



**ST
FRANCIS
XAVIER
CATHOLIC
PARISH**

OUR PARISH MASSES						
Weekday					Saturday	19 th June
15 th	June	Tues	9.00am	Mass	5.00pm	Vigil Mass
16 th	June	Wed	9.00am	Mass	4.30pm	Reconciliation (till)
			6.00pm	Rosary		
17 th	June	Thurs	9.00am	Mass	Sunday 20 th June	
18 th	June	Fri	9.00am	Mass	7.00am	Mass
					9.00am	Mass

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time **Year B** **13th June 2021**



The Divine Heart

The assumption that big trees give big fruit, and small trees give small fruit is human logic. God, in His wisdom, designed the natural world according to

God's plan. Something like, trees for timber are often huge, tall, but have small fruit. Small fruits that fall from trees would cause fewer fatalities for both humans and animals. Agricultural trees that give fruit for human consumption are dwarf, and are easy for fruit pickers to harvest. Flowers come from shrubs, and those who would like to enjoy their perfume must bend their own backs or go on their knees to enjoy the heavenly scent.

Jesus chose two agricultural images to talk about the mystery of God's kingdom, the image of a farmer who sowed seeds in the field, and the image of a mustard seed. Sowing was an annual activity of His society. These images are common and simple, and yet each has hidden meanings, something to do with their development. Farmers don't understand the process of the seeds' growing. They are amazed that a tiny mustard seed, small as it is, becomes a huge shrub. Both seeds are sowed in the ground by human hands. Both grow in a mysterious way. Both are useful for consumption. One is primarily for human consumption, and the other is good for animals.

Jesus employs the hidden meanings of a grain and a mustard seed to talk about God's Kingdom. The Kingdom of God in a person's heart begins with the seed, The Word of God, which is sown in the heart. The quality of a grain or mustard seed, light, weather, soil, and energy, all are helping a seed to grow. God's Word is perfect and is above natural rules. A human's

heart is conditioned by its environment and the changes. Accordingly, when a heart loves the values of his/her society, that heart is for that society. When a heart embraces God's love, that heart belongs to God.

The natural world is in a state of flux, and we are part of that natural world. We are unable to resist change, but must embrace change, because changing and growing go hand in hand. The heart of the matter is, there are different options for a person to choose from: God's way or the worldly way. A heart, that follows the way of the world, 'will follow' the way of the world. A heart that follows God's way belongs to God, and through that heart God will change the world. God's plan to change the world works through a human heart.

It is not easy to understand a human heart, to saying nothing about the heart of the Divine! Life is a mystery. The mystery is a mixture of something learnable and something unknowable. Through God's love we slowly learn more about the mystery of life, and that takes a life time of learning, and growing. Christ's disciples are asked to be the signs of God's love for others. We are asked to do small, tiny tasks, something as small as a tiny mustard seed. We sow the seeds of justice, peace and love. God, in His goodness, magnifies our tiny contribution to be enormous and useful for others.

Jesus says that God's kingdom on earth continues to grow in a mysterious way, invisible to our eyes, beyond our comprehension. Those who love God, humbly learn to believe in Jesus' teaching, that nothing on earth can stop the growing of God's kingdom, and that no images on earth are good enough to clearly explain God's kingdom. Our task is to learn continually and be useful for others, and to be good stewards for our environment.

**Fr Vudinh Tuong
Parish Priest**

WEEKLY INFORMATION

***St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal
13th June 2021***

Just as a reminder, the St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal is on this Sunday, the 13th June 2021.

Any support that you could give will go a long way in helping St Vinnies in providing the much needed blankets and assistance to families with their heating bills this winter.

Even the smallest donation is very much appreciated as every little bit helps.

Parish Rosters/Safeguarding

Now that I am well underway with making phone calls to our Volunteers and also sending out emails regarding your Parish Registration, I am greatly in awe of how quickly everyone is responding to my requests. I thank you for your quick response.

I look forward to your continual prompt feedback as I continue making phone calls and sending out my email requests.

I am sure everyone is looking forward to taking the next step to our normal routines.

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.

Responsorial Psalm

Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!

The seed is the word of God, Christ is the sower;
all who come to him will live forever.

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, Sarah Kathleen Jones, Phil O'Dwyer, Peter Eddy, Angus Eddy, Michael Hancock, Almira Ann James, Finley McHardy, Nyaweir Ring, Kylie Herbert.

Reading – 12th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 20th June

1st Reading

Job 38:1, 8-11

2nd Reading

2 Cor 5:14-17

Gospel

Mk 4:35-41



Baptism at St Francis Xavier, Goodna

The next Baptism will be 20th June 2021

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

Due to COVID, the priest is not currently available for any home visits. Please contact the parish office for any further updates.

Reborn in Eternal Life 14th June – 20th June

Steve Kozak, Joseph Tran Van Tang, Joseph Le Van That, Duong Bao Boi, Maria Bonderenko, Johannes (John) Appleman, Nola Kennedy, Helga Paredes, Margaret Kozak, James Martin, DW Keppel, Gerry Fitzgerald, Andras Pal Varga, Sergio Aldo Panzani, Anna.

Recently Deceased

Ruby Pronk, Petty Taulapapa Pati, Dominic Duy.

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.

WEEKLY INFORMATION

Catholic Leadership Intensive

Equipping today's leaders for tomorrow's Church



Evangelisation Brisbane has developed the Catholic Leadership Intensive course which will aware participants with an Archdiocesan Certificate in Pastoral Leadership.

The Details: Time: 7.00pm - 9.00pm
Date: Monday evenings – 12th July – 13th September 2021
Location: Xavier Hall, Holy Spirit Seminary (487 Earnshaw Road, Banyo, Qld)
Cost: Pilot introductory offer \$100 (\$300 from 2022)

Registration for the reserved tickets will close this Sunday the 13th June before all ticketing is opened up to the broader Archdiocese.

For more information, please contact Teresa McGrath or Melissa Ledwich from the Parish Leadership Team on 07 3324 3440.

WEEKLY KNOWLEDGE

When the Sacred Scriptures are read in the Church, God himself speaks to his people, and Christ, present in his word, proclaims the Gospel.

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