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St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

17th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Year B

29 July 2018 #35.18

“To be on earth the Heart of God”

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MASS TIMES

Vigil Saturday 5:00pm

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

Mon, Wed, Thurs, Fri 9:30am



Hearing Loop: - in the body of the church.

LITURGIES

Liturgy of the Word with Communion: Tues 9:30am

Baptisms: 1st & 3rd Sun during
10:00am Mass

Reconciliation: Sat 4:00pm – 4:30pm or by
appointment with the priest

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From the Pastor's desk...

The gospel readings during Year B are primarily taken from Mark. However, over the next five Sundays we interrupt this continuous reading from Mark's gospel to follow chapter 6 of John's gospel. Chapter 6 of John begins with the feeding of the crowds and continues with the Bread of Life discourse.

This eucharistic theology, placed at the heart of John's gospel, is the foundational belief that Christ is truly present in our eucharistic gathering. As we reflect on the profound significance of Jesus as the Bread of Life come down from heaven, we are drawn ever more deeply into the mystery of Christ's loving presence among us.

Last week I referred to a book with the title *The Prophetic imagination* by Walter Breuggemann. The Australian theologian Fr Tony Kelly has written a book with the title *The Bread of God: Nurturing a Eucharistic Imagination*. Just as the prophetic imagination engenders hope and enables us to move forward, the eucharistic imagination enables us to grasp the mystery of God present to us which likewise engenders hope. I'll allow the author to speak for himself in this brief excerpt from his book:

The eucharistic imagination weaves together many meanings into the texture of Christian hope. It connects so many mysteries: Trinity and Creation, the Incarnation, death and Resurrection of Jesus, the gift of the Spirit, and the Church with all its sacraments. Still, familiar earthly realities, bread and wine – the fruit of the earth and work of human hands – ground and earth the meaning of the Eucharist, even as they are charged with immense new significance. We are, therefore, dealing with an intensely compact symbol of what Christian hope is about.

Peace and blessings
Gerard

PARISH NEWS

FUNERAL NOTICE

Requiem Mass to celebrate the life of
Debra Niquet

Will be celebrated at 10:30am
Wednesday 1 August 2018
St John the Apostle Parish Kippax

There will be no 9:30am Mass on
Thursday 1 August.

Liturgical Ministers..... combined
formation session for **ALL** Acolytes,
Readers, Communion and Music
ministers. **A journey through the mass
based on the liturgical catechesis of Pope
Francis.**

When: Sunday 5 August 2:00pm – 4:00pm
OR: Thursday 9 August 7:00pm – 9:00pm
Formation is integral to your ministry so it
is important that you attend one of these
sessions. If you can't attend either of these
dates please inform the parish office.

First Holy Communion Please
pray for the 34 children from the parish
and the primary school who are
preparing to receive Jesus for the first
time in the Eucharist. Communion
masses are:

4 August - Vigil	11 August - Vigil
5 August 10:00am	12 August 10:00am
	26 August 10:00am

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION Mass Times

Vigil Mass	Tues 14 Aug	6:00pm
Mass of the Day	Wed 15 Aug	9:30am

SUNDAY AFTERNOON BOOK CLUB

We are reading
“Sapiens: A Brief History of Humankind”
by Yuval Noah Harari

Sunday 19 August - 3:00 pm
Parish Library.

New members are always most welcome

St Vinnies Winter Appeal

There will be a leaving
collection for the Vinnies
Winter Appeal this
weekend, 28-29 July.



If you would like to make a credit card donation, envelopes are available on the seats today. All donations are used to help struggling families and individuals to pay bills, put food on the table or to supply furniture or white goods. We help people who are facing eviction or who have significant health expenses. In the first six months of this year Conference members made 215 home visitations to 189 different families or individuals and we provided the equivalent of \$14,374 of assistance. This was in the form of supermarket and Foodbank vouchers, bill payments, second hand fridges and washing machines, chemist bills and car rego and repair payments. This is how your donations help these needy families. On their behalf we thank you for your continued support. Contact Mike Blyth for more information 0419 818 410.

Thank You to the caring community of St John's for your prayer and support of my brother and his family.

Though a faulty NBN cable deprived me of communication for several days, I still felt your close presence. Judy Kenny

Men's Cursillo 13-16 – September

A Men's Cursillo weekend is to be held at Hartzler Park, Burradoo NSW.

Cursillo is a worldwide movement and Cursillo weekends have been held in our Archdiocese for over fifty years.

Many find a Cursillo weekend provides a new direction and an opportunity to explore their relationship with God, their selves and with others. For further information please contact Joe Jambor at irmandjoe@gmail.com or Mob: 0401 159 852

Reflection

Bread discourse in John

The next five weeks from 17th to 21st Sundays in Ordinary Time the gospel readings come from Chapter 6 of John's Gospel. As the chapter unfolds the eucharistic theme develops. Over the next five weeks we will endeavour to give you five rich descriptions or 'aspects' of the one action of the Eucharist that are presented in these gospel readings: 1. *Thanksgiving*, 2. *Meal of the kingdom*, 3. *Communion of the faithful*, 4. *Memorial of Christ [anamnesis]*, 5. *Invocation of the Spirit*.

Eucharist as thanksgiving

- ◆ The great thanksgiving for the work of God – creation, redemption, sanctification.
- ◆ Thanksgiving for everything God will accomplish in bringing the kingdom to fulfilment.
- ◆ The church speaks the sacrifice of praise on behalf of all creation.
- ◆ A transformative sacrifice only possible through Christ, with him and in him.
- ◆ Eucharist is a sign of what the world is to become.

The first act of divine revelation is creation itself.

We are redeemed: in Christ, through Christ, with Christ, and as Christ.

Grace brings nature to a sense of its own sanctity, and it evokes this sacredness within the human heart.

"Grace does not destroy nature, but perfects it." Thomas Aquinas

"The physical structure of the universe is love." --Teilhard de Chardin

Resources used: *Liturgy News*, June 2018

Heart Spirituality

The Sacred Heart, God's gift of himself

The Heart of Jesus is the Heart of God, the centre of divine love, the means by which the incarnate Word loves us.

The Heart stands for the whole Jesus, the living summary of his adorable person. All the treasures of the Godhead are enclosed in it.

His Heart is the moral centre of all worlds, the mysterious altar on which all sacrifices are offered, and where burns the incense of all creatures.

His Heart is the sacred bond uniting heaven and earth and binding all things to the One from whom everything flows.

In this heart God gives himself completely. Yes, God gives himself completely.

God is wholly love; he experiences a supreme need, a hunger and thirst to give himself. Infinite fullness, unfathomable, unbounded ocean, he wants to overflow and spread himself. And he has overflowed on to the world through his Word made flesh.

Jules Chevalier
[Le Sacré-Coeur de Jésus
Quatrième ed. Paris 1900 p. 277f]

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

BECOMING CATHOLIC

RCIA

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

The personal example of our lived lives can be the catalyst that helps lead someone into the Church. One of the most profound ways to affect others is to radiate joy and let people see Christ at work in us.

Do you know someone who is interested in becoming a Catholic?

Invite them to the enquiry night
Monday 15 October 2018 - 7:00pm

Come and See John 1:39

To Register: Parish Office on 6254 3236 or
Email Marian England: marian@stjohnkippax.org.au

*Let us pray for those who are sick.
We remember them in our Masses.*

Recently Deceased: Domitalla Mallia,
Bernard Coughlin (Father of Cathy Hogan)
Sr. Anne Cuzner O. Carm

Anniversaries: Daniel Keneally,
Jillian McInerney, Adrina Dudok, June Traynor,
Mathilde Clemence, Diane Eccles, Nola Faulkner,
Andrew Kenna, John Connelly, Merle Maloney,
Benito Berces, Caleb Heddle, Marie Uhr, Evelyn Guy,
Lorraine Rickard, Denes Bogsanyi, Edward Carr,
Christine Robinson, Basil Smith, Kenneth Marlor,
Maryte Puzas, Joan Hafner, Michael Cizek,
Leonard Hill, Keith Jobling, Joyce Olive,
Donald Telford, Bona Duffly, Lindsay Guest

PRAYER LIFE

Charismatic Prayer: Maida: 0423 658 326	Thursday 7:30pm Rosary 7:00pm
Meditation [Library]	Friday 7.30-8.15 pm
Morning Prayer:	Mon, Tues, Fri 9:10am
Stations of the Cross	First Friday Monthly After 9:30am Mass
Children's Mass	Second Sunday monthly 10:00am
Adult Choir	Wednesday 7:30pm
Children's Choir	Thursday 4:30 – 5:15pm

SOCIAL LIFE

Coffee Club	Fourth Sunday after 10:00am Mass
Over 45's	Last Wednesday of the Month 9:30am Mass and morning tea
Pins & Needles	3 rd Thursday of the Month 7:15pm Parish Library
Book club	3 rd Sunday of the Month 3:00pm Parish Library
Women's Breakfast	4 th Tuesday of the Month 7:30am Little Chef Café Belconnen
Youth Group	AGAPE - First & Third Sunday after 6:00pm Mass Parish Centre

School of Religion (Parish Centre)	Sunday 9.15am during school term
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LIBRARY NEWS: Some of the titles on display this week are "The Universal Heart; gold rules for golden relationships" and "Being together – our relationships with other people".

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

The hand of the Lord feeds us;
he answers all our needs.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!
A great prophet has appeared among us;
God has visited his people.
Alleluia!

Readings – 5 Aug 2018

First Reading	Ex 16:2-4. 12-15
Psalm	Ps 77:3-4. 23-25. 54
Second Reading	Eph 4:17. 20-24
Gospel	John 6:24-35

Answer: A computer keyboard

5 August Reading Roster

5:00pm	Michael Horan, Lesley Givens
8:30am	John O'Heir, Violet Duve
10:00am	Robin Williams, Frank Colley
6:00pm	Matthew Garton,

5 August Ministers of Communion

5:00pm	Joe Catanzariti, Maria Catanzariti, Helen Kennedy, Janet Almond, Judy Netting
8:30am	Carmel Screen, Maria Scarr, Victoria Scarano, VACANT, VACANT
10:00am	Pat Sheppard, Jenny Howarth, Nunga Umaru, Bonnie Benedictos, Rose Benedictos
6:00pm	James Cox, Toni Cox, Margaret Curry, Maria Devine, Anthony Dunncliff-Hagan

5 August Hospitality Roster

5:00pm	Joe and Maria Catanzariti
8:30am	Carmel Screen, Mercia Needham
10:00am	Libby Kain, Margarete Gill
6:00pm	Agnes Pham

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society:	30 July	Gabrielle Culhane
Grounds:	4 Aug	VACANT
Counting:	5 Aug	Group 2

Church Cleaning:	30 July	Marian England, Sharon Greaves
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On a Lighter note

What am I?

I have a home and a big space, I have keys
but I have no locks, I have lots of letters but
I have no mailbox. What am I?

Answer somewhere in Compact