

Cleaning Roster for Next Week Maria Fidow



Flower Roster for Next Week Donna Soalo

Registering as a Volunteer

All Mass volunteers will need to be registered with the Archdiocese of Brisbane as a Volunteer prior to any volunteering duties can be carried out. The registration process can extend to either a Blue Card application and/or Police Check. To get more information and details about the new online registration process, please come up to the Parish Office if you are interested in helping out.

Prayer for the Sick

Hudson Mc Hardy, Keith Auld, Lin Merrian, Marj, Gladys Robbin, Kim Shadwell, Jackie Ledger, Amy and Reagan Whiteman, Blake Dufty, Amanda Harding, Sarah Kathleen Jones, Marie Bonne.

Anniversaries: 10th November - 16th November

Maria McHugh, Irene Marsh, Alice Jesburg, Kathleen Martin, Zupanc Rosalia, Keith & Cecilia Leek, Doreen Lovell, Sergio Caro, Percival Power, John Gray, Patricia Randle, Malachy Makel.

Recently Deceased

Thomas James McCarthy, Peter John Burns, Unasa Esera.

SC 43

Zeal for the promotion and restoration of the liturgy is rightly held to be a sign of the providential dispositions of God in our time, a movement of the Holy Spirit in the Church.

GIRM 29

The readings from the Word of God are to be **LISTENED to REVERENTLY** by everyone, for they are an element of the greatest importance in the Liturgy. Although in the readings from Sacred Scripture the Word of God is addressed to all people of whatever era and is understandable to them, a fuller understanding and a greater efficaciousness of the word is nevertheless fostered by a living commentary on the word, that is, by the **HOMILY**, as part of the liturgical action.

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10th November 2019 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time



New Life in Christ

It is impossible to learn in depth about all the lives of our physical world; it is much harder to learn about something which is beyond what the eyes can see and the mind can envisage. The question about whether there is a life after death, that the Pharisees and the Sadducees asked Jesus, did not come from their goodwill.

First, the horror of war and the bitterness of living exiled in foreign lands, somehow influenced their way of life, and that affected their way of translating the Law of Moses. Both groups loved Moses and had great respect for the Law and yet each had its own way of interpreting the Law.

Second, the Sadducees were more on doctrinal. For them the text from the Pentateuch was the main source of interpretation of the law. For the Pharisees, both the Pentateuch and the oral traditions were acceptable. Probably the Romans ruled with brutality and that made an impact on the Sadducees' way of viewing the reality of our physical death. The Pharisees saw the cruelty of life was man's arrogance. They distrusted men's goodness and turned to God. For them God has the final word: the resurrection and reward or punishment after death.

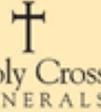
Third, the Pharisees claimed that they had the authority to interpret the Law; while the Sadducees controlled wealth and enjoyed positions within the Temple. The chief priest and high priest were Sadducees, and they had the majority of seats in the Sanhedrin. The Sadducees had set aside differences and were united with the Pharisees to harm Jesus because He often attacked their practices in the Temple. Jesus confirmed to the Pharisees and Sadducees that eternal life is given on God's terms.

First, those who followed God's way were judged worthy of eternal life. They died no more but live forever in God's kingdom;



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Second, what our physical body need in this world and what our spiritual life needs now and in the life to come; are not the same;

Third, physical happiness derives from the material world; spiritual happiness comes from being united with God. Children of this world have marriage for support and fulfilment; children of the next, live in the fullness of God's love. They need nothing else because God's love suffices them.

Fourth, from the Burning Bush experience, Moses implied that the patriarchs: Abraham, Isaac and Jacob, although out of this world a long time ago, were not dead, but are now enjoying God's love in God's kingdom.

The mystery of afterlife is an open debate. Jesus himself arose from death and He alone has the authority to talk about it. Anyone who refuses to believe in Him; hits a brick wall. Winning or losing the debate is not important. What counts is to have God's gift. The resurrection is God's free gift given to those who have faith in Jesus. To honour the gift we don't do like children do. They love the gifts that please their eyes. A mature person unwraps their gift differently, that person sees something beyond the gift. The gift is the symbol of one's love for another person. It is the invisibility- the love of the giver- that counts, not the gift itself. We, Christians, receive God's free gift - eternal life - in the same manner. We take it with utmost care because we believe that we don't deserve the gift, but God chooses to give it to us and we respond to God's love with a thankful heart.

Vudinh Tuong

Lenten Program - 2020

Anyone wishing to register their name for a Lenten Program for Easter 2020 (12th April 2020), please contact the Parish Office.

Christmas Cards

We have Majellan Christmas cards for sale at \$10/pack (10 cards/ pack).

If you wish to purchase any cards, please contact the Parish Office.

Get in early as we only have a limited number for sale.



Baptism at St Francis Xavier, Goodna



The next Baptism will be held on 17th November 2019.

Baptisms are held on the third Sunday of each month during the 9am Mass. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Dates to Remember

17th Nov Annual Irish November Mass Coorparoo
Come join the Irish Community in praying for the peaceful repose of your deceased relatives and friends at their Annual Remembrance Mass. 12pm St James' Church, 165 Old Cleveland Road, Coorparoo. For further information please contact 0432 087 328.

17th Nov St Francis Xavier Parish Seniors Christmas Lunch
IMPORTANT: As the 25th November is fast approaching, can anyone wishing to attend the Seniors Christmas lunch please contact the Parish Office or Agnes and notify them of your attendance. The final numbers are beginning to be collated for catering purposes.

25th Nov St Francis Xavier Parish Seniors Christmas Lunch
Come and meet other parishioners. All welcome to BBQ lunch at the St Francis Xavier Hall, Monday 25th November, 10.00am - 2.00pm. Entertainment by the SFX Primary school children. Best dressed outfit, raffles, lucky door prizes. Contact Michelle on 07 3818 0111 or Agnes on 07 3271 2452.

Home Visit

Anyone who is sick or housebound and would like a visit from a priest, please contact the parish office and a visit can be arranged.



Loop System

The Church is fitted with a loop system. If you wear a hearing aid, set the control to the 'T' to obtain a better sound.

Mass Times next Week

12th Nov -	Tues -	9.00am	Saint Josaphat
13th Nov -	Wed -	9.00am	Mass
14th Nov -	Thurs -	9.00am	Mass
15th Nov -	Fri -	9.00am	Mass

Saturday Mass

16th Nov -	Sat -	9.00am	Mass
		4.00pm	Reconciliation (till 4.30pm)
		5.00pm	Mass

Sunday Mass

17th Nov -	Sun -	7.00am & 9.00am	Mass
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33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time 17th November

3 Ma1 3:19-20; 2 Thess 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19

