



**ST FRANCIS  
XAVIER  
CATHOLIC  
PARISH  
GOODNA**

OUR PARISH MASSES					
Weekday				Saturday	2 <sup>nd</sup> March
27 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	Tues	9.00am Mass	4.15-4.45pm	Reconciliation
28 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	Wed	9.00am Mass	5.00pm	Mass
			6.30pm Rosary		
29 <sup>th</sup>	Feb	Thurs	9.00am Mass	<b>Sunday</b>	<b>3<sup>rd</sup> March</b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	Mar	Fri	9.00am Mass -Healing Mass	7.00am	Mass
			6.00pm Stations of the Cross	9.00am	Mass

**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**Year B**

**25<sup>th</sup> February 2024**



**Moriah: Mountain of Sacrifice**

The test to which Abraham is subjected is to take place on a mountain in the land of Moriah (v. 2). On this mountain Abraham sacrifices a ram as a holocaust in place of his son, Isaac. Though Genesis reports that Abraham built many altars throughout the Promised Land (e.g., Shechem, Gen 12:7; Bethel, 12:8; Mamre, R3dR00f@Sandstone13:18), Moriah is the only place the text tells us that he actually offered a sacrifice. According to 2 Chronicles 3:1, this is the very spot where Solomon later built the Temple in Jerusalem. Once the Temple was completed it eventually became the only place where sacrifice could be offered. The story in Genesis 22, then, tells not only about Abraham's great obedience and faith; it indirectly explains why the Temple was built there: Abraham, the great patriarch and father of the nation, himself sacrificed a burnt offering to the Lord on this very spot.

In a verse omitted from the first reading (v. 14), Abraham

names the place, 'Yahweh-yireh.' This literally means 'the Lord will see,' and the Lord indeed does see that Abraham is obedient. But the Hebrew goes on to explain that it means 'the Lord will be seen,' and, in a manner of speaking, the Lord was seen by Abraham. But this is really a more appropriate nickname for the Temple where the Lord's glory dwells: obviously, the story is told with the Temple in view. Thus, the mountain that was to be a mountain of testing becomes a temple-mount where appropriate (not human) sacrifice is made and where the Lord is seen. This point must not be overlooked: it is after testing, obedience, and sacrifice that 'the Lord is seen.'

The responsorial psalm highlights several of these themes: not only the precious death of God's faithful ones (v. 15), but also the themes of offering sacrifice (v. 17), fulfilling vows (v. 18), and standing in the temple courts in Jerusalem (v. 19). But in a nice reversal, whereas the psalm speaks of fulfilling vows, in Genesis it is God who swears to fulfil promises made to Abraham.

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**WEEKLY INFORMATION**

**Potluck Dinner**



On **Saturday 9<sup>th</sup> March** the parish welcomes the school children from SFX Primary who will assist at the 5pm Mass. Mass will be followed by a potluck dinner in the parish hall. All are welcome, please bring a plate of food to share.

**Volunteers Required**



**1. Easter Volunteers** We are looking for volunteers (young and old) to assist with the liturgical activities over the Easter long weekend. Could those interested in assisting

with Bible Readings, Prayers of the Faithful and Eucharistic Ministry, please provide their names to the Mass Coordinators after Mass or contact the Parish Office.

**2. Baptism Coordinators**

We are also seeking volunteers to become the Baptism Coordinators for our Parish. Those interested should speak to Fr. Mkude or contact the parish office.



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**Fr. Mkude's Installation & Welcome Brunch.**



On **Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> March** we will celebrate a new chapter in our parish's long history with the installation of our new Parish Priest, Fr. Mkude. This will be an opportunity for our parish to

gather together in unity, and to reflect on the challenges and triumphs of the past, while embracing our future. The parish will welcome Archbishop Mark Coleridge for this special Eucharistic Celebration. 9am Mass will be followed by brunch. We will be doing a sausage sizzle, but if you would like to bring something, please bring a plate to share. Please bring a chair or a blanket.

**WEEKLY INFORMATION**

**Dates for your diary**

**Monday Masses will start in March**

7 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Thurs	7pm	Pastoral Council Meeting
9 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Sat	5pm	SFX School Mass, followed by potluck
17 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Sun	9am	Fr. Mkude's Installation by Archbishop
17 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Sun	10am	SVDP 50 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Morning Tea
28 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Thurs	7pm	The Lord's Supper
29 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Fri	10am	The Stations of the Cross
			3pm	The Veneration of the Cross
30 <sup>th</sup>	Mar	Sat	6pm	Easter Vigil - RCIA
1 <sup>st</sup>	June	Sat	3pm	Sacramental program lessons begin
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Aug	Fri	6pm	Confirmation
18 <sup>th</sup>	Aug	Sun	10am	1 <sup>st</sup> Communion & Multicultural Mass

**Responsorial Psalm**

I will walk in the presence of the Lord,  
in the land of the living.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!  
From the shining cloud the Father's voice is heard: this is my beloved Son, hear him.  
Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!

**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, Peg Josey, Kathleen Tomlinson.

**Reborn in Eternal Life 26<sup>th</sup> February – 3<sup>rd</sup> March**

Martha, Mavis Goonatillee, Mary Waterson, Jim Lennon, Norman Canada, Rimantas Grigutis, Sr. Eileen O'Sullivan RSM., David Leslie, Graham Harper, Fr Brian Horton, Unborn Child, James Sullivan.

**Reading – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent, 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2024**

1 <sup>st</sup> Reading	Ex 20:1-17
2 <sup>nd</sup> Reading	1 Cor 1:22-25
Gospel	Jn 2:13-25

**Baptism at St Francis Xavier, Goodna**



Bookings for February are now closed. The next Baptisms will be 24<sup>th</sup> March 2024. Please contact the Parish Office for more information.

**Recently Deceased** Barry George Miles, Elinore Carless, Brian Josey.

**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> FEBRUARY 2024**

Flowers	No flowers	Cleaning	Tien & Nhu	Yard	n/a
<b>5pm</b>	Peter Aiavao	Bruce Larter	Owen Ross	Julie Aiavao	TBA
<b>7am</b>	Michael Miles	Joan Sitcheff	Anna Timu	Jane Brischetto	Francesco & Francis
<b>9am</b>	So'oalo Family	Kisa Senio	Paulo Lauvao	Elaine Walters	Philip & Junior

**WEEK 1 ROSTERS - NEXT WEEK – 3<sup>rd</sup> MARCH 2024**

Flowers	No flowers	Cleaning	Jim Walsh	Yard	Samoan Community
<b>5pm</b>	Owen Ross	Angela Vu	Ruby Vu	Suzanne Fitzgerald	TBA
<b>7am</b>	Robert Bryant	Jane Brischetto	Louise Quali	Joan Sitcheff	Georgie Tierney
<b>9am</b>	Teofilo Lauu	Fruean Family	Sosefo Masalu	Uiki Vaoiva	Jo, Bu & Isaac

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

**WEEKLY INFORMATION**

**St Vinnies – 50 Years at Goodna. Snippets.**



When the great divide between wealth and poverty was emphasised in the Australian Goldrush days, Father Gerald Ward. Chaplain to the prisoners in hulks in Melbourne docks, founded, in 1854, the first recorded conference in Australia. On his death the conference lapsed. In 1871 the Society recommenced in Victoria. Interestingly in 1874 a conference of fifty women was begun in Geelong, women only, because all the men had gone to try their luck on the Goldfields. The Society spread to W A in 1865, NSW in 1881, SA in 1886, QLD in 1893, TAS 1899, ACT in 1924 and Northern Territory in 1949. **If you'd like to share your memories of SVDP, let the local Conference know what you remember. Ring 0403117780 OR post 'Recount' to Box 516 GOODNA, 4300.**

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