COMPACT



St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

Celebrating 50 Years

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A #10.23

Reflection

The Beatitudes - A Call to Discipleship

Following Jesus and continuing his mission is about shaping a world where the rich and the poor change places, where the last are made first.

Christian discipleship is not preparation for the hereafter. It is the commitment to live now as if the Reign of God had already come – so that it may. Discipleship is not based on private piety and a passive withdrawn attitude towards the world. Discipleship confounds right reason and good sense with right relationships and good heart. It pits the holy against the human. It pits the heart of Christ against the heartlessness of an eminently sensible world.

The disciple of Christ looks for a new world order based on right relationships, on justice, and on love. In a world that builds social relationships on personal gain, personal life on acquisition, and the civic order on charity without social change – discipleship invites tension. "Following Jesus" leads always and everywhere to places where a person would not go, to moments of integrity we would rather do without. It is not doing what Jesus did; it is seeking what Jesus sought.

Discipleship, we know from the life of the Christ whom we follow, is not membership in a social club called a church. Discipleship is not an intellectual exercise of assent to a body of doctrine, Discipleship is an attitude of mind, a quality of soul, a way of living that is not political, but which has serious political implications, that change things because it simply cannot ignore things as they are, things that defy the will of God for humanity.

Discipleship stands bare naked in the middle of the world's marketplace and, in the name of Jesus, cries aloud all the cries of the world until someone, somewhere hears and responds to the poorest of the poor, the lowest of the low, the most outcast of the rejected. The gospels tell us that anything less is bogus discipleship. Christianity is not personal piety it is human community, and discipleship is its voice.

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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

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www.sjaps.act.edu.au

Parish Picnic

The annual parish picnic will be held on Sunday 26 February.
51st Anniversary of the parish

Place: John Knight

Memorial Park

Time: 11:00am

Meat will be provided. Please bring a salad or dessert to share.

Taken from: Awakenings, by Joan Chittister

PARISH SCHOOL OF RELIGION



Enrolments for the Parish School of Religion will take place on this Sunday - 29 January before and after the 10:00am Mass.



Contemplative Prayer with the Blessed Sacrament First Thursday of the Month – 2 February - 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.

SACRAMENTAL DATES 2023 Formation Sessions for parents

Sacrament of Penance 6 February
Sacrament of Confirmation 27 March
Sacrament of the Eucharist 19 June

To register or for more information please contact the parish office: 6254 3236 or kippax@cg.org.au

ANOINTING OF THE SICK WITHIN MASS

Dates for 2023

Friday 24 February

30 June

24 November

at 11:00am

Followed by lunch served in the church foyer.

Outreach to parishioners who are housebound and need help to come to mass.

nten Program

Copies of the Wollongong Diocese Lenten program Triumph will be available for purchase from the SJA Shop from 1 February.

Books \$10.00 each CD \$10.00 each

The Feast of the Presentation of the Lord 2 February 2023

Blessing of Candles

You are invited to bring your prayer candle and before mass place it on the table in front of the altar. Please collect your blessed candle at the conclusion of mass.

22 February Ash Wednesday

Mass times: 9:30am & 6:00pm

CONVOCATION ON SYNODALITY – WHY WE SHOULD CARE

Archbishop Timothy Costelloe, President of the

Australian Catholic Bishops Conference will introduce a virtual Convocation on synodality, The Synod on Synodality: Why we should care, at 7.30pm on Thursday 2 February.

Speakers, including Susan Pascoe,
Francis Sullivan and Patricia Gemmell will discuss the Document for the Continental Stage of the Synod and current work on the imminent Bishops' response. Sponsored by Australasian Catholic Coalition for Church Reform, Garratt Publishing and YTU-University of Divinity.

FREE REGISTRATION: Go to www.garratt.com.au

CHRISTIANS FOR AN ETHICAL SOCIETY 2023 FORUM SERIES

Hope, Truth, and Integrity
BEYOND SELF-CENTEREDNESS:
IS ECONOMICS BUILT ON THE
RIGHT FOUNDATION?

Speaker - Peter Martin AM

Chair - Clive Rodger

TUESDAY 21 FEBRUARY 7:00 PM

NOTE - CHANGE FROM OUR USUAL VENUE

7pm Chambers Pavilion, Australian Centre for Christianity and Culture, Blackall Street (near Kings Ave), Barton ACT

For details see the flyer below or see our website at http://ces.org.au/economics-foundation/

KIT@Kippax

The January edition of KIT will be emailed out next week.
Email your contributions to Marian at marian@stjohnkippax.org.au

Heart Spirituality

Mary - Queen of Apostles

God hungers and thirst to give himself and he does this especially by grace. Mary's greatest need and deepest desire is to assist God's outpouring of himself, by communicating grace. God is an infinitely abundant spring desiring only to pour out it water. Mary is a blessed channel, desiring only to further this outpouring; and she wants this out of love for us. Human beings are made to live the life of God; and so throughout our whole being there is this hunger for God that God alone can satisfy. And so, what a need in Mary to give God to us and to give us to God!

This explains why she is the Queen of apostles. After God, she is to the utmost of her being living love, living zeal.

Jules Chevalier msc, Our Lady of the Sacred Heart, p 173f. Issoudun 1856.

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

Stewardship

Living God-centred lives

Today's Gospel passage tells us how we are to live our lives, the attitudes we are to have. In His Sermon on the Mount Jesus gives a more accurate perspective of who He is.

Living God-centred lives is at the very core of stewardship. Being a disciple of Christ translates into being a steward of our many gifts and blessings. Some scholars believe that Jesus may have given this sermon often during His ministry. Those who followed Jesus and became the earliest Christians, the first members of the Church, were fond of quoting and referring to what the Lord said on this occasion. As stated, Jesus provides us with the secret of living a good life. If we rely on Him and follow Him, we will be blessed.



Recently Deceased: Marie Murphy

Anniversary: Geoffrey Fisher, Michael Sweeney, Armando Arugay, Jane Packard, Frank Ripszam, Michael Ryan, Desmond Jones, Janelle Sykes, Margaret Hill, Declan Morris, Riley Carberry, Rupert Waterford, Jehanne Thelland, Alexander Powell, Alice Tonna, Robert Thomas, Nola Newton, Doreen Kennedy, Salvatore Nasca, Julian Oakley, Violet Duve, Annie McCreath, Clements Cox, Bruce Walker, Carmelia Godfrey.

Mass Intentions the week of 30 January – 5 February

Fri 03/02	Tony Moore
	Available [contact the office]
Wed 01/02	Available [contact the office]
Mon 30/01	Steven Smith

6:00pm	Available [contact the office]
Sun 05/02	
8:30am	Available [contact the office]
10:00am	Available [contact the office]
6:00pm	Available [contact the office]

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

Charnwood Parish Secretary Part Time

People are invited to apply for the position Parish Secretary for St Thomas Aquinas Parish, Charnwood. This is a part-time permanent position of 12 hours per week (preferably Tues, Wed, Thurs 10am-2pm)

Salary will be subject to equivalent Clerk Award Level 4/5 rates. Covering letter addressing the essential requirements and resume to be submitted by 9 February 2023. Please phone Debbie Hofman 6258 1563 or email charnwood@cg.org.au for a copy of the Duty Statement.

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

SOCIAL LIFE

St Johns	Last Wednesday of the Month
Friendship	9:30am Mass and morning tea
Group	
Pins &	3 rd Monday of the Month
Needles	7:15pm 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:

Happy the poor in spirit; The kingdom of heaven is theirs

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia Rejoice and be glad; Your reward will be great in heaven. Alleluia

Readings – 5 February 2023

First Reading Is 58:7-10
Psalm Ps 111:4-9
Second Reading 1 Cor 2:1-5
Gospel Matthew 5:13-16

SJAShop

The Shop is now open before and after Masses on the weekend.



POS machine available or cash.

ROSTERS

)	Feb	Lector Roster
	6:00pm	Fay Padarin, Paul McGrath
	8:30am	Elizabeth McDonald, John O'Heir
Ī	10:00am	Robin Williams, Frank Colley
ĺ	6:00pm	Joe Ots, Erin Trevaskis

5 Feb		Ministers of Communion
	6:00pm	Joy McInerney, Judy Netting
	8:30am	Carmel Screen, Pat Cowburn
	10:00am	Anthony Noakes, Shovin Weeawaunkula
	6:00pm	Marian Crowley, Andrew Luck

5 Feb		Hospitality Roster
	6:00pm	Kay Dwyer, Chitra Jayawardena
	8:30am	Rob Breen, Carmel Screen
	10:00am	Libby Kain, Margarete Gill
	6:00pm	Christine Lancaster

5	Feb	SJAShop
	6:00pm	
	8:30am	
	10:00am	Chris Gray
	6:00pm	

Weekly Rosters

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Altar Society	29 Jan	Gabe Culhane	
Grounds	4 Feb		
Church	29 Jan		
Cleaning:	25 Jan	Edgar Nnajide	

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

On a Lighter note



"Give me the chair and half of your sandwich or no unconditional love for you!"