




**ST FRANCIS  
XAVIER  
CATHOLIC  
PARISH  
GOODNA**

OUR PARISH MASSES					
Weekday				Saturday	16 <sup>th</sup> March
11 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Mon	9.00am Mass	4.15-4.45pm	Reconciliation
12 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Tues	9.00am Mass	5.00pm	Mass
13 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Wed	9.00am Mass	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>17<sup>th</sup> March</b>
			6.30pm Rosary		
14 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Thurs	9.00am Mass	9.00am	Mass
15 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Fri	9.00am Mass		
			6.00pm Stations of the Cross		

**4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent** **Year B** **10<sup>th</sup> March 2024**




**Works and believing**

The first half of the gospel discusses the effects of believing and not believing. Those who believe in Jesus will be saved and have eternal life; those who do not believe in the only Son of God (3:18) are condemned. The very high stakes - eternal life or condemnation - underscore the importance of believing. In John's gospel, believing is not an intellectual insight or a mental conviction. Believing is an activity. This is suggested by the fact that, though John uses the verb 'to believe' ninety-eight times, he never uses the noun 'faith' or 'belief.' The activity of believing is directed toward Jesus: 'believing' means 'believing in Jesus' (3:18) and is expressed in an active commitment to him. For John, both believing and not believing are expressed in actions or, to use John's word, believing and not believing are expressed in 'works' (3x in this Sunday's gospel). Those who do not believe hate the light (= Jesus); they do 'wicked things' and their 'works' are evil. To come into the light will expose

their wicked deeds. By contrast, the last sentence of the gospel describes the kind of life a believer lives. Our text says 'whoever lives by the truth'; but the Greek more literally says 'the one who does the truth,' again stressing the dynamic nature of the Christian life: truth is something one does. The believer's 'works' - the way one lives - are 'done in God.' While it is true to say that those who believe will express their belief in works, John goes even further: 'This is the work of God, that you believe in the one he sent' (6:29). The primary work of the Christian is to believe in Jesus. The one who believes must make a total commitment of self to Jesus. Thus, for John, the person and presence of Jesus require and permit only a total response - no half-hearted response is possible: the choices are either light/darkness, eternal life/condemnation, evil/truth. The fundamental choice underlying all others is this: to believe or not to believe. Either choice is expressed in the works one does.

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**WEEKLY INFORMATION**



**Chrism Mass**

Archbishop Mark Coleridge invites you to the annual Chrism Mass on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March 2024** at 7pm in the Cathedral of St Stephen. Car parking available from 6pm. A light supper will be served following the Mass.



**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**

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
22 <sup>nd</sup>	Mar	Fri	7pm	2 <sup>nd</sup> Rite of Reconciliation
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
31 <sup>st</sup>	Mar	Sun	1pm	Swahili Mass
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**

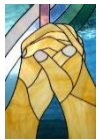
Let my tongue be silenced, if I ever forget you!

**Gospel Acclamation**

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!  
 God love the world so much,  
 he gave us his only Son,  
 that all who believe in him might have eternal life.

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

**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 11<sup>th</sup> – 17<sup>th</sup> March**

Geoffrey Twaddell, Michael Walters, Aileen Loreto Bradley, Madalena Silva, Del McGratti, Aileen (Charlie) Bradley, William Graham McElroy, Julia Liddy, Mr Nan from Guyana, Marie Thompson, Beatrice Rawainake, Robert James Bryant, Sydney Manning, Sean Liddy.

**Reading – 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent, 17<sup>th</sup> March 2024**

1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	Jer 31:31-34
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	Heb 5:7-9
Gospel	Jn 12:20-30

**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 2 ROSTERS - THIS 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

**WEEK 3 ROSTERS - NEXT WEEK – 17<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2024**

Flowers	No flowers	Cleaning	Divine Mercy	Yard	Divine Mercy
5pm	Julie Aiavao	Darsha Ross	Suzanne Fitzgerald	Peter Aiavao	TBA
7am	Tafito Ah Ki	Robert Bryant	Geo Garlow	Cameron Auld	Georgie Tierney
9am	Vaoiva Family	Alefosio Family	Vaoiva Family	Donna So'oalo	Fatu & Esther

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

**WEEKLY INFORMATION**

**Snippets – St Vinnies – Celebrating 50 years**



13 years ago, in 2011 our area once again saw despair and heartache. Flood waters inundated homes. People felt lost and insecure, many being through the same in 1974. The Parish and community generously donated funds to appeals that were set up. SVDP raised 4.5 million and the Qld Govt assisted with 10 million to help the flooded recover. St Vincent de Paul put out a call for members to help the community at their time of need. Members will remember the enormous task of visiting flooded residents and first consoling them, hugs were well received. Then assisting them with getting funding for repairs, white goods, furniture, clothing and bare essentials.

**“What I do feel certain of is, that every time I am welcomed into someone’s home, every time I am invited into sharing someone’s story, I know I am privileged to be a volunteer with Vinnies” - Robert Fitzgerald**

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

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