

ST PIUS X, RAIWAQA, PARISH NEWSLETTER

TO RESTORE ALL THINGS IN CHRIST

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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME -: YEAR C 07/07/19

Sunday and Weekday Mass Schedule

Sundays: 7:00 am & 8:30 am

Weekday 6:30 pm - [Monday to Friday]

Saturdays & Public Holidays: - 8.30am.

Wednesday Fijian Mass [Misa Vakaviti]

Thurs Holy Hour, Adoration & Benediction: 5.00pm – 6.pm

Holy days 7:00 am.& 7:00 pm. except Christmas & New Year.

Confessions: - Friday & Saturdays after Mass.

Baptisms: The 8.30am Mass on the first Sunday of the month is reserved for Baptisms. Parents seeking baptism for their child make arrangements with Community Leader and Priests before commencing session with Baptism helpers.

Matrimony: Those preparing for marriage must contact a priest at least 3 months before and are required to undertake preparation sessions. Guidelines available at the Parish Office.

RCIA: (Can we recommend and enroll new members from the Communities for this year's RCIA Training)??

BAZAAR BAZAAR BAZAAR: 20 Days to go:

We are now heading down the home straight with the Annual Parish Bazaar up ahead. Thank you all for going flat out with your fundraising efforts to ensure you reach your targets and beyond. Let's go one up this year by bettering last year's record where we all hit the mark this time round. All the best!!!

The 14th Sunday of Year: Reflection - Going out Two by Two.

When Jesus sent out his disciples to continue his work, he gave them definite directions. Afterwards they returned in a spirit of celebration, to report their missionary success.

Our discipleship can be summed up in two phases: "Come and see" and "Go and tell." If we have personally felt the value of having Jesus in our lives, we will want to tell others about him. There is a difference between witnessing and preaching. We are all called to witness, but not all are called to preach. Many good Christians would melt rather than preach in public. But we can all bear witness to Christ, through the quality of our living. Let's ask ourselves the challenging question attributed to G. K. Chesterton: "If you were accused of being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you?"

Imagine there were only a hundred people alive on this earth, after a nuclear disaster. On today's statistics, about seventy of them would be poor, while thirty would be comparatively well off. Ninety-three of them would have to grumble that seven of them owned half the money, ate one third of the food, and had more doctors looking after them as the other ninety-three. The real problem is when the seven have the nerve to attempt to evangelise the ninety-three! How can they tell about the wonderful Saviour they have, who talks about sharing, feeding the hungry, while the seven throw out more food than would feed all of the ninety-three! A certain simplicity of lifestyle would be needed, if the good news is to be really credible from those who try to share it.

Columban News:

Workshop and Training on the Columban 'Child Protection Policy of the Fiji Region' was held at the Central House on Friday 5th July. A number from the Parish was invited to attend.

CCIM Celebration of their Silver Jubilee – on the 6th July at Sacred Heart College started with Mass at 9.00am. The high light of the celebration was the announcement of the winners of the Wellness Programme that 17 teams took part in. Congratulations to all members of CCIM on their Silver Jubilee.

From Fr Martin Koroiciri: I hope this letter finds you well and fit for action. I just wanted send my greetings across to you and everyone in the Region. I finally landed in Chile on Sunday in the middle of winter (I think) with a temperature of 8°. I also want to thank you all from my home Region. Vinaka saka valevu na veisusu ena bula vakayalo. I wish you all the best for the endeavors of the coming year.

Children's Catechism classes resume this morning after both Masses. Thanks to Communities 7A and 7B for the refreshments this morning. We welcome St Cecilia's for refreshments next Sunday. Vinaka.

In Loving Memory: of *Dionisa Soqonia Maria Nasara Chand*, who was called to God the other week after fighting a long battle with illness. Maria, the wife of Matthew Chand, daughters are Bernadette and Taniah of St Jacob's community, was buried in Nasinu last Friday after her requiem Mass here in the parish. She was an active member of the Lector's group. RIP Maria.

Archdiocese of Suva Post Synod: *So, where do we go from here?* The Archbishop was presented with the Synod Document last Sunday at the Synod Closing Eucharistic Celebration. The document communicates the people's opinions and aspirations for the Archdiocese of Suva. In the Synodal declaration that he will sign in the near future, he will accept and endorse the nine propositions as having the highest priority for his Archdiocese of Suva pastoral plan. (*See the Titles of the Nine Synodal Propositions in next week's publication*)

Parish St Vincent de Paul Central Eastern Street Appeal (6 July – 14 September) is a 3-month initiative that will be carried within the vicinity of Suva area. Proceeds from the Street Appeal will go towards the financial upkeep of Fr Law Home. Every donation is highly appreciated.

Women of the Parish: All members of the Catholic Women's League are reminded to update your levies before this Friday, 12 July. The Annual General Meeting of the CWL will be held in Natovi on the month of August.

Parish Website: This has been updated just a reminder that Newsletter could be sighted or downloaded from the site. **Columban Kaulotu** magazine will be on sale for \$1 only, after the Masses this morning.

Grid Security recruitment drive All unemployed in search of work at the range of age of 25yrs to 35yrs of age, vacancies are available. Call Harold Swann on **775 0111** for further details.

Lectors for Sunday 14 July: 0700 Mass- Children (First); Children (Psalmist); Children (Second);

0830 Mass – Annie (First); Community 5A (Psalmist); Milika (Second);

Family Life: There will be an original weekend for Marriage Encounter combine Nadera and Raiwaqa. We are asked to invite 3 couples to the weekend which will be held on the 12 to 14 July, 2019. Next weekend. Interested couples please see Maciu or Cecilia Vatuloka or Gina Kivi.

Chevalier Youth Trust Board - Mini Bazaar: Saturday, July 13 at the Chevalier Hostel (Lot 17 Rewa Street)

Evangelization News: Prayer meetings continue as usual this afternoon in Church.

Meetings Today and During the Week

1. **Liturgy Commission** meets this morning after the 0830 Mass in the AB Mataca Hall.
2. **Youth Monthly Meeting:** Today at 10am at the priest Car Park - All parish youth, please attend the meeting (Junior Youth will also join this meeting).
3. **St Patrick Community** -Family Catechism facilitated by Fr.Tino continues this evening at 7pm.Many thanks to the faithful families who have seen active participation and faithfully following the program these past few weeks. Other families in the Community are urged to come along and support this great Family initiative.
4. **Our Lady of Hope (4A):** 7 steps will be held at Debbie and Saimoni Ratuyada's residence this Tuesday.
5. **St Gabriel (4A)** 7 Steps will be held at Akosita Vakanawa's home (9Vuiyasawa Lane)
6. **St Peter Chanel Community** meets at Tina Robinson's home at 7.30pm on Wednesday, 10 July.

Meetings coming up later:

1. **Evangelisation Commission** meets on July 14th after 8.30am Mass.
2. **Lectors** meet after the 0830 Mass on Sunday, 21 July, in the Music Room.

Parish Youth: Thank you to all Youths of the parish who participated in the Youth Festival and a big Vinaka Vakalevu to the Communities who donated towards their food preparation for the weekend. **Senior Youth Combined 7 Steps (This Tuesday at 7:30pm):** Raiwaqa (1B+2+3+4A+4B+4C+6+7A+7B) - Parish Hall / Vatuwaqa (5A+5B) - Bruce's Residence.

Youth Interfaith Clean Up (14-35 v/o): Saturday, July 20 starts at 9am at Nase. Details will be posted on the next Sunday's Newsletter.

Central Eastern Youth Meeting will be on Saturday, July 20 at Holy Eucharist Parish at 2pm.

Thanks and Appreciation:

- To St John the Baptist Community for animating the Liturgy during the week and the church cleaning yesterday. We invite St Michael Community to take on this important responsibility from tomorrow evening
- To the Youth, the *NOW* of God (in the words of Pope Francis) for the beautiful singing at the 0830 Mass.
- **For your generous Collections Last Week:** The following is a summary of the collections: 1st Collection: **\$480.25**; 2nd Collection: **\$47.45**; Envelopes pledges: **\$40.00**; **Total Collection: \$567.70**
- For your generous contributions towards SVDP secret bag collection for the month of June: **\$217.75**

Readings for the week: Today Fourteen Sunday In Ordinary Time 7/7: Is 66:10-14c/Gal 6:14-18/Lk 10:1-12, 17-20 or 10:1-9; **Mon 8/7:** Gn 28:10-22a/Mt 9:18-26; **Tues 9/7:** Gn 32:23-33/Mt 9:32-38; **Wed 10/7:** Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a/Mt 10:1-7; **Thur 11/7:** Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5/Mt 10:7-15; **Fri 12/7:** Gn 46:1-7, 28-30/Mt 10:16-23; **Sat 13/7:** Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a/Mt 10:24-33; **Sun 17/7** Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Dt 30:10-14/Col 1:15-20/Lk 10:25-37.