



ST FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC PARISH

OUR PARISH MASSES						
Weekday					Saturday	15 th October
11 th	Oct	Tues	9.00am	Mass	4.30pm	Reconciliation
12 th	Oct	Wed	9.00am	Mass	5.00pm	Vigil Mass
			6.30pm	Rosary		
13 th	Oct	Thurs	9.00am	Mass		Sunday 16th October
14 th	Oct	Fri	9.00am	Mass	7.00am	Mass
					9.00am	Mass

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year C

9th October 2022



Closing The Gap

The Pharisees and the Scribes have identified themselves as righteous and they set themselves apart from those they judged as sinners. They would not want to associate with

them and certainly would not dine with them. This mentality creates a big gap between those who identify themselves as righteous and sinners. The righteous receive lots of privileges and rule over others. Jesus, on the other hand, takes an opposite approach by associating with those who genuinely follow His way of life. Jesus teaches the new way of life, judging the Pharisees and Scribes' mentality as hypocrites. He himself actually worked on making the change. His first act was on His way to Jerusalem. This implies Jesus was on the way to where He would face the cross and die for all. By carrying the cross and though His resurrection, Jesus saves us all. His new way of life would exclude no one. His salvation is for all mankind. His second concrete action was that He chose to travel along the border between Gentiles, foreigners, Samaria, and Galilee. This again indicates Jesus would erase all social borders; especially the invisible border of exclusion created by prejudice. Seeing Jesus from afar, the ten lepers called out for help. These men lived on the outskirts, a 'no man's land', because their society had expelled them and they were not allowed to the neighbouring border, Galilee. Jesus' third act makes the inclusive teaching even clearer by healing the ten lepers. He publicly welcomes the marginalized, the outcast, and those that society at the time judged as unclean and sinners.

The title 'Master' in St Luke's Gospel was exclusive to Jesus' disciples. Calling Jesus as their Master, the lepers indirectly expressed their inner desire to follow Jesus' way of life. He told the lepers to 'Go and show yourselves to the priests'. They obeyed Him. They went to see their former foes. Being expelled from the community would mean he is a dead man walking. He

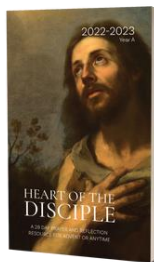
would live in bitterness for life. Jesus told them to show themselves to the priests. It is an act of reconciliation and restoration of the relationship between the lepers and the priest, who represents the community. On their way to see the priests, they were healed. One of them immediately came back to praise God. Surprisingly, the leper who returned to give thanks to God was a Samaritan. Jesus healed both his physical disease and his spiritual blindness. By returning to give thanks to God, the Samaritan reveals the meaning of the opening words of today's Gospel reading, that Jesus was 'On the way to Jerusalem'. It reveals Jesus is not an ordinary priest but The High Priest.

The way in which Jesus healed the lepers reflects the biblical creation's story. God simply gives a command and things will be. The Samaritan leper believed, Jesus Himself is God, and that Jesus confirms his belief that He is God. The Samaritan leper returned and 'Praising God at the top of his voice and threw himself at the feet of Jesus and thanked Him'. He recognized the power of God in Jesus' words. All ten lepers were healed and yet only one returned to give thanks to God. The other nine took the healing for granted and that reflects the reality of life.

Which of the two sayings of Jesus would we like to hear: 'Stand up and go on your way. Your faith has saved you.' v.19. The other one is, 'Were not all ten made clean? The other nine, where are they? It seems that no one has come back to give praise to God, except this foreigner.' v.18.

We fail to recognize that we are blessed in numerous ways and yet often take things for granted. We would never give thanks enough for what we have received from God. Giving thanks to God daily is not only a noble thing to do, but rather a meaningful way we express our gratitude to God, and that is what God loves to hear our voice. We all prefer to hear 'Your faith has saved you'. If then, remember to give thanks to God daily.

Fr Vudinh Tuong
Parish Priest



Heart of the Disciple

"Heart of the Disciple" is a new 28-day reflection resource that can be used by individuals or groups, during Advent or at any time during the 2022-2023 liturgical year. In the way that John the Baptist announced the coming of something new, giving people hope and offering them healing, we are to live lives that inspire others to reach out to God. To do this, we must learn what it means to have the 'heart of a disciple' – increasingly open to hearing and responding to God. Each day's reflection is inspired by a short text of scripture, and concludes with a thought or two to take away and with a prayer.

Cost is \$5, contact the office to pre-order



Rite of Catholic Initiation of Adults

For everyone wishing to learn more about our faith and be received into full Communion with the Catholic Church, we are planning to start the RCIA in early November.

Please contact the 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; those wishing to receive to the tongue are invited to present at the end of the queue;
- 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

The Lord has revealed to the nations His saving power.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
For all things give thanks to God, because this is what He expects of you in Christ Jesus.
Alleluia, alleluia!

PASTORAL MATTERS



Prayer for the Sick

Lin Merrian, Marj Robbin, Kim Shadwell, Jackie Ledger, Amy and Reagan Whiteman, Sarah Kathleen Jones, Phil O'Dwyer, Peter Eddy, Almira Ann James, Finley McHardy, Nyaweir Ring, Kylie Herbert, Tony Ryan, Elisapeti Pati, Amanda Harding, Vicenta Basubas, Martin Folkes.

Reborn in Eternal Life 10th – 16th October

Brooklyn Anne Reese, John Fryars, Josefina Theresia Steflicek, Peter James Lennon, Ron Rice, Pauline Apps, Brenda Thompson, Vincent McKenna, Tom Flannery, Colin Roy Murphy, Peter Kozak, Alan Guy Gallop, Frank William Peters, Thomas James McCarthy, Raimond Vicic, Kevin Carlyle.

Reading – 29 th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 16 th Oct 2022	
1 st Reading	Ex 17:8-13
2 nd Reading	2 Tim 3:14 – 4:2
Gospel	Lk 18:1-8



Baptism at St Francis Xavier, Goodna

The next Baptism will be 16th October 2022
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.

Recently Deceased

Kevin James Halls, Figilia DiDio (Fiona), James Andrew Coogan, Sr. Carmel Therese Hodgkinson PBVM.



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 – THIS WEEK – 9th OCTOBER 2022

Flowers	Noela Leituala	Cleaning	Tina & Princeton	Yard	Samoan Community
1st	5pm Huong Nguyen	2nd	5pm Julie Aiavao	Ciborium	5pm Peter Aiavao
Reading	7am Paul Hodgkinson	Reading	7am Cameron Auld		7am Michael Miles
	9am Angela Vaoiva		9am Nino Fruean		9am Elaine Walters

ROSTERS – NEXT WEEK – 16th OCTOBER 2022

Flowers	Divine Mercy	Cleaning	Divine Mercy	Yard	Divine Mercy
1st	5pm Darsha Ross	2nd	5pm Suzanne Fitzgerald	Ciborium	5pm Christine Freeman
Reading	7am Robert Bryant	Reading	7am Amelia Teomatavui		7am Pefu Teomatavui
	9am Divine Mercy		9am Divine Mercy		9am Divine Mercy

Ministers should arrive at least 10 minutes before the start of Mass, or their role will be reassigned on the day.

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Christmas Cards

Christmas Cards are available for purchase at the Parish Office or after Mass - \$10 per packet (10 cards in each packet).

Minister Training

Could those who have completed their reader & Eucharist training please forward their certificate to the office.

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1300 304 550 or [AOB@stopline.com.au](mailto:AQB@stopline.com.au).