

COMPACT



St John the Apostle Parish

A Missionary of the Sacred Heart Parish

2nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR C
19 January 2025 #8.25

“They have no Wine”

The interplay between Jesus and his mother in this gospel event is both intriguing and deeply human. This moment, the first sign of Jesus' public ministry, highlights the unique bond between Mary and her son, a bond that bridges the ordinary and the divine.

It is striking that Mary appears only twice in John's Gospel: here, at the beginning of Jesus' ministry, and later at the foot of the cross, where she witnesses his ultimate act of love and sacrifice. These two appearances frame Jesus' mission and remind us of Mary's quiet, steadfast presence throughout.

At Cana, Mary does not directly ask Jesus to intervene. Her simple statement, "They have no wine," carries a motherly tone that leaves little doubt about her intent. It is a moment filled with unspoken understanding—she knows her son and trusts in his compassion. Jesus, though hesitant, does not refuse her. His initial response, "My hour has not yet come," suggests an awareness of the weight of his mission. Yet, Mary's quiet confidence is unwavering.

Without debate or insistence, Mary turns to the servants and says, "Do whatever he tells you." Her words echo through time as a profound directive for all who follow Christ. In her trust, she exemplifies a faith that does not demand but waits in confident expectation.

This scene invites us to reflect on our own trust in God's timing and our readiness to act on Jesus' word. The transformation of water into wine is not merely a miracle of abundance but a sign of Jesus' willingness to meet human needs, even in the ordinary moments of life. It is also a foreshadowing of the ultimate outpouring of his love and grace.

Mary's quiet persistence and Jesus' response challenge us to trust in God's providence, even when his timing or methods are not immediately clear. Like the servants at Cana, we are called to obedience, to "do whatever he tells you," and to witness the surprising ways God's glory is revealed in our lives.

Based on: Gospel Reflection—by Greg Sunter

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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 and Thursday

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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

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

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. Silence is a central part of this retreat; however, there will be times to share and interact with others on the retreat. The retreat can be for any adult.

Register at: kippax@cg.org.au

COMMUNITY CONNECTIONS

Connecting with people living alone

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



Pins & Needles
Mon 20 January – 7:15pm
Parish Library

WOMEN'S BREAKFAST



TUESDAY 28 JANUARY – 7:30AM
BEAN ORIGIN CAFÉ
NETTLEFOLD STREET BELCONNEN

**St John's Friendship Group
Morning Tea**

next meeting on
Wednesday 29 January
10:00am - parish centre.

Please come and join us, you are all most welcome. Please bring a plate to share.
Contact: Barbara Mawson in you have any quesitons on 6254 7989

FUNERAL NOTICE

Margaret Richardson

Requiem Mass will be celebrated on
Monday 20 January 2025
at 11:00am
St John the Apostle Parish Kippax

Due to the above mentioned funeral
**Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament**
Monday 20 January
Will not take place

2025 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM REGISTRATION

Register your interest for your
child/children for the 2025
Sacramental Program.



Use the QR Code to register.

Registration Night details will be advised soon

For students in Year 3 for the Sacraments of
Penance and Eucharist and Year 6 for the
Sacrament of Confirmation

For students attending non catholic schools
who have not received these Sacraments from
Year 3-6

MASS OF THE SACRED HEART OF JESUS

1st Friday of every month ■
9:30am



7 February 2024

Sacred Heart Devotion

The heart is the centre of our being,
and the seat of our emotions and love.
The Sacred Heart of Jesus symbolizes
his great love for humanity. Jesus
initiated this devotion out of his great
love for us.

Thursday Night before 1st Friday

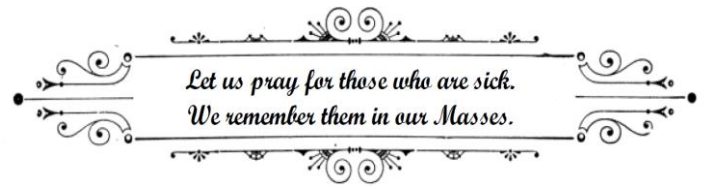
**Prayer before the
Blessed Sacrament**
Gethsemane Thursday

6 February
7:30 – 8:30pm



“Be on earth the Heart of God”

Heart Spirituality



Our Lady guards the source of grace

Mary! What is your place in God's plans? The Angel of the Lord greets you as full of grace. Then the source itself of all graces gives himself to you, enclosing himself in your womb. You command all the roads to this source; for it is born from the depths of your being. Rightly you preside over the distribution of its mysterious waters; for at your word, they have welled up over the world, purifying it, bringing it life and making it fertile.

Jules Chevalier msc
OLSH, p. 70f Issoudun, 189

Stewardship

Do whatever he tells you

Today's Gospel reading from John recounts the familiar story of the wedding feast at Cana when Jesus launched His public ministry by performing His first miracle at his mother's request.

In the midst of the feast, the Blessed Mother noticed that the wine had run out and pointed out the problem to Jesus. Then, she gave the servants instructions that are equally applicable to us modern-day stewards, saying, "Do whatever He tells you." Jesus gives the servants a simple and seemingly mundane task, telling them to fill some stone jars with water. They did what He told them to do. And Jesus used their obedience in the accomplishment of that simple task to perform His first miracle, turning the water into the choicest wine.

Our Lord didn't have to include those servants in order to perform this miracle — He chose to. And today, 2,000 plus years later, He still chooses to include us in the performance of His miracles through our cooperation with Him in using the gifts and talents He has given us.

www.catholicsteward.com

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

Recently Deceased:

Anniversary: Phyllis Morrison, Alexander Beggs, Tara Ottewill, Shaun MacKey, Frederick Felsing, Josephine Fox, Bradley Keenan, Albert Bingham, Josephine McLaren, Eugenia Kurzynski, Horace Staunton, Leonard Crowe, Ernest Hackett, Christopher Hemmingway, Claudine MacDowell, Danielle Sykes, Brendan Gibson, Chris Thamer, Bernadette Davis, Emauel Grech, Joan Casey, Nicholas McInerney, James Fitzgibbon, Kyall Green, Maxwell Lewis, Geoffrey Fisher, Michael Sweeney, Armando Arugay, Jane Packard, Frank Ripszam, Michael Ryan, Desmond Jones, Janelle Sykes, Marie Murphy, Margaret Hill, Declan Morris, Riley Carberry, Rupert Waterford, Jehanne Thelland, Alexander Powell, Alice Tonna, Robert Thomas, Nola Newton, Doreen Kennedy, Salvatore Nasca, Nicholas Roots

Mass Intentions the week of 20 - 26 January

Mon 20/01	
Wed 22/01	John the Baptist, Peters, Agnes, Maria, ancestors
Thur 23/01	
Fri 24/01	
Sat 25/01	
5:00pm	
Sun 26/01	
8:30am	
10:00am	Amelia and William Owers
6:00pm	

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

Canberra-Goulburn Cursillo Retreat
Fri 4 - Sun 6 April 2025

St Clements Retreat Centre, Galong

Deepen your faith life through an established program of talks, meditations and prayer. Renew your relationship with God and share fellowship with other men and women.

Contact Michael at michaelderaadt@gmail.com
Info and registration <https://bit.ly/cursillo2025>

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

RESPONSE TO THE PSALM:

Proclaim his marvelous deeds to all the nations.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

God has called us with the gospel to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.
Alleluia!

Readings 26 January 2025

First Reading

Psalm

Second Reading

Gospel

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

26 Jan

Acolyte Roster

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

26 Jan

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

26 Jan

Ministers of Communion

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

26 Jan

Hospitality Roster

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

26 Jan

SJAShop

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

Weekly Rosters

Altar Society	19 Jan	Mary Cruickshank
Church Cleaning:	20 Jan	Christian Perera, Vigi Varghese

On a Lighter note



“It says right here. You’re not supposed to open the lid during the spin cycle.”