

COMPACT



St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C
9 February 2025 #11.25

The Call is deeply Personal

In Luke's gospel, we are drawn into a moment of profound transformation. Peter, a seasoned fisherman, finds himself in awe as Jesus steps into his boat, turning an ordinary day into an extraordinary encounter. Like Peter, each of us is called, not always in dramatic ways, but through the quiet stirrings of our hearts and the circumstances of our lives.

The call is deeply personal. It reaches us through the voice of a friend, the challenges we face, or the dreams and fears that stir within us. Yet, how often do we miss the call because our lives are filled with noise and distractions? We fear what God might ask of us—sacrifices, challenges, or stepping into the unknown. Peter, too, felt unworthy, saying, "Go away from me, Lord, for I am a sinful man!" But Jesus didn't turn away; instead, He drew Peter closer, saying, "Do not be afraid."

When we truly listen, we discover that God's call is not a burden but an invitation to something greater. Just as Peter left everything to follow Jesus, we are invited to leave behind whatever holds us back—fear, doubt, or busyness—and trust in the abundance of God's grace.

This passage reminds us that God doesn't call the perfect; He perfects the called. Like Peter, we may feel inadequate, but it's through our openness and trust that we become instruments of God's love and purpose in the world.

The next time you sense the quiet whisper of God's call, resist the urge to turn away or fill the silence with distractions. Instead, let the words of Jesus echo in your heart: "Do not be afraid." Step forward in faith, knowing that God's call is always accompanied by His promise to journey with us, transforming our lives and the lives of those around us.

Based on: Living the Gospel – Hearing the call, by Greg Sunter

Parish Administration

Parish Priest

Fr. Tru Nguyen msc

Email: TruDuc.Nguyen@cg.org.au

Assistant Priest

Fr. Chung Tran msc

Email: chung@stjohnkippax.org.au

Pastoral Associate/Parish Manager
Marian England

Email: marian@stjohnkippax.org.au

Parish Secretary Sharon Greaves

Email: kippax@cg.org.au

Finance Officer Kirsty Vera

Email: kirsty@stjohnkippax.org.au

Parish Office:

25 Blackham Street HOLT ACT

Office Hours: Mon-Fri

9.00am-3.00pm

Telephone: 6254 3236

Email: kippax@cg.org.au

Web: www.stjohnkippax.org.au

MASS TIMES

Vigil Saturday 5:00pm

Sunday 8:30am, 10:00am, 6:00pm

Monday and Friday 9:30am

Liturgy of the Word with Communion:

Tues 9:30am

No Masses Wednesday or Thursday

Ministry

Sacristan: Maryanne Ferguson

kippax@cg.org.au

Pastoral Council Chair

Jenny McGee

Email: ppc.kippax@cg.org.au

Safeguarding Officers:

Carl Madsen and Jenny McGee

safeguarding.kippax@cg.org.au

ST JOHN THE APOSTLE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Principal: Jo Reed

Pawsey Circuit Florey

Phone: 6258 3592

Email: office.sjaps@cg.catholic.edu.au

www.sjaps.act.edu.au



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

LIFE IS A JOURNEY

**6 Day Retreat
with Fr. Chris McPhee msc**

Where: St John the Apostle
Catholic Church
When: 10-15 March 2025
Time: 9:30am Mass
Session: 10:30am – 11:30am
Repeated: 7:00pm – 8:00pm
Sat 15 March: 11:00am concluding
with mass at 12:30pm

Cost: \$80 (If cost is prohibitive,
please contact the parish office. We
warmly welcome everyone and do
not want financial concerns to
prevent anyone from attending).

*Life is a Journey Retreat is a reflective,
prayerful excursion that contemplatively
aligns our personal journeys with the
journey of Jesus, focusing on transforming
our past through the intimacy of God's
love.*

Register at: kippax@cg.org.au

Parish Office Happenings

Fr. Chung is on annual leave returning on
Saturday 1 March 2025.

Concerned Catholics Public Forum

Synodality: Now the Rubber Hits the Road

27 February 2025 - 7.15 - 9.30pm

Marist College Senior Hall

Speakers: Adj Prof Susan Pascoe,

Terry Fewtrell, Dr Patrick McArdle,

Chloe Kelly More information:

fsully56@gmail.com.

Marymead CatholicCare Auxiliary's

Summer Garage & Plant Sale,

15 February 2025

8:00AM – 12:00PM

discover a unique range of pre-loved vintage
items such as clothes, books, music, and much
more! Marymead CatholicCare, 255 Goyder
Street, Narrabundah See you there! Make sure
to follow us on Facebook to keep up to date with
our events! For more information email

marketing@mccg.org.au

PPC CHAIR EMAIL ISSUE

Due to IT issues, Jenny McGee [PPC
Chair] is not currently able to access
the PPC email. If you have tried to
contact Jenny recently regarding the
SJA-STA Steering committee minutes or
for any other reason, please forward
your email to kippax@cg.org.au



ENROLLING NOW

**Before and after the 10am mass
this Sunday and also next
Sunday 16 February, in the foyer**

CLAIM THE DATE

Anointing of the Sick during Mass
Friday 28 February ■ 11:00am
Lunch ■ 12noon

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Connecting with people living alone

3rd Sunday of the month gathering

16 February at 4:00pm – 5:30pm

Parish Centre



Pins & Needles

Mon 17 February – 7:15pm
Parish Library

SJA Men's Group

Meeting Monthly 6:00pm – 8:00pm



Next gathering: Friday 21 February

Christmas Gathering

St John the Apostle Parish Centre

“Be on earth the Heart of God”

Pilgrims of Hope

No room is left for the Heart

In this "liquid" world of ours, we need to start speaking once more about the heart and thinking about this place where every person, of every class and condition, creates a synthesis, where they encounter the radical source of their strengths, convictions, passions and decisions. Yet, we find ourselves immersed in societies of serial consumers who live from day to day, dominated by the hectic pace and bombarded by technology, lacking in the patience needed to engage in the processes that an interior life by its very nature requires. In contemporary society people "risk losing their centre, the centre of their very selves". Indeed, the men and women of our time often find themselves confused and torn apart, almost bereft of an inner principle that can create unity and harmony in their lives and actions. Models of behaviour that, sadly, are now widespread exaggerate our rational-technological dimension or, on the contrary, that of our instincts". No room is left for the heart.

*Pope Francis: Dilexit Nos, #9
Returning to the Heart*

Mass Intentions the week of 10 - 16 February

Mon 10/02	Vincent Mawson
Wed 12/02	Ramon Nicholas & Augustine
Thur 13/02	John the Baptist and all souls
Fri 14/02	Carmel Page
Sat 15/02	
5:00pm	Millicent Walpole
Sun 16/02	
8:30am	
10:00am	Bill Hogan
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!

Heart Spirituality

The Mysterious Chain

There is a mysterious chain that binds the human heart to the Heart of Christ, and the Heart of Christ to the very Heart of God! And Mary is the sacred ring that links them. From her own blood, by the power of the Holy Spirit, she formed the Sacred Heart of Jesus. I understand the greatness of her dignity, and the ineffable power that her divine Son has given her over his adorable Heart. I understand also all the concern she brings to us who are her children. O Heart of Jesus! What rays of light you throw on the mysteries of your humanity! You draw your divine life and your blessings from the bosom of the Eternal Father, from the most interior recesses of his heart, and you place them in the hands of Mary, so that they may come to us through her. Our Lady of the Sacred Heart may you be blessed forever.

Jules Chevalier msc
Le Sacré-Coeur de Jésus, p. 182f Paris, 1900



Recently Deceased:

Anniversary: Rene Stubbs, Robert Galliano, George Griffiths, Trent Foster, Glenn Foster, Nellie Bannon, Henry Moulis, Philip Babic, Edward Blake-Smith, Carmel Page, David Lowe, John Thompson, Vincent Mawson, Raychell Nolan, Charlotte Lansdown, Paulina Jabagat, Colin Waterford, Ian Bransby, Ondina Finzi, Michael Vella, Vincent Higgins, Giuseppe Mammoliti, Vincas Puzas, Judith Hickey, Rodney Chapman, Eamonn Murtagh, Rudi Meyer, Joseph Vella, James Wiley, Johanna Garratt, Reg Lazaro, John Marane, Leone Ashcroft, Ivan Mikulic, Angeles Arranz, Lillian Luke, Elena Zamora, Adrian Newton, Adrienne Stewart, Ashley Kent, Tony Lay, Eun Cho Shin, Hayden Ricketts, Perlita Whitton, James McKay, Dorothy Jeffrey, Leo McDonald, Rachael Netting, Grant Lalor, Francisca Benedictos, Felice Collufio, Ian Coffill, Wal Kulesza, Sharon Williams, Evelyn Swaris

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Baptisms	1st & 2nd 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</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 Bean Origin Belconnen
Men's Group	<i>3rd Friday of the Month</i> 6:00pm Parish Centre
Movie Night	<i>4th Friday of the Month</i> 7:00pm Parish Library
Community Connections	<i>3rd Sunday of the Month</i> 4:00pm – 5:30pm Parish Centre

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

In the sight of the angels I will sing
your praises, Lord.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
Come follow me, says the Lord,
and I will make you fishers of my people.
Alleluia!

Readings 16 February 2025

First Reading	Jer 17:5-8
Psalm	Ps 1:1-4
Second Reading	1 Cor 15:12, 16-20
Gospel	Luke 6:17, 20-26

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

16 Feb Acolyte Roster

5:00pm	Helen Kennedy, John Drury
8:30am	Maria Scarr, Frank Craddock
10:00am	Rose and Boni Benedictos
6:00pm	Nunga Umaru, Peter Le

16 Feb Lector Roster

5:00pm	
8:30am	Carmel Screen, Darren Maharaj
10:00am	Libby Kain, Kate Lawrence
6:00pm	Bernadette Murnane, Margaret Luck

16 Feb Ministers of Communion

5:00pm	Gordon Donnir, Marie McKie
8:30am	Theresa Suh, Sigrid Kropp
10:00am	Sugi Mohanadas, Marini Ignatiues
6:00pm	Charlotte and Lionel D'Cruze

16 Feb Hospitality Roster

5:00pm	Carol Moore, Barbara Mawson
8:30am	Clyde and Norma Sloan
10:00am	Margaret Sheehan
6:00pm	Vigi Varghese

16 Feb SJAShop

5:00pm	
8:30am	Sabina Van Rooy
10:00am	
6:00pm	Jenny McGee

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society	9 Feb	Pat Gilchrist
Church Cleaning:	10 Feb	Christine Lancaster, Pam Connor, Shovin Weerawarnakula,

On a Lighter note

WWW.ANDERSTOONS.COM



"Frankly, we're stumped. So, we'd like to try turning you off and then on again."