

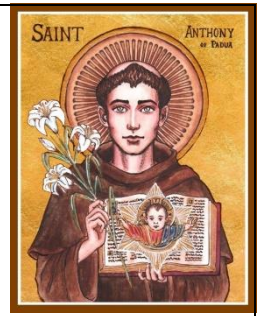
CORIO & LARA CATHOLIC PARISH

ST FRANCIS XAVIER, CORIO | ST ANTHONY OF PADUA, LARA

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Saturday 7pm Vigil (Corio) | Sunday 9am (Lara) 11am (Corio)
Holy Hour & Confessions: Tuesday 6pm (Corio)

Sunday 25th July 2021

SEVENTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Entrance Antiphon

God is in his holy place, God who unites those who dwell
in his house; he himself gives might and strength to his
people.

Communion Antiphon

Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his
benefits.

With another weekend where churches closed and the Faithful unable to attend, the gospel reading from this Sunday's mass is of Our Lord's miraculous feeding of the five thousand. He took bread, gave thanks and gave them out. The Church has always seen this as something of a preview to the Eucharist and Our Lord confirms as much where after the miracle, he begins his great teaching moment on the Eucharist. This is found in the sixth chapter of John's gospel which we read over the next few Sundays. This probably isn't the right place for a Scripture study, but simply an invitation and encouragement for us to use some of this time locked down' to reflect on the gift of Eucharist in our lives. Perhaps we might prayerfully read John chapter 6, and ask the Lord to renew our Faith in his presence. The reason we say it is his greatest gift is because it is not a thing, but He, Himself. Being united with Jesus, we're united with everything and everyone who is also united with him: It really is a Holy Communion.

Sunday is the great 'Family Feast Day' of each week. While we can't yet gather together physically, we can certainly all meet in prayer. As we pray prayers of spiritual communion, asking Jesus to be with us, let's also keep each other and those who might really feel isolated during these difficult times in the warm embrace of our Holy Communion. God bless you very much. Please pray for me as I do for you.

Fr Daryl

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As the current lockdown continues, **all masses, baptisms, holy hours and prayer groups must be cancelled until the restrictions are eased.** If the lockdown ends as scheduled at 11.59PM on Tuesday evening, the Wednesday morning mass at Lara will go ahead and our regular mass time table will continue. As with previous lockdowns, it is unlikely that our permitted numbers in church will spring back to what they were, so we'll have a better picture on Wednesday regarding masses next Sunday.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *A reading from the second book of kings*

(4: 42-44)

A man came from Baal-shalishah, bringing Elisha, the man of God, bread from the firstfruits, twenty barley loaves and fresh grain in the ear. "Give it to the people to eat," Elisha said. But his servant replied, "How can I serve this to a hundred men?" "Give it to the people to eat" he insisted "for the Lord says this, 'They will eat and have some left over.'" He served them; they ate and had some over, as the Lord had said.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 144* You open wide your hand, O Lord, and grant our desires.

SECOND READING *A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Ephesians* (4: 1-6)

I, the prisoner in the Lord, implore you to lead a life worthy of your vocation. Bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience. Do all you can to preserve the unity of the Spirit by the peace that binds you together. There is one Body, one Spirit, just as you were all called into one and the same hope when you were called. There is one Lord, one faith, one baptism, and one God who is Father of all, through all and within all.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia! Your words are spirit, Lord, and they are life: you have the message of eternal life. Alleluia!

GOSPEL *A reading from the Holy Gospel according to John*

(6: 1-15)

Jesus went off to the other side of the Sea of Galilee – or of Tiberias – and a large crowd followed him, impressed by the signs he gave by curing the sick. Jesus climbed the hillside, and sat down there with his disciples. It was shortly before the Jewish feast of Passover. Looking up, Jesus saw the crowds approaching and said to Philip, "Where can we buy some bread for these people to eat?" He only said this to test Philip; he himself knew exactly what he was going to do. Philip answered, "Two hundred denarii would only buy enough to give them a small piece each." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said, "There is a small boy here with five barley loaves and two fish; but what is that between so many?" Jesus said to them, "Make the people sit down." There was plenty of grass there, and as many as five thousand men sat down. Then Jesus took the loaves, gave thanks, and gave them out to all who were sitting ready; he then did the same with the fish, giving out as much as was wanted. When they had eaten enough he said to the disciples, "Pick up the pieces left over, so that nothing gets wasted." So they picked them up, and filled twelve hampers with scraps left over from the meal of five barley loaves. The people, seeing this sign that he had given, said, "This really is the prophet who is to come into the world." Jesus, who could see they were about to come and take him by force and make him king, escaped back to the hills by himself.

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

*We, the Catholic people of Corio & Lara Parish guided by the Spirit, participate in Christ's Mission.
With our gifts, we create a parish that welcomes all people.*



Our Parish is committed to the safety, wellbeing and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults

A Prayer for Spiritual Communion

Lord Jesus, I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love you above all things and I desire to receive you into my soul. Since I cannot at this time receive you Sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace you as if you were already there and unite myself wholly to you. Never let me be separated from you. Amen.

As a community we pray for

The Sick: Jessica De Grandis, Vince Marshall, John Thomas, Peter Franchina, Nicholas Francis, Bonnie Gilson, Ibi Bolyos, Dee Tetzloff, Michael Watson, Rachael Ash, Katareena Cabretti, Bridgett Bradley, Kate Connors, Mark Tetzloff and Eva Watson, Michael Cabretti, Wilma Quiamco

Recently Deceased: Rose Pirece, Wies Cuypers- Meesen

The Pope's Prayer Intention for July: *Social Friendship*. We pray that, in social, economic and political situations of conflict, we may be courageous and passionate architects of dialogue and friendship.

Vocations! This week's Vocation View: Today we are reminded by St Paul that there is one body, one Lord, one faith, one baptism. The challenge before us is to 'bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience.' That is an essential part of our vocation: to lead a life worthy of these attributes.

Please contact the Parish Office to have the names of any loved ones who are seriously ill, recently deceased or have coming anniversaries included in the bulletin.

2021/2022 THANKSGIVING ENVELOPE SETS : Thanksgiving envelopes are available for pickup in the foyer after Masses, and during the week after weekday mass. Otherwise please call the Parish Office during the week, to make other pick-up arrangements.

Parish Thanksgiving: People who reside in our parish zone, kindly register with parish and kindly join the thanksgiving to support our parish. Parishioners, who have changed their residential address or phone numbers, please contact the Parish office, as it needs to be updated. Please ring the Parish Office to register or to set up the thanksgiving by envelopes or by direct debit.

Infant Baptism: Baptism Formation Meetings for infant baptisms will be on the Tuesday, 17th Aug at 7:30pm, St Francis Xavier Church, Corio. Candles and Stoles for the Baptism ceremony can be purchased after the 9:00am Mass at Lara & 11:00 am Mass at Corio on Sundays. For Baptism Bookings please contact the Parish Office on 42120791.

2021 Parish Sacramental Program: FOR CHILDREN ATTENDING NON-CATHOLIC SCHOOLS- If you have children attending non-Catholic schools, or know of anyone who does, who are eligible for the sacraments of First Eucharist, please be advised that enrolments are now open for First Eucharist. Should you have any queries regarding date and time please contact the Parish Office.

Note on masses: Due to Fr Daryl's work with the Vocations Office, sometimes our weekday masses may need to be cancelled or our weekend masses will have a visiting priest.

Next Sunday's Readings

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading: 2 Kings 4: 42-44| Second Reading: 2 Eph 4: 1-6| John 6: 1-15

The Apostles Creed

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; He descended into hell; on the third day he rose again from the dead; He ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church, the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins, the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

Parish Prayer

We, the people of Corio & Lara Catholic Parish give thanks and praise to God the Father. By the power of the Holy Spirit, may we become more like Jesus: listening to the Word of God and celebrating the Eucharist; sharing each other's lives and forgiving one another; respecting creation and taking responsibility for our world.

Like St Francis Xavier, may we offer light to those in darkness, and warmly welcome all people.

Like St Anthony of Padua, may we nourish the hungry with wise words and kind deeds.

St Francis Xavier, pray for us.

St Anthony of Padua, pray for us.

Amen

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