#### **Parish News**

#### 2019 HOLY FAMILY SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

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

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 04 April at 6.00pm

Lent will begin on Wednesday 06<sup>th</sup> March. Lent is a penitential season of prayer, self-denial and helping others. In this way, the whole Church prepares for Easter with those who are to be baptised. Other celebrations in Lent (e.g. marriage) must take account of the spirit of penance: musical instruments are only used to sustain singing and floral decorations are very simple.

Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are days of fast and abstinence. The law of abstinence binds those who have completed their fourteenth year.

Catholics are obliged to receive holy Communion at least once a year, between Ash Wednesday and Trinity Sunday.

# Weekly Diary: 04th — 09th March 2019

Monday 04<sup>th</sup> : 08.00 am. Mass, followed by Novena.

Tuesday 05<sup>th</sup> : 08.00 am. Mass, followed by Eucharist Adoration

: 10.30 am. Anointing Mass at Bupa Aged Care Center Runaway Bay

Ash Wednesday: 06<sup>th</sup> March : 08.45 am. Ash Liturgy at School

: 09.30 am. Mass (Fast and Abstinence)

: 5.30 pm. Mass

Thursday 07<sup>th</sup> : 09.30 am. Mass, followed by Rosary.

Friday 08<sup>th</sup> : 09.30 am. Anointing Mass, followed by Rosary.

: 5.30 pm. Stations of the Cross

Saturday 09<sup>th</sup> : 09.30 am. Mass, followed by Rosary.

Saturday 09<sup>th</sup> : 5.30 pm. : 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent Year C Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> : 07.00 am. + 09.00 am. : 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of Lent Year C

The 1st Evening Sunday Mass of April will be on the 07th at 5.30 pm.: 5th Sunday of Lent C

Mass Duty Roster : March 9 <sup>th</sup> /10 <sup>th</sup> 2019			
Mass Co-ordinator 5.30pm Pierrette & Rino Serra	<u>Lectors</u> Pierrette Serra June Molloy	Extraordinary Ministers of Communion Helen Topham, Pierrette Serra, June Molloy Rachelle Broughton, Clive Broughton, Julie Dakin	<u>Servers</u> Mia
7.00am	Christine McDougall	Bernadette Swindley, Rose Hessen, Antona Brown	Brianna &
Michael Nicholson	John Carter	Danielle Carter, Michael Nicholson	Ashley
9.00am	Rose Lopez	Pam Nelson, Joe Dorego, Averil Dorego	Jamili
Michael Laidler	Gina Abra	Michael Laidler, Rose Lopez, Chona Lopez	

### **Last Weekend's Thanksgiving Program**

Next Week's Counting Team: No. 1 (04/03/2019)

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God is more moved by the offering of our heart, than by the gifts we bring to the altar.

Let's give with happiness and we will receive more in joy.







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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

8<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr C 03<sup>rd</sup> March 2019—Issue No. 319

# We Know A Good Tree By What It Produces

**Today I'd like to talk** about an architectural feature of our church: the windows. If you stare out the windows long enough, which I know no one here ever would, you can see the school students playing on playground, or the ordinary people who live there, maybe they look in here, too, although they're probably not even Catholic.

Ordinary sights. But these windows are not ordinary, because they represent an important dimension in the life of our community. They remind us of what's important right out of here. It's that mysterious place called "outside" where our work and our worship are supposed to be making the world a different place.

**Today's Gospel Reading** gives us a famous proverb: We know a tree by its fruit. Good trees bear good fruit, and the only way we know a good tree is by what it produces. We know this, and yet it is a threatening saying, since it means that words alone, and good intentions alone, and lip-service alone, don't count. You recognize authentic faith not by whether it says the right things, or has the right idea about things, by whether it loves others and reaches out to them in charity and reconciliation. You recognize authentic community not by what it says about itself or even by what goes on inside it, by whether its life brings about a visible effect on the world around it.

As individuals, we worry a lot about whether we are doing the right thing religiously, about whether we pray enough, or read scripture enough, are spiritual enough. It's good to be scrupulous about these things, but we remember today that without love in action they mean little. Parishes are a little like people, too. We worry a lot about what goes on inside this building, from what our children learn to the music we sing. But it is outside of here where we should check to see how we are doing. The only measure of our liturgies that truly matters is whether the liturgies we have here enable us to change the world around us out there.

The only measure of our religious education program is whether our children go out into that world out there ready to talk about the gospel and do something generous for someone who doesn't deserve it.

Nothing about how we run this place, or what goes on in here, makes very much difference, if when we leave here there is no change in the world out there, no people who are given hope or encouragement because of us, no reconciliation nor undertaking that is the result of what we do here each Sunday.

Not many churches have the advantage we do, these big windows where you can think about what's right outside this church, or you can use your imagination and picture all the places where the results of our lives and this parish's life might be seen, or might not be. So I invite you, if you haven't already, the next time you have a few minutes during the liturgy, to take advantage of these windows and think about how we are doing. Sometimes if I think about it, I can imagine that I see some fruits from our efforts here. Other times I can't. How do you think we're doing?

Fr. John Khoái

#### LITURGY OF THE WORD

#### FIRST READING Sirach 27:4-7 Do not praise people before they speak.

When a sieve is shaken, the refuse appears; so do a person's faults when one speaks. The kiln tests the potter's vessels; so the test of a person is in conversation. Its fruit discloses the cultivation of a tree; so a person's speech discloses the cultivation of the mind. Do not praise people before they speak, for this is the way people are tested.

#### RESPONSORIAL PSALM Psalm 92:1-2, 12-13, 14-15 R. Lord, it is good to give thanks to you.

It is good to give thanks to the Lord, to sing praises to your name, O Most High; to declare your steadfast love in the morning, and your faithfulness by night. **R.** 

The righteous flourish like the palm tree, and grow like a cedar in Lebanon. They are planted in the house of the Lord; they flourish in the courts of our God. R.

In old age they still produce fruit; they are always green and full of sap, showing that the Lord is upright; he is my rock, and there is no unrighteousness in him. R.

#### SECOND READING 1 Corinthians 15:54-58 God has given us the victory through Jesus Christ.

When this perishable body puts on imperishability, and this mortal body puts on immortality, then the saying that is written will be fulfilled: "Death has been swallowed up in victory." "Where, O death, is your victory? Where, O death, is your sting?" The sting of death is sin, and the power of sin is the law. But thanks be to God, who gives us the victory through our Lord Jesus Christ.

Therefore, my beloved, be steadfast, immovable, always excelling in the work of the Lord, because you know that in the Lord your labour is not in vain.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Philippians 2:15-16 Alleluia, alleluia! Shine on the world like bright stars; you are offering it the word of life.

#### GOSPEL Luke 6:39-45 From what is in the heart, the mouth speaks.

Jesus told his disciples a parable: "Can a blind person guide a blind person? Will not both fall into a pit? A disciple is not above the teacher, but everyone who is fully qualified will be like the teacher. "Why do you see the speck in your neighbour's eye, but do not notice the log in your own eye? Or how can you say to your neighbour, 'Friend, let me take out the speck in your eye,' when you yourself do not see the log in your own eye? You hypocrite, first take the log out of your own eye, and then you will see clearly to take the speck out of your neighbour's eye.



No good tree bears bad fruit, nor again does a bad

tree bear good fruit; for each tree is known by its own fruit. Figs are not gathered from thorns, nor are grapes picked from a bramble bush. "Out of the good treasure of the heart, the good person produces good, and out of evil treasure, the evil person produces evil; for it is out of the abundance of the heart that the mouth speaks."

**COMMUNION ANTIPHON Ps 12:6** I will sing to the Lord who has been bountiful with me, sing psalms to the name of the Lord Most high.

#### St. Vincent De Paul Society, Holy Family Conference

For I was hungry and you gave me food, I was thirsty and you gave me something to drink, I was a stranger and you welcomed me. (Matthew 25:35)

Our conference urgently needs new members to assist people in need. We invite you to pray and think about joining the Society to give a 'hand up' to those in need. If you would like to find out more, please phone our President, Peter Fox on 0438149106 or email: pfox6@bigpond.com

#### PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED

**RECENTLY DECEASED**: Lily Wee, Pamela O'Connor, Theresa Salama, Paul Joseph Slattery

ANNIVERSARIES: Mary Ann Hunter, Brian Smith, Michael Allan Penridge

SICK LIST: Manuel R Llaguno, Ron Sincock, Ralph D'Agostino, Joy Gronow, Jevon Gronow, Val Mai McErlean, Theresa Pinto, Bill Walker, Aaron Murphy, 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, 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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