



**ST  
FRANCIS  
XAVIER  
CATHOLIC  
PARISH**

OUR PARISH MASSES						
Weekday				Saturday	7 <sup>th</sup> November	
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Nov	Mon	9.00am	Mass – All Souls Day	5.00pm	Vigil Mass
				6.00pm	4.30pm	Reconciliation (till)
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Nov	Tues	9.00am	Mass	<b>Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November</b>	
4 <sup>th</sup>	Nov	Wed	9.00am	Mass – St Charles Borromeo	7.00am	Mass
				6.30pm	9.00am	Mass
4 <sup>th</sup>	Nov	Wed	6.30pm	Rosary	12.00pm	Mass
5 <sup>th</sup>	Nov	Thurs	9.00am	Mass		
6 <sup>th</sup>	Nov	Fri	9.00am	Mass		
Michelle will not be in the Office on Friday 6 <sup>th</sup> November.						

**All Saints Day Year A 1<sup>st</sup> November 2020**

**Transform the Presence**  
On the Feast of all Saints, we celebrate the triumph of holy men and women.



God blessed this heavenly body, for they had perfected the law of love with their own lives. Their glorification confirms that they didn't suffer in vain, but their heroic acts were rewarded with heroes' crowns of glory in God's kingdom. Without faith, it is rather hard for the world to see the logic of suffering now, and be happy afterwards. The world honours its citizens after sacrifices; but honours are awarded after death. God has God's way. Jesus called His disciples to follow His way. For following the 'narrow path' with unwavering faith, God will vindicate them.

Blessed are the poor in spirit. Jesus himself, once said, He had no place to lay His head (Mt 8,20). He taught His disciples to learn from Him for He is humble of heart (Mt 11,29). On the cross, Jesus' hunger to save souls. He gave everlasting water to the Samaritan woman when she asked him (Jn 4). Jesus was nailed on the cross for His faithfulness to the Father. For these I believe 'The Sermon on the Mount' is Jesus' own personal reflection of His Passion. The 'Sermon on the Mount' also applies for His disciples. They would not have to suffer exactly as Jesus did, but they would have tasted some forms of sufferings. In God's kingdom, justice is given to those who have not; the pure of heart will see God; the persecuted in His name will be crowned in glory.

The language of The Beatitudes is for both now and future time. The first and the last verse have verbs in the present tense; and in the rest, verbs are in the future. The kingdom, Jesus proclaims, begins right here on earth, but its

culmination will be in heaven. For the world; what Jesus' disciples suffer now is a curse. With the eyes of faith, it is blessed, because their suffering will be transformed into everlasting happiness. Everyone in this world knows that the final word for a human life is death. For Jesus' disciples the final word is not death. For Stephen, the very first Christian martyr, his final words were '*Lord, Jesus, receive my spirit*' Acts 7,59. We return to the Father's house. This returning home is possible because Jesus shares His glorious resurrection with His disciples.

Suffering, thirsting and hunger in this world are not testings, but rather are realities of life. For those who accept these realities of life, their lives will be reshaped and transformed. Our physical body quietly changes daily, and so does our spiritual body. Adversities play a big part in the mysterious process transformation. We are not created to evolve, but to return to our original state. We are created to move forward. The Beatitudes shape our way of life. God expects us to walk that way. Jesus has gone before to show us how to get there. The process of getting to where God wants us to be is a challenge. When we fall, something is broken; when we stand, something is healed; when we move forward, a new thing is born, because God's grace enlightens our mind and heart to move forward, to our original state of life. God's generosity is given abundantly for those who follow Jesus' way and that enables them to move beyond the suffering to reach God.

Before Holy Communion, we pronounce that '*Lord, I am not worthy to receive you but only say the word and my soul will be healed*'. We do that because God doesn't see us where we are, but comes to be with us, to bless, strengthen and empower us to move forward, to be where God wants us to be. Our God delights to bless God's children. Once grace is given, everlasting life is within reach.

**Fr Vudinh Tuong  
Parish Priest**

**WEEKLY INFORMATION**

**Anglican Roman Catholic Reconciliation Day Service**

The yearly celebration of the Anglican Roman Catholic Reconciliation will be held at the St Luke's Anglican Church at 7.00pm. 4<sup>th</sup> November 2020

If you would like to attend, please register by contacting St Luke's Parish Office on 07 4693 1910 or via email [stluke.tmba@bigpond.com](mailto:stluke.tmba@bigpond.com)

Livestream is available – [www.facebook.com/StLukesParish](https://www.facebook.com/StLukesParish)

**Volunteers, Registering and Blue Card Services**

If you wish to become a new Volunteer for the Parish, please contact the Parish Office to book an interview.

For any other Volunteers who have recently renewed their Blue Cards and haven't received them, please contact Michelle.

We are slowly working our way through all Volunteers to get everyone update to date with the new Requirements.

## WEEKLY INFORMATION

### Mass Precautions during COVID

As part of the COVID Protocols, the Mass format for all Churches have had to be amended (since March 2020):

- No wine for Communion – just prayer;
- Communion is given to the hand – currently given to the tongue is not permitted;
- Extraordinary Ministers – must wash hands before and after Mass with soap and water;
- The use of signing Peace – shaking hands, kissing and hugging is not permitted;

Fr Tuong is also not permitted to shaking hands after Mass.

### Healing Mass

There is no Healing Mass for the first Friday in November 2020.

### Responsorial Psalm

Lord, this is the people that longs to see your face.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

Come to me, all you that labour and are burdened, and I will give you rest, says the Lord.

Alleluia, Alleluia!

## 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, Phil O'Dwyer, Peter Eddy, John Cornwell, Michael Hancock, Almira Ann James, Finley McHardy.

### Reborn in Eternal Life 2<sup>nd</sup> November – 8<sup>th</sup> November

Martin Gilmartin, Maria Maierhofer, Nellie Anderson, Frank O'Dwyer, Catherine Teresa Richardson, Florence Beattie.

### Reading – 32<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time – 8<sup>th</sup> November

1<sup>st</sup> Reading

Wis 6:12-16

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading

1 Thess 4:13-18

Gospel

Mt 25:1-13



### Baptism at St Francis Xavier, Goodna

The next Baptism will be 15<sup>th</sup> November 2020.

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

Maria Vink, Pulou Farani Tofilau, Bernard Brian Vandenberg, Lucy Hesp.



**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 – 8<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2020



**Flowers**

None until Further Notice



**Cleaning**

None until Further Notice

### Ministers Roster for Next Week – NONE UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE

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

## KNOWLEDGE

November is a special time to pray for the dead. A plenary indulgence may be gained for the dead, once only, by visiting a church on 2 November and praying the Lord's Prayer and the Creed. Three conditions are required for gaining the indulgence:

- Sacramental confession;
- Eucharistic communion; and
- Prayer for the Pope's intentions.

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

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