

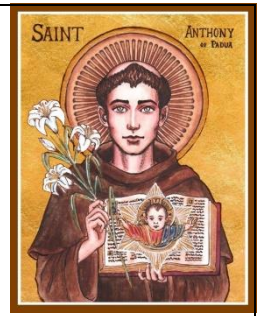
CORIO & LARA CATHOLIC PARISH

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

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Usual Mass Times: Tuesday & Thursday: 9.15am (Corio) | Wednesday & Friday: 9.15 (Lara)
Saturday 7pm Vigil (Corio) | Sunday 9am (Lara) 11am (Corio)
Holy Hour & Confessions: Tuesday 6pm (Corio)

Sunday 3rd October 2021 **27TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

Entrance Antiphon

Within your will, O Lord, all things are established, and there is none that can resist your will. For you have made all things, the heaven and the earth, and all that is held within the circle of heaven; you are the Lord of all.

Communion Antiphon

The Lord is good to those who hope in him, to the soul that seeks him.

The Collect (opening prayer) for this Sunday's mass – which sadly we won't hear together – is one of the most striking in the whole year. In it the Church prays that the Lord "pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask." It's one that hits me every time it comes around. It's powerful and poetic language. People don't talk like that but we know it's something people experience: shame and hurt; loneliness and separation. What it's asking from God though is something that he readily wants to give us: Freedom.

The struggles of this pandemic are all around us. The lockdowns are so swift and unpredictable. Just this week, I experienced how volatile it can be. I received a dreaded text informing me I had been to an exposure site and had to get tested (again!). All clear, thanks be to God, but it meant having to cancel holy hour and mass last minute as well as finding a visiting priest for Noel's funeral with less than twelve hours' notice. I'm sure we all have our own stories to tell and we look forward to sharing them with each other in time, when we can all gather together and visit our friends and families. The point though, is that no matter what comes our way or what separates us, and whatever shadows may reach from the past, nothing can separate us from God's love, and united in his love, we are united with each other. It really is a gift of mercy and freedom. Let's meet in prayer each day: there's certainly no number restrictions there! God bless you very much. Fr Daryl

Weekday masses have resumed

Masses: Tuesday: 9.15am Corio
Wednesday: 9.15am Lara & 6.30pm Lara
Thursday: 9.15am Corio & 6.30pm Corio
Friday: 9.15am Lara
Holy Hour: Tuesday: 6pm Corio

Regarding attendance...

20 person limit (includes children over 1 year old) ~ Attendance on a **'first come - first served'** basis

Doors will be closed once we have reached the limit or mass has begun

Regional Victorians only at this time ~ ID/proof of regional Victoria residence on entry may be required

Masks and checking-in continue to be required.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *A reading from the book of Genesis* (2: 18-24)

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 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.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 127* May the Lord bless us all the days of our life..

SECOND READING *A reading from the letter to the Hebrews* (2: 9- 11)

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 ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, alleluia Your word is truth, O Lord, consecrate us in the truth.. Alleluia!

GOSPEL *A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark* (10 : 2-16)

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.



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 Tetzloft, Michael Watson, Rachael Ash, Katareena Cabretti, Bridgett Bradley, Kate Connors, Mark Tetzloff and Eva Watson, Michael Cabretti, Wilma Quiamco

Recently Deceased: Rev Charles English, Noel Egan, Joel Moon, Margaret Facey, Jordan Rosewarne

The Pope's Prayer Intention for October: *Missionary disciples.* We pray that every baptized person may be engaged in evangelization, available to the mission, by being witnesses of a life that has the flavour of the Gospel.

Vocations! This week's Vocation View: The Christian Vocation has expression through marriage, single life, priesthood and consecrated life. Our call to holiness is to answer God's call to build the Kingdom of God. 'Let the little children come to me; ... for it is to such as these that the Kingdom of God belongs.'

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: Please email us at fxcorio@inet.net.au for information regarding having your child baptised at Corio and Lara Parish.

A friendly public safety announcement: For those attending our weekday masses or simply passing by our churches and local areas, as we move into Spring, Plovers and Magpies have begun swooping passers-by! The plovers are usually kind enough to let you know when they're about to launcnh but the maggies are a bit more stealthy... please be careful!

Ordination in Rome: Melbourne Seminarian Andrew Kwiatkowski who some met when he visited our Parish for a few days in August has been ordained a Deacon in Rome. He will finish his studies there and return to be ordained a priest in Melbourne next year.

Plenary Council: The Fifth Plenary Council of Australia is a journey for the whole Church across the country. To invite the People of God into the First General Assembly, Masses and parts of the opening session each day will be livestreamed via the Plenary Council website each day. For more information, please check the webpage-
<https://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au/>



Next Sunday's Readings

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

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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