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FRANCIS  
XAVIER  
CATHOLIC  
PARISH**

OUR PARISH MASSES						
Weekday					Saturday	23 <sup>rd</sup> May
18 <sup>th</sup>	May	Mon	9.00am	No Mass	5.00pm	No Vigil Mass
19 <sup>th</sup>	May	Tues	9.00am	No Mass	4.30pm	Reconciliation (till)
20 <sup>th</sup>	May	Wed	9.00am	No Mass	<b>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> May</b>	
21 <sup>st</sup>	May	Thurs	9.00am	No Mass	7.00am	No Mass
22 <sup>nd</sup>	May	Fri	9.00am	No Mass St Matthias	9.00am	No Mass

**Sixth Sunday of Easter**

**Year A**

**17<sup>th</sup> May 2020**



**Celebrating our Joy**

(John 14,15-21)

Personal achievement brings great joy. It comes, not before, but after years of training and discipline.

Sometimes, we are proud of our relatives and friends, and countrymen for their achievements, and we share their joy. As a member of the faith community, we share and bear with one another in their successes and failures. Jesus is our head, our leader. He is the source of our joy. He alone suffered, and we all benefited from his triumph over sin and death. We are grateful to have The Paraclete. Without Jesus we wouldn't even know The Paraclete exists. Jesus asked the Father to send us The Paraclete, the Advocate to be with us always. Interestingly, The Paraclete is in the world, and yet the world neither sees nor knows her, because it is the special gift Jesus has given to those who love Him by keeping his commandment of love.

On the cross, before dying Jesus said '*Father into your hands I commit my Spirit*'. At that time people interpreted his death as a sign of failure, of subjection to the Romans' power. Jesus publicly said to the Romans and his opponents, that he allowed them to nail his physical body to the cross; but they had no power over his Spirit. His Spirit was free, and now it returned to the Father. In that sense his death was not the sign of failure, but rather, Jesus' triumphant proclamation began at the cross. After the resurrection Jesus stayed with his apostles for forty days to strengthen their faith in him, before ascending to the Father. The earth is full of God's Spirit.

Apart from the spirit at the creation, which hovered over the water, we knew the spirit which was with Jesus during his time on earth; we then have the spirit of his resurrection, and lastly the promise of the Spirit, The Paraclete to be with God's Church on earth till the end of time. After departing from this world, Jesus sent The Paraclete to be with the apostles and with us. The Paraclete would not take the place of Jesus, but She continues to deepen the work of Jesus. The Paraclete makes Jesus' teaching alive in the hearts of all believers. She keeps breathing the Church's mission and she continues renewing God's new creation. Jesus' departure from this earth was good news for us all. First, He fulfilled the promise to be with us in a new way. Second, The Paraclete will teach and remind us of Jesus' teaching; She becomes our strength and our guide on our pilgrimage to God's house. We have never seen Jesus, but are not as disadvantaged as the first generation of believers. Through The Paraclete we learn to love Jesus, and those who love Jesus will be loved by the Father. *'Those who love me will keep my word, and my Father will love them, and we will come to them and make our home with them'* Jn 14,21. The Paraclete helps us to love Jesus, and the Father who is in Jesus will come to us and make His home in us. The God whom we worship is not far away, out there, but He is close to our heart, at home in us. Our faith in Jesus is a living faith. His teaching is not a history book, but through The Paraclete, his teaching is alive in our heart, and it is manifested through acts of charity and acts of love, mercy and forgiveness. By doing these we are united with Jesus, with the Father and with The Paraclete.

**Fr Vudinh Tuong  
Parish Priest**

**RESOURCES TO PRACTICE YOUR FAITH AT HOME**

**St Stephen's Cathedral**

- [www.archbne.org/bzw](http://www.archbne.org/bzw) - Online Mass
- <https://www.cathedralofststephen.org.au/> - Webpage
- [www.archbne.org/dwlk](http://www.archbne.org/dwlk) - Register for regular emails

**Catholic Leader**

[www.catholicleader.com.au](http://www.catholicleader.com.au) – Newspaper online

**Liturgy Brisbane**

<https://www.liturgybrisbane.net.au/prepare/sunday-readings-and-family-prayer/> – Readings and Prayers

**Social Media**

- [www.facebook.com/archbne](http://www.facebook.com/archbne) - Facebook
- @archbne - Instagram

**Pope Francis Daily Mass – 3pm**

- <https://www.facebook.com/vaticannews/videos/2964182293618950/>
- <https://www.facebook.com/vaticannews/videos/722760748263648/>

**WEEKLY INFORMATION**

**COVID 19 Restrictions – from Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May**

As most of you have probably heard, from Saturday the 16<sup>th</sup> May, the restrictions are beginning to be eased.

What this means for us:

- The celebration of Mass at the Church continues to be suspended;
- Parishioners are to still follow Masses via live-stream;
- No one is to enter a Church, Parish Building or Archdiocese workplace if feeling ill.

**PARISH DIARY**

**COVID 19 Protocols**

- Funerals may be conducted with a maximum capacity of up to 20 people indoors and 30 people outdoors;
- Weddings may be conducted with a maximum capacity of up to 10 people;
- Baptisms have a maximum capacity of up to 10 people;
- Unfortunately, we are not in a position to open for private prayer;
- Other Sacraments are still on hold;
- Indoor/outdoor events are still on hold.

**Feast Days for this Month**

- The Ascension of the Lord – 24<sup>th</sup> May 2020;
- Our Lady, Help of Christians – 25<sup>th</sup> May 2020;
- Pentecost Sunday – 31<sup>st</sup> May 2020;
- The Most Holy Trinity – 7<sup>th</sup> June 2020;
- The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi) - 14<sup>th</sup> June 2020;
- The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus – 19<sup>th</sup> June 2020.



**PASTORAL MATTERS**



**Prayer for the Sick**

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

**Anniversaries 18<sup>th</sup> May – 24<sup>th</sup> May**

Robert Leary, New born son, Billy Wright, Fr John McGrath, Tony Ryan, William Van Den Heuvel, Frank Rilarto, Cornelia Hedrick, Ivan (Peter) Fuller, Vivian Clarke, Vera Eustace, Olwen Locke, Fred Law, Clare Forbes, Cecilia Galligan, John Winters, PS Sam, Kath Caldwell, Johannes (John) Van Der Kolk.

**Reading – 7<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter – 24<sup>th</sup> May**

1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	Acts 1:1-11
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	Eph 1:17-23
Gospel	Mt 28:16-20



**Baptism at St Francis Xavier, Goodna**

There is no Baptism for May.  
Please keep in touch with the Parish Office as the current restrictions may change at any time.  
Baptisms are held on the third Sunday of each month during the 9am Mass. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

**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.

**Recently Deceased**

Gladys Beaver



**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.

**ROSTERS FOR NEXT WEEK – 24<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2020**

 <b>Flowers</b>	None until Further Notice	 <b>Cleaning</b>	None until Further Notice
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**Ministers Roster for Next Week – NONE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE**

Date	Time	Leader/Welcome	1st Reader	2nd Reader	Ciborium	Chalice	Chalice

**KNOWLEDGE**

**Holy Communion:** The more complete form of participation in the Mass by which the faithful...receive the Lord's body from the same sacrifice is strongly endorsed. Vatican II, SC 55 ORDO 2020

It is desirable that the faithful...receive the Lord's Body from hosts consecrated at the same Mass and that, in the cases where this is foreseen, they partake of the chalice so that, even by means of the signs, communion may stand out more clearly as a participation in the sacrifice actually being celebrated. GIRM 85 ORDO 2020

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Current Office Hours: Tues – Fri 9am to 3pm

  
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