



**ST FRANCIS  
XAVIER  
CATHOLIC  
PARISH  
GOODNA**

OUR PARISH MASSES					
Weekday				Saturday	9 <sup>th</sup> March
4 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Mon	9.00am Mass	4.15-4.45pm	Reconciliation
5 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Tues	9.00am Mass	5.00pm	Mass
6 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Wed	9.00am Mass	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>10<sup>th</sup> March</b>
			6.30pm Rosary		
7 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Thurs	9.00am Mass	9.00am	Mass
8 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Fri	9.00am Mass		
			6.00pm Stations of the Cross		

**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**Year B**

**3<sup>rd</sup> March 2024**



**Signs and believing in John's gospel**

The New Testament does not use the word 'miracle.' Matthew, Mark, and Luke describe Jesus' extraordinary acts as 'deeds

of power.' These powerful deeds are used to demonstrate that Jesus is overthrowing the power of Satan and establishing the Kingdom of God. In these three gospels (called 'the synoptic gospels') there are numerous and various powerful deeds - exorcism, healing, raising from the dead, and controlling nature (e.g., calming the storm at sea, walking on water). John's gospel, however, uses the word 'signs' to describe these deeds, though Jesus himself calls them 'works.' These signs are used to reveal aspects of the identity of Jesus. John is selective, describing only seven signs. He is also circumspect; his descriptions tend to downplay the miraculous aspects and keep the focus on Jesus.

For John 'signs' are ambivalent; they are not compelling proofs that overwhelm and convince a person to believe

in Jesus. Indeed, it can happen that among people who see Jesus perform the same sign, some will believe, and some will resolve to destroy him. Such is the reaction to raising Lazarus from the dead - the High Priest, Caiaphas, persuades the council that Jesus must die (11:45-53) but many do indeed come to believe in Jesus. When people see signs and come truly to believe in Jesus, the sign has achieved its purpose (6:69; 9:38). Between these all-or-nothing alternatives there is the possibility of seeing a sign and believing - but believing inadequately. Many people in John's gospel want to 'see signs' so as to be convinced that Jesus is who he claims to be; in other words, they don't want faith, they want proof (6:30). Such signs Jesus steadfastly refuses to give. Others see signs and believe in Jesus as a wonder worker: their faith stops at the sign itself. Jesus considers this faith inadequate (e.g., 2:23-25; 4:46-48).

Though signs can lead to faith, Jesus concludes that the best faith is that which needs no signs: 'Blessed are those who have not seen and yet have come to believe' (20:29).

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**WEEKLY INFORMATION**

**Potluck Dinner**



On **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March** the parish welcomes the school children from SFX Primary who will assist at the 5pm Mass. Mass will be followed by a potluck dinner in the pergola area. All are welcome, please bring a plate of food to share.

**Fr. Mkude's Installation & Welcome Brunch.**



On **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March** we will celebrate a new chapter in our parish's long history with the installation of our new Parish Priest,

Fr. Mkude. This will be an opportunity for our parish to gather together in unity, and to reflect on the challenges and triumphs of the past, while embracing our future. The parish will welcome Archbishop Mark Coleridge for this special Eucharistic Celebration. 9am Mass will be followed by brunch. We will be doing a sausage sizzle, but if you would like to bring something, please bring a plate to share. Please bring a chair or a blanket.

**Volunteers Required**



**1. Easter Volunteers** We are looking for volunteers (young and old) to assist with the liturgical activities over the Easter long weekend. Could those interested in assisting

with Bible Readings, Prayers of the Faithful and Eucharistic Ministry, please provide their names to the Mass Coordinators after Mass or contact the Parish Office.

**2. Baptism Coordinators**

We are also seeking volunteers to become the Baptism Coordinators for our Parish. Those interested should speak to Fr. Mkude or contact the parish office.

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**WEEKLY INFORMATION**

**Dates for your diary**

7 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Thurs	7pm	Pastoral Council Meeting
9 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Sat	5pm	SFX School Mass, followed by potluck
17 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Sun	9am	Fr. Mkude's Installation
17 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Sun	10am	SVDP 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Morning Tea
28 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Thurs	7pm	The Lord's Supper
29 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Fri	10am	The Stations of the Cross
			3pm	The Veneration of the Cross
30 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Sat	6pm	Easter Vigil - RCIA
1 <sup>st</sup>	June	Sat	3pm	Sacramental program lessons begin
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Aug	Fri	6pm	Confirmation
18 <sup>th</sup>	Aug	Sun	10am	1 <sup>st</sup> Communion & Multicultural Mass

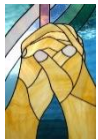
**Responsorial Psalm**

Lord, you have the words of everlasting life.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
king of endless glory!  
God loved the world so much,  
he gave his only Son.  
that all who believe in him might have eternal life.  
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ,  
king of endless glory!

**PASTORAL MATTERS**



**Prayer for the Sick:** Kim Shadwell, Jackie Ledger, Amy and Reagan Whiteman, Sarah Kathleen Jones, Phil O'Dwyer, Peter Eddy, Almira Ann James, Finley McHardy, Nyaweir Ring, Kylie Herbert, Tony Ryan, Elisapeti Pati, Amanda Harding, Margo Jane Higgins, Cameron Auld, Trent Andrews, Bill McAuslan, Peter Tolhurst, Peg Josey, Kathleen Tomlinson.

**Reborn in Eternal Life 4<sup>th</sup> – 10<sup>th</sup> March**

Maria Elisapeta Lupeamanu, Unborn Child, James Andrew Brydges, Joy Auld, Wolstan Blundell, Alf Hull, Bernadette Flanagan, Mary Patricia Collins, Jim Medlin, Michael Jack, Sot Sibounheuang.

**Reading – 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent, 10<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	2 Chron 36:14-16
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	Eph 2:4-10
Gospel	Jn 3:14-21

**Baptism at St Francis Xavier, Goodna**



Bookings for March are now closed. The next Baptisms will be 21<sup>st</sup> April 2024. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

**Recently Deceased** Barry George Miles, Elinore Carless, Brian Josey.



**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.

**WEEK 1 ROSTERS - THIS WEEK – 3<sup>rd</sup> MARCH 2024**

Flowers	No flowers	Cleaning	Jim Walsh	Yard	Samoan Community
5pm	Owen Ross	Angela Vu	Ruby Vu	Suzanne Fitzgerald	TBA
7am	Robert Bryant	Jane Brischetto	Louise Quali	Joan Sitcheff	Georgie Tierney
9am	Teofilo Lauu	Fruean Family	Sosefo Masalu	Uiki Vaoiva	Jo, Bu & Isaac

**WEEK 2 ROSTERS - NEXT WEEK – 10<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024**

Flowers	No flowers	Cleaning	Teofilo Lauu	Yard	n/a
5pm	Emma Le Breton	Huong Nguyen	Julie Aiavao	Peter Aiavao	TBA
7am	Sera Whippy	Cameron Auld	Paul Hodgkinson	Michael Miles	Francesco & Francis
9am	Alefosio Family	So'oalo Family	Teofilo Lauu	Sosefo Masalu	Raymond

Ministers should arrive at least 10 minutes before the start of Mass, or their role will be reassigned on the day.

**WEEKLY INFORMATION**

SCAN HERE TO ACCESS FREE LENT RESOURCES FOR CHILDREN

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Evangelisation Brisbane  
Children and Families

**Celebrating Lent with Children – Resources for Kids**

Evangelisation Brisbane's Children & Families team has created a range of lent resources to help engage the young disciples in our parish with age-appropriate prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Visit their website to access these free crafts, activities, videos and prayers:

<https://evangelisationbrisbane.org>

**St Francis Xavier Primary School**  
Goodna Kids who care

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