**Queen of Heaven Prayer** (Daily: 1.4.18 to 20.05.18)

Leader: Queen of Heaven, rejoice, alleluia

For He whom you did merit to bear, alleluia.

Leader: Has risen, as he said, alleluia. All: Pray for us to God, alleluia.

Leader: Rejoice and be glad, O Virgin Mary, alleluia. For the Lord has risen indeed, alleluia

Leader: Let us pray.

All: O God, who gave joy to the world through the resurrection of Thy Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, grant we beseech Thee, that through the intercession of the Virgin Mary, His Mother, we may obtain the joys of everlasting life. Through the same Christ our Lord. Amen.

## **Upcoming Events**

**ANZAC** Day 25th April Combined Picnic in Park 6th May **CSS** Training 8th May Mother's Day 13th May Pregnancy Assistance Frankston (PAF) Collection

Pentecost Seminar 14-19th May Pentecost 20th May Dinner Dance 16th June 28th Oct Fete

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## Other Groups/Activities:

#### St. Vincent de Paul Society

meets 1st & 3rd Mondays at 4.00pm in the Xavier Centre. **Donations/Assistance**: 9769 6060 Membership: 0410 569 357, 9781 4761, 9783 3976

Furniture Donations: 1800 621 349

Charismatic Prayer Group / Prayer Line / Ministry of

Healing: Carolyn Gobel - 5971 3103

Friendship Club (Seniors) - 1st Wednesday of month in the Xavier Centre at 10.30am. Bus trips on 3rd Thursday of month. Contact: Marie - 9775 8737

Parish Cuppa: First Sunday of month after the 10.30am Mass in the Xavier Centre.

Other Cuppas: Every Thursday after 9.15am Mass in the Quilter Room and every Sunday after the 10.30am Mass in the Xavier Centre.

**LOCAL RADIO:** Every Sunday morning at 8.00 am Peninsula Radio Rpp 98.7 fm presents THE CATHOLIC **HOUR**. ! For further information contact Maureen Federico 9787 6540

## **Eucharistic Adoration** of the Holy Spirit

New prayer group led by Fr Jude every Wednesday, in Mary MacKillop Chapel

at St Francis Xavier Church at 1.00pm

Frankston Parish strives to create an environment Child Safe Standards where children are safe, respected and cared for. See Church Foyer for more information.

**Sunday Collection 08.04.2018** Thanksgiving Offering-Pledged Church \$1087 Presbytery \$ 595. Please ensure you write your dollar amounts on each side of the envelopes. Thank You

> **Next Sunday's Readings for Reflection:** 1st Reading (JB) (JB) Acts 4:8-12 2nd Reading (JB) John 3:1-2



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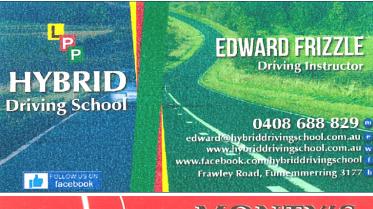
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## St Francis Xavier Parish, Frankston

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John Paul College Principal John Visentin 9784 0200

#### Rosary

**Sunday Masses** Vigil Mass -Saturday Evening 6.00pm Wednesday after 9.15am Mass 8.30am, 10.30am, 5.30pm Sunday

#### Weekday Masses

Tuesday - Saturday 9.15 am Monday -  $1^{st} + 3^{rd}$  Mondays of month

#### **Liturgy of Word and Communion Service**

Monday - 9.15am  $2^{nd} + 4^{th} + 5^{th}$  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

Before Mass Tuesday and Saturday

#### **Children's Liturgy**

Sunday during 10.30am Mass

#### **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**

3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of month: 5.15pm music, then Prayer for Healing after 5.30pm Mass:

15th April

2018

3rd Sunday of Easter

Year B

#### Teach, Preach, Reach (TPR), Adoration

& Healing after 5.30pm Mass 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of month

#### **Cell Groups**

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

#### Confessions

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

#### **The Sacrament of Baptism**

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

the 10.30am Mass)

This Sunday's Readings: 1st Reading Acts 3:13-15. 17-19 and 2nd Reading 1 John 2:1-5 Resp Psalm Ps 4:2. 4. 7. 9 R. Lord, let your face shine on us.

### Gospel: Luke 24:35-48

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Luke

The disciples told their story of what had happened on the road and how they had recognised Jesus at the breaking of bread.

They were still talking about this when Jesus himself stood among them and said to them, 'Peace be with you!' In a state of alarm and fright, they thought they were seeing a ghost. But he said, 'Why are you so agitated, and why are these doubts rising in your hearts? Look at my hands and feet; yes, it is I indeed. Touch me and see for yourselves; a ghost has no flesh and bones as you can see I have.' And as he said this he showed



them his hands and feet. Their joy was so great that they could not believe it, and they stood dumbfounded; so he said to them, 'Have you anything here to eat?' And they offered him a piece of grilled fish, which he took and ate before their eyes.

Then he told them, 'This is what I meant when I said, while I was still with you, that everything written about me in the Law of Moses, in the Prophets and in the Psalms, has to be fulfilled.' He then opened their minds to understand the scriptures, and he said to them, 'So you see how it is written that the Christ would suffer and on the third day rise from the dead, and that, in his name, repentance for the forgiveness of sins would be preached to all the nations, beginning from Jerusalem. You are witnesses to this.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise be to you Lord Jesus Christ

## Homily - Third Sunday of Easter, Year B



On this third Sunday of Easter, we continue to appreciate lovingly the riches of the Paschal mystery which is the sum total of the work of creation and redemption, of all the reality of man and of all the revelation of God; and God's love for us by allowing His only son Jesus to die for us and triumph over death through His Resurrection in order that we ourselves might have life anew. This Sunday, the Church enjoins us to Tiest's Cornel continue to be joyful because Jesus Christ has not only ransomed us with His precious and priceless blood from the useless way of life, and shows us the true way of life, but most importantly. He is with us always from the useless way of life, and shows us the true way of life, but most importantly. He is with us always.

He continues with us in the way of life through the scriptures, (Liturgy of the Word), and in the breaking of bread, (Liturgy of the Eucharist), both of which form the core of the Mass.

The first and second readings point to the danger of thinking that just because we belong to what we consider to be the 'true' religion, we do not have to concern ourselves with how we live out that faith. Peter is speaking to his fellow-Jews beside the temple in Jerusalem, reminding them of the need for repentance and conversion while John is writing to some Christians who feel that simply knowing Jesus is enough. The fact is that there must be a connection between what we believe and the way we live. Our faith must show itself in love. The Emmaus story is a reminder that, unfortunately, the story of Easter may remain just a retelling of some event from the distant past if we do not allow Jesus to show us how his Resurrection is a source of life for us today.

Only in Luke do we find this Resurrection story that is built around the theme of a journey. This is a theme dear to the evangelist as he portrayed Jesus journeying to Jerusalem through the second half of his Gospel. Now we are shown disciples coming away from Jerusalem full of disappointment, fear, doubt and lacking in understanding. On their journey they are brought to see things differently by a Jesus they only finally recognized at the breaking of bread; what the Emmaus journey is all about. Every Christian must come to a resurrection of faith, as one that accompanies Jesus through from Good Friday to Easter Sunday. We are invited to understand through our prayerful reading of the scriptures and the events that occur 'on the road' of our lives, that the risen Lord still walks with us and meets us, especially when we gather to break the bread, that is to share in the Eucharist and through the Eucharist he makes us touch His body, His real presence.

Easter is about the death of Jesus and then His Resurrection. Each of us is invited to share in that Death and Resurrection and to die to ourselves so that we can live in Christ Jesus and live the way that He lived. We are also invited in this time of Easter to deepen our faith in the Risen Christ by renewing again the promises of our Baptism: to die to self and to live in the Lord. Words are easy and actions can be costly. Once we actually understand and believe, that Christ is truly risen, then our lives can change. Easter also means shifting the centre of our life from ourselves to Christ, placing ourselves in Him and understanding ourselves in reference to Christ and, above all, taking Him as a sole criterion of our life and value. The place to seek for peace is at the centre of our own lives. Jesus said "Peace be with you" which indicates that all the suffering, pain and anguish of our life's journey disappears in the serene presence and peace of Christ.

To be saved it is not enough to see the signs of Christ; it is necessary to enter into the mystery of His Death and Resurrection. The Cross is the means of salvation because it unites heaven and earth, the divine and the human realities of Christ's life. death and resurrection

A personal faith in the Resurrection of Jesus does not happen instantly. It has to be woven into the fabric of life. We have to live the Gospel before we get to know the person behind the words. St John says, "anyone who says 'I know Him' and does not keep His commandments is a liar".



We will never know how to swim, for instance, by reading books on swimming - we have to put the book down and get into the water. We will never become fluent in a language unless we start speaking it. I will never be a witness to the Resurrection unless my thoughts, words and actions are motivated by love. Saint Teresa of Calcutta used to say that the greatest hunger in this world is not for food but for love. Therefore, let us ask the Christ to always open the eyes of our minds and hearts, so that we may recognize Him during every Eucharistic celebration and truly live in LOVE with one another.

Alleluia, the risen Christ is with us. Fr. Jude, CSSp

## The Combined Catholic Parishes Raffle Permit No: 10849/17-CCPR

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This is a great fundraiser for the parish as for every \$2 ticket sold we receive a dividend of \$1.50 per ticket.

Raffle books (including unsold tickets) <u>must</u> be returned to the Parish Office with payment by Sunday 6th May. Thank you for your participation and support. Parish – Frankston (Ph: 9783 3484)

From this Sunday- 15th April

there will be two collections per Mass. 1st Collection - Church/Stewardship Will be taken up after Prayer of Faithful 2nd Collection - Presbytery/Priests Will be taken up after Communion

## **Renewal of Parish Thanksgiving will** be on Sunday April 22<sup>nd</sup> & 29<sup>th</sup>



Combined St Francis Xavier & St John's picnic at Botanic Garden on Sunday May 6<sup>th</sup> at 12noon.

## **Child Safe Standards Training FOR PARISH VOLUNTEERS** who have not attended a previous training session

You are invited to a Training Session, in Xavier Centre, St Francis Xavier Parish, 60 Davey Street, for the purpose of learning about the new Victorian Child Safe Standards; embed them in the Parish, and create a Child Safe and Child Friendly environment.

All volunteers: readers, flower arrangers, Eucharist Ministers, cleaners, etc. are required to attend.

To assist in planning, please add your name to sheets in foyer stating preferred day and time of attendance - or if preferred please email your date/time to Parish Office

frankston@cam.org.au

Dates are: Tuesday 8 May 10.00 am - 11.30 pm Tuesday 8 May 7.00 pm - 8.30 pm

#### YOUTH GROUP KICK OFF

We are commencing a new Catholic Youth Group for young people from the ages of 15 to 25. JOIN US FOR A **PIZZA NIGHT** 



WHEN? First Meeting: Sunday 22 April 2018 Time: 6:30-8:30 Place: St Francis Xavier Hall-

Contact: Lyzbeth on 0438 003 967 for more information

## **Liturgy of the Word + Communion will offered** in place of the 9.15am Masses next Wednesday 18th and Friday 20th April

St. Vincent de Paul Society Frankston would like to thank parishioners for their generous donations of blankest and clothes at the recent Winter Appeal. In addition the parish has kindly donated the proceeds of the Holy Thursday collection to the Society. Your generosity is most appreciated and you can be assured it will all be put to good use in assisting the disadvantaged in the area.



Thank you again and May God Bless You All. St Vincent de Paul, Frankston Conference

## Parish Fete Planning Committee

Next meeting will be held on Tuesday 24th April in Xavier Centre at 7pm . All Welcome.

### For Your Interest and Diaries

#### St Francis Xavier - Frankston

- On Wednesday April 25th at 9.15 am Mass we remember the Anzacs. and thank God for the FREEDOMS we have today because of their sacrifices. You are invited to bring photos or memorabilia you may have of anyone who fought for our country Australia, and New Zealand ,to place beside the Altar. Thanks and blessings Maureen.
- Sunday10.30am Children's liturgy is in recess until 22April

#### Syro Malabar

Regular services

Every Thursday night - 6pm Mass First Sunday of month - 4pm Mass

## St Francis Xavier & St John the **Evangelist Parishes Combined Dinner Dance** 16 June 2018 7.00pm to 11.00pm



St John's School Hall. Javne Street, Frankston East Good music and great entertainment! Two Course meal - BYO refreshments \$40 per head - tickets on sale now

### Make up your own tables Tickets will be available after Masses

SICK: We pray for John Hapela, Peter Joske, Jan Buckner, Paul Czubryj, Robyn, John Rodgers, Michael Grogan, Adrian Gobel and Kevin Churchill.

RECENTLY DECEASED: We pray for Betty Walsh and Roger Beddegenoodts.

**DEATH ANNIVERSARY: We pray for** Dominic Harry, Chinnappa Issac, A.J.George Angilivelil, Kuncheria Tomy, Lourdes Omo, M.C.John and Matthew John Powlesland

#### 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

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**NEXT SUNDAY** -3rd Collection - Chaplaincy Appeal