



**ST
FRANCIS
XAVIER
CATHOLIC
PARISH**

OUR PARISH MASSES						
Weekday					Saturday	22 nd October
18 th	Oct	Tues	9.00am	Liturgy of the Word	5.00pm	Vigil Mass
19 th	Oct	Wed	9.00am	Liturgy of the Word	Sunday 23rd October 7.00am Mass 9.00am Mass	
			6.30pm	Rosary		
20 th	Oct	Thurs	9.00am	Liturgy of the Word		
21 st	Oct	Fri	9.00am	Liturgy of the Word		

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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16th October 2022



Inner Voice

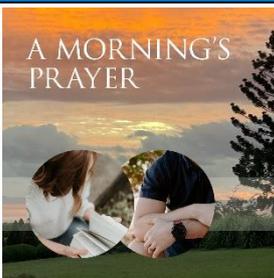
The parable is about a poor widow who persists in pleading with the corrupt judge to give her justice. The powerful corrupt judge knows what he does for her is wrong and corrupt, and yet he follows that path because it pleases him. He is lord of his own. Because he has neither fear of God nor respect for man; he places personal interest above justice. The poor widow knows the unjust judge cares for nothing else, except his own interest. She continues coming to him pleading for her justice. The unjust judge has everything: power and wealth, prestige; while the poor widow has nothing. What she holds dear is justice which the unjust judge took away from her. He himself cares for his own interest and is free to exercise it. The poor widow disturbs the judge's happiness by regularly coming to him. Justice and peace are inseparable, the poor widow demands justice so she can have peace. Her pleading to the corrupt judge makes him feel that he will not have happiness unless he gives her justice. There is no peace for unjust dealing because peace and happiness go hand in hand. Where there is happiness; there is peace, and where there is peace; happiness follows. The corrupt judge confesses that he has no fear for anyone but that he is lacking happiness. For his own sake, he grants the widow justice. The judge should uphold the law and have respect for justice but he doesn't; the poor widow who knows little about the laws and yet she holds justice dearly. Jesus asks His audience not to follow the unjust path of the judge, but to imitate the poor widow- persistence in demanding for justice.

God's justice is universal and permanent; while human justice is temporary, indifferent and confined to an area. Human justice depends on individuals and the political system of each country.

The parable begins with the call to pray continually. We need to pray to listen to the voice of our conscience. This voice is soft and constant. God knows what we need but we need to pray to know God's will. The Lord's Prayer tells the universal God's will for mankind, but God calls us as an individual, and prayer helps us to respond to that call with love. The persistence of our prayer speaks of the depth of our heart's desire for God's love. It helps us to be faithful to God's will and God's justice. Lacking prayer, we fall into our human path and that leads us to follow the way of the unjust judge. Faith manifests itself through actions and praying is an act of faith because we open our true selves to God to receive God's grace which purifies our soul. Jesus told us to pray always and never lose heart. Losing heart happens when we think our prayer is unanswered which is not the purpose of prayer. Jesus teaches His disciples to pray for God's will be done, not ours.

We can personify the parable, acknowledging that there is an unjust judge in each one of us. We are biased and often in favour of what benefits us in our judgments. We tend to be easy and relaxed in what we love, and are hard or critical in what we dislike. The poor widow is the personification of our inner voice, our conscience. It works like the poor widow in the parable. It persists in demanding we to follow God's justice. We are happy and have peace when we do things right and just; we worry and are even shaken when our dealing is evil and corrupt. Our conscience continues to remind us to reconcile any unjust dealing, and this restores peace, and strengthens our relationships with God and others. The corrupt judge in the parable confesses that the widow's voice continues to upset him. Her voice awakens his inner voice and that troubles him greatly. Refusing to follow God's justice means having no faith in Jesus.

**Fr Vudinh Tuong
Parish Priest**



A Morning's Prayer Retreat

Are you in need of a retreat but don't have the time? Could you spare 3 hours? 'A Morning's Prayer' is a mini-retreat coming up at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre. It's about providing the space for a profound engagement with the God who loves us and desires to walk with us in our lives as they are. Each morning will be facilitated with a time of input, prayer, reflection and faith sharing, and aim to provide a prayerful respite from the busyness of life. Both parish groups and individuals are most welcome. The next A Morning's Prayer is on **Saturday October 29, 9am-12pm** at Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre (267 Wellington Street, Ormiston). Cost: \$20. Find out more or register at:

<https://santateresa.org.au/news-events/>

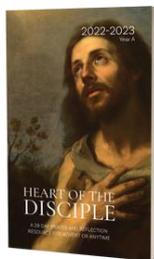


**Rite of Catholic
Initiation of
Adults**

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



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, copies available after Mass or from the office.

Responsorial Psalm

Our help is from the Lord,
who made heaven and earth

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
The word of God is living and active;
it probes the thoughts and motives of
our heart.
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 17th – 23rd October

Alfio Spina, Kerry Fitzgerald, Urbano Oblino, Bernard Brian Vandenberg, Geoffrey Walsh, Albert John Gallagher, Mary & Louis Phipps Ellis, Di leep Weerasingha, Francis O’Neill, David Moloney, Lorraine Ann Barker, Cho Hoang.

Reading – 30th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 23rd Oct 2022

1 st Reading	Sirach 35:12-14
2 nd Reading	2 Tim 4:6-8, 16-18
Gospel	Lk 18:9-14



Baptism at St Francis Xavier, Goodna

The next Baptism will be 20th November 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 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.

WEEK 3 ROSTERS (THIS WEEK) 16th OCTOBER 2022

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

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

WEEK 4 ROSTERS (NEXT WEEK) 23rd OCTOBER 2022

Flowers	Cleaning	Yard
Tien & Nhu	Tien & Nhu	n/a
1st 5pm Bruce Larter	2nd 5pm Owen Ross	Ciborium 5pm Julie Aiavao
Reading 7am Joan Sitcheff 9am Caroline Fonoti	Reading 7am Anna Timu 9am Junior So’oalo	7am Cameron Auld 9am Joe Masalu

WEEKLY INFORMATION



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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