



ST FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC PARISH

OUR PARISH MASSES						
Weekday				Saturday	16 th October	
12 th	Oct	Tues	9.00am	Mass	4.30pm	Reconciliation (till)
13 th	Oct	Wed	9.00am	Mass	5.00pm	Vigil Mass
				6.30pm		
14 th	Oct	Thurs	9.00am	Mass	Sunday 17th October	
15 th	Oct	Fri	9.00am	Mass – St Teresa of Jesus	7.00am	Mass
					9.00am	Mass
					5.00pm	Divine Mercy

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

10th October 2021

Inheritance



People love to have wealth, because wealth provides better service and many favourable benefits. The rich young man in today's reading reveals the truth about wealth. The man had feasted with influential people in his wealthy social circle. Many of them had social status, and yet none of them could satisfy the need of his inner life. The man approached Jesus to reveal his inner life. Jesus was special to him, because he believed Jesus was superior to others in his circle of friends. Wealth provided for his physical needs, but not those of his heart. His heart was hungry. He came to Jesus seeking help to satisfy his longing. He knelt before Jesus, addressing Him 'Good Master'. Judging from the way in which the man approached Jesus, we believe the man showed great respect for Jesus. He knelt before Him, and addressed Him not as an ordinary master, but 'Good Master'. Jesus challenged the man, saying: *'No one is good but God alone'. v.18*

Jesus told the man, not human beings, but God alone is Good. When the man addressed Jesus, 'Good Master', he believed, Who Jesus was for him- God- or a special person. There was no clarification at this point.

As the conversation went on, the man further opened his inner life. He confessed that he was faithful to keep God's commandments from his childhood. Jesus told the man, God's way was about doing rather than simply keeping the commandments. Reciting the commandments would not fulfil the law of love, but living them out made the law of love perfect. To make it clearer, Jesus told the man to do several actions, namely: going and selling, giving it to the poor, returning, and finally following. Hearing this the man felt upset, and left Jesus, because *'he was a man of great wealth'. v.22*

The man addressed Jesus 'Good Master', and yet he failed to carry out what the 'Good Master' asked of him. Because he refused to do what Jesus asked of him, it is clear that the man believed Jesus was not God, but a special person.

The man had experienced that his wealth would not be able to secure his eternal life, and yet he was attached to wealth. He approached Jesus with the expectation that Jesus would approve what he had been doing- observing the commandments. Jesus loved him, and asked him to take a further step. He was unable to take heed. He got upset, returning to square one.

Wealth is a sign of blessing when it is used to support the life of others; wealth is a curse when one attaches to it, and become its slave.

Jesus addressed His disciples ' My children'. In this context, Jesus probably meant the man had the 'infant faith'. Children learn things by memorizing, and reciting. They aren't yet able to understand much, but later on in life, they will understand more. The man, whose faith in God was still at an infant stage, loved to recite God's commandments, but was unable to put them into practice.

The second meaning of 'children' relates to inheritance. Parents leave their children the gift of love in their will. This gift is to be taken after the death of their parents. Jesus died to give eternal life to His children. It is God's free gift given to those who call God: Father, Abba. To take this free gift, one needs to make a commitment. The man could gain eternal life, by giving what little he owned to obtain the immeasurable gift of God- eternal life. He failed to do what Jesus asked of him, because his wealth stopped him from doing so.

Fr Vudinh Tuong
Parish Priest

WEEKLY INFORMATION

Columbarium

The Parish is in the process of receiving quotes to build a Columbarium in the very near future, hopefully in the next few months. Instead of the burial, the Columbarium is a convenient and holy place to keep ashes of the deceased on the Church grounds for relatives and friends to pay their respects and to pray for when they go to Church. It is proposed to be built adjacent to the existing flower gardens, outside the sacristy.

Ashes will be placed either in the columns itself or in the ground, underneath of the Jesus' status, Divine Mercy. We estimate each niche will cost approx. \$2,500 each. The bronze plaque, 20cm square, names and dates casted will be another extra \$250.00. The setup will look similar to the picture.



The Advent Season



New Life in Christ, is a new 28-day reflection resource.

Each day will include a scripture reading and a reflection. Place your order via Parish office.

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 shake hands after Mass

Responsorial Psalm

Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, Alleluia!
Happy the poor in Spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!
Alleluia!

PASTORAL MATTERS



Prayer for the Sick

Keith Auld, Lin Merrian, Marj Robbin, Kim Shadwell, Jackie Ledger, Amy and Reagan Whiteman, Sarah Kathleen Jones, Phil O'Dwyer, Peter Eddy, Michael Hancock, Almira Ann James, Finley McHardy, Nyaweir Ring, Kylie Herbert, Tony Ryan, Elisapeti Pati, Filo Lulu.

Reborn in Eternal Life 10th October – 16th October

Brooklyn Anne Reese, John Fryars, Josephine Theresia Steflicek, Ron Rice, Pauline Apps, Brenda Thompson, Vincent Mc Kenna, Tom Flannery, Colin Roy Murphy, Peter Kozak, Alan Guy Gallop, Frank William Peters, Thomas James Mc Carthy, Raimond Vicic, Kevin Carlyle, Alfio Spina.

Reading – 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 17th October 2021

1 st Reading	Is. 53:10-11
2 nd Reading	Heb 4: 14-16
Gospel	Mk 10:35-45

Baptism at St Francis Xavier, Goodna
The next Baptism will be 17th October 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.

Recently Deceased

Peter Ho Luu, Elia Idris Anamoi, Maria Pham.



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 – 17RD OCTOBER 2021



Flowers

Divine Mercy



Cleaning

Divine Mercy

WEEKLY INFORMATION

Plenary Council

The first Assembly of our Plenary Council from October 3-10, is the first in Australia in 84 years. The purpose of the Plenary Council is to discern what God is asking of the Church in Australia. More than 280 people from across the country will be involved in an online format. At the end of this long period of listening to the Holy Spirit speaking through the voices of the faithful, Australia's bishops will vote on any future directions for the Church in our country.

St Luke

By early Christian tradition, Luke is named as author of the Third Gospel and the Acts of the Apostles. Almost certainly a Gentile and perhaps a companion of St. Paul (29 June), he wrote to reassure those who had grown uncertain toward the end of the first century. In his gospel the compassion of Christ is inclusive of all: Gentile and Jew, the poor and the rich, women and men, the outcast the privileged.
Daily Mass Book 2021

The Feast is on Monday 18th October

WEEKLY INFORMATION

2021 Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion Class start this week.

The Sacrament of Reconciliation and First Holy Communion- The Classes starts on 9th October at 3.30pm, and the following classes are on 16th October, 23rd October, 30th October and the 6th November.

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