

MASS ROSTER							
Date		Commentator	Lector	Organist	M of C	M of C	DPO
28-Aug	5:30pm	Masterson	Baz	Dewhirst	Mullins	Goonan T	Volunteer
29-Aug	8:00am	Hollis	Reilly	Mcauliffe	Carrol	Burgess Peter	Brady
	10:am						
4-Sep	5:30pm	Cook	Webber	Adams	Adams	Studdert	Evans
5-Sep	8:00am	Burgess	Gibson	Carroll	Lieschke	Harris	Reilly
	10:am	Martens	Gleeson	Dewhirst	Brown	Terry	Locke

### LAST WEEKS COLLECTIONS INCLUDING DIRECT GIVING

1st Collection \$245.00 2nd Collection \$945.00  
 Thank you for your much needed continued support.

### PARISH CALENDAR

**Sunday, August 29:** Barclay Family Lunch at Uneke 12pm RSVP by August 23rd (donald.mcrae7@bigpond.com or 0422049885) as numbers will affect where we will be seated

**Wednesday, September 1:** Mass of Legion of Mary centenary in St Michael's Cathedral at 6pm.

**Thursday, September 2:** Mass at Caloola Court at 10.00am.

**Saturday, September 4:** Presentation Associates meet at Nagle Terrace, at 2pm.

**Thursday, September 9:** Anointing Mass Sacred Heart Parish Centre 10am

### Pope Francis' Prayer Intention – August 2021

The specific vocation of the Church is evangelization, which isn't proselytism, no. Its vocation is evangelization; even more, the Church's identity is evangelization.

We can only renew the Church by discerning God's will in our daily life and embarking on a transformation guided by the Holy Spirit. Our own reform as persons is that transformation. Allowing the Holy Spirit, the gift of God in our hearts, remind us what Jesus taught and help us put it into practice.

Let us begin reforming the Church with a reform of ourselves, without prefabricated ideas, without ideological prejudices, without rigidity, but rather by moving forward based on spiritual experience —an experience of prayer, an experience of charity, an experience of service.

I dream of an even more missionary option: one that goes out to meet others without proselytism and that transforms all its structures for the evangelization of today's world.

Let us remember that the Church always has difficulties, always is in crisis, because she's alive. Living things go through crises. Only the dead don't have crises.

**Let us pray for the Church, that she may receive from the Holy Spirit the grace and strength to reform herself in the light of the Gospel.**



# Sacred Heart Parish Koorungal

## 21st/22nd August, 2021

### Sunday Mass Times:

Sat. Vigil: 5:30pm Sunday: 8am and 10am

### Daily Mass Times:

Monday, Wednesday: Friday 5:45pm

Tuesday-Thursday 7am.

Saturday: 9.30am

Changes of Mass times on Chapel door.

Reconciliation: Sat. 10.00am-10.30am

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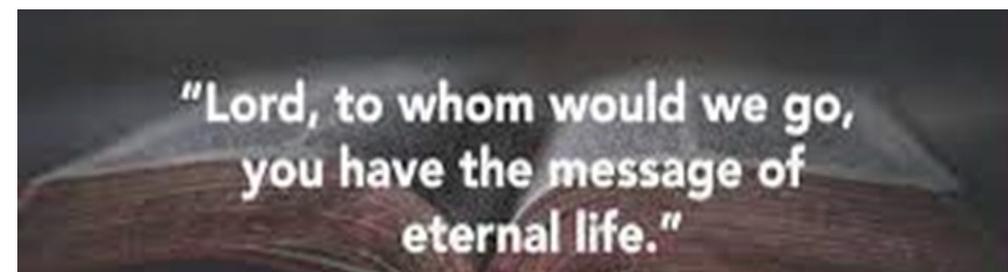
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### PRAY FOR:

**RECENTLY DECEASED:** Dorothy Waterford, Frances Melloney Wade, Peter Koth, Sharon Taylor, Norm Corbett, Sr. Carmel Clancy pbvm, Steven Bourke, Joan Druett (Marian Pitura's mother), Dorothy Castle, Edmond Dearn, Debbie Cox, Mary Kennedy (Trish Goonan's sister in law) and Andrew Winslett (Marg and Harry Edmonds' grandson), Francis B. Conlan., Margaret Matthews (SHP Principal's mother), William Longmore, Lyle McPherson (Nola Baker's Brother-in-law), Ron Terry, Mike Fogarty, Sr. Barbara Hallam pbvm, David Pulver.

### ANNIVERSARIES/ REMEMBRANCES:

**SICK:** Ilona Gortva, Laurence Roche, William Trist, Miriam McCoy, Joanne Huckel, Mary Condell, Shivaun Clifton, Barry Parnell, Hayden O'Callaghan, June Kimber, Denise Goonan, Adam Horsley, Shirley Gabriel, Brianna Papworth, Harry Edmonds, Jeff Edwards, Gwen Castle, Margaret Casey, Fran Ellis, Stephen Buchanan, Ian Buchanan, Liam Hatt (Claire Baker's grandson), Fr. Luke Fongi (Singapore), Jack Bradnam (David Pattison's Nephew), Bruce Price.



# TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME, YR B

To prepare for next Sunday's Mass go to St Louis Jesuits – The Centre for Liturgy website: <http://liturgy.slu.edu> and/or Jerusalem Bible Translation of Readings: <http://www.universalis.com/>

**FIRST READING:** A reading from the book of *Joshua 24:1-2.15-18*

Joshua gathered all the tribes of Israel together at Shechem; then he called the elders, leaders, judges and scribes of Israel, and they presented themselves before God. Then Joshua said to all the people: 'If you will not serve the Lord, choose today whom you wish to serve, whether the gods that your ancestors served beyond the River, or the gods of the Amorites in whose land you are now living. As for me and my House, we will serve the Lord.' The people answered, 'We have no intention of deserting the Lord our God who brought us and our ancestors out of the land of Egypt, the house of slavery, who worked those great wonders before our eyes and preserved us all along the way we travelled and among all the peoples through whom we journeyed. We too will serve the Lord, for he is our God.'

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM:** *Ps 33:2-3. 16-23*

*Taste and see the goodness of the Lord*

I will bless the Lord at all times, his praise always on my lips;  
in the Lord my soul shall make its boast. The humble shall hear and be glad.

The Lord turns his face against the wicked  
to destroy their remembrance from the earth.

The Lord turns his eyes to the just and his ears to their appeal.

They call and the Lord hears and rescues them in all their distress.

The Lord is close to the broken-hearted; those whose spirit is crushed he will save.

Many are the trials of the just man but from them all the Lord will rescue him.

He will keep guard over all his bones, not one of his bones shall be broken.

Evil brings death to the wicked; those who hate the good are doomed.

The Lord ransoms the souls of his servants.

Those who hide in him shall not be condemned.

*Taste and see the goodness of the Lord*

**SECOND READING:** A reading from the letter of St Paul to the *Ephesians 5:21-32*

Give way to one another in obedience to Christ. Wives should regard their husbands as they regard the Lord, since as Christ is head of the Church and saves the whole body, so is a husband the head of his wife; and as the Church submits to Christ, so should wives to their husbands, in everything. Husbands should love their wives just as Christ loved the Church and sacrificed himself for her to make her holy. He made her clean by washing her in water with a form of words, so that when he took her to himself she would be glorious, with no speck or wrinkle or anything like that, but holy and faultless. In the same way, husbands must love their wives as they love their own bodies; for a man to love his wife is for him to love himself. A man never hates his own body, but he feeds it and looks after it; and that is the way Christ treats the Church, because it is his body - and we are its living parts. For this reason, a man must leave his father and mother and be joined to his wife, and the two will become one body. This mystery has many implications; but I am saying it applies to Christ

and the Church.

The Word of the Lord. **Thanks be to God.**

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** *Jn 6:63. 68*

*Alleluia, alleluia! Your words, Lord, are spirit and life, you have the words of everlasting life. Alleluia!*

**GOSPEL:** *John 6:60-69*

A reading from the holy Gospel according to John. **Glory to you, O Lord.**

After hearing his doctrine many of the followers of Jesus said, 'This is intolerable language. How could anyone accept it?' Jesus was aware that his followers were complaining about it and said, 'Does this upset you? What if you should see the Son of Man ascend to where he was before? 'It is the spirit that gives life, the flesh has nothing to offer. The words I have spoken to you are spirit and they are life. 'But there are some of you who do not believe.' For Jesus knew from the outset those who did not believe, and who it was that would betray him. He went on, 'this is why I told you that no one could come to me unless the Father allows him.' After this, many of his disciples left him and stopped going with him. Then Jesus said to the Twelve, 'What about you, do you want to go away too?' Simon Peter answered, 'Lord, who shall we go to? You have the message of eternal life, and we believe; we know that you are the Holy One of God.'

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

## GOSPEL CONNECTION

### Hard Sayings

Many people walked away from Jesus after he spoke about being the Bread of Life. This passage is often called “the crisis” in John’s Gospel; Jesus loses a large portion of his followers back to the world after this. He turns to the Twelve, to test their willingness to remain. As usual, Peter represents the group with his fearless answer, “Lord, where would we go?”

Suppose you were to reject the life of faith today as being too demanding. The Church’s teachings aren’t contemporary enough. The leadership seems flawed. The liturgy needs work. The community is, for all its professions of faith, just a bunch of sinners. If you bundled all of your grievances against the Church into a handkerchief and tied it to a stick and got ready to walk, just where would you be going?

Most people who walk away in anger have only their anger for company. Most “retired Christians” I know still carry that handkerchief of outrage around with them, dangling from the stick. We can imagine that those who become disillusioned with Jesus muttered about it for years to come. “Some prophet he was, Some Saviour!” But those who stayed with him and his words of eternal life, got past the cross and all the way to Easter.

*What is the hardest saying of Jesus for you? How do you live with it?*

Perform a ritual of reconciliation with the Church itself. What has affected your relationship with the Church the most: that it has changed so much, or not enough? Ask for the ability to forgive and pray for understanding. ([gpbs.org.au](http://gpbs.org.au))