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I have chosen Jesus

God is love; every person is loved by God.....
 This is a message that you, young people of today, are called to receive and to shout aloud to those of your own age: "Man is loved by God! This very simple yet profound proclamation is owed to humanity by the Church"

(Christifedeles Laici, n.34).
 (John Paul II, message for the twelfth World Youth Day, 1997, n.9)

Australian Catholic Youth Festival – ACYF

Registrations are still open (\$280). Young people are encouraged to continue to register. University students can register with a group of uni students contact unicatholics@sydneycatholic.org. Our Deanery Coordinator can still add names to our Central Deanery group contacts are Teresa 0424 880 074 & John 0401 236 669 or email: centraldeanerysydney@gmail.com



Catholic Bushwalking Club

Looking for new members. Bushwalking, Camping, Canyon and Skiing trips. Please apply via website www.cbcnsw.org.au or contact Linda 0478 919 427.

Confusion on the postal vote?

Some people are becoming annoyed and confused about voting on the "same sex-marriage" issue. This may have been caused by: undue pressure about how to vote; over simplification on the issue; apparent support for one side or the other from unexpected quarters. Our advice is to follow the original suggestion of our Archbishop Fisher i.e. to read carefully the advice given and make a mature decision about how to vote.

St Felix Fete - 11 November 2017

Plants

We would like to start collecting plants that we can sell at our Fete. If you have any plants you would like to donate please bring them to the presbytery.

Donations
are greatly
Appreciated!

Prizes

We are looking for donations of gifts, vouchers or money to buy gifts suitable for the Chocolate wheel and major Raffle. Please contact Parish Office if you can donate.

PLANNED GIVING PROGRAM REQUEST FORM

Would you like to become a regular contributor to the Parish?

If so, please fill in this slip and return it to the Parish Office. Otherwise send an e-mail with your details to Marie at admin@stfelixparish.org.au

Name..... Telephone No.:

Address:.....

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Mass times: Saturday 6pm (Vigil), Sunday 8am, 10am (Children's Liturgy), 6pm, 12noon (Polish).

Vietnamese Mass: 7 pm 1st Thurs of each month. **Saturday Morning Benediction - 7.00am.**

Reconciliation: Saturday 4.30 - 5.30 pm. Or by appointment Rosary: Saturday 8.25am

This week - Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday - 8.00am

Wednesday - 7.30pm Young Adults Bible Study in Meeting Room, 8.30pm Benediction.

BAPTISMS: Baptism preparations are held on the 1st Sunday of each month after 10am mass in the presbytery. Baptisms by appointment.

MARRIAGES: Please contact priest at least 6 months prior to wedding date.

SICK CALLS: Anytime. If you know of anyone who needs anointing please ring the presbytery.

Month of Prayer & Fasting for Marriage & Families



Today and throughout this week we pray for all marriages and families in Australia.

Heavenly Father, grant that our families may be places of communion and prayer, authentic school of the Gospel and small domestic Churches. Make us ever more mindful of the sacredness and beauty of the family in God's plan.

Catholic Mission Appeal

In Bujuni, a remote parish deep in the heart of Uganda, bringing life into the world is often fraught with danger. Many women take great risks to get to the nearest affordable maternity ward at St Luke Bujuni Health Centre. Despite the tireless work of Sister Mary Goretti and her small staff, the health centre does not have the capacity to deal with the influx of high-risk pregnancies amongst the many expectant mothers. Sadly, the potential consequences can be tragic. With your support through Catholic Mission, Sister Goretti is hoping to expand St Luke's and provide essential services for women and children. **Please give generously in the envelopes provided to support women and children's health through Jesus' life-giving mission today.**
Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/uganda



26th Sunday in Ordinary Time - A - 1 October 2017



practice or preach

There is a story told of a husband and wife both of whom are doctors - one is a doctor of theology and the other is a doctor of medicine. When their doorbell is rung and the maid answers, the inquirer would often ask for '*the doctor*'. The maid's interesting reply was: "*Do you want the one who preaches or the one who practices?*"

Word versus action is what Jesus reminds us in today's parable about the man who had two sons. He went and said to the first, "*My son, you go and work in the vineyard today.*" He answered "*I will not go.*" But afterwards he thought better of it and went. The man went and said the same thing to the second who answered, "*Certainly, sir*" but did not go. Sometimes I wonder who is serving God most? the one who is preaching the word of God or the one who is doing God's work?

We live in a fast changing world where work place is the centre of most people's lives, next comes the family. Then the Church, if it comes in at all, is usually a poor sixth or seventh. Most Churchgoers simply do not have time to get involved with the Church's activities. They just want the worship service to be pleasantly uplifting. Meanwhile there is a minority who do generously invest their volunteer time in the Church. They want to actualise the Church as a place of the kingdom of God on earth. It is wonderful to see more involvement from the laity, people who see themselves as a part of the living church.

Jesus tells us in the Gospel today. "I tell you solemnly, tax collectors and prostitutes are making their way into the kingdom of God before you. John came to you, a pattern of righteousness, but you did not believe in him, and yet the tax collectors and prostitutes did. Even after seeing that, you refused to think better of it and believe him."

Let us pray that we will never use religion to exclude others and may we be conscious of God's work and try to respond to it generously and courageously.

Catechism of the Catholic Church

546 Jesus' invitation to enter his kingdom comes in the form of parables, a characteristic feature of his teaching. Through his parables he invites people to the feast of the kingdom, but he also asks for a radical choice: to gain the kingdom one must give everything. Words are not enough, deeds are required.

This week's Readings - Ezekiel 18:25-28; Philippians 2:1-11; Gospel - Matthew 21:28-32

Fete Meeting

The next Fete meeting will be held this Tuesday 3rd October commencing at 7.00pm in the presbytery.

Thông Báo

Trong tâm tình quý mến và biết ơn đến Cha chánh xứ Dominic Đinh Văn Trung, người đã coi sóc giáo xứ St Felix De Valois Bankstown trong 12 năm qua.

Trước khi Cha đi nhận sứ vụ mới chúng tôi kính mời quý cụ, quý ông bà và anh chị em đến tham dự thánh lễ hợp lời cầu nguyện cùng Cha xin Chúa chúc lành và ban muôn hồng ân đến Cha khi đi nhận sứ vụ mới.

Thánh lễ sẽ vào chiều ngày thứ năm đầu tháng 05-10-2017 vào lúc 7 giờ chiều, sau thánh lễ sẽ có tiệc ăn nhẹ và cũng là dịp thể hiện tình Cha con trước khi chia tay.

TM/BTC Nguyễn Đức Hợp

Catholic Care

Brochures are available in the Church foyer on the services provided by Catholic Care to the community. Please take one home to read.

Wedding Congratulations

Matthew Scott Wicks & Michelle Anne Chircop

are married at St Felix this weekend. Please keep them in your prayers.



Mass Intentions: Recently Deceased: Connie Rebola; Marriza dela Pena Belarmino; Sue Gendy; Angelo Riso.



Anniversary: Brett Daughty; Maria Nguyen Tai Vui; Concepcion de Ocampo Martinez; Phaolo, Maria & Vincent; Bernard Danh; Eugenie Thien Tai Tran; John Baptist Tuong; Jean Marie An; Benjamin Tonel; Gil Tonel; Marina Tonel; Ramon Tonel.

Deceased: Maria Pham Thi Nu

Sick: Jason Timbs & Bart Hennely, Dau (Xuan); Gerard Go; Maria Tuu Nguyen; Fatima; Catherine & Lourdes Raspanti; Tim Logue; baby Alan Dien Quan Nguyen; Monina Rodriguez Pineda; Tenshi Asriel Magdaleno Arcenas; Vaoliko Pesamino, Ethan Chau, Douglas Needham; Anne McKinlay; Shirley Salter; Howard & Betty Pryde

Next Weekend - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year A

Readings: Isaiah 5:1-7; Philippians 4:6-9; Gospel - Matthew 21:33-43.

Feasts of the Week

2 October - The Holy Guardian Angels. Memorial.

This feast originated in Portugal early in the sixteenth century and has figured in the general calendar since the late seventeenth century. It is based on the belief that God assigns everyone an angel to guard body and soul, an expression of God's personal care for each individual. A similar belief is also found in Jewish and other religious thought. The feast associates the human race with the eternal song of praise in heaven (*Matthew 18:10*).

4 October - St Francis of Assisi. Memorial.

Born in Assisi (Italy) in 1181 or 1182. Died nearby on 3 October 1226. The carefree son of a wealthy merchant who gave up his inheritance to embrace utter poverty. Under a simple gospel rule, he and his Friars Minor were authorised to be mendicant preachers. His "Cantic of the Sun" captures his lyrical spirit and sense of oneness with all creatures. An outstanding example of the beatitude "Blessed are the poor in spirit". At the end of his life he bore in his flesh the marks of Christ's suffering. Remembered for preaching the poor and crucified Christ in both word and humble action.

7 October - Our Lady of the Rosary. Memorial.

This commemoration was established in 1573 in thanks-giving for a Christian victory over the Ottoman forces at Lepanto. It entered the general calendar in the eighteenth century. It is a memorial of the Virgin Mary as honoured in the rosary, a form of prayer combining the salutation of the angel (Luke 1:28) with meditation on the saving mysteries of Christ. Originally the rosary was the laity's "psalter," the *Hail Marys* replacing the 150 psalms.

Altar Society: 8/10/17 Group 2: Robyn Molloy, Enid Sneddon, Teresa Neang, Jeannette Chong, Anna & Willy Gabut, Maria Huong Nguyen (*Florist*)

St Vincent de Paul: 8/10/17 Thom Pham 15/10/17 J Obeid

Church Cleaners: 6/10/17: Polish Group **Children's Liturgy:** 8th Oct - HOLIDAYS

Weekend Choir: 8/10 Saturday 6pm - St Anne's Choir
Sunday 8am - Singing Servants of God **Sun 10am** - St Felix Choir.

Readers & Ministers

1 OCTOBER				
	Sat 6pm	8am	10am	6pm
C	Emmanuel Icard	Mary Buckley	Emanuela Viner	Lucia Mezentsef
R	Kalisiana Mar	Thuy Linh Nguyen	Thu Ha Kim	Kathleen Mezentsef
A	Tuyen Tran (A)	Joseph Cao (A)	Anthony Joseph (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
M	Emmanuel Icard	Mesake Mar	Thong Tran	Amelia Mezentsef
M	Gloria Booby	Robyn Molloy	Joe Luongo	Judy Jones

8 OCTOBER

C	Stephen Hoang	Philip Castillo	Jennifer Nguyen	Elias Eltarraf
R	Gloria Booby	Ligaya Castillo	Anthony Rowe	Anthony Eltarraf
A	Joseph Bui (A)	Joseph Cao (A)	Thong Tran (A)	Thanh Vu (A)
M	Emmanuel Icard	Mesake Mar	Ala Pesamino	Paul Ngoc
M	Tuyen Tran	Madelyn Nicole	Jeannette Chong	Loreto Eduardo