COMPACT

St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

Celebrating 50 Years

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time 16 October 2022

Reflection

Prayer Changes Us

When Jesus tells this parable about the widow and the judge, he is actually painting a picture about God for his disciples. This is not to suggest that God needs to be worn down by persistence but rather it is a description of what God is not. If such a wicked and unjust judge can eventually be worn down, how much more quickly will God respond to a just cause?

Yet the parable is told to reinforce the need to pray continually. The continuous prayer is not to wear God down – like the judge – but rather to demonstrate the genuine need.

There is a long and venerable tradition in the Church that claims that prayer changes us. Prayer traditions such as fasting, abstinence and pilgrimages, for example, do not change God, but are meant to change the person who undertakes them. These things can enable us to be more responsive or receptive to whatever happens in life. This tradition needs to be reclaimed.

The idea of prayer changing us, changes our prayer – giving it greater dynamism and urgency. While we may not know the mind or will of God, we often know our own thoughts and desires. We can usually pinpoint what needs recrafting or reshaping in us so that we may live out the goodness and love of God more clearly. Confronting and converting these obstacles, with God, we can see our prayer at its boldest and bravest. At these times we can enjoy God's healing and forgiveness. And because conversion is a lifetime process, Jesus encourages us not to lose heart but to pray always and hold on to faith even when the going gets tough.

John Powell once said, 'God knows what we want and need before we open our mouths. In prayer, then, he does not need a performance from us. He longs for an act of love.'

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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

ST JOHN THE APOSTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal: Matthew Garton Pawsey Circuit Florey Phone: 6258 3592 Email: office.sjaps@cg.catholic.edu.au www.sjaps.act.edu.au



Anointing of the Sick within mass Friday 28 October 11:00am

Followed by lunch served in the Church Foyer. If you know of someone who is housebound who would like to attend this mass please telephone the parish office – 6254 3236.



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SJAYouth • YCS

Young Christian Students 16 October 7:00pm – 9:00pm SJA Parish Centre

Do you want to meet others and have fun? Do you believe in equality and justice? Do you care about the environment? Enquiries please contact the Parish Office -Phone 6254 3236 • kippax@cg.org.au

Heart Spirituality "Jesus loved with a human heart" Follow Up Session to the Heart to Heart Retreat

Sunday 30 October 3:00pm - 4:30pm St John the Apostle Parish Centre

Even if you did not attend the Heart to Heart retreat you are invited to attend this Heart Spirituality session. Please contact the Parish Office



Pins & Needles Mon 17 October – 7:15pm Parish Library

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST



TUESDAY 25 OCTOBER – 7:30AM BEAN ORIGIN CAFÉ NETTLEFOLD STREET BELCONNEN

St John's Friendship Group next meeting on Wednesday 26 October 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.

Relax, Review, Reflect We will be watching "Esio Trot"



Friday 28 October at 7:00pm in the parish library.

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.2 Where in the Northern Territory are the MSC's involved in Aboriginal Mission?

Chevalier Day

Friday 21 October 2022

Theme is everything French

double the celebrations

followed by a French morning tea in

Trivia Night 6:30pm - Parish Centre -

Morning Mass 9:30am

the church foyer.

Q. 22 What is the name of the parish of the Aboriainal Mission?

Q. 23 How many parishes in Australia do the MSC's currently minister to?

Q. 24 In 2023 how many parishes in Australia will the MSC's minister to?

Answers provided in this COMPACT.

Email your contributions to Marian at marian@stjohnkippax.org.au

20-22 OCTOBER 2022 Year of Walking Together Evangelise **Online Conference**

Catholics around Australia are invited to a unique, national event that will inspire, transform and revitalise faith communities! With presentations and workshops hosted by some of Australia's most renowned Catholic speakers, 'Evangelise' will cover a range of mission and ministry topics, from cultural engagement to liturgy and Sacraments. Find out more, including the event program and keynote speakers at http://www.evangelisation.catholic.org.au/

Becoming Catholic

If you, or if you know someone who is interested in becoming Catholic please contact the parish office. Phone: 6254 3236 or

Email: marian@stjohnkippax.org.au

"Be on earth the Heart of God"

Heart Spirituality

Reparation involves prayer

We will pray to him with all the fervour of which we are capable. Prayer consoles, prayer disarms, prayer obtains all things (Sir. 35:21). Prayer, even by itself so efficacious, becomes as it were all powerful when united with the sentiments of Jesus' Heart, and when we imitate the example he gave us; because then God sees in us the image of his Son, through the reproductions of his virtues in us. WE shall feel ourselves burning with zeal to promote the glory of the Heart of Jesus, to extend his kingdom, to win souls, to make him reign everywhere. In this way we shall repair the offenses committed against him.

> Jules Chevalier msc. Le Sacré-Coeur de Jesus, p. 224f. Paris 1900.

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

Stewardship

Persistence in Prayer

The four pillars of parish stewardship are hospitality, prayer, formation, and service. Today's readings show us the immense value of prayer and the privileged place it must have in our individual lives and in our parish community.

In today's Gospel passage from Luke Jesus uses the parable of the widow who finally wears down the judge with her unrelenting persistence in her pursuit of a just ruling from him on her behalf. This outlandish example draws a vivid contrast between a reluctant, dishonest judge and our loving, allmerciful Father. If even a bad judge will give a good result in response to a persistent request, how much more (infinitely more) eagerly and perfectly will our good Father respond to our persistent prayers to Him.

If he delays in responding, if he provides a different response from the one we were expecting, we can remain confident and trusting in His goodness, knowing that His response, whenever it comes and in whatever form, will be the very best one for us. Our job then, as Christian stewards, is simply to remain faithful to our relationship with God through prayer.



Recently Deceased:

Anniversary: Raymond Dummett, Iosif Szakal, Gwen Jones, John Whigham, Eugenia Wlodarczyk, Connie Thomas, Brenda Boreham, Bradley Wattam, Luke White, Audrey Walker, Michael O'Neill, Margaret van Halderen, Lauri Brennan, Malcolm Waterton, Edwardus Van Audenaerde, Jeffrey Ashauer, Hernando Paz, Peter Naughton, Justin Fisher, George Heath, Matthew Nelson, Ferdo Sonnenberg, Angela Bajrami, Chee Keng Loh, Sebastian Licciarrello, Bruce Davis, Patricia Hall, Cheryl Tramantini, Ursula Gormley, Constanct Goodall, Richard Koch, Carmel Johnston, Johannes Blengst, Michael McKenzie-McHarg, Robert Imber, Ross Webber, Marion Boland, Barry Parsons, Patricia Harman, Dorothy Suttn, William Lilley, Patrick Menzies, Anne Jones, Helen Gorrell, Nicholas Moore

Mass Intentions the week of 17 - 23 October

Mon 17/10	
Wed 19/10	
Thur 20/10	Kevin Suh
Fri 21/10	Available [contact the office]
Sat 22/10	
6:00pm	Gordon Riggs snr
Sun 23/10	
8:30am	
10:00am	
6:00pm	

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

PLANT STALLS

Calvary Hospital Auxiliary will be holding two plant stalls in October:

*Thursday 20 October, 8am-4pm, Jamison Centre, (outside Aldi); and

*Thursday 27 October, 8am-4pm,

Calvary Public Hospital

(outside front entrance, in foyer if raining). All funds raised will go towards the purchase of equipment for the care and comfort of Calvary Public Hospital patients and staff. Enquiries: Jan 0437790980

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Baptisms	1st & 3rd Sun during Mass
Reconciliation	Sat 5:00pm – 5:30pm
Sacramental Program	Contact Parish Office
School of Religion	Sunday 9.15am
(Parish Centre)	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

Youth Group Sunday Monthly	<i>Next Meeting – 16 October</i> 4:00pm – 6:00pm Parish Centre
St Johns Friendship Group	Last Wednesday of the Month 9:30am Mass and morning tea
Pins &	3 rd Monday of the Month
Needles	7:15pm Parish Library
Book club	3 rd Sunday of the Month 3:00pm Parish Library
Women's	4 th Tuesday of the Month 7:30am
Breakfast	Bean Origin Belconnen
Men's	3 rd Friday of the Month 6:00pm
Group	Parish Centre

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

Our help is from the Lord, who made heaven and earth.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia The word of God is living and active; It probes the thoughts and motives of our heart. Alleluia

Readings – 23 October 2022

First Reading Psalm Second Reading Gospel Sir 35:12-14, 16-183 Ps 32:2-3, 17-19, 23 2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18 Luke 18:9-14

ROSTERS

23 Oct		Lector Roster
	6:00pm	Elaine Laycock, Gordon Donnir
	8:30am	Wendy Wade, Shane Murtagh
	10:00am	Ann Reynolds, James Nield
	6:00pm	Andrew Luck, Marian Crowley
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23 Oct

Ministers of Communion

	6:00pm	John Drury, Laurine Smeaton
	8:30am	Margaret Stanford, Darren Maharaj
	10:00am	Bonnie & Rose Benedictos
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23 Oct		Hospitality Roster
	6.00pm	Ioan Galnin

6:00pm	Joan Galpin	
8:30am	Beatrice Williams	
10:00am	Vacant	
6:00pm	Erin Trevaskis	
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Weekly Rosters

Altar Society	16 Oct	Mary Cruickshank
Grounds	22 Oct	David Pigram, Mike Lavis, Matthew Garton
Church Cleaning:	16 Oct	Carol Blyth, Beatrice Williams, Dushyanthi & Nishan Upasena

On a Lighter note



Chevalier Day Trivia Answers

19. Fr. Chris McPhee msc

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- 21. Wadeye NT
- 22. Our Lady of the Sacred Heart
- 23.10
- 24.8