



## **St Francis Xavier Parish**

6 Church Street (PO Box 450) Goodna, Qld. 4300

**Office Hours: Monday - Wed 9.00am — 4.00pm**

**Friday 9.00am –4.00pm Closed Thursdays**

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**Parish Secretary: Mrs Marie Hodges**

**(Local Safeguarding Children Representative: Marie Hodges)**

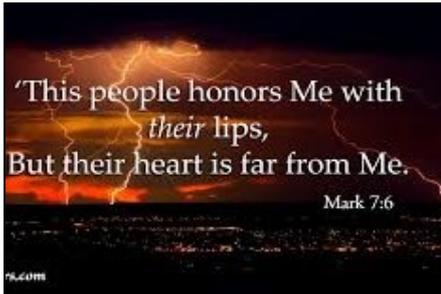
St Vincent De Paul: For Assistance and donations Please call 1800 846 643 - Weekdays only .

Meetings: Fortnightly on Tuesday 7.00pm. Call 0479 163 335

**22nd Sunday in  
Ordinary Time**

**2nd Sept, 2018**

Embracing the suburbs of Goodna, Bellbird Park, Camira, Carole Park, Collingwood Park, Ellen Grove. Gales, Kruger, Redbank, Redbank Plains, Wacol and beyond.



### **Contaminated heart**

Exterior contamination affects our physical bodies and the mind of a person while interior contamination will influence our heart and our spiritual lives. Physical contamination causes can be by lack of personal hygiene or touching an unclean object. Mental contamination comes from feeding the mind with unhealthy materials. Spiritual contamination develops from neglecting the teaching of Jesus. The conflict happened between Jesus and the scribes when they questioned Jesus' disciples “why do your disciples not respect the tradi-

tion of the elders but eat their food with unclean hands?” Mk 7:2. The accusers were focussing more on the leader than the followers. Jesus was their leader so the accusing was directed at Jesus. Jesus responded with a quote from the prophet Isaiah 7, which shifted the direction of the conflict

*“This people honours me with their lips, while their heart is far from me.” V 7:6b.*

First, the above statement implied that it was more than a criticism of lip worship practices but rather it was a condemnation of the emptiness of God's love in the human heart. Jesus stressed that the lips of the people were about God but their hearts were not God v.6b. Jesus told them that it was not what one took into oneself that made a person impure, but rather the things that came out from inside that made the person impure v.15. The heart was understood as the centre of human will and a home of all desires. It was from the heart which all our intentions, good and bad arose. The corruption of the human heart was rooted in desire of consumption.

Second, the market place was the place where the sick and the needy hung around begging for food and mercy. By linking the marketplace with the poor and the sick the message of God's love was shifting the focus from talking, of ritual purity, to the doing, the healing power of Jesus. The Pharisees and Scribes should have known that their traditions had no power to save them but God's love and mercy. It was improper to place traditions before God's commandment.

Further they had focused on the externals of observations and neglected to examine of their own hearts. Instead of expressing the holiness of God, the leaders had created divisions between the ‘clean’ and ‘unclean’ to their own congregation. It was not piety that helped to fulfil the heart of the law but rather by loving God and loving our neighbours and that was God's way. No law or tradition can protect us from contamination of the heart. Interior contamination can defile our lives and do great harm to others. Interior cleanliness gains from putting the word of God in motion by means of providing services for the outcasts and the needy. Following Jesus means to copy his way of life. It is not about clean hands, but dirty hands with a clean heart. It is God's free gift given to those who thirst for what is right. Let's open our hearts to receive God's gift. The more that God's love touches our heart the more we love God and the more we are drawn closer to God and the more we are free from the desire of consumption.

Fr Vudinh Tuong

**HAPPY FATHERS DAY TO ALL THE FATHERS IN OUR PARISH**



## Baptism at St Francis Xavier Goodna

Baptisms are held on the **Third Sunday** of the month during the 9-00am Mass.

Before a Baptism can take place the parents must complete a Baptism Enrolment form which is available from the Sacristy, the Office or download from the Website.

**Parents must also register** with the office and let the office know what month you would like the Baptism to take place. On the **First Sunday** of the month the child is welcomed at the 9-00am Mass.

On the **Second Sunday** the Parents then attend Baptism preparation which is held in the Church after the 9-00am Mass.

When completed the Baptism Preparation form is returned to the office, Father or Peter Aiavao and is to be accompanied by a copy of the child's **Birth Certificate**.

Once all the above has been completed then the baptism will take place on the **Third Sunday** of the month during the 9-00am Mass.

### **Remember to register with the Parish Office first.**

**In September there will be no Baptism Welcome or Preparation the next Welcome and Preparation will be Sunday 14th October due to Fr Tuong being on annual leave.**

Could you help Caritas Australia? Caritas is urgently looking for Parish Representatives in our Deanery to help us connect our parish communities here with our sisters and brothers in some of the poorest places in the world. You can help us locally by holding our work in prayer, raising awareness of the causes of poverty and assisting us each year with our Project Compassion appeal and global emergencies. You can also choose what you do depending on what you're comfortable with and the time you have available. Guidance, information and materials are all available and anything you can do would be much appreciated. If you have a passion to build a fairer world please contact Lynda on 07 3324 3134 or [Lynda.Mussell@caritas.org.au](mailto:Lynda.Mussell@caritas.org.au) for more information.

Couples celebrating their **Golden Wedding Anniversary** together with their family and friends are invited to Mass to be celebrated by Archbishop Mark Coleridge at the Cathedral of St Stephen, 249 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane on **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October 2018 @ 10.00am**. Light refreshments in the Hanly Room will follow the Mass.

For catering purposes, please RSVP by Friday 28<sup>th</sup> September 2018

E: [cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:cathedral@bne.catholic.net.au)

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## Cleaning Team



### Church Cleaning

The Church does not clean itself it takes a band of volunteers to keep it clean. At the moment we only have a very small band of volunteers who clean our Church so we **NEED YOUR HELP**.

Cleaning can be done at a time to suit yourself and takes one to two hours. Ideally the roster would allow for an 8 week turn around but at the moment we do not have enough people for that. Could your family help out? Or you and a friend?

**Fr Tuong and Marie would like to thank Mitch and Pam Dodrill for their time and efforts over the years in regards to the cleaning and keeping the roster going.**

**Monthly Healing Mass** Friday 7th September followed by morning tea in the Church Pergola.  
Please bring a plate to share for morning tea.

**Funeral Notice** for Donald Lowry  
Tuesday 4th September at 11am at St Francis Xavier Church Goodna.

## Our Church, our community. Doing good.

Next weekend our parish will do a special collection for the **Annual Catholic Campaign**, to support the vital ministries in our Church.

It is the one time a year that all of the parishes in the Archdiocese come together to help vital works of our church and local community.



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### LOOP SYSTEM

The church Sound System at St Francis Xavier's is fitted with a Loop System.

If you wear a hearing-aid set the control to the "T" setting to obtain a clear sound.

## Spirituality for Life



The voice of the Spirit speaking of gratitude, generosity, responsibility and increase



**'Each one of you has received a special grace, so, like good stewards responsible for all these varied graces of God, put it out at the service of others.'**

### September 2, 2018 22<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

*"Be doers of the word and not hearers only..." (JAMES 1:22)*

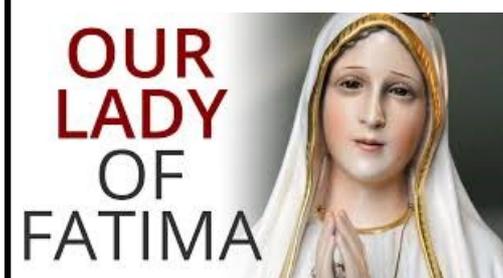
It's easy to understand the definition of stewardship. The hard part is living it! What do you do to live God's word? Do you share your time in prayer with God? Do you use your talent to help those in need? Are you generous with your financial resources? If not, what are you waiting for?

*(Accessed on 29th August, 2018 from <http://archstl.org/stewardship/page/bulletin-inserts>)*



### Marian Valley Canungra

All are invited to celebrate a special Birthday of Our Lady on Saturday 8th September 2018 at the Shrine of Our Lady Help of Christians, Marian Valley, Canungra. Commencing at 10am with Exposition, Rosary, Confession, Holy Mass (lunch available), Eucharistic Procession to the Grotto of Our Lady of Fatima, Benediction & Divine Mercy Chaplet. Mass Celebrant will be Most Rev Columba Macbeth-Green OSPPE, Bishop of the Diocese of Wilcannia-Forbes. For those not wishing to drive, a bus will leave here at 8-20am and Darra (Polish Club) at 8-30am. Fare is \$20—Bookings and info Ann 3282 0321 or Pam 3288 4594.



### 101 Anniversary Saturday 13th October 2018 11 am

Rosary will be prayed in our Church led by Linda Parry (a parishioner). Please join Linda and our Rosary Prayer Group for this wondrous occasion with a light lunch to follow. For more information please contact the Office and I will put you in touch with Linda.

### In the Footsteps of Mary MacKillop 2018 National Pilgrimage

The Sisters of St Joseph invite you to join the National Pilgrimage, giving you the opportunity to journey to significant places in Australia made holy by St Mary MacKillop, Commence in Melbourne 23 October, travel through Victoria & South Australia, conclude in Sydney 3 November 2018  
**Cost EX BRISBANE: \$3,360.00 (all inclusive: airfares, accommodation, coach travel, admission fees and meals)**  
**SINGLE SUPPLEMENT: \$700.00**

For further information, please contact Sr Therese Leydon 0417 683123 or Sr Annie Bond 02 8912 4818, or email [national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au](mailto:national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au)



### A Comic Fishing Tale

One day a Catholic an Anglican and a Methodist decided to go fishing. They got in their boat and rowed their way over to the middle of the lake.

The Catholic remarked, 'I've forgotten my hat,' so he got up, got out of the boat and walked across the water.

He returned and the Anglican said, 'I've forgotten the fishing bait,' so he got up, climbed out of the boat and walked across the water.

He came back and the Methodist murmured, 'I've forgotten the beer.' He got up, jumped out of the boat and was standing in the water then he sank.

The Anglican turned to the Catholic and asked, 'Do you think we ought to tell him were the stepping stones are?'

## PARISH NOTICES

**DATES**



### Dates for your Diary

**Mon 3rd Sept, Divine Mercy prayer Group 6.00pm In English.**

**Wed 5th Sept Rosary 6.30pm**

**Fri 7th Sept Healing Mass & morning tea 9.00am.**

**Mon 10th Sept Fr Tuong begins 4 weeks leave, there will be no weekday masses whilst Father is away. Weekend Masses will be as per usual.**

**Sat Vigil Mass 5.00pm Sunday Masses 7.00 & 9.00am**

**Welcome to our Community!** Have you moved into our parish lately? We would love to hear from you. Please give the Parish Office a call on 3818 0111. If you call at the information point after Mass, a member of the Parish Council will give you a welcome and information pack. We hope that you will enjoy your time in the parish and join in our activities.



**For the Sick and housebound.** If you know of anyone who is sick or housebound and would like a visit from a priest or to receive Holy Communion, please let the parish office know and a visit can be arranged.

### 2nd September, 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Deut 4:1-2, 6-8; James 1:17-18, 21-22, 27; Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23**

**Psalm: Praise the Lord, my soul!**

### 9th September, 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

**Is 35:4-7; James 2:1-5; Mk 7:31-37.**



### Services times this week:

**Saturday Vigil Mass 5.00pm**  
**Sunday 7.00am Mass**  
**9.00am Mass**

Monday	No Mass
Tuesday	9.00am Mass
Wednesday	9.00am Mass
Thursday	9.00am Mass
Friday	9.00am Healing Mass
Saturday	5.00pm Vigil Mass
Sunday	7.00 & 9.00am Mass

**Reconciliation Sat 4.00pm-4.30pm**

### **Cleaning: 7th September, William**

If you would like to help out on this roster, please contact Marie in the Parish Office. (Roster approximately once every eight weeks) The current Roster is available from the Sacristy. If you cannot honour your commitment please let Marie know.

### We Pray for the Sick:

Keith Auld, Kath McGrath, Maria Vink, Claire Curry, Phil O'Dwyer, William Ryan, Hudson McHardy, Hini Habchi, Jaiden Madasferi, Macey Ingram, Nada Payne, Carmel Vig, Sr Carmel, Marge Robin, Lillian Morrison, Hans & Ursula Rennett, Tom McCarthy, Barbara Wakelin, Jarrod Owens, Michelle Owens, Ellen Spicer, Hope Spicer, Allan Nolan, Stan & Betty Seymour, Matilda (Tilly) Mahon (2yrs), Maureen McCallion, Pat McCallion, Jean Silvester, Martin Hindley, George Potter, Christine Walker, Phillip Hoy, David Robinson, Wilhemine Peters, John Appelman. Names that have been on here for sometime will be removed over the next couple of weeks. Please contact the office if you need these names back on. If you know someone who can come off the sick list please contact us)

### Anniversaries: 2nd Sept-8th Sept

Jim O'Hagan, Mary Preddey, Finbar Cogan, Francesco Piotta, William Milner, Lanh Thi Nguyen, Joan Wilson, Ernest Woodburn, Lynne Condon, Leila Patterson, Margareta Stewart, Patricia O'Neill, Lloyd Charles, Angelina Maranon.

**Recently Deceased:** Donald Lowry, Alan Mooney

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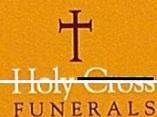
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