

# COMPACT



## St John the Apostle Parish

*A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish*

*Celebrating 50 Years*

**22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**28 August 2022**

**Year C**  
**#40.22**

## Reflection

### Social Justice Sunday

#### Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse

##### Jesus Rejects Violence

Jesus' way of relating to women could not be more different from the toxic masculinity of the 'man box rules'. Consider the story of the woman threatened with stoning (John 8:1-11). A woman - but somehow not the man - caught committing adultery is dragged in front of Jesus in the temple by the Scribes and Pharisees in order to set a trap for Jesus. Her life hangs in the balance, but she is not allowed to speak. She is treated as a non-person, disposable, just a tool in a power game.

Jesus uses his status as a male teacher to turn the situation around. He rejects the Scribes' and Pharisees' understanding of sin and God's response to it, which appears to justify violence against women. He actively intervenes to prevent it. Jesus' response shows that an authentic understanding of the righteousness of God concerning relations between women and men is transformative and saves all concerned from such violence. In this story Jesus rejects the use of religious traditions to justify violence.

[Social Justice Statement p. 8]

This year's Social Justice Statement, **Respect: Confronting Violence and Abuse**, invites us to engage with a complex and confronting social reality. It explores the roots of violence and abuse, honours the voices of victims, offers a social and theological exploration of the reality of violence, especially against women and children, and invites us to develop relationships in all parts of our lives 'marked by equality and reciprocity rather than domination and violence, respect and freedom rather than coercion and control.' We welcome this urgent call from our Church to deepen our faith through full and frank discussion and dialogue, advocacy and action.

If the content of the Statement raises issues or concerns for you, please refer to the **Getting Help** page in the Statement for a list of support channels, or speak to a trusted friend, your GP, your parish priest or parish pastoral worker.

## Parish Administration

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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

### ST JOHN THE APOSTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

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[www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au](http://www.socialjustice.catholic.org.au)  
Tel 02 6201 9845

# Chevalier Day Friday 21 October 2022

Theme is everything French  
double the celebrations

- Morning Mass 9:30am  
followed by a French morning tea in the church foyer.
- Trivia Night 6:30pm -  
parish centre  
6:30pm Dinner  
7:30pm Trivia



*Dinner and Wine provided, please bring a dessert*

Brush up your MSC & French knowledge for the Trivia Night. These questions will be included in the trivia.

Q.9 – How many kilometres is Issoudun from Paris?

Q.10 – How many countries in the world have an MSC presence?

*Answers provided in COMPACT next week.*

## KIT@Kippax

We are looking for your stories for the August edition of KIT.

Please email your contributions to

[marian@stjohnkippax.org.au](mailto:marian@stjohnkippax.org.au)

By Friday 26 August

**Contemplative Prayer with  
the Blessed Sacrament  
First Thursday of the Month –  
1 September- 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.

**St John the Apostle Parish  
Heart to Heart Retreat**

**Fri 7 – Sun 9 October 2022**

**MSC Retreat Team**

**Bookings Essential**

Email: [marian@stjohnkippax.org.au](mailto:marian@stjohnkippax.org.au)

**“Be on earth the Heart of God”**

# Youth NIGHT

**Sunday  
28 August 2022  
7:00pm – 9:00pm  
Parish Centre**

Phone Parish Office  
6254 3236

See Judge Act  
Saint John Apostle

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- Do you believe in equality and justice?
- Do you care about our environment?
- Do you believe in having a voice?
- Do you want to meet others and have fun?

## Child Protection Week 4-10 September 2022



<https://www.napcan.org.au/ncpw>

**108th World Day of Migrants & Refugees  
25 September 2022**

*Building the Future with  
Migrants & Refugees*

## CatholicCare Retirement Villas - Aranda and Campbell

CatholicCare currently has several vacancies at our retirement villas based in Aranda and Campbell. For further information on the vacant villas and to view the villas please contact Dominica McNamara, Retirement Villas Manager, on [property.management@catholiccare.cg.org.au](mailto:property.management@catholiccare.cg.org.au) or on 6162 6100 to indicate your interest.



*Embrace the Call to Global Mission*

American Samoa, Cambodia, Kiribati, Palms Australia, Papua New Guinea, Philippines, Samoa, Solomon Islands, Tanzania, Thailand, Timor-Leste and Zambia are requesting Australian Catholics to live in and share their skills with parish communities.

**Enquire online** or Ph: 0422 742 567 and **Register** for a Webinar on **Saturday September 24th at 11:30am** where you can talk directly with Veronica Lawson who is mentoring teachers in Pago Pago, American Samoa now. Or visit others already engaged in Mission with Palms on our **13-day Encounter Tour to Timor-Leste from October 16th to 28th**.

# Heart Spirituality

## Humility

Jesus says, I put humility first among all the virtues, because it is the root of all the others, and because it was especially humility that I taught the world.

If you possess it, you will avoid spectacular actions; you will remain in the shade, unless obedience calls you forward.

Those who always want to attract attention, or who appear only when they are sure of success, are far from possessing this virtue. They seek fame and applause more than anything else.

“Vanity of vanities.”

Jules Chevalier msc -  
Ecole du Sacré-Coeur Issoudun, 1892, p. 179.

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

## Stewardship

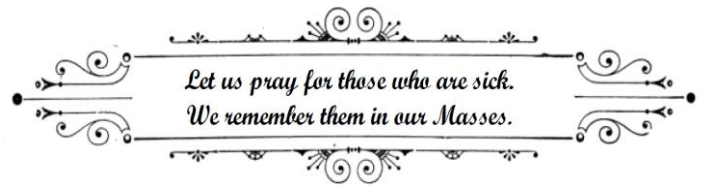
## True Humility

Jesus' parable into today's reading is not a lesson in etiquette. He is reminding us that all glory belongs to God. The visual image He offers in having to slink down to a lower seat at the table points out how silly we are when we forget to give God the credit for our blessings and talents.

On the other hand, when we live in humility — recognizing that all we have is a gift from God and using those gifts to serve Him and others — then God “exalts” us by filling us with even more of Himself and His grace.

Jesus encourages us to serve and share our blessings with people facing circumstances that would make it impossible for them to offer us any worldly advantage or prestige — “the poor, the crippled, the lame.”

Our attitude and how we serve and share should be centred on true humility. [www.catholicsteward.com](http://www.catholicsteward.com)



**Recently Deceased:** Mieke Foley

**Anniversary:** Hedwig Von Straaten, Joseph Weinheber, Andres Munoz, Tere Fearon, Bill Fearon, Anna Yoo, Sheila Dignam, Antonia Mrsnik, Armando, Cavuoto, Patrick Sheehan, Barry Cormack, Gladys Anderson, Virginia Matera, Melinda Davis, Annette Polak, Mary Huon Nguyen, William Wiegold, Philip Smith, Mary Telford, Gaye Walmsley, Susan O'Dwyer, Josephine Smith, Ralph Dunn, William Schofield, Dorothy Husch, Andre Domajn, Ivan Jones, Kathleen MacKay, Colin McEvoy, Anton Mrsnik, Sonia Mewburn, Andrew Jeffers, Wesley Dunn, Patrick Whittle, Joseph Boyd, John Grannall, Michelle Brewer, Alvaro del Busto, Christopher Halloran, Elizabeth Murray, Des Kiley, Sheila Whigham, Giuseppe Scalora

## Mass Intentions the week of 29 August – 4 September

Mon 29/08	Arockia Swamy
Wed 31/08	Anne Harney
Thur 01/09	Paul & Aileen McGrath
Fri 02/09	Magdalene Suh
Sat 03/09	
5:00pm	Sonia Mewburn
Sun 04/09	
8:30am	Sr. Magali & Sr Claire
10:00am	Maria Pham
6:00pm	Parish Intentions

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

## Parish Office Happenings

Fr. Kimi will be away from the office from Thursday 1 September and returning Monday 19 September. During this time he will attend a Provincial Council meeting, do his annual retreat and take one weeks annual leave.

Marian will be at a msc Parishes  
Committee retreat 5 -12 September



## 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	1st Thursday of the Month 7:30pm – 8:30pm
Adult Choir	Wednesday 7:30pm

## SOCIAL LIFE

Youth Group Sunday Fortnightly	<i>Next Meeting – 28 August 2022 7:00pm Parish Centre</i>
St Johns Friendship Group	<i>Last Wednesday of the Month 9:30am Mass and morning tea</i>
Pins & Needles	<i>3rd Monday of the Month 7:15pm Parish Library</i>
Book club	<i>3rd Sunday of the Month 3:00pm Parish Library</i>
Women's Breakfast	<i>4th Tuesday of the Month 7:30am Bean Origin Belconnen</i>
Men's Group	<i>3rd Friday of the Month 6:00pm Parish Centre</i>

### **RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:**

God, in your goodness,  
you have made a home for the poor.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, Alleluia  
Take my yoke upon you; Learn from me,  
for I am gentle and lowly in heart.  
Alleluia

### **Readings – 4 September 2022**

First Reading	Wis 9:13-18
Psalm	Ps 89:3-6, 12-14, 17
Second Reading	Phlm 9-10, 12-17
Gospel	Luke 14:25-33

### **Chevalier Day Trivia Answers**

Last week's answers:

7. The Basilica of Issoundun

8a. Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary and

8b. Founding day of the Missionaries of the Sacred Heart – 8 Dec 1854

## ROSTERS

### **4 Sept Lector Roster**

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

### **4 Sept Ministers of Communion**

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

### **4 Sept 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:	28 Aug	Margaret Stanford
Grounds	3 Sept	Vacant
Church Cleaning:	28 Aug	Joseph Le Van Hai, Sam Van Nguyen

### On a Lighter note



Early plumbers