

CORIO & LARA CATHOLIC PARISH

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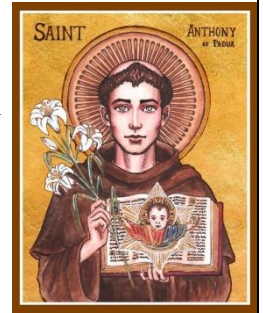
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Sunday 11th October 2020

TWENTY- EIGHTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Entrance Antiphon

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

Communion Antiphon

The rich suffer want and go hungry, but those who seek the Lord lack no blessing.

When we speak of God’s Kingdom there’s always a ‘now but not yet’ aspect to it. We look forward to the life of heaven where death will be no more and God will wipe away every tear as Isaiah prophecies in this weekend’s first reading, but at the same time, we know that God has entered into the world: his kingdom has arrived. As Christians, we’re called to witness to this reality in our lives, not just in the major events but in the everyday moments too.

The most powerful way that the Lord gives us to partake in the heavenly banquet and wedding feast that the readings speak of, is the Mass. There the Word becomes flesh, and is given to us so that we are truly united to God in a Holy Communion, albeit in a veiled way. As we pray for a speedy and safe return to mass, let’s reflect on how important this really is for us and recognise our hunger for it.

We’re eagerly awaiting the government’s announcements of the next steps, expected next Sunday (19th October) that will hopefully allow us to return to masses and gatherings **inside** churches, from the week after. The latest information will be put up on the Parish website as it comes to hand.

Last week we included the open letter that the Victorian bishops had written to the premier asking for fair treatment for faith communities when it comes to opening up. Following on from that, this week a petition was launched by lay faithful from various faith groups asking the same. The petition can be found at <https://www.equalityforfaith.com.au/> and the text will be included along with this bulletin for your consideration.

Let’s keep these initiatives in our prayers as we look forward to a speedy and safe return.

Let’s also continue to keep each other in prayer. God bless!



LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *A reading from Prophet Isaiah 25: 6-10*

‘The Lord will prepare a banquet for every nation’

On this mountain, the Lord of hosts will prepare for all peoples a banquet of rich food, a banquet of fine wines, of food rich and juicy, of fine strained wines. On this mountain he will remove the mourning veil covering all peoples, and the shroud enwrapping all nations, he will destroy Death for ever. The Lord will wipe away the tears from every cheek; he will take away his people’s shame everywhere on earth, for the Lord has said so. That day, it will be said: See, this is our God in whom we hoped for salvation; the Lord is the one in whom we hoped. We exult and we rejoice that he has saved us; for the hand of the Lord rests on this mountain.

The Word of the Lord

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 22*

In the Lord’s own house shall I dwell for ever and ever.

SECOND READING *A reading from the letter of St Paul to the Philippians 4: 12-14, 19-20*

‘With the help of the one who gives me strength, there is nothing I cannot master’

I know how to be poor and I know how to be rich too. I have been through my initiation and now I am ready for anything anywhere: full stomach or empty stomach, poverty or plenty. There is nothing I cannot master with the help of the One who gives me strength. All the same, it was good of you to share with me in my hardships. In return my God will fulfil all your needs, in Christ Jesus, as lavishly as only God can. Glory to God, our Father, for ever and ever. Amen. *The Word of the Lord*

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia! The Word was made flesh and lived among us; to all who did accept him he gave power to become children of God. Alleluia!

GOSPEL *A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Matthew 22: 1-14*

‘Invite everyone you can to the wedding’

Jesus began to speak to the chief priests and elders of the people in parables: ‘The kingdom of heaven may be compared to a king who gave a feast for his son’s wedding. He sent his servants to call those who had been invited, but they would not come. Next he sent some more servants. “Tell those who have been invited” he said “that I have my banquet all prepared, my oxen and fattened cattle have been slaughtered, everything is ready. Come to the wedding.” But they were not interested: one went off to his farm, another to his business, and the rest seized his servants, maltreated them and killed them. The king was furious. He despatched his troops, destroyed those murderers and burnt their town. Then he said to his servants, “The wedding is ready; but as those who were invited proved to be unworthy, go to the crossroads in the town and invite everyone you can find to the wedding.” So these servants went out on to the roads and collected together everyone they could find, bad and good alike; and the wedding hall was filled with guests. When the king came in to look at the guests he noticed one man who was not wearing a wedding garment, and said to him, “How did you get in here, my friend, without a wedding garment?” And the man was silent. Then the king said to the attendants, “Bind him hand and foot and throw him out into the dark, where there will be weeping and grinding of teeth.” For many are called, but few are chosen.’ *The Gospel of the Lord*



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

Scripture Readings this week

Monday: Galatians 4:22-31 & Luke 11:29-32

Tuesday: Galatians 5:1-6 & Luke 11:37-41

Wednesday: Galatians 5:18-25 & Luke 11:42-46

Thursday: **Memorial of St Teresa of Jesus (Avila)**: Romans 8:22-27 & John 15:1-8

Friday: Ephesians 1:11-14 & Luke 12:1-7

Saturday: **Memorial of St Ignatius of Antioch**: Philippians 3:17-4:1 & John 12:24-26

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

Home Altar Supplies: A reminder that there is a small stand at the front door to the Parish House, where you can find bottles of holy water, rosaries and prayer cards, mass offering envelopes as well as hard copies of the bulletin. It's available 7 days, from 9AM – 6PM. The latest bulletin goes out on Sundays.

If you have empty holy water bottles, please drop them off at the parish house/supply station. They will be sterilised, refilled and put back out for people to take.

Vocation View: Why is it that we lack real trust when the Lord calls us? We think we may drown, or have to give up too much, or fear failure. These attitudes can help to strengthen our faith in the Lord.

Pope's Prayer Intention:

We pray for all those who work and live from the sea, among them sailors, fishermen and their families.

As a community we pray for

Sick: Maria do ceu Fernandes, Jessica De Grandis, Victor Lombo, Vince Marshall, John Thomas, Judith Cummins, Bill Rinaldi, Peter Franchina, Nicholas Francis, Bonnie Gilson, Mrs. Ibi Bolyos.

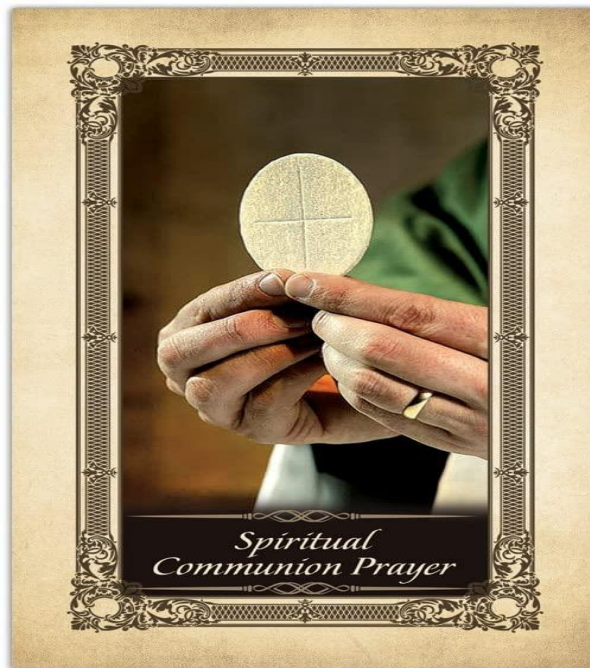
Anniversaries: Toni van de Ven

60th Wedding Anniversary: Loretta & Ralph Shanahan

BULLETIN PRAYER INTENTIONS for any parishioners who are seriously ill, recently deceased or coming anniversaries: Please contact the Parish Office to include names in a future bulletin.

Thanksgiving Envelopes – Thank you to all who have been dropping their envelopes off at the Parish Office. While these are unprecedented times, please prayerfully consider if you are able to keep your pledges and contributions. Online donations are also available at the following: **Ac. Name: St Francis Xavier Church BSB: 083347 Ac. No- 543292126** Thank you.

Parish Thanksgiving: Please consider joining the Parish Thanksgiving Programme. If you would like to join our new thanksgiving campaign, or to set up the thanksgiving by direct debit/ credit card please contact the parish office on 0352754120 or email fxcorio@iinet.net.au



Spiritual Communion Prayer

My 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 moment 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 permit me to be
 separated from You.
 Amen.

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