



### Cleaning & Flower Rosters for Next Week

Flowers  
Donna Soalo

16.02.2020

Cleaning  
Madaline Brugger



### Ministers Roster for Next Week

Date	Time	Leader/Welcome	1 <sup>st</sup> Reader	2 <sup>nd</sup> Reader
15 February	5:00pm	Daveena Borowski	Suzanne Fitzgerald	Tony McHardy
16 February	7:00am	Joan Sitcheff	Moi Radke	Eddie Radke
	9:00am	Filo Laulu	Palepa Soonalote	Fatima Soonalote

Date	Time	Ciborium	Chalice	Chalice
15 February	5:00pm	Gus Kolle	Amanda McHardy	Brian Freeman
16 February	7:00am	Kel Ryan	Anna McGuire	Cameron Auld
	9:00am	Teresa Chong-Nee	Rita Kennedy	Julie Aiavao

### Prayer for the Sick

Hudson Mc Hardy, Keith Auld, Lin Merrian, Marj, Gladys Robbin, Kim Shadwell, Jackie Ledger, Amy and Reagan Whiteman, Amanda Harding, Sarah Kathleen Jones, Marie Bonne, Maureen McCallion, Phil O'Dwyer, Peter Eddy, John Cornwell, Michael Hancock.



### Anniversaries 10th February - 16th February

John McCaughey, Genowefa Podolak, James Liddy, Cuban Gore, Patrick Kennedy, Stanislaw Cymer, Bridget Dowling, Paddy Liddy, Clair Sheehan, Leslie Thomas, William Goldie, Helena Rudak.

### Recently Deceased

Theresa Sears, Taulapapa, Elsie Alindogan, Margaret Holmes, Elizabeth Allison, Annie Breen, Billie & Carrie McCarthy, Therese Vu Thi Tot, Dominic Hoan.

### GIRM 65

The **Homily** is part of the liturgy... It should develop some aspect of the readings from Sacred Scripture or of another text from the Ordinary or from the Proper of the Mass of the day, and take into account the mystery being celebrated or the needs proper to the listeners.

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9th February 2020


Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time



### Connectedness

Having no connection to other things, salt and light remain themselves; they transform nothing around them. Salt is not food, but it increases taste, and preservation. Some enjoy salty food; others like more moderate tastes. Apart from watering it down, I don't know how can salt lose its saltiness, but if it does; it's lost its purpose as salt. Jesus personalised two domestic images to tell his disciples about their mission, saying: *'You are the salt of the earth....You are the light of the world'*.

Salt and light are changing agents. They are essential in life. They are close to us, and are parts of life. Salt needs light, and not the other way round. Salt maintains the freshness of food, but not for long. Food needs heat from a flame to cook, or to dry the food it needs to put under sunlight. Salt needs heat to keep it dry from dampness. Light doesn't need salt. It is an independent agent. Light gives joy and transforms the atmosphere of the place. A tiny pocket torch in a dark tunnel gives enough light to guide the path. When lost, seeing light from the other end of a tunnel means seeing life and hope. When salt and light are given; they are given forever. It is almost impossible to retrieve them. When put in use, both salt and light have a communal sense. Food is cooked for a whole household to enjoy; a lamp lit gives light for a whole family. Jesus told his disciples that they are not just salt or light but they are both salt and light combined. When we serve others, we make God's glory known to others. We are called to live a life of moving towards holiness; in doing that we touch the lives of everyone around us. Either at home, or



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at work, or at a market place we become witnesses for Jesus, the Light. Resistance from the world against this 'touching' is unavoidable. When tension arises, our salt may lose its saltiness and is absorbed by the darkness of the world. Retreating from the world is not the way of a Christian; being absorbed by the world is not our call. We need to draw strength and light from Jesus. Our witness for Jesus through works of charity and generosity, both in words and works, is what we are in this world for. Whether the world welcomes us or not, it doesn't matter. Our sole purpose in life is to be salt and light for the world as Jesus told us to do.

*'Your light must shine in the sight of men, so that seeing your good works, they may give the praise to your Father in heaven'. v.16.*

Being true salt and light for the world gives glory to God. It helps to make a connection between heaven and earth. This connection strengthens the Light of Christ which is already in us. Through it, our good works show light to the heart of others, and makes them confess: God exists. Our presence in this world helps others to know, that this world is not our true home. Our true home is where God is. Remaining in Jesus, our salt and light are no more kept in earthen vessels, but is being preserved in God's love and mercy.

Vudinh Tuong

Thank You

We would like to thank the Samoan Community for tidying up the Parish grounds. All the areas around the Church, the Parish Centre and the Presbytery looking amazing.

### Lenten Program - 2020

Anyone wishing to register their name for a Lenten Program for Easter 2020 (starting from Ash Wednesday 26th February till Easter 12th April 2020), please contact the Parish Office.

### Learning about Faith

Is it either you or your relatives and friends who would like to learn about the Catholic faith? Please call the Parish Office on 07 3818 0111 and we will let you know when the class will start. The program is known as the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Thank you

### Position Vacant

Victoria Point Parish is inviting applications for a casual position of Sacramental & Safeguarding Coordinator. The position will be school term only starting March 2020 with approximately 5 to 10hrs per week. For a copy of the Position Description please visit this link <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/careers/>. Applications close 18th February 2020.



### Baptism at St Francis Xavier, Goodna

The next Baptism will be held on 15th March 2020.

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

### 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.

### 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.

### Weekday Mass

10th Feb -	Mon -	9.00am	No Mass
11th Feb -	Tues -	9.00am	Mass
12th Feb -	Wed -	9.00am	Mass
13th Feb -	Thurs -	9.00am	Mass
14th Feb -	Fri -	9.00am	Mass St Cyril & St Methodius

### Saturday Mass

15th Feb -	Sat -	5.00pm	Vigil Mass Reconciliation till 4.30pm
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### Sunday Mass

16th Feb -	Sun -	7.00am & 9.00am	Mass
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### 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time 16th February

Sirach 15:15-20; 1 Cor 2:6-10; Mt 5:17-37

The Piety Shop is now located at 35 Lavendar Street, Inala - near Blue Fin Fishing Club.

