invitation to 'give it a go'; take a chance; let go of what we know.

To 'Come and See' is exactly what Jesus invited the apostles to do. In this week's reading, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, takes up the invitation and becomes a follower of Jesus. He is so impressed with what he sees in Jesus that he finds his brother and tells him that they've found the Messiah and that Simon should come and join them. Jesus immediately gives Simon a new nickname: the Rock (Peter). There are many instances throughout the Bible of people taking or being given new names. Abram became Abraham; Jacob became Israel; Saul became Paul. This change of name is used as a sign that they have encountered God in a special way and have taken on a new life – a new commitment to God. In this instance, Simon is becoming a disciple of Jesus, a trusted and influential one at that.

Unlike the call of Samuel in today's first reading, in which the call to discipleship is heard as a booming voice, Andrew and Simon experience the call through personal encounter with Jesus. A booming voice from the sky might be helpful, but for most of us the call comes in much more, subtle ways through our prayer and reflection on interaction with others.

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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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So they went and saw where he lived, and stayed with him the rest of that day. John 1:39

WE NEED YOU TO DO TWO THINGS

1. Use Trybooking to register for mass
2. Use CBR QR App when entering the church



registration for attendance at mass

assists the parish office in the management of numbers allowed to attend Mass within the available space in the church whilst maintaining physical distancing of 2 square metres.



CBR App helps ACT Health with tracking the spread of Coronavirus.

*We want everyone not only to be safe but to feel safe.
Thank you*

KIT – Keeping in Touch

KIT will continue in 2021 as a monthly production. We are seeking contributions from parishioners. KIT is the parishioner's forum – it is your stories and reflections that keep KIT going. Please send your contributions to kippax@cg.org.au by Monday 25 January. Thank you.

St John the Apostle Women's Breakfast

New Venue - Bean Origin

5/32 Nettlefold St, Belconnen

First Breakfast 2021 is:.....

Tuesday – 19 January - 7:30am

Breakfast is a week earlier because the 4th Tuesday is Australia Day

We Welcome Fr. Stephen Hackett msc



to the parish this weekend.

Fr. Stephen will confer the Rite of Installation of the Pastor on

Fr. Kimi at the 10:00am Mass.



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

In February We are reading:

"The Beekeeper of Aleppo"

by Christy Lefteri

Parish Library – 21st February - 3:00pm

Pins & Needles Craft Group

Monday 18 January

7:15pm Parish Library



2021 Calendar

January

Monday 18	Pins & Needles
Tuesday 26	Australia Day Holiday
Friday 29	Anointing after Mass

February

Monday 1	School Returns
Tuesday 2	The Presentation of the Lord Blessing of the Candles
Friday 5	Eucharistic Adoration
Monday 15	Pins & Needles
17	Ash Wednesday
Friday 19	Men's Group
Mon 22- Fri 26	Frs. Kimi and Michael Away

RCIA [Rite of Christian Initiation of an Adult] will re-commence on Tuesday 2 February. 7:00- 8:00pm



Perhaps you know someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic?

Come and See John 1:39

Heart Spirituality

Jesus' plan in coming among us

What does our divine Saviour want in coming among us?

To be born anew in our hearts!

In other words, he wanted to make us live with his life, to communicate his Spirit; he wanted to give us his Heart, with all the treasures it contains, and to transmit into us all the sentiments that animate it.

Let us prepare ourselves therefore to receive such great gifts.

Let us turn to our Saviour and say: Come, Lord Jesus!

Come and be born in our souls; establish there the kingdom of your love. We want only your Sacred Heart to rule over us.

You will be our light, our strength, our guide and our support. We shall follow the law of your Heart, and submit to your reign forever.

Jules Chevalier msc,
(Meditations 1, p.25f Issoudun 1891)

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

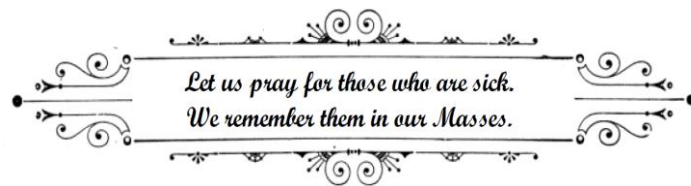
Stewardship

Our readings today focus on the vital attributes of being a disciple of Christ.

Imagine Jesus asking you, "What are you looking for?" We might respond with answers like a better job, more kids, retirement, or any number of things that we think will make our lives better. The things we seek may be righteous, but as disciples of Christ, we should first and foremost seek the Kingdom of God. If we strive to respond to Jesus' question in the same way the first disciples responded, essentially by asking, "Where are you, Lord?" then we will not be disappointed with the outcome.

Our calling is to be missionary disciples — to seek the Lord and share what we have found. Our faith is a gift! We should strive to share this gift with others.

www.catholicsteward.com



Recently Deceased: Eamonn Kennedy

Anniversary: Mansoor Shammas, Salwa Halabiya, Terence Martin, Caterina Fallace, Ann Grannall, Phyllis Morrison, Alexander Beggs, Frederick Felsinger, Shaun MacKey, Josephine Fox, Bradley Keenan, Josephine McLaren, Eugenia Kurzynski, Horace Staunton, Albert Bingham, Leonard Crowe, Ernest Hackett, Christopher Hemmingway, Tara Ottewill, Claudine MacDowell, Danielle Sykes, Brendan Gibson, Chris Thamer, Bernadette Davis, Emanuel Grech, Nicholas McInerney, Joan Casey, James Fitzgibbon, Kyall Green, Maxwell Lewis, Geoffrey Fisher, Michael Sweeney, Armando Arugay, Jane Packard

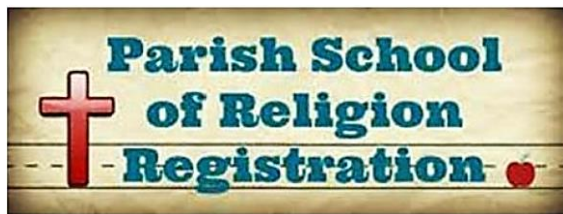
We are experiencing issues with **GRAPEVINE EMAILS**. In the past week when we have sent out emails the **GRAPEVINE** emails have bounced. We will continue to monitor the situation.

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Supporting parishioners in our community
During this time of COVID-19 many parishioners are still staying safe at home. If you, or if you know of anyone who is staying at home due to the pandemic, or generally housebound and would like to receive Holy Communion or a pastoral visit please contact the parish office.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick is celebrated on the last Friday of each month after the 9:30am mass.
Next anointing will be 29 January.



Enrollments will take place in the foyer after the 10am Mass on 7th and 14th February

“Be on earth the Heart of God” 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 Lucky Shot Espresso Bar Kippax
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**

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

Here am I, Lord;
I come to do your will

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
We have found the Messiah:
Jesus Christ, who bring us truth and grace.
Alleluia!

Readings –24 January 2021

First Reading	Jon 3:1-5, 10
Psalm	Ps 24:4-9
Second Reading	1 Cor 7:2-31
Gospel	Mark 1:14-20

24 January Reading Roster

6:00pm	Bob Raadts, Joe Ots
8:30am	Carmel Screen, Shane Murtagh
10:00am	Ann Reynolds, Colleen Reed/Libby Kain
6:00pm	Marian Crowley, Andrew Luck

24 January Ministers of Communion

6:00pm	John Drury
8:30am	Ted Kell, Agnes Pham
10:00am	Pat Sheppard, Ruth Blackwell
6:00pm	James Cox, Matthew Garton, Priscilla Gonsalves-Momi

24 January Hospitality Roster

6:00pm	
8:30am	Fay Stephenson
10:00am	
6:00pm	Christine Lacaster

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society:	18 Jan	Mary Cruickshank
Grounds	23 Jan	David Pigram, Mike Lavis, Matthew Garton
Church Cleaning:	18 Jan	Carol Blyth, Beatrice Williams

On a Lighter note

