# **COMPACT**



# St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 16 January 2022 Year C #08.22

# Reflection

# Cana is a sign of the Kingdom of God

The changing of the water into wine is a sign of the Kingdom of God where joy and life are in abundance, where shame ends, and all tears are wiped away. It is no accident that in John's gospel the mother of Jesus is present at this first sign and remains faithful until the end, right up to the culmination of all the signs: Jesus being lifted on the cross. Mary not only asks for a sign, she understands that it will cost something for Jesus to give it and for her to witness it.

For us, the wedding feast at Cana is a taste of the fullness of life we celebrate every Sunday. The Eucharist is always and everywhere a first course in the eternal banquet of heaven. But it is also an invitation to see beyond the signs, to the faithful relationships that require sacrificial love and years of fidelity.

All parents who sacrifice so much for their children, all spouses who remain faithful and good to their wife or husband, all friends who attend to their companions with devotion and care, share in the Kingdom of God and are the signs of Christ's presence in our world. Every time we are kind, Cana occurs again.

Sometimes these actions can be very lonely, and the cost can be high. Today's Gospel, and the traditions of the Church that flow from it, tell us we are not alone, especially when the going gets tough.

Through our common Christian faith, we are connected to millions of believers who have battled with similar, and sometimes greater, struggles than we endure and yet remained faithful to the end. Led by Mary, who never wants us to feel ashamed or embarrassed, they are our cheer squad in the stands of heaven willing us on in the race of life, giving us a few pointers on the best preparation, the pitfalls on the way and how to maximise our performance as we strive to do our best and be our best.

Resource used. Homily, by Richard Leonard SJ

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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

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# Happenings in the parish office

Fr. Kimi is currently on leave and will return to work Thursday 27 January

Sharon will be on leave Wednesday 12 to Friday 21 January.

Marian will be on leave from Monday 24 to Friday 28 January

# Ministry of Home Visitation & Communion to the Sick

Are you discerning your ministry and how you can serve God in our community? The housebound and those who cannot attend weekend mass are parishioners and members of our community. As a parish community we are called to walk with them through love and care of their spiritual needs. Please give your prayerful consideration to this ministry and if it is how God is calling you to serve in our community. Please contact the parish office if you would like to participate or know more about the ministry.

The **SJACare** team.



St John the Apostle parish has been asked to participate in the 2021 NCLS survey which has been extended to finish in February 2022. The surveys have been held every 5 years since 1991 and this will be the fourth survey St John's has participated in. We will undertake the survey over a period of 4 weeks commencing 29/30 January and concluding 19/20 February.

It is expected that thousands of churches across more than 20 denominations will participate in this Australia-wide survey.

HAVE YOUR SAY – every completed survey form represents the voice of a parishioner. Your contribution is valuable in helping build our community. The survey listens to your thoughts, opinions and experiences of church life. It is a positive, inclusive process that reflects on how our ministry and mission together can help equip the leadership team to build for the future.

**SURVEY FORMS** will be distributed and completed at masses the weekend of 12/13 February.

**ONLINE SURVEY'S** are available. If you would like to complete the survey online please contact the parish office.

More information about National Church Life Survey is available on their website. http://ncls.org.au/

# Pins & Needles Craft Group

Monday 17 January 7:15pm Parish Library



SJA Men's Group Meeting Monthly 6:00pm – 8:00pm

For more information contact the parish office.

Next gathering: Friday 21 January St John the Apostle Parish Centre

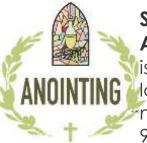
> St John the Apostle Women's Breakfast Tuesday 25 January – 7:30am

Bean Origin

5/32 Nettlefold St, Belconnen



Sunday 23 January and
Sunday 30 January
(after 10am masses in the foyer).
Classes will commence on
Sunday 6th February.



Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

is celebrated on the last Friday of each month after the 9:30am mass.

Next anointing will be 28 January.

"Be on earth the Heart of God"

# **Heart Spirituality**

# Mary shares in the work of redemption

The life of Jesus is marked by three solemn periods: his entry into the world, his public mission, and his death on the cross.

His Mother is associated with these great events that bring about a whole new life. She is there as the sacrament of divine love, as the mysterious helpmate of the new Adam, in a new creation. She gives birth on Calvary to all peoples in God, made fruitful by the blood and grace flowing from his Sacred Heart. At Cana she obtains from her son the first of his miracles; she establishes the Apostles in faith and receives the assurance of the institution of the Eucharist and other sacraments.

 $\label{eq:Jules Chevalier msc - Our Lady of the Sacred Heart 4th Ed. P. 85.}$ 

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

# Stewardship

## Do whatever He tells you

Jesus launches His public ministry at the wedding feast at Cana by performing His first miracle at his mother's request.

May gave the servants instructions that are equally applicable to us modern-day stewards, saying, "Do whatever He tells you." Jesus gives the servants a simple and mundane task, telling them to fill some stone jars with water. Jesus uses their obedience in the to perform His first miracle, turning the water into the choicest wine.

Our Lord did not have to include those servants to perform this miracle — He chose to. And today, 2,000 plus years later, He still chooses to include us in the performance of His miracles through our co-operation with Him in using the gifts and talents He has given us. What a privilege! Let us take care to listen to our Blessed Mother: let us examine our lives this week to see if we really are "doing whatever He tells us." Jesus will perform miracles in our families and our parish.



### **Recently Deceased:**

Br. Cyril Quinlan fms

### **Anniversary:**

Terence Martin, Caterina Fallace, Ann Grannall, Phyllis Morrison, Alexander Beggs, Shaun MacKey, Frederick Felsinger, Josephine Fox, Bradley Keenan, Josephine McLaren, Eugenia Kurzynski, Horace Staunton, Albert Bingham, Leonard Crowe, Ernest Hackett, Christopher Hemmingway, Tara Ottewill, Claudine MacDowell, Danielle Sykes, Brendan Gibson, Chris Thamer, Bernadette Davis, Emanuel Grech, Nicholas McInerney, Joan Casey, James Fitzgibbon, Kyall Green, Maxwell Lewis, Geoffrey Fisher, Michael Sweeney

# Mass Intentions the week of 17 - 23 January

Mon 17/01	Robert Scarr	
Wed 19/01	Available [contact the office]	
Thur 20/01	Amy Stephenson	
Fri 21/01	Philomena de Rose	
Sat 22/01		
6:00pm	Available [contact the office]	
Sun 23/01		
Sun 23/01 8:30am	Parish Intentions	
-	Parish Intentions Available [contact the office]	

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

# RCIA

[Rite of Christian Initiation of an Adult]

will re-commence on Monday 31 January·at 7:30pm in the Parish Library



Perhaps you know someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic?

Come and See John 1:39

## SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Baptisms	1st & 3rd Sun during Mass
Reconciliation	Sat 5:00pm – :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 6.15-7.15 pm
Rosary	Monday – Friday 9:05am
Eucharistic Adoration	1st Friday of the Month
	7:30pm – 8:30pm
Adult Choir	Wednesday 7:30pm

## **SOCIAL LIFE**

Over 45's	Last Wednesday of the Month	
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Pins &	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday of the Month	
Needles	7:15pm Parish Library	
Book club	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month	
BOOK CLUD	3:00pm Parish Library	
Women's	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the Month 7:30am	
Breakfast	Bean Origin Belconnen	
Youth	AGAPE - First & Third Sunday	
Group	after 6:00pm Mass Parish Centre	
Men's	3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday of the Month 6:00pm	
Group	Parish Centre	

#### **SMOKE FREE ZONE**

There is a 4-metre smoke free zone from the entrance and exits of the church buildings. Thank you





**Hearing Loop:** in the central body of the church.

## **TAP & GO** –

The donation amount is set at \$10. As Tap & Go is anonymous, we have no way of identifying who has made the donation, so we are unable to provide a tax receipt



Donations to the 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup> Collections at St John the Apostle Parish can now be made using Qkr



Check In CBR App is mandatory https://www.covid19.act.gov.au/business-and-work/check-in-cbr/information-for-businesses#Using-the-app-at-your-business-or-venue

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

Proclaim his marvellous deeds to all the nations.

### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia!
God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Alleluia!

# Readings – 23 January 2022

First Reading Neh 8:2-6, 8-10
Psalm Ps 18:8-10, 15
Second Reading 1 Cor 12:12-30
Gospel Luke 1:10-4, 4:14-21

### 23 Jan Lector Roster

6:00pm	Erin Trevaskis, Elaine Laycock	
8:30am	Elizabeth McDonald, Shane Murtagh Keran Niquet, Nunga Umaru	
10:00am		
6:00pm	Andrew Luck, Marian Crowley	

### 23 Jan Ministers of Communion

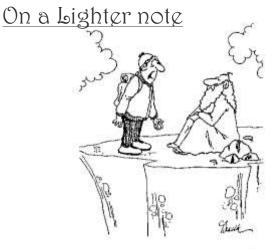
6:00pm	John Drury, Anthony Jayawardena	
8:30am	Brian Green, Darren Maharaj	
10:00am	Francesca Deklin, Robin Williams	
6:00pm Priscilla Gonsalves-Momi, Theresia Suh		

### 23 Jan Hospitality Roster

6:00pm	Joan Galpin
8:30am	Fay Stephenson
10:00am	Francesca Deklin
6:00pm	Prasadi Martinesz

### Weekly Rosters

Altar Society:	16 Jan	Angela Boreham
Grounds	22 Jan	David Pigram, Mike Lavis Matthew Garton
Church Cleaning:	17 Jan	Carol Blyth, Beatrice Williams, Dushyanthi & Nisham Upasena



"You mean I do the Hokie Police and I turn myself around, and that's what it's all about?"