

# COMPACT



## St John the Apostle Parish

*A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish*

*Celebrating 50 Years*

**24<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**11 September 2022**

**Year C**  
**#42.22**

## Reflection

### A Sheep Lost and Found

A sheep was enjoying his grass . . . and then when he started feeling chilly, he didn't recall, but the only thing that he remembers is that suddenly he became aware that he was cold, and there was a throwback in his mind, and he realized that he had been cold for some time. But, the grass was good. Then he looked around, and he discovered that he was alone. That everybody had gone. That is, that all the sheep had gone. And he began crying aloud.

And then the shepherd, who had many sheep, missed him when he got back to the fold, and he left his ninety and nine . . . to try to find this sheep that was lost. And Jesus says, "God is like that." Nothing heavy and theological about that. Very little that is dogmatic, technically, about it. Just that here is a shepherd who loves his sheep, and one of the sheep in doing the most natural thing in the world—and that is to eat the grass—did it with such enthusiasm and over a time interval of such duration that he didn't know when the shepherd called, and he was lost.

And why was he lost? He was lost because he was out of touch . . . with the group that sustained him, the group that fed him, that gave him a sense that he counted. That's all. And as soon as he was out there alone, he said, "I'm just here by myself. Nothing but me in all of this? And I want to feel that I count with the others." There's a certain warmth in that. There's a certain something that is creative and redemptive about the sense of community, about the fellowship.

The lost sheep. The searching shepherd. And the cry of anguish of the sheep was the voice of identification that the shepherd heard. That is how God is, if we let him.

*Taken from: Daily Meditations by Richard Rohr 30 Aug 2022*

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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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## Heart to Heart Retreat

St John the Apostle Parish

Fri 7 – Sun 9 October 2022

Presented by the

MSC Retreat Team

Bookings Essential

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## YCS - SJA Parish Youth Group

18 September  
4:00pm – 6:00pm  
SJA Parish Centre

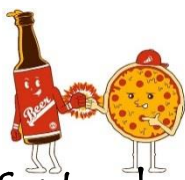
Do you believe in equality and justice?  
Do you care about the environment?  
Do you want to meet others and have fun?  
Contact Parish Office – 6254 3236

### Vinnies Poor Box Appeal

All donations to the poor box during September will be sent to support the community of Sts Peter and Paul in Tamil Nadu, India, our Vinnies twin conference. They are a small rural-based community who rely on farming of paddy rice and corn for food and income.  
Thank you for your contribution.

### SJA Men's Group

Meeting Monthly  
6:00pm – 8:00pm



Next gathering: Friday 16 September  
St John the Apostle Parish Centre

### Pins & Needles Craft Group

19 September 2022  
7:15pm Parish Library



## WOMEN'S BREAKFAST



TUESDAY 27 SEPT – 7:30AM  
BEAN ORIGIN CAFÉ  
NETTLEFOLD STREET BELCONNEN

## SJA BOOK CLUB

We encourage anyone interested in joining us to come along.

**We are reading:**

***The Giver of Stars* by Jojo Moyes**

*Story is inspired by true events, in Depression-era Kentucky, Eleanor Roosevelt wanted to get literature to the Appalachian Mountains in Kentucky. Women volunteers on horse back ran a program from 1935-43 delivering books to more than a hundred thousand poor rural inhabitants.*

St John's Library – 18 September - 3:00pm



This weekend, the Catholic Church in Australia marks Safeguarding Sunday, on which we pray for those who have been abused, their families and supporters. We recognise and apologise for the harm done by priests, religious and lay people in Church settings. Rebuilding trust and confidence in the Church requires constant work and vigilance. We recommit to cultural change that will help the Church be a place where people feel safe and supported.

You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at:

[www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday](http://www.catholic.org.au/safeguardingsunday)

### Child Protection Week 4-10 September 2022



'Every child, in every community, needs a fair go'.

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

### 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

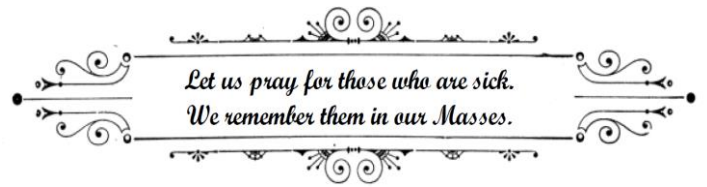


*Dinner and Wine provided, please bring a dessert*  
**Brush up your MSC & French knowledge for the Trivia Night. These questions will be included in the trivia. Category MSC's at Kippax**

- Q.11 – What month and year did the MSC's begin Ministering at SJA?
- Q.12 – What anniversary is SJA celebrating this year?

Answers provided in COMPACT next week.

# Heart Spirituality



## The return of the prodigal son

He has made up his mind:  
*I shall arise and go.....*

He does not put off his departure until tomorrow.

He sets out right away at a fast pace.

He hurries to throw himself into the arms of him whom he has saddened so much by his foolish flight; him whom he has offended grievously by his disorderly behaviour.

He thinks only of one thing:  
To appeal to his mercy and to ask his pardon.

His heart is broken in repentance,  
making him shed tears of sorrow.

This is how I should feel!

I have offended God who is my Father.

In a moment of foolishness, I have distanced myself from him;

I have saddened his heart by straying.  
He is worried about what is happening to me;

I feel that he is calling me; he is yearning for my return;

he is waiting for me day and night;  
he makes the first move by his grace.

I cannot resist any longer.

So it is decided:

*I shall arise and go!.....*

Jules Chevalier msc,  
Retraite, p. 84f, 1904, Issoudun.

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



## Recently Deceased: Jean Reid

**Anniversary:** John O'Neill, Leslie Collins, Joan Larkham, Jennifer Kenny, Alice Gibb, Taya Quade, Marie Happ, Susan Ferguson, Honoria Kelly, Kathleen Wiltshire, Cedric Pratt, Denise Busch, Mary Prosper, Raymond Free, Graham Ottewill, Robert Caskie, Pauline Jones, Therese Le, Don Nicol, Lynette katlewski, Peter Hill, Allan Biggs, Xavier Munoz, John Haley, Frances Critchlow, Antonio Ahn, Magdalen Ripszam, Marijona Grybaitis, Jan Nassir, Bernard Roberts, Josephine Mulligan.

## Mass Intentions the week of 12 - 18 September

Mon 12/09	Xavier Munoz
Wed 14/09	Alfred Crossley
Thur 15/09	Sue Brentall
Fri 16/09	Prudence O'Dea
<b>Sat 17/09</b>	
5:00pm	Jean Tierney
<b>Sun 18/09</b>	
8:30am	Fr. Joseph Phan
10:00am	Maria Nguyen
6:00pm	Peter Clarke

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

## Stewardship

### Gratitude

Today's readings focus on the personal, passionate, and merciful love of God which should fill us with unending gratitude to Him.

In our second reading, St. Paul is well aware of the sins he has committed. But this does not hold him back from ministry. Rather, it makes him all the more grateful to be God's steward. How encouraging to know that this is true for us as well.

What gratitude we owe to such a personal, passionate, loving God! Just think, even our sins, once forgiven, become a source of fuel for our stewardship way of life as we reflect with deep gratitude on the powerful mercy of our Saviour.

[www.catholicsteward.com](http://www.catholicsteward.com)

**"Be on earth the Heart of God"**



# 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 <sup>st</sup> Thursday of the Month 7:30pm – 8:30pm
Adult Choir	Wednesday 7:30pm

# SOCIAL LIFE

Youth Group Sunday Monthly	<i>Next Meeting – 18 September</i> 4:00pm – 6:00pm Parish Centre
St Johns Friendship Group	<i>Last Wednesday of the Month</i> 9:30am Mass and morning tea
Pins & Needles	<i>3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the Month</i> 7:15pm Parish Library
Book club	<i>3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month</i> 3:00pm Parish Library
Women's Breakfast	<i>4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the Month 7:30am</i> Bean Origin Belconnen
Men's Group	<i>3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the Month 6:00pm</i> Parish Centre

## RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

I will rise and go to my father.

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia  
 God was in Christ, to reconcile the world  
 to himself;  
 And the Good News of reconciliation  
 he has entrusted to us.  
 Alleluia

## Readings – 18 September 2022

First Reading	Am 8:4-74
Psalm	Ps 112:1-2, 4-8
Second Reading	2 Cor 8:9
Gospel	Luke 16:10-13

### Chevalier Day Trivia Answers

Last week's answers:  
 11. Fr. Harry Morrissey msc  
 12. Daramalan

# ROSTERS

## 18 Sept Lector Roster

5:00pm	Joe Catanzariti, Colleen Reed
8:30am	Carmel Screen, Darren Maharj
10:00am	Libby Kain, Kate Lawrence
6:00pm	Matthew Garton, Anna Cirocco

## 18 Sept Ministers of Communion

5:00pm	Janet Almond, Gordon Donnir
8:30am	Fay Stephenosn, Theresia Suh
10:00am	Sugi Mohanadas, Ann Reynolds
6:00pm	Brian Mahony

## 18 Sept Hospitality Roster

5:00pm	Carol Moore, Marie McKie
8:30am	Clyde and Norma Sloan
10:00am	Vacant
6:00pm	Brian Mahony

## Weekly Rosters

Altar Society:	11 Sep	Pat Gilchrist
Grounds	17 Sept	Vacant
Church Cleaning:	11 Sep	Christine Lancaster, Shovin Weerawaunakula

## 108<sup>th</sup> World Day of Migrants & Refugees

25 September 2022

*Building the Future with  
Migrants & Refugees*

Link to Pope Francis message:

<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/migration/documents/20220509-world-migrants-day-2022.html>

## St John's Friendship Group

next meeting on **Wednesday 28 September** for Mass at 9:30am, followed by morning tea in the parish centre.

Please come and join us, you are all most welcome. Please bring a plate to share.

## On a Lighter note

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**"Your health insurance doesn't pay for heartburn.  
You need fire insurance for that."**