



ST FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC PARISH

OUR PARISH MASSES						
Weekday				Saturday	25 th September	
21 st	Sept	Tues	9.00am	Mass – St Matthew	4.30pm	Reconciliation (till)
22 nd	Sept	Wed	9.00am	Mass	5.00pm	Vigil Mass
23 rd	Sept	Thurs	6.00pm	Rosary	Sunday 26th September	
24 th	Sept	Fri	9.00am	Mass- St Pius Pietrelcina	7.00am	Mass
					9.00am	Mass
					5.00pm	Divine Mercy

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B 19th September 2021



Second Prediction

The first time (Mk 8:31) Jesus told the apostles about His Passion, Peter wished, that it would not happen to Jesus. Jesus scolded Peter. This is the second time (Mk

9:31) Jesus predicted His suffering, death and resurrection. Learning from the last time, this time the apostles changed their tactics. Instead of making their thoughts known to the Master, they 'privately' argued amongst themselves. The text said, the apostles didn't understand what Jesus said, and were afraid to ask Him. Frightened, in Mark, associated with a weak faith in Jesus.

Like all of us, the apostles had no trouble understanding the teaching about suffering and death, but of the second part of the teaching, which says, *'He will rise again'*, they struggled to make sense. When a matter is tough to handle, we prefer to talk about petty issues, and lose track of the main subject. This was exactly what happened to the apostles. Instead of talking about *'what rise again'* meant, the apostles were discussing which of them was the greatest.

Their 'secret' discussion did not go without the Master's knowledge. Jesus challenged them, not because of their arguing, but because of the content of the argument. Their personal ambition contradicted His teaching. Jesus took this opportunity to correct them. He told them, that humble service is the way of life, and His true disciples must love one another.

'If anyone wants to be first, he must make himself last of all and servant of all' Mk 9,35.

Jesus reminded the apostles that: First, the earthly way of government belonged to this world. It would not fit in God's kingdom. It would be obsolete in God's kingdom. For Jesus, worldly power and honour were in the state of flux, slow to

come, and quick to go. Providing loving service was true power and honour. They would last forever, because people treasured them in their hearts. They carried with them wherever they go. Worldly power can crush our body, but not our spirit.

Second, greatness was to be found, not from the strong, but the weak. It was to be found not in receiving, but in giving loving service to the needy, voiceless and marginalised members of a society. To visualize His teaching, Jesus set a child before the apostles. He taught them to welcome children.

Today children are greatly protected, and hold dear in our society. At the time of Jesus, children of the poor had no social status. Jesus gave a social status to children, because they, too, were God's creation, and bore God's image and likeness. Those who do not embrace children with tender love and compassion, they are not true Jesus' disciples.

Second, when one welcomes a child, that person welcomes no one else, but part of oneself, because the childhood in each one of us does not vanish, but gives way to adulthood. We, from time to time, do behave like children.

Third, our faith depends on God's love and grace, like a child depends on his/her parents for life and livelihood.

Fourth, by nature, children are innocent. Their state of life was not tainted by sin. A baby is seen as an angel. God's image in them was, and is much brighter. Jesus told His apostles to welcome a child, not in an ordinary way, but in His Name.

Finally, caring for a child is an act of kindness. An act of kindness moves the heart of a person. It is gained through loving and caring. Acts of kindness have deep meanings when they are done to make God's love real for others.

Fr Vudinh Tuong
Parish Priest

WEEKLY INFORMATION



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.



We would like to wish all the teachers and students of St Francis Xavier Primary School a safe and relaxing break.

We look forward to you all returning refreshed and ready for Term 4.

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

The Lord upholds my life.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

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

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, Elisapeti Pati.

Reading – 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 26th September

1st Reading

Numbers 11:25-29

2nd Reading

James 5:1-6

Gospel

Mk 9:38-43, 45, 47-48



Baptism at St Francis Xavier, Goodna

The next Baptism will be 17th October 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 20th Sept – 26th Sept

Roderick William Burns, Neil Cansdale, Vanessa Marsh, Dorothy Phyllis O'Dwyer, Betty Allison, Maria Nguyen Thi Trinh, Barry Roberts, Margaret Dunbavin.

Recently Deceased

Ursula Franciska Rennett, Peter Ho Luu.



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 – 26TH SEPTEMBER 2021



Flowers

Tien & Nhu



Cleaning

Tien & Nhu

WEEKLY INFORMATION

The Correct Name

The priest is the only Minister of the Eucharist. Lay people who assist with the distribution of Holy Communion are therefore always called Ministers of communion (Never Eucharistic Ministers)

Priests and deacons are 'Ordinary' ministers of Holy Communion. Lay ministers who assist with communion are therefore called 'Extra-ordinary'.

Ordo 2021

St Andrew Kim Tae Gon and Companions

Andrew Kim Tae-Gon was the first Korean presbyter and Paul Chong Hasang a catechist and lay apostle. After more than two centuries of lay leadership, the Church in Korea was subject to fierce persecution between 1839 and 1867.

The feast commemorates 103 of the numerous Korean martyrs, representatives from all walks of life.... Remembered for their fearless witness in the face of torture and death.

The Feast is on Monday 20th September

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.

Classes start at 3.30pm on 9th October, 16th October, 23rd October, 30th October and the 6th November.

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Kids who care

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