

COMPACT



St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time **Year B**
16 June 2024 **#29.24**

The Kingdom of God is a Paradox

The references to the kingdom of God in the gospels always carry a paradox. It exists in the present, yet is something to be achieved in the future. It is here, but not yet. If we live 'as if' we are living in the kingdom here and now then we hasten its coming. The kingdom of God is not a place but a way in which the world operates.

Jesus' message about the kingdom of God is that it is actually disruptive and invasive. The kingdom brings unrest and disquiet to the predictable. The kingdom of God is unsettling.

The Kingdom does not adhere to human expectations or plans; it grows mysteriously and uncontrollably, challenging the predictable and established order.

The growth of the seed in both parables is unpredictable and beyond human control, illustrating how the Kingdom of God works in ways that are unexpected and beyond human comprehension. This unpredictability disrupts the complacency and control that people often seek in their lives.

The ultimate outcome of the growth is significant transformation. The hidden growth of the seed leads to a harvest, and the tiny mustard seed becomes a large shrub. This transformation represents a shift from the known to the unknown, from the small to the significant.

The Kingdom of God, as portrayed in these parables, challenges the status quo. It begins in humble and unassuming ways but grows to challenge and change existing structures and expectations.

The parables emphasize that the growth of the Kingdom is a result of divine initiative rather than human effort. This divine action can be disruptive to human plans and understanding, as it operates on a different plane of purpose and power.

the Kingdom of God is not a passive or predictable entity. Instead, it is dynamic, mysterious, and transformative, bringing about significant change in unexpected ways. This understanding makes these parables much more challenging and thought-provoking than a literal reading might suggest.

Resource used: Gospel Focus, 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

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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

Position Vacant

Janitor/Groundsperson – St John the Apostle Primary School, Florey

39 hours a fortnight

8.00am to 3.00pm, 3 days a week.

Permanent, includes most school holidays. Applications closing 24 June.

Please contact Matthew Garton, Principal, for more details.

Matthew.Garton@cg.catholic.edu.au or 02 6258 3592.



Pins & Needles

Mon 17 June – 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 June
St John the Apostle Parish Centre

POETRY, PRESENCE & PAYDAY:

AQUINAS ON THE EUCHARIST

REV DR JOSEPH VNUK OP

To mark the occasion of the 750th anniversary of St Thomas Aquinas and to coincide with the 50th anniversary of the St Thomas Aquinas Parish Charnwood

July 18 2024 - 7:00pm

St Thomas Aquinas Primary School Hall

RSVP: charnwood@cg.org.au by July 10

St John's Friendship Group

next meeting on **Wednesday 26 June**

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.

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST

TUESDAY 25 JUNE – 7:30AM

BEAN ORIGIN CAFÉ

NETTLEFOLD STREET

BELCONNEN



ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

Friday 28 June

Mass - 11:00am

Lunch - 12 noon

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick will be celebrated during this mass.

Following the mass lunch will be served in the church foyer.

We would like to assist those who are housebound and cannot normally attend Mass to join this special Mass and lunch. Please contact the parish office if you, or someone you know, would like to attend but needs assistance with transportation.

Relax, Review, Reflect

Romulus, my father

Friday 28 June at 7:00pm

in the parish library.



22 June | Cultural Competency Workshop

The ACG Catholic Women's Taskforce presents a 1-day workshop on Cultural Competency:

Ngunnawal Context, facilitated by Kylie Shea. The workshop will be held at St Vincent de Paul's Parish Centre, 7 Bindel St Aranda ACT.

Registrations are essential and available at

<https://www.cgwomen.com.au/>

Tim Fischer Oration on Ethics in Public and Political Life 2024

7 Augst – 6:00PM

Speaker: Professor Helen Alvare, Levy Endowed Chair in Law and Liberty at Antonin Scalia Law School, George Mason University Virginia USA

Q&A: Chris Uhlmann, Political Journalist and TV Presenter **For more information & tickets visit**

www.tfo.org.au

Save the Date: 8 August

Archdiocesan Women's breakfast with Dr Helen Alvare

Thursday, 8 August, 7.30 - 9.00am Join us as we explore meaningful connections, marriage, family, career, mission and community-building. More details to come!

Contact: communications@cg.org.au

“Be on earth the Heart of God”

Heart Spirituality



The mustard seed

It is the smallest of all seeds the Holy Gospel tells us; but it contains amazing expansive power. The same is true of our Saviour. He appears insignificant to human eyes, despicable, unworthy of attention; but in his nature, heart and person, he possesses infinite strength. In him we find salvation and the graces necessary to make it operative. He gives us the Eucharist, that bread of the strong and source of blessings.

Jules Chevalier msc
Méditations I p. 247. Issoudun 1891

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

Stewardship

Heaven is our true home.

As we enter back into Ordinary Time, our readings today remind us that heaven is our true home and that we cannot make it there without God's assistance.

We often go through life wanting to be in control. We try to solve all our problems, as we think, "I can do it myself." We cling to our own ideas by putting certain events, future plans or even day-to-day moments into a perfect little box, "This is the way I want it." We can even push back in moments of suffering by trying to find every possible way to get out of it. We are "in control."

Imagine what life would be like if we surrendered a little more. What if we opened our clenched hands to God and said, "Thy will be done"? We would become free from attachment and more blessed than we could ever imagine.

Recently Deceased: Ethan Seng

Anniversary: Wendy Hawes, James Webb, Ingrid Soria, Marie Tyack, Mavis Southwick, Sheila Phillips, George Carney, Ann Joyce, Kerry Montgomery, Maureen Ashley, Josef Zabar, Helen Heindl, Francis Quinn, John McAppian, Agneza Allars, Christopher Robinson, Vivienne Thompson, Eileen Gehrig, Lucy Wilcott, Philip Donoghoe, Robert Cocks, Joan Loughry, Ursula Sweeney, Dulcie Henshaw, Adrian Uhr, Giovanni Scalora, Jason Murray, Arthur Yee, Kevin Maloney, Nathan Jones, Daniel O'Connor, Eileen Schmich.

Mass Intentions the week of 17 - 23 June

Mon 17/06	Ursula Sweeney
Wed 19/06	Souls of Mary and Mary
Thur 20/06	Philomine & Charles de Rose
Fri 21/06	

Sat 22/06	
5:00pm	Thomas Joseph Conlon & Kevin Conlon

Sun 23/06	
8:30am	Robert Bower
10:00am	
6:00pm	Ronald D'Cruze

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

No cash? No problem.



Use the Tap machine. Help support your parish financially through regular giving. Telephone the parish office for more details. Answer to the riddles: 1. Any name starting with "Ti" the first sounds to each

name are Do Re Mi Fa So La. 2. one, two, three

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

SOCIAL LIFE

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

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, Alleluia

The seed is the word of God,

Christ is the sower;

All who come to him will live for ever.

Alleluia

Readings 23 June 2024

First Reading	Job 38:1, 8-11
Psalm	Ps 106:23-26, 28-31
Second Reading	2 Cor 5:14-17
Gospel	Mark 4:35-41

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.

ROSTERS

23 June Acolyte Roster

5:00pm	Di Bruce, Murray Bruce
8:30am	Sigrid Kropp, Lourdes Asoy
10:00am	Anthony Noakes, Dennis Puniard
6:00pm	Sabina Van Rooy, Peter Polkinghorne

23 June Lector Roster

5:00pm	Elaine Laycock, Gordon Donnir
8:30am	Shane Murtagh, Victoria Gonzales
10:00am	Marini Ignatius, Edgar Nnajide
6:00pm	Marian Crowley, Andrew Luck

23 June Ministers of Communion

5:00pm	John Drury, Laurine Smeaton
8:30am	Darren Maharaj, Maureen Burgess
10:00am	Boni Benedictos, Rosa Benedictos
6:00pm	Brian Mahony, Priscilla Momi

23 June Hospitality Roster

5:00pm	Joan Galpin, Marie McKie
8:30am	Joan Beswick, Pamela Blackwell
10:00am	Margarete Gill, Marini Ignatius
6:00pm	Francesca Deklin

23 June SJAShop

5:00pm	
8:30am	
10:00am	Judy Mewburn
6:00pm	

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society	16 June	Mary Cruickshank
Church Cleaning:	17 June	Carol Blyth, Dushyanthi Upasena, Nishan Upasena

On a Lighter note

RIDDLES

Answers can be found
somewhere in COMPACT



Riddle me this

Riddle: A pregnant lady named her children: Dominique, Regis, Michelle, Fawn, Sophie, and Lara. What will she name her next child?

Riddle: What three numbers, none of which is zero, give the same result whether they're added or multiplied?