St Francis Xavier Parish

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St Vincent De Paul: For Assistance Please call 3010 1096 - Weekdays only .
Meetings: Fortnightly on Tuesday 7.00pm. Call 0427 663 118

Sixteenth Sunday In Ordinary Time

23rd July 2017

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

CONGRATULATIONS!

On Thursday 13 July, Bishop Ken Howell Confirmed the young people of the parish and joined them afterwards for the cutting of the Confirmation Cake. We thank Bishop Ken for his presence and administering the Sacrament. Please keep him in your prayers. This was only the second Confirmation Service that he led after his Episcopal ordination on 14th June.

Confirmands: Ellen Adams, Anna and Seletoria Afleosio Mauu, Makbol Annai, Isabella Brugger, Leo Cedro, Nyang Deng, Lehanne Fruean, Cooper Furminger, Teimana Goundar, Charlotte Haines, Cheshvan and Melisa Kautai, Josiah Langsiu, Malachai Lolesio, Jiqvah Letoa, Jordan Mandarino, Sebastian Marsh, Ellen McGahan, Jasmine Pratt, Mashana Reid, Farentino Sooalo, Lachlan Summerville, Leonie and Michael Uligai, Hazel and Nardy Vandenberg, Sean Whitehead.

Please keep the Bishop and the young people in your prayers.

COMING SOON _Parish Youth Group Last month, a number of adults attended a Compulsory Leadership Training session, and as a result we can announce that there will be a Parish youth Group beginning in the parish. The first meeting fro the age group twelve years and above, will take place on **Sunday 27th Au**gust in the Parish Centre at **1.00pm.**

FIRST EUCHARIST Preparations begin this month with a meeting for the parents of children in year four and above of the school. The session will be held in the Church on **Sunday 23rd July a**fter the 9.00am Mass. Would parents who wish to have their children in the Preparation collect a form from the sacristy and return it as soon as possible. We will need a copy of the Child's Birth Certificate and a copy of the child and parent's Baptismal Certificate. If the youngster has just received Confirmation in the parish this year, we have the documents on hand.

Cleaners for the Church WANTED We are in desperate need of more cleaners for the Church.
Do you have a couple of hours a month to spare? If so please consider volunteering to clean the Church. Cleaning is usually done on Friday after Mass but if that is not suitable and you can arrange with Fr Roger or the Office for entry outside of this time then that is fine so long as the Church is cleaned towards the end of the week in time for weekend Masses. For more information or to volunteer please contact Pam on 3288 4594 or the office on 3818 0111.

White Elephant Stall/School Fete Once again we have been asked to hold the White Elephant Stall at the School Fete which is on Sunday 27th August, 2017. If you are having a clean out at home please think of us to donate your unwanted items to. But remember it must be sellable so if you wouldn't buy it then don't donate it. Also no items of clothing, electrical items or books. If you have books the P & F may take those as they will be running a book stall. Don't leave till the last minute the fete is only 5 weeks away.

Share the Dignity Once again we will be collecting Sanitary items for this worthwhile charity.
We will be doing this throughout August so there will be two containers for the collection one in the Pergola and one in the foyer, if you are donating money please put it in an envelope marked "Share the Dignity" and please put this envelope in one of the collection plates during Mass.

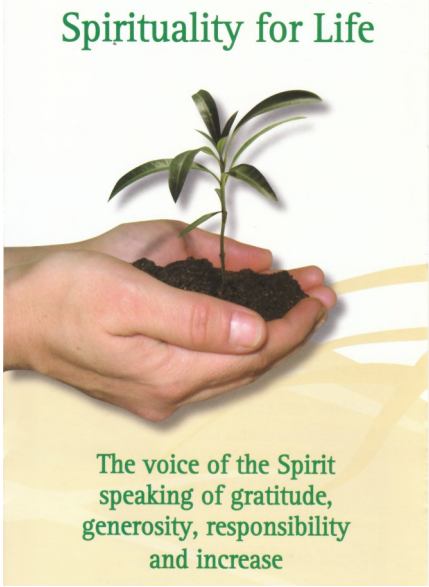
You are invited to an open morning on Monday 7or Tuesday 8 August 2017 9-30-1030am at **Brigidine College**, Indooroopilly.
Act now as places fill quickly. Phone 3870 7225 to book or secure a prospectus pack.
Go to www.brigidine.qld.edu.au for more information.

DATE CLAIMER

Women's Night of Spirituality at St Ignatius Parish Toowong, Tuesday 5th September at 7.30pm–Stuartholme School Chapel.
St Ignatius Parish Toowong is very pleased to be able to continue to hold this annual event as a legacy of the work of Fr Peter Quin sj.
More details will follow soon.

Women of the Way Annual Retreat 25-27 August, 2017 at Watson Park, Old Gympie Road, Dakabin, Brisbane.
Theme: Live Alive—No longer a Slave to Fear; I am a Child of God (Gal4:7. Ezek 34:27)
Presenters: David and Natalie Tensen
Resident Priest: Fr Chima Ofor
Contact: ph. 0402 316 288 or email wowqld@gmail.com Please **RSVP** by Aug 14

Humour A computer scientists wife asks him, "would you pick up a loaf of bread at the store and if they have eggs get a dozen?"
He gets home, throws 12 loaves of bread on the counter, and says they had eggs.



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)

July 16th –Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

"The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field…He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom." - MATTHEW 13:24, 37-38. As children of God, we are all "good seeds," blessed by Go d with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God's plan when we share our talents and our financial gifts to help build God's kingdom on earth. Through our stewardship we sow "good seeds" on earth to ultimately help each other get to Heaven! (Accessed from http://archstl.org/stewardship/page/bulletin-inserts on 17 July,2017)

Jesus Way – The Image of the Steward

All temporal and spiritual goods are created by and come from God.
That is true of everything human beings have:
Spiritual gifts like faith, hope, and love,
Talents of body and brain;
Cherished relationships with family and friends;
Material goods;
The achievements of human genius and skill;
The world itself.
One day God will require an accounting of the use each person has made of the particular portion of these goods entrusted to him or her.
Stewardship – A Disciple's Response. A Pastoral Letter on Stewardship.

There was a man who was going on a journey, and who left his wealth to be tended by three servants. Two of them responded wisely by investing the money and making a handsome profit. Upon returning, the master commends them warmly and rewards them richly. But the third behaves foolishly, with anxious pettiness, squirreling away the master's wealth and earning nothing; he is rebuked and punished. (A paraphrase of Matthew 25: 14-30)

Do you ever run into people who tell you they have no talent or no talents in particular? Their disclaimer is as bad as false modesty! Why would God create someone with no talents? Isn't it hard to believe that God would do that? Instead, people who claim they have no talents need to take the time to discover what their talents are. If they truly want to find a way to serve God, finding out what their talents are seems to be a small price to pay. I also remember the old saying that if only the birds with the most beautiful songs were to sing, the forest would be a very quite place indeed.

Questions:

What talents has God given to you?

How have you used those gifts to further God's kingdom/make this world better?

How have you helped others recognize the gifts God has given to them?

PARISH NOTICES

Dates for your Diary

(Vigil Sat 6.00pm Mass) Sun 7.30 & 9.00am Mass
Sun 23rd July Parents' Information Meeting
Mon 24th July Divine Mercy Prayer Group 6.00pm
In English.
Wed 26th July Rosary 6.30pm
Fri 28th July Baptism Preparation 7.00pm
Sun 30th July 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Enrolment of Candidates for First Communion

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.

23rd July, 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time.
Wis 12:13, 16-19; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43
Psalm Response: Lord, you are good and forgiving.
30th July, 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time.
1 Kg 3:5, 7-12; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52

Services times this week:

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

Weekdays

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

Cleaning: 28.07.17 Jim Walsh & Oliver Liddy
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.
Help with Church cleaning is desperately needed please phone Pam for more information or to offer your help.

We Pray for the Sick:

Audrey Congreve, Colin Jackson, Sr Helen Stanley, Breda O'Sullivan, 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, Jaiden Madasferi, Maureen Shackleton, Macey Ingram, Nada Payne, Carmel Vig, Sr Carmel, Marge & Tom Robin, Lillian Morrison, Hans & Ursula Rennett, Bill McCarthy, Mary Hesse. (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: 23-29 July
Gary Clark, Petronele Bernotas, Aresenio Amo Snr., Patrick Galligan, Christa Henty, Theo Broekman, Bernard Bradley, Angela Ryan, Mary Fitzpatrick.

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 goodna@bne.catholic.net.au title it 'newsletter' and the next week you should receive the email.