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Member of Knox Deanery

07th October, 2018

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time

SUNDAY MASS TIMES: Saturday 6.30pm,
Sunday 8.30am, 10.30am & 6.30pm

Weekday Mass Times:

Tuesday 6.30pm, Wednesday - Saturday 9.00am



PARISH ADMINISTRATOR: Father Longinus Onyechesi 9763 7302
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Today's Readings

First Reading: Gen 2:18-24
Second Reading: Heb 2:9-11
Gospel: Mk 10:2-16

Next Week's Readings

First Reading: Wis 7:7-11
Second Reading: Heb 4:12-13
Gospel: Mk 10:17-30

RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*May the Lord bless us
all the days of our lives.*

ROSTERS

ALTAR SOCIETY 13th October, 2018
Filomena Uberti

BINGO: "Eyes Down" 8.00pm
Brendon Considine, Ross Clarke

CLEANING ROSTER 13th October, 2018
Thottan Family

COUNTERS TODAY:
Fred Martyn & Charles McCann

COUNTERS NEXT WEEK 07th October, 2018
Fred Martyn & Charles McCann

CHILDREN'S LITURGY
Returning Term 4

READERS NEXT WEEK
6.30pm Edwin Fasola & Alan Horwood
8.30am Frank and Margaret McCulloch
10.30am Linda Lampa & Stephen Cavanagh
6.30pm Reah Torres & Erwin Diesta

MUSICIANS & COMPUTER SUPPORT
Next Week:

6.30pm Margaret, Jayden & Dean
8.30am Therese, Rachel & Bill Ta
10.30am Molly, Maria, Sidney, Rick, T.J.
6.30pm Music

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL BREAD RUN:

Oct 08 Monday Anthony & Anita Francis
Oct 11 Thursday Anna Tefillo
Oct 15 Monday Anita D'Mello
Oct 18 Thursday Robert & Angela Koeoets
Oct 22 Monday Filomena Uberti
Oct 25 Thursday Carmen Leitao

*Thank you to all those who continually
"Serve the Lord with joy"
by participating on these rosters.*

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*In a spirit of Pastoral Outreach of St. Jude's Parish,
we, the people of the parish, are called to
"Serve the Lord with Joy".
We respect diversity and welcome all who
choose to belong to our community.
By sharing our gifts and resources generously,
we support and encourage all people who come our
way.
Let all our voices be heard in a spirit of openness that
fosters ongoing
communication across our Parish.*

PARISH SCHOOLS: PRIMARY

St. Jude's School Principal Mr Tim Mc Mullen 8761 9600
Holy Trinity Principal Mr John Downie 9801 8296
St Mary's College for Hearing Impaired Students 9800 2733

PARISH SCHOOLS: SECONDARY

Mater Christi College Principal
Ms Mary Fitz Gerald 9754 6611
St. Joseph's College Principal
Ms Cathy Livingston 9758 2000
Rector Fr Martin Tanti 9758 2000

Important Dates

Wednesday, 17 October

The Plenary Council presentation at Our Lady of Lourdes

Sunday, 18 November

Celebrating Our Multiculturalism at St Jude's

Tuesday, 4 December

Evergreens Lunch

Friday, 21 December

Term 4 Finishes

Low Gluten Hosts are available in this Parish; a supply of consecrated hosts is available at each Mass. The Ciborium will be on the Altar. Anyone who is a Coeliac, or wheat and gluten intolerant, these hosts are suitable for you. (They have been passed by the Coeliac Society as safe.)

SERVICES & CONTACTS:

BAPTISM: 9763 7302
By Appointment 4th Sunday of the month at 12 noon. Welcoming: Sunday prior at 10.30am Parish Mass.

BIBLE STUDIES: 0402 075 822
Xavier David (AH)

BLESSED SACRAMENT EXPOSITION:
8.30am, Wednesday – Friday

CENACLE OF PRAYER:
First Saturday of the month 9.30am

CHILDREN'S LITURGY: 0407 356 899
Leanna Raj

COMMUNITY CENTRE BOOKINGS: 0402 075 822
Xavier David

FAIR: 9763 7302
Parish Office

FITNESS CLASS: 0419 555 694
Pam Jess

KNOX DEANERY: 9763 7323
Leigh Fleming

LITURGY: 9753 2170
Sr Mary Brady

MARRIAGE: 9763 7302
By appointment

MOTHERS PRAYER GROUP: 9778 7764
Thursday at 1pm
Carmen Leitao

RAFFLE 0403 187 848
Brendon Considine

RECONCILIATION:
Saturday 6.00pm

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL CONFERENCE 0400 485 874
Carmel Quiney

TENNIS CLUB: 0447 044 920
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GOSPEL FOCUS

Like a little child

Most of us at some time or another have been told to 'grow up'; 'stop acting like a child'; or to 'act your age'. It implies that, as we grow older, we have to behave in a more 'responsible' or 'mature' way than when we were children. Jesus turns this on its head and tells us that unless we 'welcome the kingdom like a little child' we will never enter it. The gospels are full of stories about people who call on God's mercy because they recognise that without God they are nothing. When they subsequently receive God's mercy or healing they welcome it all the more - like a little child.

SCRIPTURAL CONTEXT

Discipleship

This section of Mark's Gospel explores what it means to be a disciple. While this particular passage may seem to be a bit out of place, Jesus seems to be stressing to the disciples that there are some bottom lines - some non-negotiables - when it comes to being a disciple. Unlike the Pharisees who are preoccupied with the letter of the Law, Jesus encourages his disciples to get beyond that and understand the spirit of the Law - God's dream for humankind. The shift in the passage to the focus on children seems a little disconnected but the whole passage is about living in the kingdom with the right attitude.

1st Reading – A reading from the book of Genesis

The Lord God said, 'It is not good that the man should be alone. I will make him a helpmate.' So from the soil the Lord God fashioned all the wild beasts and all the birds of heaven. These he brought to the man to see what he would call them, each one was to bear the name the man would give it. The man gave names to all the cattle, all the birds of heaven and all the wild beasts. But no helpmate suitable for man was found for him. So the Lord God made the man fall into a deep sleep. And while he slept, he took one of his ribs and enclosed it in flesh. The Lord God built the rib he had taken from the man into a woman, and brought her to the man. The man exclaimed:

'This at last is bone from my bones,
and flesh from my flesh!

This is to be called woman,
for this was taken from man.'

This is why a man leaves his father and mother and joins himself to his wife, and they become one body.

2nd Reading- A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

We see in Jesus one who was for a short while made lower than the angels and is now crowned with glory and splendour because he submitted to death; by God's grace he had to experience death for all mankind.

As it was his purpose to bring a great many of his sons into glory, it was appropriate that God, for whom everything exists and through whom everything exists, should make perfect, through suffering, the leader who would take them to their salvation. For the one who sanctifies, and the ones who are sanctified, are of the same stock; that is why he openly calls them brothers.

Gospel - A reading from the Gospel according to Mark

Some Pharisees approached Jesus and asked, 'Is it against the law for a man to divorce his wife?' They were testing him. He answered them, 'What did Moses command you?' 'Moses allowed us' they said 'to draw up a writ of dismissal and so to divorce.' Then Jesus said to them, 'It was because you were so unteachable that he wrote this commandment for you. But from the beginning of creation God made them male and female. This is why a man must leave father and mother, and the two become one body. They are no longer two, therefore, but one body. So then, what God has united, man must not divide.' Back in the house the disciples questioned him again about this, and he said to them, 'The man who divorces his wife and marries another is guilty of adultery against her. And if a woman divorces her husband and marries another she is guilty of adultery too.'

People were bringing little children to him, for him to touch them. The disciples turned them away, but when Jesus saw this he was indignant and said to them, 'Let the little children come to me; do not stop them; for it is to such as these that the kingdom of God belongs. I tell you solemnly, anyone who does not welcome the kingdom of God like a little child will never enter it.' Then he put his arms round them, laid his hands on them and gave them his blessing.

Reflection by Dianne Bergant CSS

In marriage, the couple does not merely receive a sacrament, they become one. They become an outward sign of the love of God. They are able to open themselves to each other in love, because God has first loved them. When they become one in marriage, they create something new, something that is a sign of the creative power of God. This in no way minimises the passionate love that they may have, or the unselfishness with which they give themselves to each other. Rather, it underscores the origin of that passion and the model of that unselfishness.

We are brothers and sisters of Christ in more than one way. First, through his incarnation, he became one of us, a little lower than the angels. He shared our human existence; he knew the highs and lows of human life. Then he redefined family relationships, claiming that blood bonds were no longer the determinant for establishing kinship. Instead, those who hear the word of God and keep it, those who commit themselves to God in faithful discipleship, are his brothers and sisters.

Marriage and other forms of discipleship make religious demands on us. Because we are taking a step into the unknown, they require a profound act of trust – trust in ourselves, trust in each other and, most importantly, trust in God. They also expect openness on our part – openness to give and openness to receive. Unfortunately we associate these characteristics with unpretentious children. While children may possess them because they are innocent, adults must repossess them because we have been recreated in Christ.



Plenary Council 2020
Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

What is a Plenary Council?

A Plenary Council is the highest formal gathering of all local churches in a country. Our Plenary Council 2020 is being held so that we can dialogue about the future of the Catholic Church in Australia.

The last time the Catholic Church in Australia held a Plenary Council was in 1937 and much has changed since then.

Some important questions will be:

- What are we called to do now?
- Who are we called to be now?
- How do we need to change?

Does my voice, my experience, sharing my story really matter?

Yes absolutely! Each of us is called as children of God to respond to Pope Francis's invitation to become a Church of faith-filled people who speak boldly and with passion, and who listen deeply with an open and humble heart.

What's next?

An invitation is extended to all parishioners to an evening to explore and gain an understanding of the Plenary Council. This will be held at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Orange Grove, Bayswater on Wednesday 17th October between 6:30 pm and 8:30 pm. Please RSVP via the parish office (9763 7302 or scoresby@cam.org.au).

See also:

- www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au
- www.cam.org.au/plenary

Movie and Soup Lunch – October 24th

Time - 10:30am to 2:30pm

Parishioners of St. Jude's are invited to this event to be held in our Community Centre .

The Movie – **ALL SAINTS** is based on the inspiring true story of salesman-turned-pastor Michael Spurlock (John Corbett), the tiny church he was ordered to shut down, and a group of refugees from Southeast Asia. Together, they risked everything to plant seeds for a future that might just save them all.

Please register your full name and phone number on the sign up sheets on the foyer tables.

Further enquiries and cancellations – please ring Maureen Buick on 0417634600

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New Video and print resources highlighting the role of both a mother and a father in family life have been produced by the Life, Marriage & Family Office. Print copies of the booklet are available in parishes from Sunday 7 October. The accompanying videos can be viewed online at : www.cam.org.au/lifemarriagefamily.

We encourage you to watch and share these free resources with anyone you think will find them helpful.

We need help!

We urgently require additional volunteers to lead the Children's Liturgy during the Sunday Mass at 10.30am. There is a large group of children who attend the sessions, so to maintain the safety of the group, two leaders are required. This is also a legal requirement, in order to adhere to the new guidelines regarding working with children.

No prior experience needed. If feeling unsure, come and attend one of the sessions first to see for yourself how it runs.

Further enquiries, please contact Leeana Raj (0407356899)

Thanking you in advance for your support.



St Jude's Parish Fair Committee

The 2019 St Jude's Parish Fair is currently being planned, to be held on Saturday 16th March 2019.

An integral part of this planning is having sufficient volunteers on the Fair committee, due to increasing work and family commitments a number of our long term committee members are unable to continue providing the same level of support into the planning and preparation process as they have in previous years.

We are therefore **calling for new volunteers** to join this committee to ensure that the fair continues to support the parish and community.

We meet on a fortnightly basis. We are currently confirming the best day and time to suit the committee members. If you are interested in joining the committee, please contact us via e-mail at stjudesfair@gmail.com and we will confirm the meeting time with you.