



St Francis Xavier Parish

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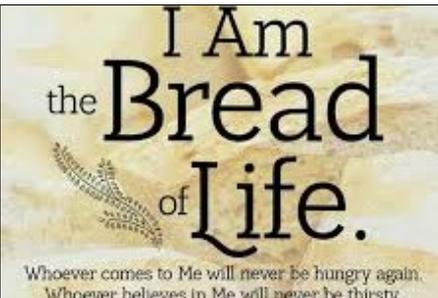
St Vincent De Paul: For Assistance and donations Please call 1800 846 643 - Weekdays only .

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

**19th Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

**12th August,
2018**

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



Centre of Faith

Today's Gospel is the continuous discourse between Jesus and his opponents about the claim Jesus made that he is the bread for the life of the world. We heard about the crowds but not sure who they were but this week's reading reveals them as the Jews. The Jews were the chief opponents of Jesus both in vocal language and in setting traps in the hope to catch him off guard.

Last week the reading was focussed upon Jesus who was the gift of life that God, the Father gave to the world. This week the focus is upon the person of Jesus who is the centre of the faith and through God the Father we come to

know that Jesus came from God. The two themes are interconnected, but they are not identical. After hearing the claim Jesus made the Jews refused to believe in Jesus.

I am the bread that came down from heaven' the crowd who followed Jesus began to grumble and complain. (v.42).

Their rejection caused by their prior knowledge of Jesus. They used his upbringing and family background to make claim that Jesus was one of them. The claim that Jesus came down from heaven was incorrect since they knew his father and mother and his relatives. Their complaining was based on the human knowledge while Jesus was talking about the knowledge of God given to them by the Father. For them once a person was born on this earth he or she could not be elsewhere but would belong to this earth. Jesus made clear to them that the faith he offered was not found in his background but rather it was a special gift from God. It was not knowledge of the earth that stood in their way of seeing the truth but rather it is the hardening of their hearts that stopped them from being open for other possibilities. They asked for more signs implying that the miracles of healing and the feeding Jesus made were insufficient to convince them. Their problem was comparing between manna their ancestors ate in the desert and the bread of life Jesus was talking about. Comparing often leads one to choose one and to reject the other. For the Jews to choose Jesus would mean to reject their Jewish traditions and it wouldn't be an easy thing to do.

To help them to see how wrong they were Jesus said

'No one can come to me unless he is drawn by the Father who sent me and I will raise him up at the last day v.44

To reject the teaching of Jesus implied to reject the teaching of the Father through him. Accepting the teaching of Jesus is the key to having faith in God. And those who believe in Jesus will benefit from it. The double results will accompany that person. First they will have the bread of life while on earth and second when their earthly journey is ended they will not die alone and forever but Jesus will give them eternal life and accompany them on the way to enter God's kingdom.

I will raise them up at the last day. v.44

The bread Jesus gives for the life of the world is his own flesh. Today we understand that the bread of life from Heaven costs more than we can imagine. It cost the life of Jesus and it is continuously repeated again and again at the Eucharistic celebration.

Fr Vudinh Tuong



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.

August Baptisms will be held on Saturday 18th August at 10.00am due to the Multicultural Mass on Sunday 19th August.

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

Upcoming Events

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.

Please note the Multicultural Mass is the only Mass for Sunday the 19th August there will be no 7.00am.

The Vigil Mass on Saturday 18th August at 5.00pm will be on as usual.

Share The Dignity

Share the Dignity is a charity that helps homeless women and girls with Sanitary items that they otherwise would be going without. "No woman should suffer the indignity of choosing between eating or buying sanitary items." From next weekend and throughout **August**. The box for this appeal will be in the Office so you can drop off your donations during Office hours.

Start shopping now also for the "It's in the Bag Appeal which will run from 16th November through to 2nd December. Remember in the bags put the essentials a woman needs and maybe a luxury item as well.

Further information can be obtained from their website: www.sharethedignity.com.au

Found: One pair of reading glasses. A two toned wedding ring has been found on the grass behind the Parish Centre.

There are a number of Planned Giving envelopes that are yet to be collected, please contact the office if you haven't yet collected your envelopes for this year, as they are now in the office and not at the Church.

Help unlock a child's unique potential.

Children only get one childhood and not all get an equal start in life.

Please give children whose families are living in crisis hope for a brighter future through a Catholic education.



Your gift is currently helping 25 students access Catholic education through the MacKillop Catholic School Access Fund.

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Memorial Plaques for the Memorial Garden



In a few weeks we will be placing an order for engraving of more plaques, if you would like one to remember a friend or loved one please contact Marie during Office Hours. A plaque costs \$25 per plaque which is payable at time of ordering.



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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.

Can't commit just yet but would like a look? Try a short Encounter tour to Timor Leste or Samoa-
Call us 02 9560 5333 or go to palms.org.au/encounters

Spirituality for Life

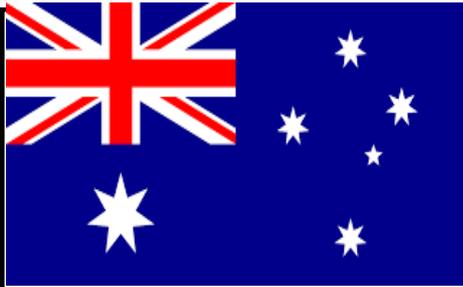


The voice of the Spirit speaking of gratitude, generosity, responsibility and increase



'Each one of you has received a special grace, so, like good stewards responsible for all these varied graces of God, put it out at the service of others.'

August 12, 2018 - 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time *"Get up and eat, else the journey will be too long for you!" 1 KINGS 19:7* Jesus knows that our stewardship journey will be difficult; we are not designed to do it on our own. Fortunately, Jesus gave us the greatest gift of all – the gift of the Eucharist; His own body and blood. When we join our sacrifices with the sacrifice of the Mass, we find the strength and courage to be His joyful disciples. (Accessed on 8th August, 2018 from <http://archstl.org/stewardship/page/bulletin-inserts>)



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, with your dish can you label what it is and ingredients for the benefit of people who may have allergies or digestive issues.

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.

Choir Practice

Anyone who is interested in being part of a **choir** for the Multicultural Mass there will be a practice in the Church at 8.00am on Saturday 18th August.

Please note this Mass is the only Mass on that day, there will be no 7.00am Mass.



Plenary Council 2020

'Listen to what the Spirit is saying...' 10127

Your voice is needed! Form a small group for conversation about your experiences of faith, and the Church. Together, we are responding to the question: "What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?" Visit plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au for more information.

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Catholic Prison Chaplaincy

Volunteer lay Catholic chaplains make a huge difference to the lives and rehabilitation prospects of prisoners. Currently 25 chaplains visit the 11 prisons in the Archdiocese. New male and female chaplains are always welcomed with a particular need right now at Borallon Correctional Centre for male chaplains and for female chaplains at the Southern Queensland Correctional Centre at Gatton and Numinbah Correctional Centre. Training, support and reimbursement of out of pocket expenses provided. Blue Cards and consent for criminal history checks required.

If you would like to know more about faith in action in this ministry please contact Centacare Pastoral Ministries on 3324 3193, or email: adminpasmin@bne.centacare.net.au subject: Prison Chaplaincy.



For Sale: Majellan Christmas Cards

I know its early but get organised now for your Christmas Cards this year. We have packs of 10 cards for sale at \$10 a pack. See Marie during Office hours to purchase or ring during Office hours for pick up at Mass on the weekend.

Hurry and get in early as we have a limited number of packs for sale.

PARISH NOTICES

DATES



Dates for your Diary

Mon 13th August Divine Mercy prayer Group 6.00pm In English.
Wed 15th August Feast of the Assumption 9.00am School 6.30pm Church
Thurs 16th Finance Council Meeting 5.30pm
Sat Vigil Mass 5.00pm
Sunday Mass 19th August Multicultural 10.00am no 7.00am

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.

12th August 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kg 19:4-8; Eph 4:30—5:2; Jn 6:41-51.

Psalm: Taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

19th August 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Prov 9:1-6; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58



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 School 6.30pm Church
Thursday 9.00am Mass
Friday 9.00am Mass
Saturday 5.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday 10.00am Multicultural Mass

Reconciliation Sat 4.00pm-4.30pm

Cleaning: 17th August, Lulu Family

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.

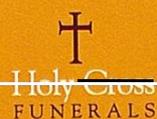
We Pray for the Sick:

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, David Robinson, Wilhemine Peters. 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: 12th Aug - 18th Aug

James Beresford, Graham Huth, Joan Bell, Herbie Poek, Therese Waddington, Lucia Ceraldi, Patricia Lourigan, James Roddin, Emma Cruz, David A Azares.

Recently Deceased: Frank Keppel, Yvonne Smith, Geoffrey Wise



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