# COMPACT

**St John the Apostle Parish** 



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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

#### Sixth Sunday of Easter 5 May 2024

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish
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#### Remain in my love.

In today's gospel Jesus begins by stating that He remains in the Father's love and invites His disciples to do the same. This sets the foundation for understanding the nature of the love Jesus speaks of—it is rooted in the eternal and unchanging love of God. To "remain in my love" is to abide in this divine love, to make it our dwelling place and source of strength.

Remaining in Jesus' love involves more than a fleeting feeling or momentary experience. It implies a deep and abiding connection, a commitment to living out the love that Jesus exemplified in His life and teachings. This love is not passive but active, seeking to express itself in acts of kindness, compassion, and selflessness.

Furthermore, the command to "remain in my love" highlights the importance of relationship and intimacy with Jesus. Just as branches draw sustenance from the vine, we find our spiritual nourishment and vitality by staying connected to Jesus. This connection is nurtured through prayer, Scripture, sacraments, and a life of discipleship.

As we "remain in my love," we also enter into a community of love with fellow sojourners. Jesus' command to love one another as He has loved us reinforces the interconnectedness of this love within the body of Christ. It's a love that transcends barriers and differences, uniting us in our shared identity as beloved children of God.

Practically, remaining in Jesus' love requires surrendering our will to His, aligning our desires with His purposes, and allowing His love to transform us from within. It means letting go of selfishness, pride, and anything that hinders us from fully experiencing and expressing His love.

Ultimately, the call to "remain in my love" is an invitation to a life of deep joy, peace, and fulfillment. It's a journey of ongoing growth and transformation, where our hearts become increasingly attuned to the heartbeat of God's love and our lives become a reflection of that love to the world around us.

#### "To be on earth the Heart of God"

Sacrament of First Holy Communion Presentation Masses The children of the parish are preparing for the Sacrament of the Eucharist. They will be presented to the parish at the masses this weekend. The sacrament will be celebrated on the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ, the weekend of 1 and 2 June. Would you please hold all the children and their families in your prayers. Thank you.

On **19 May** I'm undertaking the **Walk to Fight Parkinson's** 



and raising funds to support life changing research and improve remains services for people living with Parkinson's.

Sadly, one Australian is diagnosed with Parkinson's every 40 minutes and there is currently no cure. I'm doing my part to change this by getting active and fundraising for people impacted by Parkinson's.

Please sponsor me today and make a real difference to progress life-changing research and improve services to maximise choice, independence and wellbeing for people living with Parkinson's.

Head to my fundraising page. Thank you, Ted Kell.

https://www.walktofightparkinsons.com.au/ fundraisers/tedhkell

#### What is your Mother Tongue?

On **Pentecost Sunday**, the Apostles filled with the Holy Spirit, spoke in many different tongues. We would like to hear prayers from different languages embracing the diversity of our parish. Are you a parishioner whose mother tongue is not English? If you would be willing to read a Prayer of the Faithful in your first language at your Mass on the weekend of 19 May – Pentecost Sunday, then please contact the parish office on 6254 3236 or kippax@cg.org.au

The English version will be on the overhead so that the congregation can understand.

We need at least 6 more volunteers for the Church Cleaning Roster. This would then give



us 8 cleaning groups which would mean that each group would then clean every 2nd month ♥ 6 times a year.

**Gardens and Grounds.** For the time being the grounds will be maintained through organized working bees.

Please contact the parish office 6254 3236 or <u>kippax@cg.org.au</u>

Feast of Our Lady of Fatima Monday 13 May 2024 the Rosary will commence at 8:00am

### Youth Mass Sunday 19 May 2024 © 6:00pm

Followed by Soup supper • 7:00pm Adoration • 8:00pm All are welcome



KIT was emailed out during this week. If you didn't receive a copy, it is available on our web page at the link below

http://www.stjohnkippax.org.au/uploads/KIT%20-%20Keeping%20In%20 Touch/KIT%20MONTHLY/2024/KIT%20APR%202024%20web.pdf

THE CHURCH FOYER IS HEATED

To maintain the heat in the foyer and to conserve energy would you please close the door when



entering the church. Thank you.

## **Easter Season**

#### The Gift of Love

It is not enough for love to be shared: it must be shared freely. The gift of love is the gift of the power and the capacity to love, and, therefore, to give love with full effect is also to receive it. So, love can only be kept by being given away, and it can only be given perfectly when it is also received.

To love another is to will what is good for them. Such love must be based on truth. To love others well we must first love the truth. The truth we must love in our brothers and sisters is God living in them.

If we know God, our identification of ourselves with those we love will be patterned on our union with God, and subordinate to it.

We are called to love one another. We are not strictly bound to "like" one another. Love governs the will; "liking" is a matter of sense and sensibility. There is no true love except in God, who is the source both of our own being and of the being we love.

Taken from: Love, by Thomas Merton

## Stewardship

#### Love as Christ Loves

Our readings today call us to love as Christ loves. We are called to imitate this love. The more we find ways to love the Lord, the more we will find it easier to put aside our selfishness and serve others. The fact of the matter is, as our love for Christ increases, so too does our capacity to love others.

Christ's command to love others may seem daunting. Yet, Christ would never ask something of us that we cannot live out. All we need to do is take baby steps. Ask yourself, "How can I better love Jesus right now?" For it is in loving Christ that we will better love others, and it is in loving others that we love Christ Himself. www.catholicsteward.com



#### **Recently Deceased:**

**Anniversary:** Anna Clobus, Neil White, Gertrude Harridence, John Schmich, Pauline O'Gorman, John Braddon, John Costelloe, Lillian Boyd, Ruth Lloyd, Jack Draper, Robert Griffiths, Matthew Ray, Helen Kelly, Lawrence Southwick, Andrew Harker, Jeremy Hope, Zeffirina Penfold, Kenneth Brennan, Krysta Lindstrom, Harrison Wroe, Antonia Gladwish, Pat McLindin, Kevin Crossley, Sarah Sealey, Betty Cowman, Edna Hamilton, Robert Donovan, Elena D'Ambrosio, Hemult Wanda, Bryan McGurgan, Marie Millucci

# Mass Intentions the week of 6 -12 May

Mon 06/05	Mary Sumitra &	
	Raman Nicholas	
Wed 08/05	Donna Hogan	
Thur 09/05		
Fri 10/05		
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Sat 11/05		
5:00pm		
Sun 12/05		
8:30am	Sophie Riggs	
10:00am	Albert Gomez	
6:00pm		

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

TAIZÉ PRAYER

WEEK OF PRAYER FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY 2024



Jointly hosted by: St Margaret's Uniting Church, Hackett Holy Rosary Catholic Church, Watson Holy Cross Anglican Church, Hackett



Holy Cross Church, Hackett Sunday 12 May, 6.00pm



## SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Baptisms	1st & 3rd Sun during Mass
Reconciliation	Sat 4:00pm – 4:30pm
Sacramental Program	Contact Parish Office
School of Religion	Sunday 9.15am
(Parish Centre)	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

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

#### **RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:**

The Lord has revealed to the nations his saving power

#### **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:**

Alleluia, alleluia! All who love me will keep my words, And my Father will love them and we will come to them. Alleluia

#### **Readings – 12 May 2024** First Reading Acts 1:1-11 Ps 46:2-3, 6-9 Psalm

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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.

## ROSTERS

12 May		Acolyte Roster	
5:00pm Anthony and Chitra Jayawardena			
	8:30am	Maria Scarr, Frank Craddock	
	10:00am	Peter Kain	
	6:00pm	Carl Madsen, Joy McInerney	
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#### 12 May Lector Roster 5:00pm Paul McGrath, Therese Kercher 8:30am Sigrid Kropp, Mariana Rollgejser 10:00am Pam Connor, Kelechi Nnajide 6:00pm Meg Millband, Brian Mahony 12 May **Ministers of Communion** Maria Catanzariti, Marian England 5:00pm 8:30am Shane Murtagh, Carmel Screen

10:00am F		Frank Colley, Margarete Gill
	6:00pm	John McGee, Dushyanthi Upasena
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	5:00pm	Jenny Maher
	8:30am	Mandy Lalor
	10:00am	Judy Kenny, Shovin Weerawarnakula

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6:00pm | Sabina Van Rooy

2 May	SJAShop	
5:00pm		
8:30am		
10:00am	Margaret Sheehan	
6:00pm John McGee		
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Altar Society	5 May	Margaret Ferguson
Grounds	11 May	Rob Breen, Mike Blyth, David Momi
Church Cleaning:	5 May	John O'Heir, Pat Keenan, Debbie & Ted Milne

### On a Lighter note

