

Parish News

2019 HOLY FAMILY SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Year 4 & 5 Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession)

Enrolment night	Monday 18 February at 6.00pm
Lessons 1 & 2	Monday 04 March at 6.00pm or Tuesday 05 March at 3.30pm
Lessons 3 & 4	Monday 11 March at 6.00pm or Tuesday 12 March at 3.30pm
Rehearsal 1	Monday 18 March at 6.00pm
Rehearsal 2	Monday 25 March at 6.00pm
Celebration of Sacrament	Thursday 28 March at 6.00pm

Year 4 Sacrament of the Eucharist

Enrolment night	Monday 13 May at 6.00pm
Lessons 1 & 2	Monday 27 May at 6.00pm or Tuesday 28 May at 3.30pm
Lessons 3 & 4	Monday 03 June at 6.00pm or Tuesday 04 June at 3.30pm
Rehearsal 1	Monday 10 June at 6.00pm

Weekly Diary : 24th - 29th September 2018

Monday 24 th	: 08.00 am. Mass, followed by Novena
Tuesday 25 th	: 08.00 am. Mass, followed by Eucharist Adoration. 10.30 am. Anointing Mass at Arcare Regency, Sanctuary Cove.
Wednesday 26 th	: 09.30 am. Mass followed by Rosary.
Thursday 27 th	: 09.30 am. Memorial of St Vincent de Paul, Priest, followed by Rosary.
Friday 28 th	: 09.30 am. Mass, followed by Rosary.
Saturday 29th	: 09.30 am. Feast of Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael, Archangels, followed by Rosary.
Saturday 29th	: 05.30 pm. : 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B
Sunday 30th	: 07.00 am. + 09.00 am. : 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B

Mass Duty Roster : 29th / 30th September, 2018

<u>Mass Co-ordinator</u>	<u>Lector</u>	<u>Extraordinary Ministers of Communion</u>	<u>Servers</u>
5.30pm Pierrette & Rino	Pierrette Serra Rachelle Broughton	Helen Topham, Julie Dakin, Rachelle Broughton, Pierrette Serra, Rino Serra, Joe Dorego	Mia
7.00am Michael Nicholson	Danielle Carter Jackie Cameron	Antona Brown, Jackie Cameron, Bernadette Swindley, Michael Nicholson	Brianna & Ashley
9.00am Michael Laidler	Rose Lopez Jane Howard	Rose Lopez, Jane Howard, Pam Nelson, Michael Laidler, Joe Dorego, Averil Dorego	Jamili Maatouk

Last Weekend's Thanksgiving Program

Next Week's Counting Team: No. 4 (24/09/18)

<u>1st Collection</u>	<u>2nd Collection</u>	<u>Piety Shop</u>	<u>St Anthony's</u>
\$ 947.30	\$ 1469.65	\$ 28.65	\$ 45.80

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Holy Family Catholic Parish
Runaway Bay



25th Sunday in Ordinary Time B 23 Sept 2018—Issue No. 294

Ambition, Envy and Jealousy: Three Evils that Darken our Vision as Disciples of Jesus Christ.

The Gospel reading of today focused our attention on the mystery of the Cross in order to understand who Jesus is. Ambition, Envy and Jealousy are the three evils that darken our vision of our calling as disciples, namely the Cross. They get in the way of the disciples, leading them to miss what Jesus is teaching them. Rather than giving us any privileged positions, discipleship renders us powerless and vulnerable in the perspective of the cross.

Jesus is teaching about his suffering, death and resurrection. He tells his disciples that *"the Son of Man is to be handed over to men and they will kill him, and three days after his death the Son of Man will rise."* But all that goes over their heads. They are so blinded by ambition, envy and jealousy that they do not understand. *"They had been discussing among themselves on the way who was the greatest."* In other words, they are discussing about power positions. They fail to understand because they still see their association with Jesus as being a possibility for high positions in the kingdom. Jesus takes the opportunity to teach them that he is not a conquering but a "Serving Messiah."

As in today's Christian community, ambition and jealousy are also among the close followers of Jesus Christ, making it difficult to understand Jesus' call to a life of service and sacrifice. Not only do we want to have the top positions, but we are even capable of destroying others psychologically in order to make sure we get to the top!

Jesus offers a clear catechesis on Christian leadership as humble service that includes the cross. *"If anyone wishes to be first, he shall be the last of all and the servant of all."* As Christians, we are called to a humble service that involves a spirituality of service; a spirituality of powerlessness and vulnerability. If we wish to be first, we must be prepared to be last; if we wish to be great, we must be prepared to be like little children; if we want to be leaders, we must be prepared to be servants of all. Jesus uses the example of little children because they are symbols of powerlessness and vulnerability. Jesus reminds us today that, we should be more concerned about those without power and the most vulnerable in our midst.

So what message do we take home?

- 1) Our discipleship, our call to follow Jesus the Serving Messiah is a call to powerlessness and vulnerability and not to a position of power and authority.
- 2) We are called to a leadership of humble service that involves the possibility of the cross not comfort.
- 3) We must be very weary when discussions in the Church are about power positions rather than caring for those without power and the most vulnerable.

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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 Wisdom 2:12.17-20 *Let us condemn him to a shameful death.*

The godless say, "Let us lie in wait for the righteous one, who makes life inconvenient to us and opposes our actions; who reproaches us for sins against the law, and accuses us of sins against our training. "Let us see if his words are true, and let us test what will happen at the end of his life; for if the righteous one is God's child, God will help him, and will deliver him from the hand of his adversaries. "Let us test him with insult and torture, so that we may find out how gentle he is, and make trial of his forbearance. Let us condemn him to a shameful death, for, according to what he says, he will be protected."

RESPONSORIAL PSALM Ps 54:1-6 R./ The Lord upholds my life.

Save me, O God, by your name, and vindicate me by your might. Hear my prayer, O God; give ear to the words of my mouth. **R.**

For the insolent have risen against me, the ruthless seek my life; they do not set God before them. **R.**

But surely, God is my helper; the Lord is the upholder of my life. With a freewill offering I will sacrifice to you; I will give thanks to your name, for it is good. **R.**

SECOND READING James 3:16 – 4:3 A harvest of righteousness is sown in peace.

Where there is envy and selfish ambition, there will also be disorder and wickedness of every kind. But the wisdom from above is first pure, then peaceable, gentle, willing to yield, full of mercy and good fruits, without a trace of partiality or hypocrisy. And a harvest of righteousness is sown in peace for those who make peace. Those conflicts and disputes among you, where do they come from? Do they not come from your cravings that are at war within you? You want something and do not have it; so you commit murder. And you covet something and cannot obtain it; so you engage in disputes and conflicts. You do not have, because you do not ask. You ask and do not receive, because you ask wrongly, in order to spend what you get on your pleasures.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION 2 Thessalonians 2:14 Alleluia, alleluia! God has called us with the gospel, to share in the glory of our Lord Jesus Christ.

GOSPEL Mark 9:30-37 Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all.

After leaving the mountain, Jesus and his disciples went on from there and passed through Galilee. He did not want anyone to know it; for he was teaching his disciples, saying to them, "The Son of Man is to be betrayed into human hands, and they will kill him, and three days after being killed, he will rise again." But they did not understand what he was saying and were afraid to ask him. Then they came to Capernaum; and when he was in the house Jesus asked them, "What were you arguing about on the way?" But they were silent, for on the way they had argued with one another who was the greatest. Jesus sat down, called the twelve, and said to them, "Whoever wants to be first must be last of all and servant of all." Then he took a little child and put it among them; and taking it in his arms, he said to them, "Whoever welcomes one such child in my name welcomes me, and whoever welcomes me welcomes not me but the one who sent me."



COMMUNION ANTIPHON Ps 118:4-5 You have laid down your precepts to be carefully kept; may my ways be firm in keeping your statutes.

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED

RECENTLY DECEASED: Arthur J. Cook, Halyn Eyre Curtis, Clyde William McKenna.

ANNIVERSARIES: Nigel Mark Short, Enid Marriott, Bernadette Rutkin, Angela McAloon, Audrey Dwyer, Robert John Nichols, Barbara Bou-Samra, Philomena Selba, Fred & Selina Betros, May & Tony Stephens

SICK LIST: Marie Jeanette Martin, 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 Cebuliak, 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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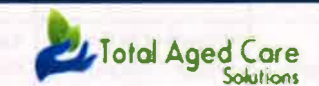


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