



**ST FRANCIS
XAVIER
CATHOLIC
PARISH
GOODNA**

OUR PARISH MASSES						
Weekday				Saturday	10 th February	
6 th	Feb	Tues	9.00am Mass – St Paul Miki	4.30pm	Reconciliation	
7 th	Feb	Wed	9.00am Mass	5.00pm	Mass	
			6.30pm Rosary			
8 th	Feb	Thurs	9.00am Mass	Sunday	11th February	
9 th	Feb	Fri	9.00am Mass	7.00am	Mass	
				9.00am	Mass	

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

4th February 2024



For those who have experienced depression it is easy to identify with Job’s reflection in today’s first reading (Job 7:1-4,6-7). If not depression, then at least boredom in a vapid life, like children in a hot classroom yearning to be free and wondering why clock’s minutes take so long to change. But Job is not young. Rather, his life has been upended, through no fault of his, and he wonders what the point of it all was. He is experiencing dejection and despair, wondering if he has lived thus far in delusion. The psalm responds with the consoling “Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted”.

A curiosity of the four Gospels, and the New Testament writings in general, is the scant attention given to the wives of the apostles. We presume, based on cultural studies, that most if not all of them were probably married, but there is little evidence of this for any of them. Today’s gospel passage (Mark 1:29-39) definitely indicates that Simon Peter had a wife, but this deduced from the reference to Peter’s having mother-in-law. But leaving that detail aside we find that it, and the preceding liberation of the man with the unclean spirit,

instigates a procession of people bringing the sick and the possessed for healing—so many that the whole town crowds around the door. Capernaum was not a huge town, and the story makes it sound as if disease and possession were rampant. Could it be true that the population of this town, or of ancient towns in general, experienced more disease and spiritual harassment than normally might be expected? Both states were understood to be signs of the oppression of sin in the world, so it actually indicates the effectiveness and truth of the mission of Jesus; it is one of remission and redemption. The telling of it, however, also stresses that a consequence of the signs worked by Jesus, those demonstrations of the authenticity of his redeeming message, is that they so take people’s attention that they start to crowd out his proclaiming the Good News. He is almost overwhelmed by his own success. Seeking temporary solitude and space to pray he left the house before dawn, and when the searching disciples find him he tells them they will depart so as to visit the neighbouring towns to preach there too—that is, after all, his purpose and mission.

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WEEKLY INFORMATION

SFX SVDP is Turning 50 – Who Remembers This:



In 2008, the local conference was asked by the migrant Settlement Committee of Ipswich, a group funded by the Commonwealth Government but staffed and directed by the Qld St Vincent De Paul, to host a barbecue afternoon for African refugees now living in our Area. About seventy adults and children joined with the Vincentians, members of the Parish and leaders of our community to enjoy an afternoon of “getting to know you”. African dancing, football, nursing babies, sausage sizzling and realising that everyone, no matter where they come from, loves to have a conversation with people of similar interests. Paul Tully spoke with the group and promised them his support and assistance. All of the locals were saddened and shocked to hear of the horrors of the refugee camps and to hear that some migrants have no idea where their relatives are and most likely never will. *If you were there let the local Conference know what you remember. Ring 0403117780 OR post ‘Recount’ to Box 516 GOODNA, 4300.*

The current Conference members would like to invite anyone whose family has been involved in St Vinnies over those 50 years; to a **celebratory morning tea after 9am Mass on the 17th March in the parish hall.**



Urgent Rental Request

A family of parishioners is urgently seeking a rental, preferably within our parish. They are a family of four, with an infant and a toddler. If you can help out or know of someone that can, please email the parish office at goodna@bne.catholic.net.au

WEEKLY INFORMATION

Dates for your diary

14 th	Feb	Wed	9am	Mass - Ash Wednesday (School Hall)
			6pm	Mass – Ash Wednesday (no Rosary)
28 th	Mar	Thurs	7pm	The Lord’s Supper
29 th	Mar	Fri	10am	The Stations of the Cross
			3pm	The Veneration of the Cross
30 th	Mar	Sat	6pm	Easter Vigil - RCIA
1 st	June	Sat	3pm	Sacramental program lessons begin
2 nd	Aug	Fri	6pm	Confirmation
18 th	Aug	Sun	10am	1 st Communion & Multicultural Mass

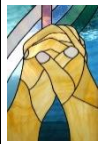
Responsorial Psalm

Praise the Lord who heals the broken-hearted.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!
He bore our sickness,
and endured our suffering.
Alleluia!

PASTORAL MATTERS



Prayer for the Sick

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, Margo Jane Higgins, Cameron Auld, Trent Andrews, Bill McAuslan, Peter Tolhurst.

Reborn in Eternal Life 5th – 11th February

Valda Ayoub, Zofia Grun, Michael Hansen, Hendrika Habraken (Herlings), Val Bird, Norma Louise Finlayson, Luis Vela, Kazimierz Borowski, Bernice Patricia Falvey, Paul Cortis, Sayong Ebias, John McCaughey, Genowefa Podolak, James Liddy, Cuban Gore.

Reading – 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time, 11th February 2024

1 st Reading	Lev 13:1-2, 44-46
2 nd Reading	1 Cor 10:31-11:1
Gospel	Mk 1:40-45



Baptism at St Francis Xavier, Goodna

Bookings for February are now closed. The next Baptisms will be 17th March 2024. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

Recently Deceased Louis Galea, Margaret Mary Kelly, Barry George Miles.



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 1 ROSTERS - THIS WEEK – 4th FEBRUARY 2024

Flowers	Samoan Community		Cleaning	Jim Walsh	Yard	Samoan Community			
5pm	Welcome	Kerry Ellis	Reader 1	Angela Vu	Ciborium	Suzanne Fitzgerald	Altar	TBA	
7am		Robert Bryant		Jane Brischetto		Louise Qualischefski		Joan Sitcheff	Georgie Tierney
9am		Teofilo Lauulu		Fruean Family		Sosefo Masalu		Uiki Vaoiva	Joe, Bu & Isaac

WEEK 2 ROSTERS - NEXT WEEK – 11th FEBRUARY 2024

Flowers	No flowers		Cleaning	Princeton & Tina	Yard	n/a			
5pm	Welcome	Owen Ross	Reader 1	Huong Nguyen	Ciborium	Peter Aiavao	Altar	TBA	
7am		Sera Whippy		Cameron Auld		Paul Hodgkinson		Michael Miles	Francesco & Francis
9am		Alefosio Family		So’oalo Family		Teofilo Lauulu		Sosefo Masalu	Philip & Junior

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

WEEKLY INFORMATION

Safeguarding Notice



Please ensure that all children using the toilets are accompanied by an adult. The toilets are out of the line of sight of the church, and the area is shared by children and adults. Parents should be aware that this means that the toilets are considered a safeguarding risk, and they should therefore take the necessary precautions. Please ensure also that the toilets are left clean and tidy.

Welcome to Fr. Paul!

Fr. Paul Kemau CSSp is from Kenya (East Africa) and is a member of the Congregation of the Holy Spirit (Spiritans). He has been appointed as the Associate Pastor of St Francis Xavier Parish, Goodna. He was ordained on the 9th May 2009, and from then on served in several parishes in Kenya. *“I look forward to working with the parish community and am deeply grateful for the gracious welcome since my arrival on 2nd January 2024. God Bless you all!”* **Fr. Paul, Associate Pastor**

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