

**Cleaning Roster for Next Week** Jim Walsh



**Flower Roster for Next Week** Noela Leituala

**Registering as a Volunteer**

All Mass volunteers will need to be registered with the Archdiocese of Brisbane as a Volunteer prior to any volunteering duties can be carried out. The registration process can extend to either a Blue Card application and/or Police Check. To get more information and details about the new online registration process, please come up to the Parish Office if you are interested in helping out.

**Prayer for the Sick**

Hudson Mc Hardy, Keith Auld, Lin Merrian, Marj, Gladys Robbin, Kim Shadwell, Jackie Ledger, Amy and Reagan Whiteman, Blake Dufty, Amanda Harding, Fr Tuong.



**Anniversaries: 5th Aug - 11th Aug**

Dulcie Penny, Wesley Farnham, Luka Vuksic, Olivia De Ynchansti, Vince Hanley, Lea Ann Howarth, George Staunton Moylan, John Chew, Florence Sharkey.

**Recently Deceased**

Matta Nguyen Thi Tuoi.

**Home Visit**

Anyone who is sick or housebound and would like a visit from a priest, please contact the parish office and a visit can be arranged.

**Holy Days of Obligation**

For Australia and New Zealand are 15th August (Assumption) is a day of obligation. It is simply a solemnity celebrated like a Sunday, that is, with obligation.

15th August 9.00am Mass  
6.30pm Mass



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Parish Secretary: Michelle Castell

**4th August 2019 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time**



**True Happiness**

We all want happiness, and we try hard to get happiness, and it is the right thing to do. Pubs and clubs often advertise happy hours after the end of a working day. Well, there is much more in life for us to enjoy. Happiness comes from both simple and great things. It comes from what we expect, and what we don't expect. It comes from what we do and what we don't do. It comes from outside and from nature. Last week I was in a hospital and was in pain, a nurse gave me a tablet of pain killer and I was happy. The doctor who operated on me, saw the wound next day, and he was happy with the results of his hard labour. It happened exactly as he expected it would. He was happy. He asked would I share his view. Well, I did nothing, the doctor did all the work, and he was happy; me too - Happy. Happiness in this case comes from doing nothing but sharing the greatness of others. A few years ago when the Olympic games was on, every time an Australian athlete won a gold medal, the whole nation was happy to share his/her achievement. Happiness grows when it is shared. It is obvious that happiness comes from this world, and things of this world have a time limit, and happiness they offer also has a time limit. We all know that and that explains why we want more and more.

The first reading taken from the book of Ecclesiastes says that what a person owns is not permanent. This person owns it for sometime and when the time comes, someone else will own it. St Paul in the second reading to the Colossians tells us

that, it is better to look for something more permanent. Things that last forever come not from the wealth of this world, but it comes from above - look for the things that are in heaven - Col 3,2. The one single condition needed for being able to own things that last forever is to renounce evil desires. Paul used the battle's language to tell us, and that there is no compromise in this. If we don't kill evil desires in us; it will truly kill our lasting happiness, the true and everlasting happiness.

There was a man, who asked Jesus to intervene into his domestic problem with his brother, *'Master, tell my brother to give me a share of our inheritance'* Lk12,13. Jesus told him that *'... a man's life is not made secure by what he owns, even when he has more than he needs'* Lk 12,4.

Our life is made secured by true happiness. Everlasting life offers true happiness, which we are not of this world. The farmer looked for his true happiness on his possession, building more barns to store his crop. Jesus asked the question: *Fool! This very night the demand will be made for your soul, and this hoard of yours whose will it be then?' v.21.* Wealth of this world won't offer everlasting life security.

We pray for the wisdom to find times for both happiness of the present life and also for the life to come.

Vudinh Tuong

### Supply Priest

Please welcome Fr Pan Jordan who will be helping Fr Tuong celebrate Mass this weekend.

### New Parishioners

New Parishioner Forms are available on our website. If you have any queries, please give the Parish Office a call.

### Learning about Faith

Is it either you or your relatives and friends who would like to learn about the Catholic faith? Please call the Parish Office on 07 3818 0111 and we will let you know when the class will start. The program is known as Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Thank you



### Baptism at St Francis Xavier, Goodna

Baptisms are held on the third Sunday of each month during the 9am Mass. Except in August because of Multicultural Mass and First Holy Communion.

### Dates to Remember

First Holy Communion Classes

3rd Class starts 3rd Aug 3.45pm - 4.45pm followed by 5pm Mass

**Parish White Elephant Stall Donations** - any donations can be delivered to the Parish Office.

### Multicultural Mass Preparations

Our Multi Cultural Mass will be held on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> August 2019 at 10.00am in the school hall.

All are invited to take part by wearing your traditional costume or to sing a hymn at Mass in your own language, please let us know.

There will be a shared lunch after Mass. Please bring a plate to share.

Let's join together to make this a great day. Please give the Parish Office a call.

**St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal** - SVDP would like to thank the parishioners for their generous donation towards their Appeal. The total amount donated was \$2,144.15.

### Loop System



The Church is fitted with a loop system. If you wear a hearing aid, set the control to the 'T' to obtain a better sound.

### Mass Times this Week

30th Jul -	Tues -	9am	Communion Service
31st Jul -	Wed -	9am	Communion Service
1st Aug -	Thurs -	9am	Communion Service
2nd Aug -	Fri -	9am	Communion Service

### Saturday Reconciliation

3rd Aug -	Sat -	4.00pm - 4.30pm
		- 5pm Mass

### Sunday Mass

4th Jul -	Sun -	7am & 9am
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### 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time 11th August

Wis 18:6-9, Heb 11:1-2, 8-19; Lk 12:32-48

