



## **St Francis Xavier Parish**

6 Church Street (GPO Box 450) Goodna, Qld. 4300

**Office Hours: Monday - Wed 9.00am — 4.00pm**

**Friday 9.00am –4.00pm Closed Thursdays**

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**(Local Safeguarding Children Representative: Marie Hodges)**

St Vincent De Paul: For Assistance Please call 3010 1096 - Weekdays only .

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

**31st Sunday  
in Ordinary  
Time**

**30th October  
2016**

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

## **NOVEMBER—THE MONTH OF THE HOLY SOULS**

During the month of November we remember our deceased relative and friends. On **Tuesday 1st November** we celebrate the Solemnity of **ALL SAINTS**. This means that all Catholics are **obliged** to celebrate the Eucharist on this day. There will be two opportunities in the parish with Masses at 9.00am and 6.00pm.

**Remembrance Book and Mass Intentions.** You are able to have your deceased relatives and friends, listed in the Remembrance Book which is before the altar during the month of November. Make a list, place it in an envelope and drop it in the collection basket. You can also make a request for a Mass intention. Again list your intention and place your offering in the envelopes at the door or one from your collection envelopes. Place the envelope in the collection basket. The Masses will be said throughout the year.

## **2016 NATIONAL CHURCH LIFE SURVEY AT ALL MASSES THIS SUNDAY**



The National Church Life Survey is a process which enable the parish to become aware of strengths and weaknesses of the parish. It help to shape the future of the parish and better understand the gifts and challenges.

- During the Masses this weekend, anyone over the age of 15 will be able to complete a survey form. After a few words regarding the readings at the homily, the forms will be completed.
- If you are unable to complete the form during that time, there will be time after Mass, or you can take the form home and return it during the week or next weekend.
- The parish has had to pay for the forms and the report which will be resulting from the forms.
- Please treat the forms with respect and do not just take them away and not complete them.
- For children between the ages of 8-14, a separate form is available.

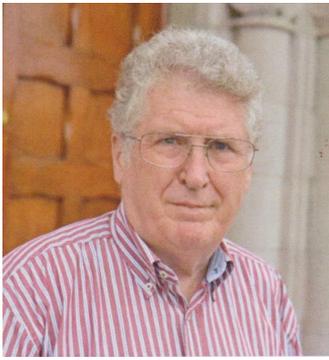
### **Completing a survey form online.**

This year, there is the possibility of completing the form online. Using an internet-enabled device, such as a smart phone, tablet or computer, attenders can log into [surveys.ncls.org.au](http://surveys.ncls.org.au) and complete the survey online (English language only).

You will need to enter the Church Code for the parish to ensure that the results are entered into our parish report.

**The Church Code is: TAB04801**

**Please take the time to complete the survey, it will help us in knowing what we have to do in the future.**



## **Caring for Creation—Shaping the future of our Planet**

Irish Columban Fr Sean McDonagh is known around the world as an eco-theologian who works to raise awareness on the connections between justice and peace issues, environmental sustainability and faith.

He is an outspoken critic of policies that allow for the systematic degradation of the environment, linking them to global poverty and the increased suffering of the poor.

Fr Sean is the author of numerous articles and nine books including *Climate Change: The Challenge to All of Us*, *Greening the Christian Millennium*, *Care for the Earth* and *Dying for Water*. He highlights the causes and consequences of issues such as global warming, genetically engineered food, water pollution, the nuclear industry and loss

of biodiversity. He is a patron of Christian Ecology Link and writes a weekly column in *The Universe Catholic* newspaper.

### **Laudato Si': A Call to Care for Creation**

Thursday 3 November from 10.30am until 12.30pm (10am Morning Tea)

St Mary's Parish Centre, Ipswich – Cnr Elizabeth St and Roseberry Parade, Ipswich

RSVP: Please phone 3281 2133 General Enquiries: Peter at email [arndtp@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:arndtp@bne.catholic.net.au)

### **Beyond Laudato Si' (Ecumenical gathering)**

9.00 –11.30am Lecture Room 1, St Francis theological College, Milton.

Enquiries: Clive Ayre [c.ayre@bigpond.com](mailto:c.ayre@bigpond.com).

I have been fortunate to hear Fr Sean speak before. He spent a weekend in the the parish in England. He is well worth listening to.

**Confession: The Sacrament of Reconciliation.** Possibly one of the reasons for the low response for the sacramental preparation, is that the majority of adults do not make use of this Sacrament. The reconciliation rite at the beginning of each Eucharist, deals with what we call venial sins. That does not mean that the going to 'Confession' has lost its place.

From time to time it is good to take stock and approach this sacrament, even if we have not committed a grave or mortal sin. How are we really with God and neighbour is an important assessment for us to make. Sometimes in looking at what acts make us keep asking God for his forgiveness can reveal the real sin that lies behind our sinning. With the help of God and the priest in the sacrament of Reconciliation, we can begin to tackle our waywardness and hopefully sin less. In the same way.

**RCIA: Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults** At the present time we have six enquirers for reception into the Catholic Church. They have started their journey which may take several months. We would like to appeal for help for someone to act as a sponsor for a gentleman in the programme. This would be in the form of being his 'sponsor'. To journey with him, would mean meeting with him if possible each week, to attend the preparation sessions with him and accompany him to Mass (9.00am). If you are able to help, then please contact Fr Roger or Jane Donovan.

**Irish November Remembrance Mass-Brisbane** The Irish Australian Support Association of Qld Inc. (IASAQ) invites you to our Annual November Remembrance Mass, which will take place on Sunday 6 November at 12 noon in St. James' Church, 165 Old Cleveland Road, Coorparoo. Come and join with other members of the Irish Community in praying for the peaceful repose of deceased relatives and friends. Tea/coffee will be served afterwards—an opportunity to renew old acquaintances and meet new friends.

IASAQ is part of the Government of Ireland Emigrant Support Programme. Our primary mission is to assist any Irish or Irish Australian Persons in time of need or distress. For further information please contact Association Co-ordinator on 0432 087 328.

**Humour** Jesus, Moses, and an old man go golfing. The first one to tee off is Moses. He smashes the ball and it is heading right for the water hazard before the green. Moses raises his club, the water parts, and the ball makes it to the green. Jesus gets up to swing, cranks it out, and it is headed for the water hazard. Jesus closes his eyes and prays. The ball skips across the water and lands on the green two feet from the hole. The old man's turn comes and he drives the ball. The ball looks like it is going to drop directly into the water. A fish jumps from the water hazard swallowing the ball, as an eagle drops from the sky, grabbing the fish. As the eagle flies over the green, a bolt of lightning strikes the eagle, making it drop the fish. As the fish hits the green, it spits out the ball and the ball falls into the hole, making a hole in one. Jesus looks at Moses and says, "I really think I'm leaving Dad at home next time!"

## 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.”*  
(1 Peter 4:10)

### 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time. 30th October 2016

*“But Zacchaeus stood there and said to the Lord, ‘Behold, half of my possessions, Lord, I will give to the poor, and if I extorted anything from anyone I shall repay it four times over.’”* LUKE 19:8

We are all called to graciously give back to the Lord in proportion to the blessings we have been given. This means everyone isn't called to give the same amount, but is called to give equal sacrifice. No

amount is too small or insignificant! Open your heart, how is God calling you? (Accessed on 22nd October 2016 from <http://archstl.org/stewardship/page/bulletin-inserts>)

## THE CALL – THE COST OF DISCIPLESHIP

Discipleship Is costly,

Because it requires us to put aside the craving for domination, possession, and control, for Jesus.

Discipleship Is grace,

Because it confers true liberation and eternal life.

*A Disciple's Response – A Pastoral Letter on Stewardship*

*Jesus says, “I came so that you might have life and have it more abundantly.” (John 10, 10)*

*But discipleship is not an easy way. “If you wish to come after me,” Jesus also says, “you must deny yourself and take up your cross daily and follow me. For if you wish to save your life you will lose it, but if you lose your life for my sake you will save it.”*

Initially, I am hard pressed to think of what being a disciple of Jesus has cost me. But I am also hard pressed to think of what being an adult or a parent has cost me – even though I know I've made sacrifices. Certainly, moving out on my own and paying my own way as a gainfully employed adult meant giving up some of the fun and carefree things I used to enjoy when living and depending on mom & dad. And unquestionably, the pursuits and possessions I have foregone to have children are many. But the reality is that the joy one derives from the results of those sacrifices totally obscures and blots out any of the costs. I believe the same is true with the costs of being a disciple of Jesus Christ and discipleship.

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### Questions:

Who do you know who has sacrificed significantly for Jesus sake?

What have they given up? Have they gained anything? Do they seem less concerned with possessions or control?

What exactly have you given up in possessions, prestige, or power to follow Jesus?

When we begin with the far greater challenge of being a disciple of Jesus, stewardship becomes a response that is part and parcel of who we are and what we believe. Stewardship formation and education must begin with a radical call to be disciples of Jesus. *Archbishop Thomas Murphy.*

# PARISH NOTICES

## Dates for your Diary



Sun 30th Oct 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Mon 31st Oct. Divine Mercy prayer Group 6.00pm  
 Tue 1st Nov. ALL SAINTS Solemnity. Mass 9.00am/6.00pm  
 Wed 2nd Nov. Rosary Group 6.30pm  
 Thurs 3rd Nov. Parish Pastoral Council 7.00pm  
 Sat 5th Nov. First Saturday mass 9.00am  
 Sun 6th Nov. 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
 Next Weekend Third Collection for Church Repairs

## Collections For Last Week

First ☺ ↑  
 Second ☺ ↑  
 ☺ ↑ = Income up on last week.  
 ☹ ↓ = Income down  
 ☺ □ = Income steady.

**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.

## 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Wis 11:22 –12:2; 2 Thess 1:11-2:2; Lk 19:1-10.**

**Psalm:** I will praise your name for ever, my king and my God.

## 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**2 Macc 7:1-2, 9-14; 2 Thess 2:16—3:5; Lk 20:27-38**



### Services times this week:

**Saturday Vigil Mass 6.00pm**  
**Sunday 7.30am Mass**  
**9.00am Mass**

### Weekdays

Monday No Mass  
 Tuesday 9.00am Mass & 6.00pm  
 Wednesday 9.00am Mass  
 Thursday **6.00pm Mass**  
 Friday 9.00am Mass  
 Saturday 9.00am  
 6.00pm Vigil Mass  
 Sunday 7.30am & 9.00am

**Reconciliation** Sat 5.00 – 5.30pm

### Cleaning: 04 Nov Maria and 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:

Audrey Congreve, Colin Jackson, Sr Helen Stanley, Breda O'Sullivan, Ellen Parker, Rose Logan, Edna May Tourney, Keith Auld, Kathy McMonagle, Kevin Ward, Matthew Berwick, John Ward, Allan Peterson, Kathleen Doherty. Rachel Scriben, Stan Brown, Carmon Z, Nancy McCarrick, Kath McGrath, Maria Vink, Claire Curry, Phil O'Dwyer, William Ryan, Hudson McHardy, Hini Habchi, Jamie Teal, Jaiden Madasferi, Maureen Shackleton, Macey Ingham, Nada Payne, Carmel Vig, Rebecca Habraken, Sr Carmel, Wendy Marshall, Eileen Monaghan, Marge & Tom Robins. (Some names have been removed from this list, so please contact us if you need these names back on. If you know someone who can come off the sick list please contact us)

### Anniversaries: 30 Oct.—5 Nov.

Ronald Molan, Inban Thangavella, Betty Weissenbeck, Lilian Hickinbotham, Emilia Stelet, Lazlo Horvath, Daniel Jones, Trinidad Maglaque, Ignas Stanton, Jamal Pacheco, Teunis Schimmel, Martin Gilmartin, Leisabeth Hartung, Jesse Haines, Nellie Anderson, Frank O'Dwyer, Giuseppe Pastro, Julianne Fenelon, William Ryan, Erika Coogan, Lois Lynam.

### Recently Deceased

Antonia Pua

## 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.

### Newsletters by Email.



If you would like this newsletter sent to you by email each week, simply send an email to good-na@bne.catholic.net.au title it 'newsletter' and the next week you should receive the email.