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Next Sunday's Readings for Reflection :

1st Reading (JB) Wisdom 2:12, 17-20
2nd Reading (JB) James 3:16 - 4:3
Gospel (JB) Mark 9:30 - 37

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Sunday Masses

Vigil Mass - Saturday Evening 6.00pm
 Sunday 8.30am, 10.30am, 5.30pm

Weekday Masses

Tuesday - Saturday 9.15 am
 Monday - 1st + 3rd Mondays of month

Liturgy of Word and Communion Service

Monday - 9.15am
 2nd + 4th + 5th Mondays of month

Anointing Mass

9.15am First Thursday of month

**Exposition of Blessed Sacrament
 & Adoration**

Wednesday 8.40am-9.10am
 Friday after 9.15am Mass

Rosary

Wednesday after 9.15am Mass
 Before Mass Tuesday and Saturday

Children's Liturgy

Every Sunday during 10.30am Mass dur-
 ing School terms.

Legion of Mary

Tuesday: 2pm in Quilter Room

Charismatic Prayer Group

Wednesday: 7.30pm in Chapel.

Divine Mercy

Friday: 3pm in Chapel (private prayer)

Charismatic Prayer for Healing

3rd Sunday of month: 5.15pm music,
 Prayer for Healing after 5.30pm Mass.

**Teach, Preach, Reach (TPR), Adoration
 & Healing**

After 5.30pm Mass
 4th Sunday of month

Cell Groups

Tuesday: 10.00am in Quilter Room
 Thursday: 7.30pm in Quilter Room

**Eucharistic Adoration of the Holy Spirit
 prayer group :**

Wednesday: 1.00pm in Chapel

Confessions

Saturday: 10am - 10.30am,
 Saturday: 5.30pm - 5.50pm

The Sacrament of Baptism

1st Sunday of month during the Masses.
 (Saturday Evening Mass inclusive)
 4th Sunday of month at 11.30am
 (after the 10.30am Mass)

This Sunday's Readings: 1st Reading **Isaiah 50:5-9** and 2nd Reading **James 2:14-18**

Resp Psalm Ps 114:1-6, 8-9 R. I will walk in the presence of the Lord, in the Land of the Living.

Gospel: Mark 8:27-35

Jesus went on with his disciples to the villages of Caesarea Philippi, and on the way he asked his disciples, "Who do people say that I am?" And they answered him, "John the Baptist; and others, Elijah; and still others, one of the prophets."

Jesus asked them,

"But who do you say that I am?" Peter answered him, "You are the Messiah." And he sternly ordered them not to tell anyone about him.

Then he began to teach them that the Son of Man must undergo great suffering, and be rejected by the elders, the chief priests, and the scribes, and be killed, and after three days rise again.

He said all this quite openly.

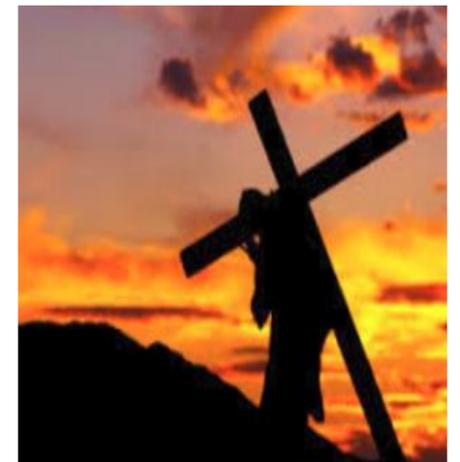
And Peter took Jesus aside and began to rebuke him.

But turning and looking at his disciples, he rebuked Peter and said, "Get behind me, Satan! For you are setting your mind not on divine things but on human things."

Jesus called the crowd with his disciples, and said to them, "If any want to become my followers, let them deny themselves and take up their cross and follow me.

For those who want to save their life will lose it, and those who lose their life for my sake, and for the sake of the gospel, will save it.

The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



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16th
 September
 2018
 24th Sunday in
 Ordinary Time
 Year B



SUNDAY REFLECTION

Today's reading is the turning point in Mark's Gospel. In the presentation of the life and ministry of Jesus found in the Gospel of Mark, the deeds of Jesus have shown Jesus to be the Son of God. Yet many, including Jesus' disciples, have not yet realized his identity. In today's Gospel, Jesus asks the disciples for a field report by asking what others say about him. He then turns the question directly to the disciples and asks what they believe. Peter speaks for all of them when he announces that they believe Jesus to be the Christ.

The word Christ is the Greek translation of the Hebrew word for Messiah, which means "the anointed one."

At the time of Jesus, the image of the Messiah was laden with popular expectations, most of which looked for a political leader who would free the Jewish people from Roman occupation. Jesus does not appear to have used this term for himself. As we see in today's reading, Jesus refers to himself instead as the Son of Man, a term derived from the Jewish Scriptures, found in the Book of Daniel and in other apocryphal writings. Many scholars suggest that the phrase Son of Man is best understood to mean "human being."

Now that the disciples have acknowledged Jesus as the Christ, Jesus confides in them the outcome of his ministry: he will be rejected, must suffer and die, and will rise after three days. Peter rejects this prediction, and Jesus rebukes him severely. The image of Christ that Jesus is giving is not the image of the Messiah that Peter was expecting. Jesus then teaches the crowd and the disciples about the path of discipleship: To be Christ's disciple is to follow in the way of the cross.

We can easily miss the fear that Jesus' words must have evoked in his disciples. Death by crucifixion was all too familiar as a method of execution in Roman-occupied territories. It was also an omnipresent danger to the Christian community for whom Mark wrote. The path that Jesus was inviting his disciples to share meant tremendous suffering and death. This is the kind of radical commitment and sacrifice that Jesus calls us to adopt for the sake of the Gospel.



The Sunday Connection - Loyola Press - 24th Sunday in Ordinary Times Year B

"Australia needs Fatima."

How true. Please spread the WORD.

A PUBLIC SQUARE ROSARY forming a chain of prayers to OUR SAVIOUR through the pure heart of OUR BLESSED MOTHER.

Mark the date in your calendars.

OCTOBER Saturday 13th in the Church Car Park commencing after 9.15 am Mass around 10.15 am.

Let us pour out our combined prayers together for peace in Australia and the Whole World.

Tell everyone. "God is Good."

Announcement

It is with great pleasure that I announce that I have appointed Stephen Peart as our new Principal for St Francis Xavier School. Stephen will begin his appointment at the beginning of next term. Archbishop Comensoli has ratified the appointment and therefore I can announce it the school and parish community.

Thank you for your prayers during the Principal Appointment Process, I was most grateful. We look forward to our continuing the life-giving partnerships we have with our parish school for many years to come.

Fr Chinua Okeke CSSp
Parish Priest

LITURGY CELEBRATIONS FOR THE NEXT TWO WEEKS

Monday	17th	9.15am	Communion service
Tuesday	18th	9.15am	Holy Mass (Rosary before Mass)
Wednesday	19th	9.15am	Holy Mass (Adoration before Mass / Rosary after Mass)
Thursday	20th	9.15am	Holy Mass
Friday	21st	9.15am	Holy Mass (Benediction after Mass)
Saturday	22nd	9:15am	Holy Mass

** WEEKEND MASSES AS USUAL **

Monday	24th	9.15am	Communion service
Tuesday	25th	9.15am	Holy Mass (Rosary before Mass)
Wednesday	26th	9.15am	Holy Mass (Adoration before Mass / Rosary after Mass)
Thursday	27th	9.15am	Holy Mass
Friday	28th	9.15am	Holy Mass (Benediction after Mass)
Saturday	29th	9:15am	Holy Mass

Sunday Collection 09/09/2018

Many thanks for Pledged Thanksgiving

Church \$ 1621 Presbytery \$ 825

Regular collections per Mass.

1st Collection - Church/Stewardship
Will be taken up after Prayer of Faithful

2nd Collection - Presbytery/Priests
Will be taken up after reflection following Communion

PLEASE NOTE: At Mass there are always two collections. Four collectors need two bags each. After the "Prayers of the Faithful", the first collection is taken up, these are placed in the basket and present with the offertory gifts. After Communion the second bag is used, after the priest has returned the Blessed Sacrament to the Tabernacle. If you are a collector, please get up at these times. Lets try to avoid confusion. Thank you for offering to be part of this ministry.

Call for Plenary Council Facilitators

Parishioners are needed to lead small discussion groups, [3 or 4 people per group], discussing the question

"What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"

There will be a short, brief meeting for Facilitators, in Xavier Centre, on **Tuesday, 18 Sep, at 7.00pm.**
For further details please call : Kathy on 0417 649 037 or Paul on 0432 585 580

Please make welcome our new parish secretary

Bethany

She will be working on a Wednesday, Thursday and Friday.

Please stop by the office and say Hello.

Please Pray for our :

SICK - Gloria Resubal, Harry 'Neville' Prowse, Domenico Incani, Margaret Humphries, Len Crowe, Alfredo Fiorenza, Jan Buckner, Adrian Gobel, Kevin Churchill, Tim Fitzgibbon and Ross Monterosso.

RECENTLY DECEASED - Jack Cass and Phil Gett.

DEATH ANNIVERSARY - Lucyna Kalita, Henryk Bieniek, Kit Cantiller, Coral Taylor, Louisa Harry, Catherine John, Hilton Everton, David Young.



Your Interest and Diaries

- **Bush Dance** hosted by Pregnancy Assistance Frankston (PAF) on 6th October between 5.30-11pm at Seaford Community Centre 6 Broughton St, Seaford. Contact: Liz 0430 533 377 or Sue 0408 547 791
- **Lost Property** items are kept in the Office.
- **Offertory Volunteers** are needed for our Sunday Masses especially the 5.30pm Sunday mass. It is a privilege to be able to bring up the bread and wine which becomes transformed into The Lord's body and blood. Contact Jacqui Dolan on 5971 3514 for more details.
- **Friendship Group, Parishioner group: friendship club** September outing is to Green Olive at Red Hill. Contact Marie 9775 8737 or Mary 9783 8296

SCRIPTURE DIARIES FOR 2019

If you like to us a Scripture Diary, they are now available to order for next year. Please put your name down on the clip board in the foyer or order at the Parish Office. We will do one order.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

Youth Group

For ages 15 - 25 years old

Next meeting: 23rd September 2018

Where: The hall at St. Francis Xavier Church, Frankston

Time: 6:30 - 8:00 PM

For further information contact:
Lyz Grenness on 0438-003-967

For Grade 5 & 6

Next meeting: Friday 23rd September 2018

Where: Xavier Centre

Time: 7pm

For further information contact:
Natasha - tash.dewhirst@gmail.com

SYRO MALABAR

Regular services:

Every Thursday night - 6pm Mass

First Sunday of month - 4pm Mass

New comers / notification

Welcome and thanks for worshipping with us at St Francis Xavier. If you are new to the parish or have changed your home address or need Thanksgiving Envelopes, please fill in your details and drop it in the collection bag or give to the priest.

Name: _____
Address: _____
Phone: _____

New Change of Address
I would like Thanksgiving Envelopes