

## 2017 HOLY FAMILY SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

### Year 4 & 5 Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

#### Enrolment night

Session 1	Monday 06 Feb at 6.00pm
Session 2	Mon 20 Feb at 6.00pm & Tue 21 Feb at 3.30pm
Rehearsal 1	Mon 27 Feb at 6.00pm & Tue 28 Feb at 3.30pm
Rehearsal 2	Mon 06 March at 6.00pm
	Mon 13 March at 6.00pm

#### Celebration of Sacrament Thursday 16 March at 6.00 pm.

Please visit the Parish website [www.holyfamilyrunawaybay.org.au](http://www.holyfamilyrunawaybay.org.au) for more information and download a copy of the Enrolment Form.

**Christ Catholic Community Prayer Group** held on Thursdays after the 9.30am Mass in the Parish Office. All are welcome.

**Novena to Our Lady of Perpetual Help** on Mondays after the 8am Mass. All are welcome to join in.

### Weekly Diary : 06<sup>th</sup> - 11<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Monday 06 <sup>th</sup>	: 08.00 am. Memorial of St Paul Miki and companions, martyrs, followed by Novena.
Tuesday 07 <sup>th</sup>	: 08.00 am. Mass, followed by Eucharistic Adoration.
Wednesday 08 <sup>th</sup>	: 09.30 am. Mass, followed by Rosary.
Thursday 09 <sup>th</sup>	: 09.30 am. Mass, followed by Christ Catholic Community Prayer Group
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	: 09.30 am. Memorial of St Scholastica, virgin, followed by Rosary.
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	: 09.30 am. Mass, followed by Rosary.
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup>	: 5.30 pm. 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time A
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	: 07.00 am. + 09.00 am. 6 <sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time A

The 1<sup>st</sup> Evening Sunday Mass of March will be on the 05<sup>th</sup> at 5.30 pm. : 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent A.

### Mass Duty Roster : 11<sup>th</sup>/12<sup>th</sup> February 2017

Mass Co-ordinator	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion	Servers
5.30pm Lorraine Knight	Trish Flower Monique Labutte	Jean Di Benedetto, Julie Dakin, Helen Topham Clive Broughton, Rachele Broughton	Mia Braun
7.00am Trudy Andrews	Kristian Braeuer Bernadette Swindley	Rose Hessen, Michael Nicholson, Bernadette Swindley Margaret McNamara, Celine Lobb	Brianna & Ashley
9.00am Michael Laidler	Maureen Laidler Marie Roberts	Michael Dempsey, Kathy Fuller, Pam Nelson Denise Moar, John Lynch	John & Matthew Healey

### Last Weekend's Thanksgiving Program

Next Week's Counting Team: No. 1 (06/02/2017)

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Collection</b>	<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Collection</b>	<b>Piety Shop</b>	<b>St Anthony's</b>
<b>\$1433.50</b>	<b>\$1988.30</b>	<b>\$32.00</b>	<b>\$181.90</b>

"Each of you must give as you have made up your mind not reluctantly or under compulsion, for God loves a cheerful giver... And God is able to provide you with every blessing in abundance...

You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity." (2 Cor 9:7-8,11)



Holy Family Catholic Parish  
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5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A 05<sup>th</sup> Feb 2017—Issue No. 203

### Christian Identity

**Today's Liturgy speaks to us about the Christian identity:** Paul in 2 Cor 1:18-22 writes to the Corinthians: "I boast about my Christian identity."

Paul writes, "the Son of God, Jesus Christ, whom we preached among you ... was not Yes and No; but in him it is always Yes." It is here then that our identity is actually found: in imitating, in following this Jesus Christ, who is God's 'yes' toward us. And this is our life: going every day to strengthen this identity and bearing testimony to it, step by step, but always toward the 'yes.'

It's true there is sin and sin makes us fall, but we have the Lord's strength to pick ourselves up and move forward with our identity. We are sinners, but sinners with faith in Jesus Christ. Indeed, it is a faith which is a gift of God that has entered us from God. It is God himself who has anointed us, placed the seal on us, provided us with a surety, the pledge of the Spirit in our hearts. It is God who gives us this gift of identity and the problem is to be faithful to this Christian identity and allow the Holy Spirit, who is our very guarantee, the pledge in our heart, to lead us forward in life.

**We are people who do not follow a philosopher,** because we have a gift, which is our identity: we are anointed, we have the seal placed on us and we have the guarantee within us, the guarantee of the Holy Spirit. And Heaven begins here, it is a beautiful identity that shows itself in testimony. This is why Jesus speaks to us of testimony as the language of our Christian identity when he says: "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how shall its saltiness be restored?" (Matthew 5:13-16).

Because we are sinners and temptations always come, our Christian identity can go backwards, weaken and become lost. We can go backwards by watering down the testimony, by always searching for newness, by looking for the "prophets who tell us today the letter that Our Lady will send us at 4:00 in the afternoon." But this is not the Christian identity. The last word of God is called 'Jesus' and nothing more.

Another way to go backwards from the Christian identity is worldliness when we Christians expand our conscience so far that everything can enter, and this is how salt loses its flavour. Therefore we, Christians, who say we are Christian, but cannot and do not know how to bear testimony to Jesus Christ. And this is how the identity goes backwards and becomes lost.

**It is a grace we must ask of the Lord:** that he always give us the gift of an identity which doesn't seek to adapt to things that would make it lose its saltiness. The very celebration of the Eucharist is testimony of our Christian identity, as it celebrates the scandal of the Cross by which Jesus, the Son of God, gives his life for us. It is in the Eucharist that we, Christians, celebrate the memorial of the death of the Lord and we know that here this remembrance is renewed, and Christian identity finds its strength in testimony.

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Reconciliation at 4.00pm  
1<sup>st</sup> Saturday of the month.  
Baptism Preparation at  
7pm 1<sup>st</sup> Thurs of the month.

## LITURGY OF THE WORD

### FIRST READING **Isaiah 58:6-10** *Your light shall break forth like the dawn.*

Thus says the Lord: "Is this not the fast that I choose: to loose the bonds of injustice, to undo the thongs of the yoke, to let the oppressed go free, and to break every yoke? Is it not to share your bread with the hungry, and bring the homeless poor into your house; when you see the naked, to cover them, and not to hide yourself from your own kin? "Then your light shall break forth like the dawn, and your healing shall spring up quickly; your vindicator shall go before you, the glory of the Lord shall be your rear guard. Then you shall call, and the Lord will answer; you shall cry for help, and he will say, 'Here I am.' "If you remove the yoke from among you, the pointing of the finger, the speaking of evil, if you offer your food to the hungry and satisfy the needs of the afflicted, then your light shall rise in the darkness and your gloom be like the noonday."

### RESPONSORIAL PSALM **Ps 112:4-5, 6-7, 8a-9** **R.** A light rises in the darkness for the upright.

Those who fear the Lord rise in the darkness as a light for the upright; they are gracious, merciful, and righteous. It is well with those who deal generously and lend, who conduct their affairs with justice. **R.**

For the righteous will never be moved; they will be remembered forever. They are not afraid of evil tidings; their hearts are firm, secure in the Lord. **R.**

Their hearts are steady, they will not be afraid. They have distributed freely, they have given to the poor; their righteousness endures forever; their name is exalted in honour. **R.**

### SECOND READING **1 Corinthians 2:1-5** *I proclaimed to you the mystery of Jesus Christ, and him crucified.*

When I came to you, brothers and sisters, I did not come proclaiming the mystery of God to you in lofty words or wisdom. For I decided to know nothing among you except Jesus Christ, and him crucified. And I came to you in weakness and in fear and in much trembling. My speech and my proclamation were not with plausible words of wisdom, but with a demonstration of the Spirit and of power, so that your faith might rest not on human wisdom but on the power of God.

### GOSPEL ACCLAMATION **See John 8:12** Alleluia, alleluia. I am the light of the world, says the Lord; whoever follows me will have the light of life. Alleluia!

### GOSPEL **Matthew 5:13-16** *You are the light of the world.*

Jesus went up the mountain and was joined by his disciples. Then he began to teach them: "You are the salt of the earth; but if salt has lost its taste, how can its saltiness be restored? It is no longer good for anything, but is thrown out and trampled underfoot. "You are the light of the world. A city built on a hill cannot be hidden. No one after lighting a lamp puts it under the bushel basket, but on the lampstand, and it gives light to all in the house. In the same way, let your light shine before others, so that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father in heaven."



### COMMUNION ANTIPHON **Ps 106:8-9** Let them thank the Lord in his mercy, his wonders for the children of men, for he satisfies the thirsty soul, and the hungry he fills with good things..

## PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Stephanie James

**ANNIVERSARIES:** John Grasso, Maurice Hanrahan, Helen Mary Regan, Harold Patrick Regan,

**SICK LIST:** Madeline Hodgetts, Erin Mehmet, Mary Patricia Hurley, Nicole Ashdown, Babara Paton, Tony Collett, Scott Kuhnemann, Nancy Kelly, Tamara Toms, Cathy Hewitt, Baby Charlie Shirran, Bernie Pack, Kevin O'Donnell, Elizabeth Norris, Pat Otago, Edda Pronard, Stephen Deshaies, Cathy Hewitt, Patricia Ryder, Kathy Pearman, Ken Hannam, Kelly Blount, Gail Callaghan, Pistang Retute, Philip Egan, Vanessa Pritchard, Carol Johnston, Anne & Albert Chandler, David Shinnars

**Any updates please advise the parish office.**

**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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