

Parish News

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION (Year 3)

Lesson 4 Monday 30 July at 6.00pm
Tuesday 31 July at 3.30pm

Rehearsal 1 Monday 06 August at 6.00pm
Rehearsal 2 Monday 13 August at 6.00pm

Celebration of the Sacrament: Sunday 19th August at 9am Mass presided by Bishop Ken Howell

2018 RCIA PROGRAM has commenced on Wednesday, the 13th June.

The session will be on every Wednesday from 4 to 5 pm in the Meeting Room.
We welcome everybody who feel interested in learning more about Jesus's ways.

HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION FOR AUSTRALIA are 15 August (Assumption) and 25 December (Christmas).

A Holy Day is simply a solemnity celebrated like a Sunday, that is, with obligation.

THANK YOU: On behalf of the Holy Family Parish Pastoral Council we would like to thank Jean Di Benedetto for giving so generously of her time to assist with the running and organizing of the Columbarium. This was a tremendous help to our parish and her efforts are very much appreciated. Any generosity forwarded to our parish only benefits our community. Thank you, Jean.

Kind regards
Mrs Ronnie Wilson,
Chairperson of Parish Pastoral Council

Weekly Diary : 30th July—04th August 2018

Monday 30th : 08.00 am. Mass, followed by Novena
Tuesday 31st : 08.00 am. Memorial of St Ignatius of Loyola, priest, followed by Eucharist Adoration.
Wednesday 01st : 09.30 am. Memorial of St Alphonsus Liguori, bishop, doctor, followed by Rosary.
Thursday 02nd : 09.30 am. Mass, followed by Rosary.
Friday 03rd : 09.30 am. Memorial of St Dominic, priest, followed by Rosary
Saturday 04th : 09.30 am. Memorial of St Vianney, priest, followed by Rosary.
Saturday 04th : 5.30 pm. : 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B
Sunday 05th : 07.00 am. + 09.00 am. + 5.30 pm. : 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

The 1st Evening Sunday Mass of September will be on 02nd at 5.30 pm. : 22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time B

Mass Duty Roster : August 4th/5th 2018

<u>Mass Co-ordinator</u>	<u>Lectors</u>	<u>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</u>	<u>Servers</u>
5.30pm Pierrette & Rino Serra	Rachelle Broughton Jean Di Benedetto	Rachelle Broughton, Clive Broughton, Helen Topham Julie Dakin, Monique Labutte	Mia
7.00am Michael Nicholson	Charmaine Battiss Bianca Battiss	Antona Brown, Jackie Cameron Bernadette Swindley, Michael Nicholson	Brianna & Ashley
9.00am Michael Laidler	Children to read	Jane Howard, Pam Nelson, Michael Laidler Kathy Fullery, John Lynch, Joe Dorego	Jamili Maatouk

Last Weekend's Thanksgiving Program

Next Week's Counting Team: No. 5 (30/7/18)

<u>1st Collection</u>	<u>2nd Collection</u>	<u>Piety Shop</u>	<u>St Anthony's</u>
\$1288.70	\$1675.15	\$56.50	\$61.25

If we are generous in our giving, and if all of us are prepared to share the load, then together we can help our Parish to move forward. (Fr. John Khoai)



Holy Family Catholic Parish
Runaway Bay



17th Sunday in Ordinary Time B 29th July 2018—Issue No. 286

WHO CAN SATISFY US?

Give Me Some Love! I read you a letter a girl from Genoa, Italy wrote: "My father drinks a lot because he has no job. My mother goes out in the evening and many times does not come back home at night. So they put me in a home. The only 'person' who loves me is a small little red fish which I keep in a glass container always near me, even when I sleep at night. I was told that I cannot keep my small little red fish anymore and so at night I sleep with the container tied to my finger with a string because I am afraid that on waking up I shall not find my small red fish any more. If they take away my red fish, I shall have no one to love me...."

This week a parishioner was sharing with me how was her marriage after 35 years together. And now there is "no romance, no intimacy, no emotion... Father, I need these things!" She uttered with such an emotional tone.

Speaking of Jesus feeding five thousand people, John does not speak of a miracle, an extraordinary event which underscores the compassion and power of Jesus but he uses the word 'sign'. A sign refers always to a deeper reality. In fact there is more to it than simply filling the stomach.

Hunger Inside: These five thousand people are inside us... Among them are the little girl who had no one to love but a little red fish... the woman who lived with no intimacy, no emotion... All these illustrate the enormous hunger which exists within us. A hunger which cannot be satisfied with a cheeseburger and a coke and French fries. The problem is one. We can NEVER be loved enough. This desire inside us is limitless, unremitting.

Philip made the same mistake we always do when he was asked, "Where are we to buy bread for the people to eat?" He looked at himself. He dug inside himself. It is impossible, he says. "Eight months' wages would not buy enough bread for each one to have a bite!" He was right! Andrew took a different approach. He looked around him. "Here is a boy with five small barley loaves and two small fish, but how far will they go among so many?" But this is too little, obviously!

We also try to find a solution to this existential problem by looking around us... perhaps a woman, a child, a savings account, a cottage, a cruise, a new computer, an "I don't-know-what..." But we soon realize to our dismay that these do not go far enough to feed the five thousand inside us! We cannot make it. BUT JESUS CAN! He can not only fill us. He can swamp us! "When they had all had enough to eat," his disciples filled twelve baskets with the pieces of the five barley loaves left over by those who had eaten.

This is what all the Saints realized. He can satisfy this unlimited hunger within us, this craving to be loved beyond any extent. Jesus Christ is such a tremendous Lover.

Saint John Paul II said: "Only in Christ, and the Church does not tire of repeating it, can human beings find the real and full meaning of their existence. Therefore, Christianity cannot be reduced to a doctrine, or simple principles, because Christ, the center of Christianity, is alive, and his presence is the event that constantly renews the human creature and the cosmos."

He is alive. He is real. He can do it for you! "What really matters in life is that we love Christ and are loved by him in return. In comparison with the love of Jesus, everything else is secondary. And without the love of Jesus, everything else is useless" said Saint Pope John Paul II.

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Reconciliation at 4.00pm
1st Saturday of the month.
Baptism Preparation at
7pm 1st Thurs of the month

LITURGY OF THE LIVING WORD

FIRST READING 2 Kings 4:42-44 *They shall eat and have some left.*

A man came bringing food from the first fruits to Elisha, the man of God: twenty loaves of barley and fresh ears of grain in his sack. Elisha said, "Give it to the people and let them eat." But his servant said, "How can I set this before a hundred people?" So Elisha repeated, "Give it to the people and let them eat, for thus says the Lord, "They shall eat and have some left." The servant set it before them, they ate, and had some left, according to the word of the Lord.

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 145:10-18 *R. You open your hand to feed us, Lord; you answer all our needs.*

All your works shall give thanks to you, O Lord, and all your faithful shall bless you. They shall speak of the glory of your kingdom, and tell of your power. **R.**

The eyes of all look to you, and you give them their food in due season. You open your hand, satisfying the desire of every living thing. **R.**

The Lord is just in all his ways, and kind in all his doings. 18 The Lord is near to all who call on him, to all who call on him in truth. **R.**

SECOND READING Ephesians 4:1-6 *There is one body and one Spirit, one Lord, one faith, one baptism.*

I, the prisoner in the Lord, beg you to lead a life worthy of the calling to which you have been called, with all humility and gentleness, with patience, bearing with one another in love, making every effort to maintain the unity of the Spirit in the bond of peace. There is one body and one Spirit, just as you were called to the one hope of your calling, one Lord, one faith, one baptism, one God and Father of all, who is above all and through all and in all.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Luke 7:16 Alleluia, alleluia! A great prophet has appeared among us; God has visited his people. Alleluia!

GOSPEL John 6:1-15 *Jesus distributed to those who were seated as much as they wanted.*

Jesus went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee, also called the Sea of Tiberias. A large crowd kept following him, because they saw the signs that he was doing for the sick. Jesus went up the mountain and sat down there with his disciples. Now the Passover festival was near. When he looked up and saw a large crowd coming toward him, Jesus said to Philip, "Where are we to buy bread for these people to eat?" He said this to test him, for he himself knew what he was going to do. Philip answered him, "Six months' wages would not buy enough bread for each of them to get a little." One of his disciples, Andrew, Simon Peter's brother, said to Jesus, "There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish. But what are they among so many people?"

Jesus said, "Make the people sit down." Now there was a great deal of grass in the place; so they sat down, about five thousand in all. Then Jesus took the loaves, and when he had given thanks, he distributed them to those who were seated; so also the fish, as much as they wanted. When they were satisfied, he told his disciples, "Gather up the fragments left over, so that nothing may be lost." So they gathered them up, and from the fragments of the five barley loaves, left by those who had eaten, they filled twelve baskets.



When the people saw the sign that he had done, they began to say, "This is indeed the prophet who is to come into the world." When Jesus realized that they were about to come and take him by force to make him king, he withdrew again to the mountain by himself.

COMMUNION ANTIPHON: Ps 102:2 Bless the Lord, O my soul, and never forget all his benefits.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED

RECENTLY DECEASED: Patricia Wilson, Loretto Fox, Jean Rebeiro, Albert Chandler

ANNIVERSARIES: Jack Lawton, Paul Lawton, Norma Nichols, Noel Marriott, Kate Topham, Patrick Lawton

SICK LIST: Bill Walker, Aaron Murphy, Cheryl Carter, Courtney Blount, Claire Mallon, Eileen O'Connor, Reginald Cox, Simon Stretton, Philomena McAloon, Margaret Kwong, Letty O'Sullivan, Tony Collett, Val Wolfenden, Ben Cebu-liak, Marilyn Rodgers, Frank Hewitt, Anthony Donellan, Dolores Kilian, Robert Duff, Mary Ann Boeheme, John Nekvapal, Rita Ryan, Maureen Currie, Harry Hunter, Margaret Wiersma, Madeline Hodgetts, Erin Mehmet, Nancy Kelly, Tamara Toms, Baby Charlie Shirran, Bernie Pack, Elizabeth Norris, Stephen Deshaies, Patricia Ryder, Ken Hannam, Kelly Blount, Gail Callaghan, Pistang Retute, Vanessa Pritchard, Carol Johnston

PRAYER: O Lord Jesus Christ, rest your weary ones, bless your dying ones, soothe your suffering ones, pity your afflicted ones, shield your joyous ones, and all for your love's sake. Amen. (St Augustine)



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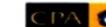
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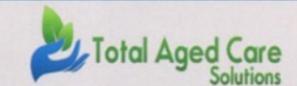
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