



ST FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC PARISH

OUR PARISH MASSES						
Weekday				Saturday	28 th August – St Pius X	
24 th	Aug	Tues	9.00am	Mass- St Bartholomew	4.30pm	Reconciliation (till)
25 th	Aug	Wed	9.00am	Mass	5.00pm	Vigil Mass
26 th	Aug	Thurs	9.00am	Mass	Sunday 29th August	
27 th	Aug	Fri	9.00am	Mass – St. Monica	7.00am	Mass
					9.00am	Mass
					5.00pm	Divine Mercy

21st Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 22nd August 2021



Listen to Him

St John's Gospel, chapter six, is about the Eucharist.

Jesus talked to the crowd.

First, Jesus used the miracle of the loaves to teach about the everlasting bread.

Second, Jesus used the visible image, the bread that did not last, to talk about the invisible bread, the everlasting bread v.27.

Third, Jesus revealed the living bread, the everlasting bread, which was nothing else, but of His own Body and Blood v.35.

At this point, the crowd, and some of Jesus' disciples went home unhappy. They followed Jesus not to hear the truth, but with their own agenda, and when their expectation was not met, they left Jesus.

Their agenda was, that Jesus would lead them to overthrow the Roman Empire. This political view was what they accused Jesus of at His trial.

Second, some believed Jesus was not God, but simply a great prophet, who could perform miracles and healings.

Third, the heart of the problem was not much about understanding Jesus' teaching, but rather about their hope that was not met. This problem remains in today's world. People do not 'Let God be God'. They want to have a god compatible to 'their' god, whom they have already formed in their own heads. Jesus revealed the reality of God. The people of His day rejected this. They would not accept the God-Incarnate, Who lived among them.

The mystery of the Eucharist is the ultimate sacrifice, Jesus, out of His love, gave to His followers. This mystery is not for

us to understand, but to believe. God, the Father told us to Listen to Jesus when He said:

'This is my Son, the Chosen One, listen to him'. Lk 9,36.

We are called, not to understand, but to listen, and to believe what Jesus taught. *'Listen to Him'* to know what we have never heard, that what looks like normal bread and wine on the Altar, after the consecration, are truly the Body and Blood of Jesus. Faith simply is about understanding what the Divine allows us to understand, and to believe, what the Divine calls us to believe. Jesus revealed the mystery of the Eucharist for us to believe, that:

- a. God loves us.
- b. God gives us life.
- c. God is near to us.
- d. God lives amongst us; and
- e. Finally, God gives us eternal life.

Jesus knew His teaching about the real presence was not simple. It required faith to believe. It was not an ordinary faith, but the faith which came from the Father. Jesus became one of us. He used our human language to talk about divine love. Jesus told us.

'It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life' v.63.

The 'flesh' Jesus talked about was not about ours, but of His own 'flesh'.

'The Word was made 'flesh', he lives among us' Jn 1, 14.

The crowds failed to understand this teaching. They believed Jesus was an ordinary man, who came from their village.

We give thanks to Jesus for becoming one of us, so we can learn from Him.

Fr Vudinh Tuong
Parish Priest

WEEKLY INFORMATION

Parish Secretary Job Advertisement

The Parish has opened applications for a Secretary to work at the Goodna Parish. We are looking for a person with excellent administration and time management skills required for a part time position of 24 hours a week, Tuesday to Friday 8.30am to 3pm.

For additional information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/> and to careers.



Columbarium

The Parish is in the process of receiving quotes to build a Columbarium in the very near future, hopefully in the next few months. Instead of the burial, the Columbarium is a convenient and holy place to keep ashes of the deceased on the Church grounds for relatives and friends to pay their respects and to pray for when they go to Church.

It is proposed to be built in adjacent to the existing flower gardens, outside the sacristy. Ashes will be placed either in the columns itself or in the ground, underneath of the Jesus' status, Divine Mercy. We estimate each niche will cost approx. \$2,500 each. The bronze plaque, 20cm square, names and dates casted will be another extra \$250.00. The setup will look similar to the picture.

WEEKLY INFORMATION

Mass Precautions during COVID

As part of the COVID Protocols, the Mass format for all Churches have had to be amended (since March 2020):

- No wine for Communion – just prayer;
- Communion is given to the hand – currently given to the tongue is not permitted;
- Extraordinary Ministers – must wash hands before and after Mass with soap and water;
- The use of signing Peace – shaking hands, kissing and hugging is not permitted;

Fr Tuong is also not permitted to shaking hands after Mass

Responsorial Psalm

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Your words, Lord, are spirit and life:
you have the words of everlasting life.

Alleluia!

PASTORAL MATTERS



Prayer for the Sick

Keith Auld, Lin Merrian, Marj Robbin, Kim Shadwell, Jackie Ledger, Amy and Reagan Whiteman, Sarah Kathleen Jones, Phil O'Dwyer, Peter Eddy, Michael Hancock, Almira Ann James, Finley McHardy, Nyaweir Ring, Kylie Herbert, Tony Ryan.

Reading – 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 29th August

1st Reading

Deut. 4:1-2, 6-8

2nd Reading

James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27

Gospel

Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23



Baptism at St Francis Xavier, Goodna

The next Baptism will be 19th September 2021

Please keep in touch with the Parish Office as the current restrictions may change at any time. Baptisms are held on the third Sunday of each month during the 9am Mass. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Home Visit

Due to COVID, the priest is not currently available for any home visits. Please contact the parish office for any further updates.

Reborn in Eternal Life 23rd August – 29th August

Kerry Hayes, Darlene Perkins, Stanislaw Prokuda, Patricia Fitzgerald, Brian Joseph Eustace, James Stirling, Bill Catlow.

Recently Deceased

Fr Dan Carroll, Raymundo Campomayor, Elizabeth Vo Nghia.



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.

ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEK – 29th August 2021



Flowers

Samoan Community



Cleaning

To Be Advised

WEEKLY INFORMATION



August 2021 Baptism

Welcoming children to the preparation of the Sacrament of Baptismal.

Eli Foy

Positions Vacant

Maroochydore – Sacramental Coordinator – 8hrs/week

Maroochydore – Youth Ministry Coordinator – 8hrs/week

Applications Close 30th August 2021

For additional information, please visit the Archdiocese of Brisbane website <https://clientapps.jobadder.com/68451/aob-internal-career-opportunities>

WEEKLY INFORMATION

2021 Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion Enrolment

The enrolment your Grade Four children to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion will be held in September, and the Classes will begin in October.

The dates have now been finalised for the First Holy Communion. If you wish to enrol, please contact the Parish Office to get an Enrolment Form or go to our website for further details.

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Kids who care

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and compassion

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