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Weekly Diary: 9th November—15th November 2020

Monday 9th : 8.00 am. Mass Feast of The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

Wednesday 11th : 9.30 am. Christ Catholic Community Prayer Group — Parish Meeting Room

Thursday 12th : 9.30 am. Mass Memorial of St Josaphat, bishop, martyr

Saturday 14th : 4.30 pm. + 5.30 pm. : 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A/2 Sunday 15th : 7.00 am. + 9.00 am. : 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A/2

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK AND DECEASED

<u>PRAYER</u>: 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)

Prayers have been requested for the following:

RECENTLY DECEASED: Moyia Annette Cowan, Leslie Michell

<u>ANNIVERSARIES</u>: Ivan Ho Kew, Fred & Selina Betros, Eulina & Mick Cook, Bernadette Abood, Morry Betros, Alfonso Campiutti, Eugene Doddy, Jesus Jake Balasabas, Salustia Balasabas, Carmen Vizon, Ian Andrew Birkbeck, Jenny Ho, Jack McVeigh, Catherine McVeigh, Andrew Wilkie, Hazel Wilkie

SICK LIST: Christine Kyriakides, George Kyriakides, Morris Lynch, Zaldy F Cadayona, John Lynch, George Docherty, Christina Ang, Colleen Waddel, Jake Bartley, Sofia Bean, Vivienne Mitchell, Shingo Sawabe, Sonia D'Angiolo, Riany Chandler, Juliet Wee, Jean Di Benedetto, Marie Dupois, Abigail O'Donell, Terry Owsnett, Ronald Sincock, Dolares Kelly, Mary McDonnell, Irene Warde, Ron Sincock, Val Mai McErlean, Bill Walker, Courtney Blount, Reginald Cox, Simon Stretton, Philomena McAloon, Margaret Kwong, Letty O'Sullivan, Tony Collett, Ben Cebuliak, Marilyn Rodgers, Frank Hewitt, Anthony Donellan, Dolores Kilian, Mary Ann Boeheme, Maureen Currie, Harry Hunter, Margaret Wiersma, Madeline Hodgetts, Nancy Kelly, Tamara Toms, Baby Charlie Shirran, Bernie Pack, Elizabeth Norris, Stephen Deshaies, Ken Hannam, Kelly Blount, Gail Callaghan, Pistang Retute, Vanessa Pritchard, Carol Johnston



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Hours:

8.30am—3.00pm Monday—Tuesday 8.30am-1.00pm Wednesday-Thursday (closed FRIDAY)

Reconciliation:

Please contact the Parish Office.

Baptisms

Every 2nd & 4th
Saturday & Sunday at 11am.
Please contact the Parish
Office.

St Francis Xavier School: Principal : Kathy Fuller

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1st Reading : Wis 6:12-16

2nd Reading : 1 Thess 4:13-18 Gospel : Mt 25:1-13

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1st Reading : Prov 31:10-13,19-20,30-31 2nd Reading : 1 Thess 5:1-6 Gospel : Mt 25:14-30

HELLO! From Fr Marty

God has a reason for allowing things to happen.
We may never understand God's wisdom,
yet we simply have to trust God's will.
Ps 37:5



Sacrament of Reconciliation

On Wednesday I attended an in-service on the Sacrament of Reconciliation with the Archbishop, the Dean of the Cathedral, our Canon Lawyer and a representative from the Royal Commission advisor and other priests. Without going into too much detail, it was very enlightening. The soulfulness of the sacrament is always important to remember. I have been inviting people into the sacrament for six years, so it is important to acknowledge the power of 'mercy'. God who forgives us unconditionally and the role the priest plays within this

We were given a few sessions (back in the day) in the seminary on the sacrament of Reconciliation, yet the reality is, you learn on the job. I have been fortunate that I have celebrated the sacrament in Maroochydore and in the Cathedral where there are very high numbers of people seeking forgiveness. Yet it is a timely reminder for us all to ponder how we view the sacrament. Both on a personal level and also as a community. It's about bringing people to feel both pardon and peace!

And at times, we all need that sense of peace.

In his book'A Confessors Handbook'by Kurt Stasiak, 2009, page 22, Karl Rahner says the following (for priests), which gives an insight into the power of this sacrament. "If we (priests) do not carry out Confession with all our strength and in a more personal, more serious and more interior fashion, ...

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if we act merely as machines for giving absolution, if we do not take people seriously and do not allow them to have their say, if we do not force him (Priest) to take himself and God seriously or help him to identify himself in a personal way, then the people will find that they are taken more seriously by the psychotherapist and will go to them.'



A lot of discussion at the in-service focused on the 'seal' of confession and this is where the Diocese as a whole are working on a response that we can give to you, so that it is clear to people how we are going to approach the 'seal'. I was very impressed with the whole tone of the day and the way priests, for the first time, shared their thoughts about the 'seal' and how we move forward with this. I need to reiterate, at this stage, we are brainstorming, so no complete answer can be made just yet. Yet I wanted to let you know that this is starting to take shape, and in my opinion, I think it is fantastic!

The final point I wanted to make is that the safety of not only adults, but children is paramount. There is much more I want to say about this, yet at this stage, today's meeting was a brainstorming day to start to name many realities that occur in this sacrament. The sacrament is both personal and also communal, so there are many layers to it in terms of the 'seal' and what can be said.

So I just wanted to share with you and re-affirm that this is a prime focus for the Archdiocese, not only now, but in the future. As I said, once we have formulated a response, I will be most willing to share it with you.

As we approach Christmas, we will have a second rite. As our confessional is full of chairs at the moment, you can come and celebrate the sacrament in the office, where we can have the 1.5 distancing.

Please think about this as we approach Christmas, as it is a wonderful way to cleanse your soul before we celebrate the birth of Christ.

Thought for the week



FUN FACT FOR SUNDAY 8TH November



1793 Louvre Museum in Paris is open to the public. The famous painting of the Mona Lisa is only 30cm by 30cm. If you reproduce something enough, no-one really knows what the original looks like. Be original today!

Acknowledgement to Fr Morgan Batt in his book, "Up the Beaten Track", Copyright 2003

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How to live the Gospel out this weekend.



If you get a chance, have a read of the first reading this weekend. It is a profound statement about who is wise and where does one obtain wisdom from. Laurie Woods, 2020, gives us a reflection.

The first reading is from the book of Wisdom, also called the Wisdom of Solomon, which is only in the Catholic and Orthodox Bibles. It was written anonymously in Greek by an Alexandrian Jew most likely between 60BC and 60AD. The author wrote for his fellow Jews in Alexandria who formed a fairly large community living in a society that did not accept the Jewish God; a society that was rejecting traditional ideas and becoming sceptical as they embraced a new kind of science and intellectualism. The writer of Wisdom was intent on showing how there are moral consequences of our priorities, actions and way of thinking. He dealt with such issues as, why do the evil go unpunished? why do the just suffer? is there an afterlife? His aim was to show the value of the Hebrew Scriptures and the wisdom of the Jewish tradition and way of life.

TASK: ✓

Where do we seek wisdom out and how do we show it to others?



Working Bee

Next Saturday 14th November at 10.00 am, we CLOSED. Live Streamed. will clean-up the garden strip outside the property at the back of the parish house. The church also needs a bit of a clean. Windows and railings.

We will be grubbing and clearing most of the bushes and wild plants and also be removing dirt and rubbish that has been built up against the fence. Hopefully, removing the rubbish and dirt will extend the life of the fence.

If you're able to help, please bring along with you gardening gloves, spades, picks and mattocks - lots of tools make light work.

We should be finished before lunch time - we look forward to seeing you next weekend.

What are you grateful about today/this week?



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We had the Preps come to visit the church and to engage with the many vessels and items we have in the church. It's one of those wonderful moments where the kids genuinely want to be



Christmas

The 4.30pm, 6pm and the 8pm Masses are now FULLY BOOKED!

Note: The 4.30pm is FULLY BOOKED.

Christmas Eve: Mass 4.30pm (Exclusively a children's mass) (To come dressed as your favorite biblical character.). REGISTRATIONS

Christmas Eve: Mass 6pm. REGISTRATIONS CLOSED.

Christmas Eve Mass 8pm REGISTRATIONS CLOSED.

Christmas Day: Mass 7am. Quad in the school 100 people. Must register.

Christmas Day: Mass 9am. Quad in the school 100 people. Must register. Live Streamed