



St Francis Xavier Parish

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St Vincent De Paul: For Assistance and donations Please call 1800 846 643 - Weekdays only .

Meetings: Fortnightly on Tuesday 7.00pm. Call 0479 163 335

**15th Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

15th July, 2018

Embracing the suburbs of Goodna, Bellbird Park, Camira, Carole Park, Collingwood Park, Ellen Grove. Gales, Kruger, Redbank, Redbank Plains, Wacol and beyond.



Twelve Tribes of Israel

Manasseh	Asher
Naphtali	Zebulun
Issachar	Gad
Ephraim	Dan
Benjamin	Reuben
Simeon	Judah

Twelve heads

Biblical tradition tells of the twelve tribes of Israel who were descendants of Jacob, the name was given by God. The names of the twelve tribes are: *Reuben, Simeon, Judah, Issachar, Zebulun, Benjamin, Dan, Naphtali, Gad, Asher, Ephraim and Manasseh* Gen: 9. they are the descendants of one family, when Jacob entered Egypt his family formed the Israelites. They received the Torah from God at Mount Sinai and it became their law. After 40 years of wandering in the desert before entering the land of Canaan they came under the leadership of Moses.

They conquered the land and each tribe was given a territory to govern and Saul ruled over all the tribes and Eli as their priest. Civil war broke out because some tribes followed Saul, some preferred David. Finally David received support from all the elders and became their king. Solomon took the throne after the death of his father. Soon after Solomon's death, the twelve tribes were divided to be Northern kingdom and were called Israel while Southern kingdoms were led by the tribe of Judah.

In the New Testament Jesus chose twelve apostles to form the new people. Those who follow the way of Christ and are Baptised are the new chosen race, the royal priesthood. They become brothers and sisters in Christ. They have one leader, Jesus, and have God as their Father. While on earth they belong to the Church established by Jesus and Jesus himself had appointed Peter as their head and his successors. The whole Church body is guided by the Spirit of the Risen Lord and when our pilgrimage has ended we will enter God's kingdom. We are heirs in God's kingdom because our leader, Jesus Christ who rose from the dead has gained it for us. The Israelites wandered 40 years in the desert before entering the Promised Land; the royal priesthood of Christ will spend a whole life time doing pilgrimage on earth. While on earth we are called to be the ambassadors for Jesus, spreading the Good News of the Risen Christ for everyone we meet on the road. And whoever accepts the message and is Baptised in the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit will be a member of God's family.

The Israelites had the Torah as their way of life; the royal priesthood have one single rule Jesus gave them and that is the rule of love as their way of life. All the baptised persons must learn from Jesus to live a life of love and service- *Love one another as I have loved you. By this sign, people know that you are my disciple: love one another.* Jn 15:12

The way of Jesus is the way of love and humble service. Leaders learn to serve because Jesus told us that *he comes to serve not to be served.* Mat 20:28 Love and humble service are the keys characteristic of our leadership. Humble service would help to eliminate the leadership tension. Recognizing the sacred and God's love in another person changes the way of leadership and that is what God calls us to live a life of seeing Christ in others.

Fr Vudinh Tuong



Reconciliation and First Holy Communion for children in Year 4 and above who have been Confirmed will begin this Friday 20th July at 7-00pm in the Church and will continue over 3 Fridays with Friday the 3rd August being the final session.

Reconciliation will then take place for the children over 4 nights beginning with Tuesday 7th August. With First Communion taking place during our Multicultural Mass which is on Sunday 19th August.

Fr Tuong would like to interview the parents before instruction starts so please contact the Parish Office to book a day and time.

Interviews will be conducted first week of next term.

Tues 17th July, Wed 18th and Thurs 19th same times as above.

Application forms are available from the Parish Office or ask Fr Tuong after Mass.

If you haven't already picked up a form and spoken to Fr Tuong then you need to this week as sessions begin on Friday and only go for 3 weeks.

Upcoming Events

17/18 and 19th July Parent interviews for children making their First Holy Communion

20th July— 7.00pm First Session for the children making their First Holy Communion

1st Aug - 9.00am Feast of Mary McKillop whole of School Mass in the School Hall

15th Aug - 9.00am Feast of the Assumption Mass in School Hall 6.30pm in the Church

19th Aug - 10.00am Multicultural Mass in School Hall and the children will make their First Holy Communion.

Wanted: Help with counting of the weekly collections, please phone the office.



Baptism at St Francis Xavier Goodna

Baptisms are held on the **Third Sunday** of the month during the 9-00am Mass. Before a Baptism can take place the parents must complete a Baptism Enrolment form which is available from the Sacristy, the Office or download from the Website.

Parents must also register with the office and let the office know what month you would like the Baptism to take place. On the **First Sunday** of the month the child is welcomed at the 9-00am Mass. On the **Second Sunday** the Parents then attend Baptism preparation which is held in the Church after the 9-00am Mass.

When completed the Baptism Preparation form is returned to the office, Father or Peter Aiavao and is to be accompanied by a copy of the child's **Birth Certificate**.

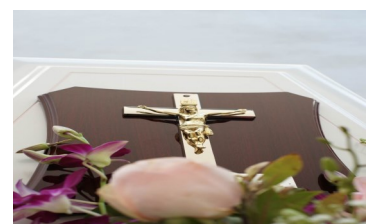
Once all the above has been completed then the baptism will take place on the **Third Sunday** of the month during the 9-00am Mass.

Remember to register with the Parish Office first.

Please note there will be no Baptism Welcome or Preparation in September.

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July 15, 2018 - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time *"He instructed them to take nothing for the journey but a walking stick – no food, no sack, no money in their belts."* MARK 6:8
How different we are from the Apostles who took nothing when they ventured out to serve God. Today, we make our life's journey more difficult because of all the material baggage that we drag along. When we really put God first in everything and put money and possessions second, we experience more freedom to joyfully serve God and others.
(Accessed on 11th July, 2018 from <http://archstl.org/stewardship/page/bulletin-inserts>)



Wanted for Multicultural Mass

We need volunteers from our different nationalities to carry the flag of their country in the Entrance Procession of the Mass.

Please see Fr Tuong or make contact with one of the steering committee members listed below with your name and phone number.

Multicultural Mass 19th August, 2018 10.00am in School Hall

Steering Committee: Elaine Walters, Filo Laulu, Uiki Vaoiva, Joe Masalu, Peter Aiavao.

Volunteers are required for setting up and serving lunch also to clean up afterwards. Please bring a plate for a shared lunch.

For Mass all are welcome to wear your national or traditional costumes.

Mass starts at 10.00am in the School Hall. If you wish to assist please contact one of the Committee members listed above.



A big **Thank You** to all the people who have supported the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal and last Sunday's Expo.

Your generosity has so far raised a total of \$1593.70. There are still some envelopes on the table for people who wish to make a donation.

This money pays for food and medicine for local families. May God bless the kind people of St Francis Xavier Parish.

Some more of Through the eyes of a child

In the beginning, which was close to the start, there wasn't anything except God, darkness and some gas. The Bible says, "The Lord, thy God, is one," but I think He has to be much older than that.

Anyway, God made the world and then He said, "Give me some light," and somebody gave it to Him. He split an atom and made Eve. Adam and Eve didn't wear any clothes, but they weren't embarrassed because God hadn't invented mirrors, yet.

Adam and Eve sinned by eating one bad apple and they were driven out of the Garden of Eden. I'm not sure what God drove them in because He hadn't invented cars, either.

Adam and Eve's son, Cain, hated his brother as long as he was Abel. After a while, all of the first people died, except Methuselah, who lived to be, like, a million years old.

PARISH NOTICES

DATES



Dates for your Diary

Mon 16th July Divine Mercy prayer Group 6.00pm In English.
Wed 18th July Rosary 6.30pm
Fri 20th July First session for First Holy Communion 7.00pm
Saturday Vigil Mass 5.00pm Sunday Masses 7.00 & 9.00am

Welcome to our Community! Have you moved into our parish lately? We would love to hear from you. Please give the Parish Office a call on 3818 0111. If you call at the information point after Mass, a member of the Parish Council will give you a welcome and information pack. We hope that you will enjoy your time in the parish and join in our activities.



For the Sick and housebound. If you know of anyone who is sick or housebound and would like a visit from a priest or to receive Holy Communion, please let the parish office know and a visit can be arranged.

15th July 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Amos 7:12-15; Eph 1:314; Mk 6:7-13

Psalm: Lord, show us your mercy and love, and grant us your salvation.

22nd July 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Jer 23:1-6; Eph 2:13-18; Mk 6:30-34



Services times this week:

Saturday Vigil Mass 5.00pm
Sunday 7.00am Mass
9.00am Mass

Monday No Mass
 Tuesday 9.00am Mass
 Wednesday 9.00am Mass
 Thursday 9.00am Mass
 Friday 9.00am Mass
 Saturday 5.00pm Vigil Mass
 Sunday 7.00am & 9.00am

Reconciliation Sat 4.00pm-4.30pm

Cleaning: 20th July Peter (Mitch & Pam)

If you would like to help out on this roster, please contact Pam Dodrill on 3288 4594. (Roster approximately once every eight weeks) The current Roster is available from the Sacristy. If you cannot honour your commitment please let Pam know.

We Pray for the Sick:

Keith Auld, Kath McGrath, Maria Vink, Claire Curry, Phil O'Dwyer, William Ryan, Hudson McHardy, Hini Habchi, Jaiden Madasferi, Macey Ingram, Nada Payne, Carmel Vig, Sr Carmel, Marge Robin, Lillian Morrison, Hans & Ursula Rennett, Tom McCarthy, Barbara Wakelin, Jarrod Owens, Michelle Owens, Ellen Spicer, Hope Spicer, Allan Nolan, Stan & Betty Seymour, Matilda (Tilly) Mahon (22mths), Maureen McCallion, Pat McCallion, Jean Silvester, Martin Hindley, George Potter, Christine Walker, Phillip Hoy. Names that have been on here for sometime will be removed over the next couple of weeks. Please contact the office if you need these names back on. If you know someone who can come off the sick list please contact us)

Anniversaries: 15th July –21st July

Alfred Sharman, Sivily Phonsavadathy, Pietro Gaiulo, Bill Appel- man, Barbara Meredith, Doreen Lesley, Gail Scotney, Barry McGrath, Marjorie Larter, James O'Neill, Philomena Bolton.

Recently Deceased: Vitolio (Victor) Leiato

LOOP SYSTEM



The church Sound System at St Francis Xavier's is fitted with a Loop System. If you wear a hearing-aid set the control to the "T" setting to obtain a clear sound.

A gift in your Will can provide support for the many ministries of your Parish and ensure a legacy of faith for future generations. A gift in your will is a wonderful way to express your Catholic faith. After you have provided for your loved ones, please consider a lasting memory to your parish. Booklets available from Parish Office.



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