

Please Pray for

OUR SICK - Bert Vanden Akker, Jeanette Betros, Brian Dunsford, Jacki Rowland, John Huges, Zoe Brookes, Baby Isla, Lara Moyle, Lorenzo Paolacci, Andrew Cobourn, Kara Kennedy, Riley Kemp.
RECENTLY DECEASED - Esyang Agrabnte.
REMEMBRANCE - Mathew Saleeba, Joseph Salibo, Marie Antoniette Williams, Mary Mathai, Leonardo Delos Santos, Feliza Andres.
WEDDING ANNIVERSARY - Kevin and Margaret Burke (50th).

Safeguarding Children and Young People:
 Enquires /Complaints: 0426 211 572
 Policies:
<https://www.frankstoncatholic.com.au/sfx/policies/>
If you see something, say something

 St John's 97899794 Principal Derek Bruitzman	 John Paul College 9784 0200 Principal John Visentin
 St Augustine's 9781 3007 Principal Carrie Rodda	 St Francis Xavier 9783 3424 Principal Stephen Peart

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER PARISH
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ST. JOHN the EVANGELIST PARISH
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This Sunday's Readings	Next Sunday's Readings
1st Reading Acts 15:1-2, 22-29	1st Reading Acts 7:55-60
2nd Reading Rev 21:10-14, 22-23	2nd Reading Rev 22:12-14, 16-17, 20
Gospel Jn 14:23-29	Gospel Jn 17:20-26

SYRO-MALABAR MASS
 Regular services :
Thursday night - 6pm Mass at SFX
First Sunday of month - 5pm Mass at SJE

OFFERINGS
 GIVING BACK TO GOD

St. Francis Xavier	St. John the Evangelist
Presbytery \$799.00	Presbytery \$738.00
Church \$1,424.00	Church \$940.00

Thank you for your continued support

Month of May and Public Rosary
 The month of May is the month of our Lady, and we will pray the Rosary daily before weekday Mass/Communion Service, (Monday to Saturday morning).
St John the Evangelist Church is conducting a Public Rosary on this Friday, 27 May, at 2.30pm to honor our Blessed Virgin Mary. All welcome

St. Francis Xavier's Programme

Sunday Masses
 Vigil Mass: 6.00pm Saturday Evening
 Sunday: 8.30am, 10.30am, 5.30pm

Weekday Masses
 Tuesday - Saturday 9.15am; 1st + 3rd Mondays of the month

Liturgy of Word and Communion Service
 Monday 9.15am; 2nd, 4th + 5th Mondays of the month

Exposition of Blessed Sacrament and Adoration
 Wednesday before 9.15am Mass
 1st Friday of month until 10.00pm

Reconciliation
 Saturday 10am & 5.30pm

Anointing of the Sick Mass
 1st Thursday of month 9.15am

Rosary
 Monday to Saturday before Mass for the month of May

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St Vincent de Paul Society
 good works

New Members Appeal and Blanket and Clothes Appeal
 If you would like to help give back to the community please contact : **For Donations: 1800 621 349**
For Assistance call 9769 6060
SFX Vinnies - Peter Butler: 0410 569 357
Meetings held on 1st & 3rd Mon 4.00pm-5.30pm
SJE Vinnies - Mary Murtagh: 9781 3520
Meetings held on 1st & 3rd Tues 10.00am-11.30am

National Seniors
 Come to our meetings and meet new friends. Held on last Wednesday of month 10.00am - 12.00 noon. Morning tea and a Speaker each month. Call Parish office for more info.

FRANKSTON FRIENDSHIP CLUB
 Fun & Friendship for All. New Members Most Welcome.
 1st Wednesday of month @ 10:30am in Xavier Centre.
 Bus Trips: 3rd Thursday of month
 Contact : Marie 0409 194 888 or Mary 9783 8296.

Please Note! Next Sunday, 29 May, First Holy Communion for Government School Candidates shall take place during 10.30am Mass at SFX.

THANK YOU Thank you for your prayer and good health wishes for Jacqui Williams. Fr. Kevin Williams

24 Hour of First Friday Adoration and Benediction for St Francis Xavier Church is starting next month, June, onwards.

Holy Spirit Novena **Novena to the Holy Spirit** starts **this Friday, 27 May**. We shall be having Adoration and Benediction as part of the Novena to the Holy Spirit.

Cake Stall (Home Baked)
 On Sunday, 29 May, St Francis Xavier is holding a fundraising **Cake Stall** for the Blessed Virgin Mary Grotto.

On behalf of Parishioners of St John the Evangelist and St Francis Xavier we extend a big and warm **thank you to Fr Jude** for admirably "holding the fort" and **Welcome Back** a rested and energized **Fr Chinua!**

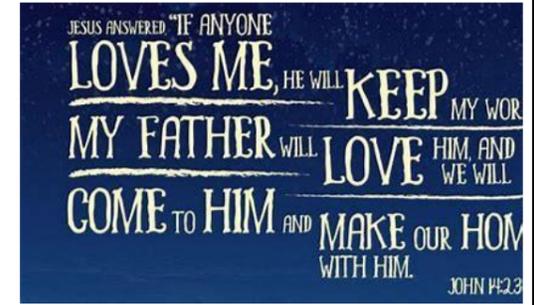
GLAD YOU'RE BACK!

We are asking our Parishioners to donate baked/home made Goodies which will be sold after the weekend Masses
 If you are able to contribute, please put your name on the sheet provided in the foyer and take home an information sheet and food ingredient's label. For more info please contact Parish office 9783 3484.
Thank you for your support.

Gospel - John 14:23-29

The Holy Spirit will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.

Jesus said to his disciples:
 'If anyone loves me he will keep my word, and my Father will love him, and we shall come to him and make our home with him.
 Those who do not love me do not keep my words. And my word is not my own; it is the word of the one who sent me.
 I have said these things to you while still with you; but the Advocate, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all I have said to you.
 Peace I bequeath to you, my own peace I give you, a peace the world cannot give, this is my gift to you. Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.
 You heard me say: I am going away, and shall return. If you loved me you would have been glad to know that I am going to the Father, for the Father is greater than I. I have told you this now, before it happens, so that when it does happen you may believe.'



The Gospel of the Lord. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.



Homily for Sixth Sunday of Easter, Year C

The sixth Sunday of Easter, one figure that featured in all the Readings is the Holy Spirit and the Readings show us the effects of the abiding Presence of God in his Church and of his indwelling in each one of us. Jesus is gradually approaching the end of his earthly ministry, so he promised to send us the Holy Spirit. The Holy Spirit is the radiant glory that enlightens us. If we remain docile to him, he will guide us in all our decisions and ways through life.

The first Reading, taken from the Acts of the Apostles, tells us how the Holy Spirit, indwelling in the Church, helped the Apostles to solve major doctrinal problems. In fact in the whole of Acts of the Apostles, the Apostles did not take any decisions without consulting the Holy Spirit. Also, they could not carry out any serious mission without the Holy Spirit. "The Holy Spirit and we have decided," they said.

The second Reading begins thus: "In the Spirit, the angel took me to the top of an enormous mountain... ." Of course, there is no way John could have seen these things without the help of the Holy Spirit. This Reading taken from the Book of Revelation describes the Church as the Heavenly Jerusalem which replaces the holy presence of God in the *Holy of Holies* in the Temple in Jerusalem. This New Jerusalem is a city united in love, with the victorious Jesus residing in it and in each of its members.

In the Gospel, as Christ was about ascending back to his father, he promised to send the Advocate to his disciples. The Holy Spirit is the power of Jesus, and yet, a Person in the Trinity, and this Gospel passage reminds us that the Holy Spirit, abiding within us, is our Teacher, our Advocate, and the Source of our peace and joy. The passage offers us a vision of hope as well. Jesus promises his followers that the Holy Spirit will come and instruct them in everything they need to know.

Jesus tells us in today's Gospel passage, that the one thing in life which we can always trust is God's presence. God inhabits our hearts so deeply and intimately that we become the visible dwelling place of God. His living and life-affirming Presence is always with us, yet "hidden" in the very things we so often take for granted. Thus, we are invited to look for and encounter — "God-with-us," yet "hidden" - in the person sitting next to us, in the words we speak, and in the songs we sing at worship.

Jesus teaches us in the Gospel Reading the condition for this indwelling of the Holy Trinity, namely, we have to show our love of God by keeping his word, and this keeping of his word will be facilitated by the Holy Spirit, God's Holy Breath. Jesus further explains that the real source of Christian joy is the certainty that God loves us. We, too, must be ready to express our love for others by our readiness to die for them as Jesus died for us. That we should also remember that true Christian love is costly and painful because it involves sacrifice on our part when we start loving unlovable, ungrateful, and hostile people with Christ's unconditional, forgiving, sacrificial love. But our Christian call is to love others as Jesus has loved us, and as Jesus loves them.

Finally, the Church advises us that we should be aware of the abiding Presence of God within us for we live in the New Covenant of Jesus, daily facing uncertainty, conflict, and temptations. It is this abiding Presence of God within us which enables us to face the future with undying hope and true Christian courage.

The Holy Spirit whom the Risen Lord asked his Father to send upon his Church prompts us to turn to his Holy Scriptures for support and encouragement, enables us to learn the Divine truths, and grants us his peace at all times. However, to be able to receive these gifts, it is necessary for us to spend a little time each day in personal prayer, talking to God and listening to him. We must deepen our relationship with Jesus, learn to get in touch with him, and sincerely love him. When we listen to the Holy Spirit, we will know his plan for our life and his solutions to whatever problems we face. We will be able to love our fellow human beings, and there will be a core of peace within us. The Holy Spirit teaches us through the Scriptures and preaching during the Holy Mass. Jesus loves us and comes to us in Communion. When the Mass is ended, we go forth in the peace of Christ — all this under the guidance of the Holy Spirit.

We need to have the belief that we are not alone. We need only to allow Jesus into our lives to be liberated from our loneliness. Oneness with Jesus is the greatest gift we can give our children, our friends, or those who see no purpose in life. We can help to bring people into unity with Jesus, a unity that will change their lives. As we celebrate this Eucharistic meal, our Mass, let us celebrate in a special way the price Jesus paid for our redemption. May this Eucharistic celebration empower us to lead a true Life of the Spirit! Amen!

Fr. Jude CSSp



CTC Conference 'How do we know Christ Now?'

Celebrating 50 years of CTC
Free online conference (via zoom)
on Friday June 17 2022, 9.30am - 12.30p
For more info Contact Dr Christopher Morris
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Victoria Parade East Melbourne | ctc.edu.au



Aid to the Church in Need A message from Aid to the Church in Need Australia:

ACN has launched its "Helping form the Priests of Tomorrow " global campaign. For 75 years, the benefactors of *Aid to the Church in Need* have generously supported the formation of seminarians. In fact, some of these men now serve as priests in Australia today! At the current time, ACN is supporting some 15,000 seminarians on the path to the priesthood. Please read and reflect on their stories and discern to help us, spiritually and financially, to form the priests of tomorrow www.aidtochurch.org/seminariansglobal



Pentecost Sunday

Fr Chinua and Fr Jude extend an invitation to everyone to join in a morning tea after the 0.00am/10.30am Mass to celebrate their Feast Day. Please bring a plate to share.



Our Lady Mary Help of Christians Feast Day

This TUESDAY MAY 24TH is the FEAST DAY of OUR LADY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PATRON OF AUSTRALIA.

You are encouraged to make a special effort to attend 9.00am / 9.15am Mass and the preceding ROSARY at 8.30am / 8.50am.

Heaven knows we desperately need the INTERSESSION of our BLESSED MOTHER ON OUR LOVED COUNTRY AUSTRALIA and around the WORLD.

Please bring a fresh flower for our Blessed Mother.

God Bless. Maureen Sharpe.

In The Footsteps of Mary Mackillop (An Australian Pilgrimage)

Lead by a facilitator of the Sisters of Saint Joseph and the inaugural Director of the Mary Mackillop Heritage Centre Melbourne
18 - 29 October 2022

For more info, booking and enquiries please call (02) 8912 4818

Email : national.pilgrimage@mmp.org.au
www.marymackillopplace.org.au



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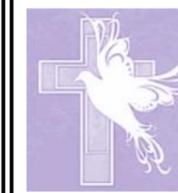
SUNDAY
29/5

Save the date!

- 2pm Hymns - La Salette Statue
- 2.10pm Rosary for the Children
- 2.30pm How to be a mother in the light of the Bible
- 3.00pm Coffee break (Cake stall)
- 3.20pm Rejection x Overcoming (The consciousness that before praying for our children we first need to be healed as women and mothers)
- 4.00pm The Movement of Mothers who Pray for their Children (Charism, Pillars, Patroness, Methodology, Services, Contact and Starting a group)
- 4.40pm Adoration and Benediction
- 5.30pm Holy Mass

Scan QR code for more info or call 0478 362 049
Carolina Cetenaeski

St Francis Xavier Parish
60 Davey St, Frankston VIC 3199



We are taking names for **Confirmation** for Year 6 Students
Please contact Parish office 9783 3484 to register your child's name or email us at frankston@cam.org.au



Legion of Mary

SFX - Fridays, 10.45am in Quilter Room
SJE - Thursdays, 1.30pm in Flower Room
Commitment required.

AUDITIONS NOW OPEN for 'Call of Guadalupe' an Australian-grown Catholic Musical!

Our musicals have gone around Australia & overseas. You are welcome to be involved in this splendid show on stage in November. A great opportunity to DEVELOP YOUR SKILLS in the Performing Arts. Learn how to act, sing or help backstage with FREE Drama & Singing Classes starting Saturday, 4 June, in the Burwood and Chelsea area.

Visit www.cogtheatre.org For audition details: call Von 0423 886 984 or Geraldine 0413398528 or email us at: cogtheatregroup@gmail.com

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26 - 28 May 2022
Inspiration and Formation for everyone engaged in the life of our Church
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