



**ST
FRANCIS
XAVIER
CATHOLIC
PARISH**

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

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time **Year A** **8th October 2023**



Betrayal

Religious leaders are Chief priests, Scribes, and Elders who have challenged Jesus' authority. Jesus knew that confronting them face-to-face would only irritate

them more. He took a different approach, which would make them listen attentively, and think hard about what he said. He talked to them through a parable. Last week, he told the parable of the son whom the father asked to work in his vineyard. One answered 'No' but later on changed his mind and went; the other answered 'Yes,' but didn't act. This week, Jesus doesn't talk about the vineyard, but the tenants. He talks about wealth and power: things that religious leaders loved, and that would make them listen with interest. He told the parable about the landlord, who set up a vineyard. Before going abroad, he entrusted it to the tenants. His absence implies that the landlord completely trusts his tenants. They have the freedom to do what is best for the vineyard. When the harvest time arrived, the landlord sent his servants to collect the product. Instead of honouring the lease, the tenants took advantage of their freedom, and maltreated the servants. In his kindness, the landlord sent a second group of servants; but the tenants treated them in the same way. In his kindness, the landlord believes that the tenants would respect his son; he sent his son to them. Seeing the son, the tenants plan to kill the son in the hope of taking over his inheritance. Jesus ends the parable with a question, *'What will the landlord do to those tenants?'* They answered: *" He will bring those wretches to a wretched end and lease the vineyard to other tenants,"* (Mt 21:41). Up to this point, the religious leaders believe that Jesus talks not about them but about someone. *'I tell you, then, that the kingdom of God will be taken from you*

and given to a people who will produce its fruit,' (Mt 21:43). Hearing this they come to the realization that Jesus talked about them. The tenants' verdict has two parts: a/ end the wretches, and b/ take the vineyard away from them. Instead of applying the whole verdict on the tenants. The landlord shows mercy to the tenants by applying only the second part upon them, *'Lease the vineyard to other tenants'.* He took upon himself the hardest part, the first part of their verdict, by allowing them to crucify him on the cross.

God is the owner of the vineyard. The old vineyard is the house of Israel; the new vineyard is Jesus' followers. The tenants include all those in whom God entrusts a leadership role. The servants represent God's prophets and messengers who had been ill-treated by the tenants. The heir of God is no one else but Jesus himself, who the religious leaders and local powers had rejected and killed outside the Holy City. *'The stone rejected by the builders'* refers to Jesus' own death. He was crucified outside the Holy City by the religious leaders and the Romans. His resurrection from death makes him, Jesus, the keystone of his Church, the new vineyard, with new tenants, and new people. Jesus becomes the new creation and everything that belongs to him becomes a new creation in him. We, the Gentiles, had been rejected, now are invited to be part of God's kingdom. The parable is about God whose only Son, Jesus, is with his people. Some choose to reject him; others choose to follow and love him. Loving him by means of producing good fruit, that is, to show care and love to others. Loving him by glorifying his name through acts of worship and acts of charity.

**Fr Vudinh Tuong
Parish Priest**

WEEKLY INFORMATION



**A PASTORAL STATEMENT
ON THE REFERENDUM**

Pastoral Statement on the Referendum

Archbishop Mark Coleridge has issued a Pastoral Statement on the Referendum, available via the Archdiocese website. You can also view a conversation between Archbishop Mark and Bishop Tim Norton SVD on the subject. To navigate to these resources, from the homepage click Menu>>Bishops>> Pastoral Letters & Messages.

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WEEKLY INFORMATION

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

“The stone that the builders rejected has become the corner stone,” (Mt 21:42) Jesus was rejected by the religious and political leaders of his day, as well as ordinary citizens, but he was still obedient to God, the Father. Similarly, living a stewardship lifestyle may cause you to be “rejected” by others, but we, too are called to be obedient. Saying grace before a meal in a restaurant may attract some strange looks from some. But to others it is a sign that God is alive and well! Accessed on September 13, 2023 from www.archstl.org/about-stewardship/bulletin-inserts/weekly-bible-reflections

Responsorial Psalm

The Vineyard of the Lord God of hosts is the House of Israel.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
I call you friends, says the Lord,
because I have made known to you
everything I have learnt from my Father.
Alleluia!

PASTORAL MATTERS



Prayer for the Sick

Lin Merrian, 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, Linda Hoad.

Reborn in Eternal Life 9th – 15th 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.

Reading – 28th Sunday Ord. Time, 15th October 2023

1 st Reading	Is 25:6-10
2 nd Reading	Phil 4:12-14, 19-20
Gospel	Mt 22:1-14



Baptism at St Francis Xavier, Goodna

The next Baptism will be 19th November. 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.

Recently Deceased Mark Manning, Kathleen Gurdon (née McCarthy).



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 2 ROSTERS – THIS WEEK – 8th OCTOBER 2023

Flowers	Noela Leituala	Cleaning	Tina & Princeton	Yard	n/a
1 st	5pm Huong Nguyen	2 nd	5pm Eddie Radke	Ciborium	5pm Moi Radke
Reading	7am Paul Hodgkinson	Reading	7am Cameron Auld		7am Michael Miles
	9am So’oalo Family		9am Karoline Fonoti		9am Sosefo Masalu

WEEK 3 ROSTERS - NEXT WEEK – 15th OCTOBER 2023

Flowers	Divine Mercy	Cleaning	Divine Mercy	Yard	Divine Mercy
1 st	5pm Darsha Ross	2 nd	5pm Suzanne Fitzgerald	Ciborium	5pm Christine Freeman
Reading	7am Robert Bryant	Reading	7am Theresa Greig		7am Cameron Auld
	9am Alefosio Family		9am Vaoiva Family		9am Donna So’oalo

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

WEEKLY INFORMATION



Going Deeper is a ten-session online series about the heart of the Catholic faith. It explores different aspects of what it means to live a Catholic life, where participants can dive beneath the teachings and practices and instead ponder, 'what is this all for?' and is open for participation in groups or for individuals. The course starts 8th September, delivered entirely online. Visit the Going Deeper website to find out more and to register: www.goingdeeper.org.au

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