

COMPACT



St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

14th Sunday in Ordinary Time
7 July 2024

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Seeing God present in our loved ones.

Jesus returns to His hometown, where He teaches in the synagogue. Despite His wisdom and miracles, the townspeople are sceptical and dismissive, saying, "Isn't this the carpenter? Isn't this Mary's son?" Their familiarity with Jesus blinds them to His divine identity, leading Him to remark, "A prophet is not without honour except in his own town, among his relatives and in his own home."

Today's reflection emphasizes a profound truth: familiarity can obscure the extraordinary in the ordinary. Just as the Nazarenes failed to recognize Jesus' divinity due to their familiarity with Him, we too often overlook the divine in our everyday relationships. We profess to seek Christ in others, yet it can be challenging to see Him in those closest to us. Our family and friends, whose flaws and virtues are intimately known to us, may seem unlikely vessels for God's presence.

This gospel passage calls us to a deeper awareness and appreciation of the divine in the familiar. When we are irritated by a sibling or find a parent's actions overbearing, we should remember that they are made in the image of God. Each interaction with them is an opportunity to encounter Christ. This perspective encourages us to extend the grace, patience, and love we strive to show strangers to those within our inner circle.

Jesus' experience in Nazareth also serves as a reminder that our judgments and preconceived notions can limit our ability to recognize the divine in others. Just as the townspeople's scepticism deprived them of the blessings Jesus could have bestowed, our failure to see God's presence in our loved ones can hinder our spiritual growth and relationships. By consciously seeking the face of Christ in our family and friends, we open ourselves to a fuller, more profound experience of God's love and presence in our lives.

Today's gospel challenges us to transcend our familiarity and see the extraordinary in the ordinary. It invites us to recognize the divine in those we know best, transforming our interactions with them into sacred encounters.

Based on: Living the Gospel – Acknowledging the close at hand, 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

What's with the blue tubs?

Due to increasing demand, your local Vinnies group is introducing a new initiative called "One Thing More" into the Parish. The idea is that you buy one thing more when doing your weekly / fortnightly grocery shop, which you drop into one of the blue tubs when you come to Church. It shouldn't be expensive (eg a bag of pasta that's on 'special', a can of tuna etc), but it does need to be non-perishable. Vinnies will collect the donations and distribute them to people calling us for help during the week. It's a very small thing, but if enough people contribute, then together we can make a big difference.

Vinnies Winter Appeal

There will be a leaving collection for the 2024 Vinnies Winter Appeal after all Masses on the weekend of 20-21 July.

Cash and card donations will be accepted. The focus this year is on preventing homelessness. Thank you for your continuing support.

Stay for a cuppa.

Join us in the parish foyer after the 10:00am mass on Sunday **21 July** for a cuppa. While you indulge in a coffee catch up with parishioners or introduce yourself to someone you do not know. Feel free to bring something to share. All are welcome! We look forward to seeing you there.

Anyone wanting help please leave a message for Jenny McGee on 0481 706 966

St John's Friendship Group

next meeting on
Wednesday 31 July
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.

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Connecting with people living alone

2nd Tuesday of the month Coffee Group
9 July – 2:00pm Ichi Café at Kippax
Contact: Barbara Mawson 6254 7989

3rd Sunday of the month gathering
21 July at 4:00pm – 5:30pm
Parish Centre

Relax, Review, Reflect

Tootsie

Change of Date

*Tuesday 9 July at 7:00pm
in the parish library.*



Pins & Needles

Mon 15 July – 7:15pm

Parish Library

SJA Men's Group

Meeting Monthly 6:00pm – 8:00pm

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

Next gathering: Friday 19 July



**St John the Apostle Parish
Centre**

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST



TUESDAY 23 JULY – 7:30AM

BEAN ORIGIN CAFÉ

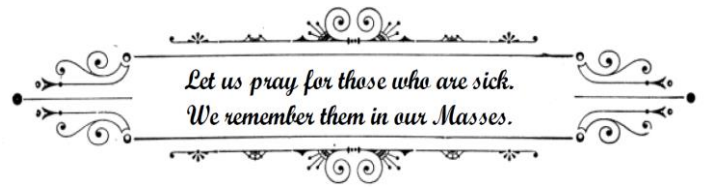
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**Anointing after Mass
Friday 26 July**

“Be on earth the Heart of God”

Heart Spirituality



Friendship with God

Our heart has not only the need to love; it experiences also the need to be loved. Where shall we turn to find a true friend into whose heart we can pour what is overflowing in ours? To whom can we confide our most intimate secrets?

Jesus Christ has a keen desire to be our friend, so let us turn to him. How precious his friendship is! We can count on his fidelity; he will never fail us, not even when we are in the midst of trials.

Jesus makes no exceptions of persons. No matter what our talents, no matter where we may be or what may have happened to us, his friendship will always be genuine. His heart will always be open to receive us, to lavish his love upon us.

Jules Chevalier msc
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Stewardship

God's Plan for our Lives

Our readings today remind us that, even in our weakest and toughest moments, God has a plan.

We all bear crosses in this life, whether they seem to be little thorns or sharp daggers. Stop and reflect on your cross. Instead of wishing it to go away, look at it as an opportunity to grow and to allow God to work in your life. God permitted this cross in your life for a reason. Do not let the opportunity for Christ to work on your heart pass you by.

Today, recall that God loves us more than we could ever imagine. There is not a moment that goes by that He does not have us in mind. He has a specific plan for our lives and God's grace is sufficient for us to carry our crosses.

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Recently Deceased:

Anniversary: Jack Synnott, Elizabeth Dennison, John O'Brien, Steven Argy, Joe Mewburn, Rosalie Callaghan, Constance Crowe, Gertrude Czarnik, Conner Cooke, Anne Patterson, Sam Ford, Elsie Bingham, Christopher Davis, Mary Ryan, Josephine Allester, Doris Galea, Mollie Paterson, Marie Richards, Chris Penders, John McEnaney, Leon Nguyen, Linda Dawson, Bernard Armstrong, Thomas Hallahan, Laurence Swift, Victoria Norton, Bede Stinson, Lionel Carberry, Jan Kurzynski, Joan Ferguson, Catherine Raadts, Josephine O'Kane, Monique Pearce, Gayle McGoogan, Veronica Hannah, Shane Connolly, David Leonard, Paul Kurylowicz, Mona Castle, Stephen Carson, Robert Bower, Stephen Gorst, Leo Williams, Naomi Slater, Rudi Weiss, Joseph Myatt, Rita Riddle, Isabella Backhaus, Gwendoline White, Sheila Marshall, Tina Martino

Mass Intentions the week of 8 -14 July

Mon 08/07	Mary and Mary
Wed 10/07	Tin
Thur 11/07	
Fri 12/07	Remi Van Den Brink
Sat 13/07	
5:00pm	Marion Gerstenberg
Sun 14/07	
8:30am	Steve Smith
10:00am	
6:00pm	

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!

VACANCY - ROOM FOR RENT

Male or female to rent one room in a 3 bedroom house. The rent per week will be \$300 includes all bills (internet, electricity and gas for cooking) in holt

Nunga Umaru

Contact: nunga_1@hotmail.com or 0427807961

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

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

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

Our eyes are fixed on the Lord, pleading
for his mercy.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Spirit of the Lord is upon me;
He sent me to bring Good News to the poor.
Alleluia

Readings 14 July 2024

First Reading	Amos 7:12-15
Psalm	Ps 84:-14
Second Reading	Eph 1:3-14
Gospel	Mark 6:7-13

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

14 July

Acolyte Roster

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

14 July

Lector Roster

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

14 July

Ministers of Communion

5:00pm	Maria Catanzariti, Marian England
8:30am	Shane Murtagh, Carmel Screen
10:00am	Frank Colley, Anthony Noakes
6:00pm	John McGee, Marian Crowley

14 July

Hospitality Roster

5:00pm	Jenny Maher, Mercia Needham
8:30am	Mandy Lalor, Wendy Wade
10:00am	Shovin Weerawarnakula, Francesca Dekllin
6:00pm	Sabina Van Rooy, Joy McInerney

14 July

SJAShop

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

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society	7 July	Margaret Ferguson
Church Cleaning:	8 July	Edgar Nnajide, Chioma Nnajide

On a Lighter note

