

COMPACT



St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

Celebrating 50 Years

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7 August 2022

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Reflection

Investing in the Kingdom

The 1st Century Christians waited in expectation and anticipation for the imminent triumphant return of the Christ. When Christ's return did not happen as soon as they thought it would an attitude emerged that if we don't know when Christ will return, then we need to live 'in anticipation' of it.

We too need to live as *if* the second coming of Christ were imminent. So, rather than waiting for the kingdom of God to be delivered, we must live our lives in such a way as to bring about the kingdom; to draw the kingdom into the present. Jesus often spoke of the kingdom as both near and not yet. If we all live the values of the kingdom, by our very actions we bring the kingdom into being. This gives an incredible significance to the way we choose to live our lives. If we 'invest' in the kingdom by living out the values of the kingdom and living in expectation of the second coming of Christ, then that 'investment' is its own reward.

Jesus responds to Peter's question about the parable being for everyone in a roundabout way by speaking about a steward acting either faithfully and with wisdom or alternatively irresponsibly and recklessly. A steward is one who stands in the place of the master during the master's absence – taking on the duties, responsibilities and authority of the master. That's exactly what Christian people are called to do: become stewards who act in the place of Jesus as we await his return. Good stewards are awake when the master comes, with lamps lit and dressed for action.

Today's Gospel teaches us that our Christian life should be marked by five characteristics: that we,

- willingly share with those in need;
- are ready to act justly;
- stay alert to the presence of God in the world;
- guard against those people or things that can rob us of our faith;
- not abuse others but live in peace.

With or without a sense that Jesus is due back at any minute, the Christian life is meant to focus on the essentials.

Resources used: *Homily*, Richard Leonard Sj and *Reflection*, 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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Women's Taskforce Annual Dinner
The Archdiocese Catholic Women's Taskforce annual fundraising dinner
Guest speaker is Dr Ursula Stephens, Former Senator and CEO Australian Catholic Safeguarding Limited. Funds raised go to MacKillop House, a place of safety for women and children in need
October 28th 6.30 pm,
Woden Southern Cross Club.

Earlybird tickets \$65.

Book via <https://womenstaskforceacg.org> or call 0487388873.



St Vincent de Paul Society
good works

Vinnies Winter Appeal

Our Winter Appeal to provide safety to women and children fleeing Domestic Violence raised almost \$6000. Thank you for generous support. Donations can be made at: www.vinnies.org.au or by phone at 13 18 12.

SERRA CLUB OF CANBERRA

Is committed to providing ongoing support for priests, deacons and consecrated men and women who dedicate their lives in service to others.

Brochures on the Serra Australia Foundation are available in the foyer.

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

Feast of the Assumption

Monday 15 August 2022
Mass will be celebrated at
9:30am and 6:00pm

Pins & Needles Craft Group

15 August 2022
7:15pm Parish Library



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

SJA BOOK CLUB

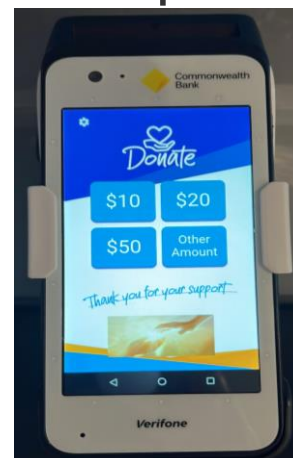
We encourage anyone interested in joining us to come along.

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

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.

“Be on earth the Heart of God”

Heart Spirituality



The central place of the Heart of Christ

The Heart of God hastens down to creation, borne by the weight of an infinite love, and the heart of creation rises towards God, drawn by an attraction that dominates all others.

It is in Jesus that these two hearts meet, and they unite so profoundly that the two hearts become one, and this single Heart is the fruit both of heaven and of earth: *See the sprout of which the Prophets spoke! The heavens have given it like dew, the clouds have poured it out like rain, and the earth has seen it spring from within it. Creation has a purpose, it has one fruit to produce: it is your Heart, my Jesus!*

Jules Chevalier msc,
Le Sacré-Coeur de Jésus, p. 76, 1900, Paris.

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

Stewardship

Your Heart – Your Treasure

Whether you are just beginning your stewardship journey or have been living a stewardship way of life for years, today's readings invite us to ask ourselves an important question to ponder.

The question is this: "What do you treasure?" Of course, we all know the "right" answer: we treasure our faith, our family, and our friendships. But Jesus tells us in the Gospel passage from Luke how we can discover the real answer to this question. He says, "For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be."

To discern what we really treasure, we need to do a check on our hearts. We can each ask ourselves, "Where do I spend the majority of my energy? Where do I find my thoughts dwelling? How do I choose to spend my time when I find myself with a few spare moments? What do my spending habits reveal about my what is important to me?"

As Christian stewards, we are called to live our lives in grateful response to all that God has given us. Do I recognize and treasure these gifts?

www.catholicsteward.com

Recently Deceased:

Anniversary: Edward Carr, Christine Robinson, Basil Smith, Maryte Puzas, 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, Alfred Clynch, Manning Hoy, Dominic Pham, Mieka Van Rooy, Lidia DeMontis, Indianna Forth, Norman Pentland, Phillip Doran, Denise Smith, Leslie Ferry, Ray Allen, George Brettell, James Marlor, Horst Lawatsch, Iris Schofield.

Mass Intentions the week of 8 – 14 August

Mon 08/08	Mieka Van Rooy
Wed 10/08	Sharilyn Carr
Thur 11/08	Available [contact the office]
Fri 12/08	Philippa Ness

Sat 13/08	
5:00pm	Parish Intentions

Sun 14/08	
8:30am	Horst Lawatsch
10:00am	John Pham
6:00pm	Wilfred Fernando

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
Dinner and Wine provided, please bring a dessert

Come dressed in a French theme
Brush up your knowledge for the Trivia Night. These questions will be part of the trivia night
Q.1 – What town in France did Jules establish the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart of Jesus?
Q.2 – What was Jules Chevalier's occupation before he entered the seminary?
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:

Happy the people the Lord has chosen to be his own.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia
Be watchful and ready:
You know not when the Son of Man is coming.
Alleluia

Readings – 14 August 2022

First Reading	Jer 38:4-6, 8-10
Psalm	Ps 39:2-4, 182
Second Reading	Heb 12:1-4
Gospel	Luke 12:49-53

Chevalier Day Trivia Answers

Last weeks answers:

1. Jules Chevalier was the founding priest of the Society of the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart.
2. 21 October 1907 – Anniversary of the death of Jules Chevalier msc

ROSTERS

14 August Lector Roster

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

14 August Ministers of Communion

5:00pm	Maria Catanzariti, James Nield
8:30am	Shane Murtagh
10:00am	Frank Colley, Margarete Gill
6:00pm	John McGee, Chitra Jayawardena

14 August Hospitality Roster

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

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society:	7 Aug	Margaret Ferguson
Grounds	13 Aug	Rob Breen, Dennis Puniard, Mike Blyth, Sabina Van Rooy
Church Cleaning:	7 Aug	John O'Heir, Pat Keenan, Debbie and Ted Milne

On a lighter note



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