



# ST FRANCIS XAVIER CATHOLIC PARISH

OUR PARISH MASSES							
Weekday						Saturday	1 <sup>st</sup> July
27 <sup>th</sup>	June	Tues	9.00am	Mass		4.30pm	Reconciliation
28 <sup>th</sup>	June	Wed	9.00am	Mass – St Irenaeus		5.00pm	Mass
			6.30pm	Rosary		<b>Sunday</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> July</b>
29 <sup>th</sup>	June	Thurs	9.00am	Mass– Sts Peter & Paul		7.00am	Mass
30 <sup>th</sup>	June	Fri	9.00am	Mass		9.00am	Mass

12<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

25<sup>th</sup> June 2023



### Divine Grace

Fear is a personal experience we all have. It comes suddenly, and has an instant impact. Common fears often come quickly and go fast. They make us nervous, and

shake our bodies, but don't rob our spirit. One of the reasons for fear is the unknown. We don't know what will happen to us, or how severe a punishment might be. The extreme form of fear is death, a capital punishment. The victim is being eliminated. When power is carried out illegitimately; the victim is dead; the oppressor lives with no peace and would be troubled by his own conscience for life. There is another fear, and that is the fear of being uncovered for misdeeds. Jesus tells his disciples if the crime was well covered in this life; it would be uncovered in the next life. He said, nothing is hidden forever; sooner or later, evil actions will be uncovered. Those who think they are invincible are dead wrong. The power they now have is very limited both in terms of its boundaries; and time limit. Human power is limited to a person's death. After death, the oppressor can do nothing more.

The fear Jesus talks to his disciples about is not a common one, but a deeper, and more profound fear. It affects us now in this life; and has everlasting consequences in the life to come. God has absolute power. His power is everlasting, with no time limit, and universal because he is the King of the entire universe. When Pilate told Jesus that he had the power to crucify him or set him free, Jesus reminded him that he had no power over Him, if God didn't give him power in the first place. That made Pilate realize, that the power he now has, is given. Because it is given; it can be taken away. It is restricted within his jurisdiction; and his kingdom. Eliminating a human life is always wrong. It is driven by hatred. Apart from God, no one has power over the life and

death of others. The power we have is to protect life, promote peace and maintain justice, not to kill or destroy life. Claiming to have absolute power over others is a false claim. Jesus told his disciples that people can kill the body, but not the soul. Using your power with justice or exploitation is all one can do. To give consolation to his disciples, Jesus told them, when they are fearful; just remember that God is near. God takes care of all of God's creation. God takes care of us even more than caring for his creation. If we believe that a hair in our head has been counted; then we believe that God knows well our suffering and pain, and worries. We are united to God; so when we suffer, God suffered; when we feel pain and fear, God feels pain and fear. This intimate union is not forgotten, but it will be uncovered in God's kingdom. It is revealed in the saying, *'Anyone declares himself for me in the presence of men, I will declare myself for him in the presence of my Father in heaven'*. Mt 10:32

There is a difference in killing. People kill because of hatred or retribution. Out of love, God calls us to himself. The account of creation mentions God's garden. Each of us is a flower in God's garden. We take home flowers from the garden because we love them. God calls someone to himself; we believe God loves them like we like to have flowers at home. God has the full right to do with his own creation. When God calls a person out of this world; we understand that God makes a relocation, placing that person to where God wants that person to be. Every single new birth or reborn into eternal life is part of God's grand plan arrangement. When we view life in that way; it will lessen the fear of death, because in this life we try to follow God's way; but it will increase the fear of death for those who follow the way of the world.

We pray to trust in God's divine grace. **Fr Vudinh Tuong**  
Parish Priest

## WEEKLY INFORMATION

### Rite of Catholic Initiation of Adults



For teenagers and adults wishing to be received into full Communion with the Catholic Church, we are planning to start the RCIA in early October. The program involves learning about the Catholic faith, and culminates with the celebration of Baptism, Confirmation & First Holy Communion at Easter.

**Please contact the office for more information.**



### St Vincent de Paul Winter Appeal

*What if your mum, grandma or sister became homeless?* One of the fastest growing groups of people experiencing homelessness is women over 55. With lower superannuation and savings than men, older women are especially vulnerable

to the cost of living crisis. Your gift will make sure older women experiencing homelessness have a safe place to sleep, nutritious food, warm clothing and the support they need to rebuild their lives.

**The SVDP Winter Appeal will be held on the 15th / 16th July.**

**WEEKLY INFORMATION**

**Dates for your Diary**

6 <sup>th</sup> July, 7pm	Pastoral Council Meeting (Presbytery)
15 <sup>th</sup> /16 <sup>th</sup> July	SVDP Winter Appeal (weekend Masses)
2 <sup>nd</sup> Aug, 7pm	Confirmation
20 <sup>th</sup> Aug, 10am	1 <sup>st</sup> Communion & Multicultural Mass (school hall)

**Responsorial Psalm**

Lord, in your great love, answer me.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!  
The Spirit of Truth will bear witness to me says the Lord, and you also will be my witnesses.  
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.

**Reading – 13<sup>th</sup> Sun. Ordinary Time, 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2023**

1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	2 Kgs 4:8-11, 14-16
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	Rom 6:3-4, 8-11
Gospel	Mt 10:37-42

**Baptism at St Francis Xavier, Goodna**  
The next Baptism will be 16<sup>th</sup> July 2023  
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.

**Reborn in Eternal Life 26<sup>th</sup> June – 2<sup>nd</sup> July**

Douglas Innes, Padicine Tory, Violet Medley, Eddie Brose, Ivona Samuelu, Mary Loan, Mary Van, Joy Davies, David Leslie, Mary Stirling, Frederick Larter, Elviene Larter.

**Recently Deceased**



**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 4 ROSTERS - THIS WEEK – 25<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2023**

<b>Flowers</b>	Tien & Nhu	<b>Cleaning</b>	Tien & Nhu	<b>Yard</b>	n/a
<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	5pm Bruce Larter	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	5pm Owen Ross	<b>Ciborium</b>	5pm Julie Aiavao
<b>Reading</b>	7am Joan Sitcheff	<b>Reading</b>	7am Anna Timu		7am Cameron Auld
	9am Kisa Senio		9am Paulo Lauvao		9am Elaine Walters

**WEEK 1 ROSTERS - NEXT WEEK – 2<sup>nd</sup> JULY 2023**

<b>Flowers</b>	Samoan Community	<b>Cleaning</b>	Jim Walsh	<b>Yard</b>	n/a
<b>1<sup>st</sup></b>	5pm Angela Vu	<b>2<sup>nd</sup></b>	5pm Peter Aiavao	<b>Ciborium</b>	5pm Suzanne Fitzgerald
<b>Reading</b>	7am Jane Brischetto	<b>Reading</b>	7am Louise Qualischefski		7am Joan Sitcheff
	9am Fruean Family		9am Teofilo Lauu		9am Uiki Vaoiva

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

**WEEKLY INFORMATION**

**Calling all grandparents!**



Join with Evangelisation Brisbane for a morning that celebrates your important role in shaping the faith of your grandchildren and children. **Grand Plans for Grandparents** is a time together created to acknowledge, equip and empower you in this special role. Discover fresh ways to engage with your grandchildren, sharing the gift of faith with renewed enthusiasm, and connect with fellow grandparents, share your experiences, and build a supportive community. Stay on for Mass at Cathedral at 11:30am where you'll receive a special blessing, reaffirming the impact you have on your family's spiritual journey. **When:** Saturday 22 July, 9:15 - 11:15am (followed by optional 11:30am Mass at the Cathedral). **Where:** Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre (196 Charlotte St, Brisbane City). **Cost:** \$15. **RSVP:** Monday 17 July. Register online at: <https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/grandparents>

**St Francis Xavier Primary School**  
Goodna Kids who care

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