



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

**28th Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

**14th October,
2018**

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

GOOD NEWS: *Treasure in heaven*

Jesus was setting out on a journey. It was a road that would lead him ultimately to Calvary as the suffering, serving Messiah.

His encounter with the rich young man raises a question and poses a challenge. Can this man journey with Jesus? Is he free to live out the same vision as Jesus? To all who read Mark's account the question is posed: are you free and willing to be a disciple and journey with Jesus ... that is, to live in a truly Christian way?

Here was a man of great wealth. So we are told. He could have had anything that money might purchase. But he was searching for more, though he could not identify what it was. 'There is one thing you lack', Jesus told him. What he lacked could not be bought by money. On the contrary, money was for him an obstacle on the way. He could only acquire the fuller satisfaction of life by selling what he had, giving the money to the poor and then following him.

There are no grounds for thinking that Jesus meant this particular bit of advice for everybody. But for this one individual in his particular situation in life, riches were such a distraction from inner wealth that Jesus called on him to let go totally of material wealth.

What is meant by this inner wealth? Today's first reading informs us that to share in heavenly wisdom is worth more than silver or gold, more than health or beauty. The rich young man was so preoccupied with material wealth that he was out of touch with the possibilities of inner life. He was accustomed to the power that wealth brought and to the social status accorded to the rich. His very approach to Jesus suggests an attempt to manipulate him by flattery. 'Good Master', he begins. But Jesus is quick to show that flattery will not impress him one bit. In the language of the time, good was a word applied to God, and Jesus wanted to reserve it for God alone.

Together they examine the way of life. He has faithfully observed the commandments, fourth to eight, which regulates our social behavior. In their written form these are negative commandments and it is possible to observe them exteriorly without making an inner commitment to the positive demands of love and generosity. There is no lacking, therefore, regarding these negative rules. So Jesus throws down the challenge which will test his inner commitment to God's will. 'Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come follow me.

The reader already knows that the way of Jesus is towards dying and rising. The young man is challenged to stake everything on faith in a future with Jesus glorified. He cannot make this step. His fulsome piety is shown to be shallow: his holy flattery was hollow.

He turned away sad-faced from the way of Jesus. One hopes for his sake that it was a sadness that led to repentance.

Jesus turned to the disciples and made the observation: 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of heaven!' The disciples were astounded because Jesus was turning upside-down the popular belief that wealth was a sign of God's favour. Here Jesus is saying that wealth is more of an obstacle to God's will than a blessing from God.

He stressed the point for them: 'It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God'. A typical piece of oriental exaggeration is here used to highlight the gap between human efforts and the divine gift of salvation.

Astounded and astonished the disciples ask: 'In that case who can be saved?' We must first be aware of the question before we can understand the answer. Now they are ready to hear. 'Salvation is beyond the range of human efforts,' he answered. 'It is possible only by God's gift. Those who can accept God's gift are those who know their inner poverty, those with empty hands. That is why it is very, very hard for anybody who identifies life with external wealth.'

The whole episode is about discipleship. It asks everybody the question: are you willing to let go of anything which holds you back from Christ's way? (Silvester O'Flynn OFM Cap—the Good News of Mark's Year.)



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.

In October both the Welcome and Baptism Preparation sessions will be held on Sunday 14th October.

If you want to have a Baptism in October please download the form from the website. Registration for baptism in October will need to happen from Monday 8th October and no later than Friday 12th October.

Baptisms will take place during the 9-00am Mass on Sunday 21st October.



New Catholic school for Redbank Plains to be named St Ann's

Brisbane Catholic Education has announced the name for the new primary school planned to open at Redbank Plains in 2020 – it will be called St Ann's School.

In naming the new school after St Ann, the Committee is dedicating it to the memory of St Ann, the mother of the Virgin Mary – which makes her the grandmother of Jesus! St Ann is also the patron saint of miners, which also reflects the important role that coal mining played in the development of the Redbank region.

Applications for enrolment will open in coming months, but families wishing to be kept up to date on developments should lodge an expression of interest on the New Schools page of the Brisbane Catholic Education website, brisbanecatholicschools.com.au

You're invited to *Cavers Week Mass*

This Mass will recognise the significant contribution carers make in our community

- DATE** Wednesday 17 October 2018
- TIME** 11am Mass followed by a light lunch
- ADDRESS** St Patrick's Church, 58 Morgan Street, Fortitude Valley QLD 4006
- INFORMATION** Celebrated by Fr John Chalmers

1300 236 822
centacarebrisbane.net.au



YEAR OF YOUTH 2018

"My modest goal is to repropose the call to holiness in a practical way for our own time, with all its risks, challenges and opportunities." (GE 2)

– Pope Francis
Apostolic Exhortation Gaudete Et Exultate
On a Call to Holiness in Today's World

Welcome Home Fr Tuong

As a Parish I'm sure you all would like to thank Father's Peter Weineke, Stanley Orji and Fr Roger Burns for providing cover for our weekend Masses whilst Fr Tuong took a well earned break.

Also thank you to all Parishioners who helped keep things going during this time.

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.

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.'

14th October, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for one who is rich to enter the kingdom of God." (MARK 10:25)

Jesus uses tough language that we may not want to hear. But, we are all called to be generous with all our gifts. Not just the ones we pick and choose, but all our gifts: our time in prayer to God, our talent in participating in parish ministries and our treasure supporting our local parish and other charities.

Brigidine College Open Mornings.

Monday 15th October and Tuesday 16th October from 9.30am –10.30am.

To register online please visit

<https://goo.fl/forms/STNp7P77chbxtyHJ2>

Alternatively, contact the College Registrar at enrolments@brigidine.qld.edu.au OR 3870 7225.

ALL HALLOWS PAST PUPILS MASS - OCTOBER 27

Annual Past Pupils Mass: The All Hallows' Past Pupils' are invited to attend the Annual Mass in All Hallows' Chapel on Saturday 27 October at 10.30am - Morning Tea in Loretto Hall at 11.45am. To assist catering it is essential to book. Cost towards morning tea is \$25.00 per person and bookings can be made online at www.ahs.qld.edu.au under Quicklinks. RSVP no later than Monday 22 October, 2018. For further enquiries please contact Lenore Thompson Foundation Manager and Past Pupil School Liaison on 3831 5632 or email Lenore.Thompson@ahs.qld.edu.au. *Limited parking is available at the school.*

Assignments abroad

- Could your skills assist communities overseas?
- How does the Palms approach work?
- Just want to know more?

Palms Info Session



Friday 9 Nov, 5:30 pm
Brisbane Square Library
266 George St, Brisbane
QLD 4000

Find out more at www.palms.org.au/events
or contact Palms on 02 9560 5333



GRIEF TO GRACE RETREAT

Grief to Grace – Healing the Wounds of Abuse – is a spiritual retreat for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation through physical, emotional, sexual or spiritual abuse. The retreat will be held May 26th – 31st 2019. To request an application contact Anne by emailing info@griefftoGraceaus.org.au or phone 0478599241. For more information visit www.griefftoGrace.org

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PARISH NOTICES

DATES



Dates for your Diary

Mondays Divine Mercy prayer Group 6.00pm In English.

Wednesdays Rosary 6.30pm

Sat 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.

14th October, 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Wis 7:7-11; Heb 4:12-13; Mk 10:17-30

Psalm: Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

21st October 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Is 53:10-11; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45



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	7.00 & 9.00am Mass

Reconciliation Sat 4.00pm-4.30pm

Cleaning: 19th October, Jim Walsh

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

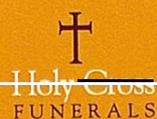
We Pray for the Sick:

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 (2yrs), Maureen McCallion, Pat McCallion, Jean Silvester, Martin Hindley, George Potter, Christine Walker, Phillip Hoy, David Robinson, John Appelman. 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: 14th Oct—20th Oct

Tom Flannery, Colin Murphy, Peter Kozak, Alan Gallop, Frank Peters, Raimond Vicic, Kevin Carlyle, Alfio Spina, Kerry Fitzgerald, Urbano Oblino, Geoffrey Walsh, Albert Gallagher, Francis O'Neill.

Recently Deceased: Sylvia Mullins



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