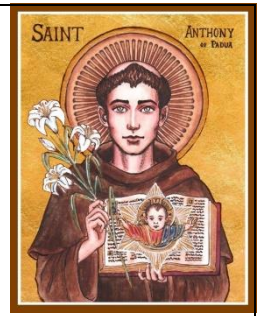




CORIO & LARA CATHOLIC PARISH

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Sunday 24th January 2021

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME (B)

Entrance Antiphon

O sing new song to the Lord; sing to the Lord all the earth. In His presence are majesty and splendour, strength and honour in His holy place.

Communion Antiphon

Look toward the Lord and be radiant; let your faces not be abashed.

“Remember that prayer should accompany the reading of Sacred Scripture, so that God and humanity may talk together, for we speak to Him when we pray and we hear Him when we read the divine saying.”

St Ambrose

As we move into the ‘Ordinary Time’ of the Church year, with its green vestments, a colour symbolising life and growth, we also begin reading through one of the gospels over the Sundays of the year. In ‘Year B’, which we’re in, we hear each week from Mark’s gospel. (Year A is Matthew and Year C is Luke). As Mark’s is the shortest of the four, in August we pause from his, and read the magnificent sixth chapter of John where he explains the meaning of the Eucharist.

Though the shortest, Mark’s gospel is the most ‘punchy’: having a lot of urgency and action. It’s also a great place to start for reading the Scriptures on your own. In it we hear a lot of: “and behold...” or “and then...” and it makes clear that while we’re in Ordinary Time, there’s really nothing ‘ordinary’ about following the Lord. Let’s really dive into the Scriptures together this year.

New Rosters

As we move into something resembling ‘normal’ we are preparing new rosters for our weekend masses. For the next few weekends, there will be sign-up sheets in the foyers for anyone who would like to go on to the rosters as a Reader, Commentator and Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist. The role of the commentator will be slightly adjusted from before with their main tasks being a welcome at the beginning of mass and leading the Prayers of the Faithful. While we’re not using a full complement of Eucharistic ministers for now, we’ll still prepare the roster so that it will be ready to go once we’re given clearances. Training and refreshers will be provided for all volunteers. Please also note that anyone who wishes sign up must have or consent to getting a Working with Children Check.

Weekday Masses

A reminder that there will be no weekday masses this week.

Tuesday Mass and Holy Hour will resume on 2nd Feb and the Friday morning mass at Lara will resume the following week on 12th Feb. The full regular schedule will continue from the following week.

LITURGY OF THE WORD

FIRST READING *A reading from Prophet Jonah*

(3: 1-5, 10)

The word of the Lord was addressed to Jonah: 'Up!' he said 'Go to Nineveh, the great city, and preach to them as I told you to.' Jonah set out and went to Nineveh in obedience to the word of the Lord. Now Nineveh was a city great beyond compare: it took three days to cross it. Jonah went on into the city, making a day's journey. He preached in these words, 'Only forty days more and Nineveh is going to be destroyed.' And the people of Nineveh believed in God; they proclaimed a fast and put on sackcloth, from the greatest to the least. God saw their efforts to renounce their evil behaviour, and God relented: he did not inflict on them the disaster which he had threatened.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM *Ps 24*

Teach me your ways, O Lord.

SECOND READING *A reading from the First Letter of St Paul to the Corinthians* (7: 29 - 31)

Brothers: our time is growing short. Those who have wives should live as though they had none, and those who mourn should live as though they had nothing to mourn for; those who are enjoying life should live as though there were nothing to laugh about; those whose life is buying things should live as though they had nothing of their own; and those who have to deal with the world should not become engrossed in it. I say this because the world as we know it is passing away.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION

Alleluia, Alleluia! The Kingdom of God is near, believe the good news. Alleluia!

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

(1:14- 20)

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. 'The time has come' he said 'and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.' As he was walking along by the Sea of Galilee he saw Simon and his brother Andrew casting a net in the lake – for they were fishermen. And Jesus said to them, 'Follow me and I will make you into fishers of men.' And at once they left their nets and followed him. Going on a little further, he saw James son of Zebedee and his brother John; they too were in their boat, mending their nets. He called them at once and, leaving their father Zebedee in the boat with the men he employed, they went after him.



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

*My Jesus I believe that you are present in the Most Holy Eucharist.
I love you above all things and 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 completely to you.
Never permit me to be separated from you.
Amen.*

As a community we pray for

The Sick: Jessica De Grandis, Victor Lombo, Vince Marshall, John Thomas, Judith Cummins, Bill Rinaldi, Peter Franchina, Nicholas Francis, Bonnie Gilson, Ibi Bolyos, Pat Yacques, Dee Tetzloft, Michael Watson, Gerry Hoogaerts

Anniversary: Thomas Moloney, Ilona Tersic, Tom Meade

Recently Deceased: Maria do ceu Fernandes, Noel Watson, Theresa Van Der Mey, Bert Gratton, Don Booth.

The Pope's Prayer Intention for this month: *Human Fraternity.* May the Lord give us the grace to live in full fellowship with our brothers and sisters of other religions, praying for one another, open to all.

Vocations! This month's Vocation View: A good Vocation prayer to say every day, from the time we are ten years old till we are ninety years old, is found in today's first Scripture Reading: 'Speak, Lord for your servant is listening.' Just try it with sincerity starting today.

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.

Working with Children Checks: All Parish volunteers in the Archdiocese must have a current WWCC. The Parish Office will be updating our files and contacting volunteers to make sure checks are up to date. If anyone would like any assistance with updating their WWCC, please contact the Parish Office.

Happy Birthday: Wishing warmest wishes and a very Happy Birthday to well-known and much loved parishioner: Rik Van Gemert who celebrates her birthday this weekend. God bless you Rik!

Infant Baptism: Baptism Formation Meetings for infant baptisms will be on the Tuesday, 16th Feb 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.

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: **Account Name: St Francis Xavier Church BSB: 083347 Account Number: 543292126.** Thank you.

Parish Thanksgiving: Please consider joining the Parish Thanksgiving Programme. To set up the thanksgiving by direct debit/ credit card please contact the parish office on 0342120791 or email fxcorio@iinet.net.au

The Gloria

Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to people of good will.

We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.

Lord Jesus Christ, only begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father,

you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer;

you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.

For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father. Amen.

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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