

COMPACT



St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

Celebrating 50 Years

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time
31 July 2022

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Reflection

The celebration of the Eucharist is always incomplete while there is hunger in the world.

In today's Gospel Jesus tells us just how deadly riches and greed can be. The issue with money is not about having it, because money, and the health, education and welfare that flow from it are good things, whereas poverty is an evil that God wants wiped off the face of the earth. The problem is what we do with money and what it does to us. Some Christians think that just because they are financially comfortable from legitimate earnings, they do not have to take any responsibility for the world's poor who are often stereotyped as being lazy, war-mongering and irreligious. These images may justify not sharing more of the excess we have, but it does not remove the moral obligation Jesus demands of us today. Of the world's 6 billion people, 1.2 billion of them live on US\$1, or less, a day. On average 26,000 children will die today of starvation. We should try telling them they're lazy, war-mongering and irreligious!

When faced with the enormity of the world's poverty, the bad spirit can convince us that it is so large there is nothing that we can do about it. Not true. Every moment of consciousness and each act of goodness toward anyone anywhere is a victory for God's kingdom and will to be done 'here on earth as it is in heaven'.

However, money does not solely solve the world's problems. Everyone who works in the front-line says that the biggest obstacle in the war on poverty is dignity. And dignity, as Jesus reminds us today, has very little to do with money or possessions.

Fr Pedro Arrupe inherited the office of leading the Jesuits four centuries after its founder St Ignatius Loyola died. He once said that, 'the celebration of the Eucharist is always incomplete while there is hunger in the world.'

Resource used: *Homily*, by Richard Leonard SJ

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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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FACE MASKS

Although face masks are not mandatory in Churches, we encourage you to wear one if you feel comfortable to do so.



Be Mindful of your safety and the safety of others



St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

Vinnies Winter Appeal 2022 Weekend 30/31 July 2022

The theme for the 2022 Appeal is ***supporting women and children who are affected by domestic violence***. Donations can be made after all Masses this weekend. Facilities for credit card donations are available, as well as cash, cheques and online donations.

Thanks for your support.

Contemplative Prayer with the Blessed Sacrament First Thursday of the Month – 4 August- 7:30pm – 8:30pm



Come for 15 or 30 minutes – whatever time you can spare – there is no requirement to stay for the whole hour.

SJA Book Club

We encourage anyone interested in joining us to come along.

We are reading: a very topical book that was the subject written up in a lead article in Saturday's Panorama - Canberra Times.
Conversations with RBG – Ruth Bader Ginsburg on Life, Love, Liberty and Law.

ACT Libraries have copies

St Johns Library – 21st August - 3:00pm

Feast of the Assumption

Monday 15 August 2022

Mass will be celebrated at
9:30am and 6:00pm

Prayers Please

13 parishioners who are attending a meditation at Douglas Park this weekend would very much appreciate your prayers. We will remember you too.

Sacrament of the Eucharist Masses

We welcome ten children from the parish and parish primary school who will receive the Sacrament of the Eucharist this weekend.

Saturday 30 July 5:00pm:

Xavier Bonny, Noah Dixon, Leo Kerlin, Lachlan Lawrence, Evie Matthews, Austin Patrzalek, Grace Rebecca, Amelia Swiderski, Jonah Terron, Ethan Zaretsky

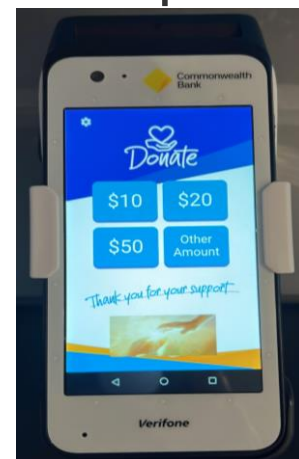
Please hold all the children and their families in your prayers. Thank you.

ACCOMMODATION ENQUIRY:

Mary O'Dowd, a Lay Carmelite from Rockhampton, is looking for a short term temporary accommodation with a Catholic family from early September to early December.

Please respond to Mary : 0490 540 154

EFTPOS Tap Machine



We have a new look EFTPOS machine. Whilst the process is similar, it provides more versatility in nominating the amount you wish to donate.

Pins & Needles Craft Group

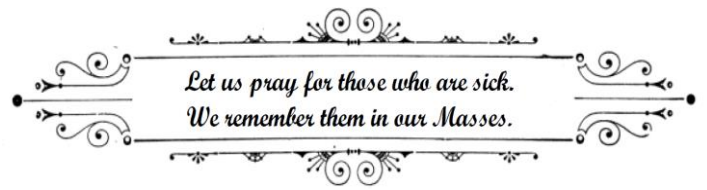
15 August 2022

7:15pm Parish Library



“Be on earth the Heart of God”

Heart Spirituality



The Institution of the Eucharist

The love Jesus has for his Father calls him back to heaven; his affection for us urges him to remain. Jesus, without dividing himself, will give himself whole and entire to heaven and whole and entire to earth. He will be, at the same time, both in heaven with his Father and on earth with his brothers and sisters.

Impelled by his heart, burning with love for us, he will institute a sacrament in which he will be really, substantially present until the end of the ages. Giving himself unreservedly to us through the Eucharist.

Jules Chevalier msc.
Le Sacré-Coeur de Jésus, p. 213,

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

Stewardship

Life is not about possessions

In today's Gospel passage, Jesus makes it clear that life is not about "stuff" as he tells the parable of the wealthy businessman who thought he had everything figured out. The man had such an abundance of stuff that he didn't have room to store it all. So, thinking of earthly things and not on what is above, he decided to build a bigger place to store all that stuff. Patting himself on the back, he thought about what good times he would have in the years ahead. But Jesus tells us that day would turn out to be the man's last day on the earth. And he had spent it thinking only of himself. How foolish!

Don't be ashamed of living differently from the people around you. Be confident as you set priorities based on what is above. You are wise in God's eyes, and you will be rich in what matters most.

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Recently Deceased:

Barry Swan, Jackie Green

Anniversary: Jillian McInerney, Ardina Dudok, June Traynor, Mathilde Clemence, Diane Eccles, Nola Fualkner, Andrew Kenna, John Connelly, Olive Cockroft, Merle Maloney, Benito Berces, Caleb Heddle, Marie Uhr, Evelyn Guy, Lorraine Rickard, Denes Bogsanyi, Edward Carr, Christine Robinson, Basil Smith, Maryte Puzax, Joan Hafner, Michael Ciszek, Leonard Hill, Keith Hobling, Joyce Olive, Bona Duffy, Donald Telford, Lindsay Guest, Adam Markham, Arthur O'Callaghan, Wesley Perceval, Margaret Cole

Mass Intentions the week of 1 – 7 August

Mon 01/08	Magdalene Suh
Wed 03/08	Fallace Family Members
Thur 04/08	Available [contact the office]
Fri 05/08	Doris Galea

Sat 06/08	
5:00pm	Thomas Bannon

Sun 07/08	
8:30am	Dominic Pham
10:00am	Kathleen Noakes
6:00pm	Parish Intentions

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

Claim the Date Friday 21 October 2022 Chevalier Day



Morning Mass 9:30am followed by morning tea in the foyer.

Trivia Night – 6:30pm in the parish centre
"Canapés, Champagne, Quiche"

Come dressed in a French theme



Brush up on your knowledge for the Trivia Night.

Q.1 – Who was Jules Chevalier?

Q.2 – What is the significance of 21 October?

Answers provided in COMPACT next week.

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 10:00am
Meditation	Friday 5:15-6.30 pm
Rosary	Monday – Friday 9:05am
Eucharistic Adoration	1 st Thursday of the Month 7:30pm – 8:30pm
Adult Choir	Wednesday 7:30pm

SOCIAL LIFE

St Johns Friendship Group	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
Men's Group	3 rd Friday of the Month 6:00pm Parish Centre

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

In every age, O Lord,
you have been our refuge.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia
Happy the poor in spirit;
The kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia

Readings – 7 August 2022

First Reading	Wis 18:6-9
Psalm	Ps 32:1, 12, 18-20, 22
Second Reading	Heb 11:1-2, 8-19
Gospel	Luke 12:32-48

SJA Men's Group

Meeting Monthly 6:00pm – 8:00pm

For more information
contact the parish office.

Next gathering: Friday 19 August
St John the Apostle Parish Centre



ROSTERS

7 August Lector Roster

5:00pm	Fay Padarin, Paul McGrath
8:30am	Elizabeth McDonald, John O'Heir
10:00am	Robin Williams, Frank Colley
6:00pm	Joe Ots, Erin Trevaskis

7 August Ministers of Communion

5:00pm	Joy McInerney, Judy Netting
8:30am	Carmel Screen, Pat Cowburn
10:00am	Anthony Noakes, Shovin Weerawaunkula
6:00pm	Marian Crowley, Andrew Luck

7 August Hospitality Roster

5:00pm	Kay Dwyer, Chitra Jayawardena
8:30am	Rob Breen, Carmel Screen
10:00am	Libby Kain, Margarete Gill
6:00pm	Christine Lancaster

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society:	31 July	Gabe Culhane
Grounds	6 Aug	Vacant
Church Cleaning:	31 July	Marian England, Sharon Greaves

On a lighter note



"I think diabetes is affecting my eyesight.
I have trouble seeing the consequences
of poor food choices."

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Virtual Weekend - 19-21 August

Worldwide Marriage Encounter conducted by Zoom allowing couples to attend from the comfort of their own homes. The weekend starts at 7PM on Friday 19th August and concludes with Mass at 4PM on Sunday 21 August.

Book online at www.wwme.org.au or contact Mercy & James Bvirakare on 0409 183 676 or vicbooking@wwme.org.au