

# COMPACT



## St John the Apostle Parish

*A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish*

**Second Sunday of Easter**  
**7 April 2024**

**Year B**  
**#19.24**

### **"My Lord and My God"**

Because the focus of this week's gospel passage is usually placed on poor old doubting Thomas, we sometimes overlook the way the passage begins. The disciples are huddled in a room, 'for fear of the Jews'. Just a couple of weeks earlier they had been on top of the world. Jesus was enormously popular with the people, and the disciples, by association, were caught up in that affection. Their man, the one they had chosen to follow, was making waves and stirring the authorities – thumbing his nose at the rules. This, of course, made the disciples feel good to be around Jesus. However, in the space of just a few short days, their world had turned upside down. They'd gone from riding the crest of a wave to being utterly dumped! They were cowering in a closed-up room, afraid for their lives in case those who handed Jesus over for death came for them as well. They'd already had an experience of the resurrected Jesus yet they were still hiding and afraid. Into this fear and uncertainty steps Jesus who says, 'Peace be with you'. It is a reminder of Jesus calming the storm out on the lake – in the midst of turmoil and anxiety he brings peace and calm.

Thomas has received a pretty bad rap for the last 2000 years, forever labelled as 'Doubting Thomas' because he wasn't prepared to take someone else's word for the fact that Jesus had risen. However, despite his demand for evidence, once Jesus is before him, he abandons all his thoughts about placing his fingers in the wounds and proclaims, 'My Lord and my God!' This is an absolutely extraordinary statement of faith. For the very first time, someone recognises Jesus, not as Messiah, prophet or Lord, but as God.

*Gospel Reflection, by Greg Sunter*

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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

### Ministry

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### St John the Apostle Parish Kippax

is committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community

# Sacrament of The Eucharist

Formation evening for parents

**29 April 2024**

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

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## SAVE THE DATE

Friday 26 April

### TREE PLANTING DAY

Church Grounds

*“renewing the earth”*

*Earth Day 22 April*

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## 2024-2025 Rosters

The Ministry Rosters for the period of 1 June 2024 – 30 May 2025 are currently being compiled.

We have many vacancies in the SJA Shop, church cleaning and Grounds Maintenance rosters.

Would you please give prayerful consideration to taking up a ministry.

*Our parish needs your gifts to enhance the life and ministry of the parish.*

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**KIT @ KIPPAX**

KIT was emailed out during this week. If you didn't receive a copy please contact the parish office.

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## CHANGE OF DATE

*Relax, Review, Reflect*

*Samson and Delilah*

*Friday 12 April*

*7:00pm*

*in the parish library.*



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## Bequest: Have you ever thought of leaving a Bequest to your parish?

By remembering your faith community in your Will, you contribute to the spiritual legacy that has enriched your life. Your bequest ensures the continuation of the traditions, teachings, and support that have shaped your journey.

## COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

*Connecting with people living alone*

### Upcoming events

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday of the month Coffee Group  
9 April – 2:00pm Ichi Café at Kippax  
Contact: Barbara Mawson 6254 7989

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month gathering  
21 April at 4:00pm – 5:30pm  
Parish Centre

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## SJA Men's Group

Meeting Monthly 6:00pm – 8:00pm



**For more information contact the parish office.**

Next gathering: Friday 19 April  
**St John the Apostle Parish Centre**

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## Pins & Needles

Mon 21 April – 7:15pm  
Parish Library

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## St John's Friendship Group

next meeting on **Wednesday 26 April** 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.

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## WOMEN'S BREAKFAST



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

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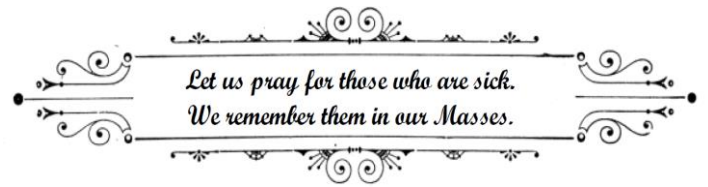


**Anointing after Mass**  
**Friday 26 April**

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**“Be on earth the Heart of God”**

# Easter Season



## Then I know nothing of Calvary love

If I belittle those whom I am called to serve, talk of their weak points in contrast perhaps with what I think of as my strong points; if I adopt a superior attitude, then I know nothing of Calvary love. If I find myself half-carelessly taking lapses for granted, "Oh, that's what they always do," "Oh, of course she talks like that, he acts like that," then I know nothing of Calvary love. If I can enjoy a joke at the expense of another; if I can in any way slight another in conversation, or even in thought, then I know nothing of Calvary love. If I wonder why something trying is allowed, and press for prayer that it may be removed; if I cannot be trusted with any disappointment, and cannot go on in peace under any mystery, then I know nothing of Calvary love. If I covet any place on earth but the dust at the foot of the Cross, then I know nothing of Calvary love.

*That which I do not know, teach me, O Lord, my God.*

Taken from: *Calvary Love*, by Amy Carmichael

## Stewardship

### Compassionate Love

Today, we celebrate Jesus' compassionate love for us and how we can partake in it. No matter where we are on our journey as a disciple of Christ, we are all in need of God's compassionate love. There are countless times throughout our day when we miss the mark. For instance, we might fail to respond in kind to our spouse or kids, fall into gossip in our workday, or even forget to think positively of others. These shortcomings call us to humble ourselves and receive God's unwavering love.

Jesus loved with a human heart. He knows we cannot live well, or resolve to do better and follow Him more faithfully without His compassionate love.

Today, may we recall the precious gift God has given to us through His Son — Love itself.

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

**Recently Deceased:** Paul Jennings msc

**Anniversary:** Jordan Matthews, John Napier, Caitlin Brice, Alyssa Brice, Betty Kerekes, Janelle Brice, Leonard Smith, Trevor Agnes, Elena Guindas, Kenneth Marlor, Jim Curran, Noel Smith, Leon Fernando, Kees Van Rooy, Marnie Dunn, Daniel Cassar, Leslie Thomson, Edward Yewdall, Ian Stephenson, Wanda Parkitny, Paul Rogers, Joan Aikins, John Margetts, Adrian Krook, Keith Aikins, Bryan Cowman, Patrick Ward, Sharon Hannah, Mihaly Baruta, Augusta Colquhoun, Sharron Diamond, Jim Fallon msc, Alan Hodge, Leslie Savage, Joan Sculthorpe, Julio Vinales, Otto Trenka, Leonard Franks, Drago Polak, Barbara Normann, Delilah Wilson, Leslie Barry, Daryl Smeaton

## Mass Intentions the week of 8 – 14 April

Mon 08/04	Raman Nicholas and Austine
Wed 10/04	Therese Marie Le
Thur 11/04	Anna Hoa Nguyen
Fri 12/04	Tony Crimmins
<b>Sat 13/04</b>	
5:00pm	Prayers for thanksgiving
<b>Sun 14/04</b>	
8:30am	Peter Khuyen Vu
10:00am	Peace in the family
6:00pm	Parish Intentions

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

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



**Youth Group**  
**YOUNG CHRISTIAN**  
**STUDENTS**  
**Students in Years 7 - 12**

Next Meeting: 28 April 2024

7:00pm – 9:00pm

[after the 6:00pm Mass]

St John the Apostle  
Parish Centre

Contact the Parish Office  
for more information [kippax@cg.org.au](mailto:kippax@cg.org.au)

# 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

St Johns Friendship Group	Last Wednesday of the Month 9:30am Mass and morning tea
Pins & Needles	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday of the Month 7:15pm Parish Library
Women's Breakfast	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the Month 7:30am Bean Origin Belconnen
Men's Group	3 <sup>rd</sup> Friday of the Month 6:00pm Parish Centre
Movie Night	4 <sup>th</sup> Friday of the Month 7:00pm Parish Library
Community Connections	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the Month 4:00pm – 5:30pm Parish Centre

## RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,  
his love is everlasting

## GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!  
You believe in me, Thomas,  
because you have seen me;  
happy are those who have not seen me,  
but still believe!  
Alleluia!

## Readings – 14 April 2024

First Reading	Acts 3:13-15, 17-19
Psalm	PS 4:2, 4, 7, 9
Second Reading	1 John 2:1-5
Gospel	Luke 24:35-48

# ROSTERS

## 14 April Acolyte Roster

5:00pm	Anthony and Chitra Jayawardena
8:30am	Maria Scarr, Frank Craddock
10:00am	Peter Kain
6:00pm	Carl Madsen, Joy McInerney

## 14 April Lector Roster

5:00pm	Paul McGrath, Therese Kercher
8:30am	Sigrid Kropp, Marianna Rollgejser
10:00am	Pam Connor, Kelechi Nnajide
6:00pm	Meg Millband, Brian Mahony

## 14 April Ministers of Communion

5:00pm	Maria Catanzariti, Marian England
8:30am	Shane Murtagh, Carmel Screen
10:00am	Frank Colley, Margarete Gill
6:00pm	John McGee, Dushyanthi Upasena

## 14 April Hospitality Roster

5:00pm	Jenny Maher
8:30am	Mandy Lalor
10:00am	Judy Kenny, Shovin Weerawarnakula
6:00pm	Sabina Van Rooy

## 14 April SJAShop

5:00pm	
8:30am	
10:00am	Margaret Sheehan
6:00pm	John McGee

## Weekly Rosters

Altar Society	7 Apr	Margaret Ferguson
Grounds	13 Apr	Rob Breen, Mike Blyth, David Momi
Church Cleaning:	7 Apr	John O'Heir, Pat Keenan, 'Debbie & Ted Milne

## On a lighter note

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