

# ST PIUS X, RAIWAQA, PARISH NEWSLETTER

## TO RESTORE ALL THINGS IN CHRIST

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## FOURTEENTH SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME, CYCLE C: 03/07/16

### Sunday and Weekday Mass Schedule

**Sundays:** 7:00 am & 8:30 am

**Weekday** 6:30 pm - [Monday to Friday]

**Saturday & 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 the Parish Priest 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 are available at the Parish Office.

**RCIA:** Session every Sunday after the 7am Mass.

### **Columban Superior General's Visitation Preparation on the way!**

ALL MEN, CWL and women of the parish, and Community Leaders are humbly requested to attend the quick meeting immediately after the Mass today. Your cooperation will contribute to the turnout of this big event in the life of the parish.

### Reflection for the Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time: Don't Fear Whatever is New

Pope Francis' watchword is clear: "The Church has to get out of herself and go to the edges in order to give testimony to the Gospel and interact with others". He isn't thinking in theoretical terms, but in very concrete steps: "We get out of ourselves in order to find poverty". The Pope knows what he's saying. He wants to draw today's Church toward a renovation that is evangelical and profound. It's not easy. *"Change causes us to be a little afraid, because we feel more secure if we have everything under control, if we do the building, programming, planning of our life according to our own plans, securities and feelings."*

But our Pope isn't afraid of "God's newness". He has presented to the whole Church a decisive question which we will need to keep answering in the coming years: "Are we set on running new paths that God's newness presents us with, or will we entrench ourselves in out-of-date structures that have lost their ability to get us anywhere?" I don't want to hide my joy at seeing Pope Francis call us to bring to life in the Church the evangelizing breath that Jesus hoped would constantly enliven his followers. Luke the evangelist reminds us of his instructions. "Get going." Don't wait for anything. We don't have to hold Jesus inside of our parishes. We need to reveal him in our lives.

"Take no purse with you, no backpack, no extra sandals." Get out into life simply and humbly. Without privileges or power structures. The Gospel doesn't force anyone. It is contagious because of our faith in Jesus and our trust in the Father. When you enter a house, say: "Peace to this house". This is of first importance. Leave behind the condemnations, heal the sick, alleviate the sufferings there are in the world. Tell everyone that God is near and God wants to see us working for a more human life. This is the great news of God's reign. [Source: José Antonio Pagola CM, <http://www.associationofcatholicpriests.ie>]

**Jubilee for Catholic Men:** The Men of the Parish are to animate the liturgy on 10<sup>th</sup> July. Please coordinate with the Family Life Commission heads and Liturgy Commission head.

**Jubilee for the Youth:** is to be celebrated on 26<sup>th</sup> July.

**RCIA Classes** have started last 5<sup>th</sup> June, 2016. A few enquiries had been made—Community Leaders and Evangelisation reps, please take note of the date and inform those interested from your communities. Please see Mrs Sala Navuku.

### Commission on Liturgy and Sacrament:

- (a) **Commission members** are reminded of their regular meeting today straight after the 8:30 AM Mass;
- (b) **Parish Lectors** are also reminded of their regular meeting on 4<sup>th</sup> July after the evening Mass. Please bring your Bibles with you.

**Finance Meeting:** Community Finance reps are remind and invited to the **Meeting tomorrow, 4 July, 8:00 pm at the parish hall; more important matters shall be discussed.**

**Columban Superior General's Visit:** Fr Kevin O'Neil, SSC is visiting the Columbans in Fiji and the people that they serve with. On 9<sup>th</sup> July, Saturday at 3:30 PM, St Pius X Parish, Raiwaqa, will welcome him with a veiqaravivakavanua. Therefore, all Men of the Parish and all those who have been requested to participate in this activity are humbly requested to be at the Parish Hall on 9<sup>th</sup> July in readiness for the sevusevu.

In line with this preparation, requesting the following for a quick meeting immediately after the 8:30 AM Mass today: a) **ALL Men** of the Parish to meet with Master Dan; b) **CWL (and all women of the parish)** to meet at the Parish hall; c) **ALL COMMUNITY Leaders** to meet with PPC Chairperson at the parish hall.

**Parish Bazaar:** is on 30<sup>th</sup> July, 2016 at Swann Park. Many thanks to all the communities who have put so much effort in their fundraisings and community nights and to the committee who have been working tirelessly preparing for the big day.

**St John's College Cawaci & Loreto Past Pupils Association 2016 AGM:** and Get Together will be hosted by the Korolevu Nadroga Branch at the St Peter Chanel Korolevu Parish on Saturday, 16 July, 2016. Transportation will be provided. All former pupils interested to attend, please liaise with Mr Dominiko Tavou of 109 Singh Lane Raiwaqa.

**Application Forms from St Marcellin Vatuwaqa:** (Entry to Class 1-2017) are now available at the school office. It is of the utmost importance to pick up and return this form to the school office immediately if you need a place for your children in Marist Vatuwaqa in 2017.

**Marist Brothers High School Old Boys: Meeting** on Thursday evening, 7 July, at Fr Hurley Hall.

**St Michael Community (5A):** a) **Prayer Meeting** continues every Wednesdays at 7:00 PM; b) **Community Meeting #3** is on Friday, 8<sup>th</sup> July, 2016, 8:00 PM at Sala Qaqa's residence; c) **Community pledge solion** Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> July, 2016 at Cirikisuva residence.

**Charismatic Prayer Meeting:** at 3:00 PM in the church. Invitation is extended to interested parishioners as well.

**Faith Formation Commission News:** CCD continues after the 8:30 am Mass.

(a) **First Holy Communion** classes in the hall (10:00-10:45)

(b) **Pre-Confirmation** classes in the church

**Visitation Schedule to Communities by Parish Team to deliberate on Small Christian Community:**

*A sincere appreciation is extended to everyone for your support to the recently conducted Parish Executive Community visitations. This visitation was conducted to deliberate on Small Christian Communities and practice of the Seven Steps Bible sharing. Responses from all communities are now being collated by the parish team; feedback will soon be relayed to you.*

**From the Ministry of Health:** Parishioners are informed that the ministry is preparing to send a nurse or two to the parish offering the following services: a) **Mondays and Fridays** (every week) – Pap smear and baby clinic; b) **Quarterly** – Talks on different topics regarding health, Pre-Screening, and Kindergarten visitation.

**'Misericordiae Vultus' Pope Francis Encyclical on God's Mercy** It is for sale at \$2.00 per copy. It is a great document on God Mercy for the Jubilee Year of Mercy. Let us all make an attempt to read it.

**For your Generous Contributions:** Thanks to members of St Joan of Arc Community (3) for animating the Liturgy during the week and the clean-up of the church & compound yesterday. We invite Members of St Peter Chanel Community (4a) to continue from tomorrow 4<sup>th</sup> July, 2016.

**Details of last Sunday's Collections published here:** **First Collection - \$ 477.15; Second Collection - \$ 98.25 = \$575.40; Envelope Pledge \$ 215. Thank You so much.**

**Readings for the coming Week:**

**14<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time [03/07/16]** Isaiah 66: 10-14; Galatians 6: 14-18; Luke 10: 1-12, 17-20; MON [04/07/16] Hosea 2: 16-18, 21-22; Matt 9: 18-26; TUE [05/07/16] Hosea 8: 4-7, 11-13; Matt 9:32-38; WED [06/07/16] Hosea 10:1-3, 7-8, 12; Matt 10: 1-7; THURS [07/07/16] Hosea 11: 1-4, 8-9; Matt 10: 7-15; FRI [08/07/16] Hosea 14: 2-10; Matt 10: 16-23; SAT [09/07/16] Isaiah 6: 1-8; Matt 10: 24-33; **15<sup>th</sup> Sunday or Ordinary Time [10/07/16]** Deut 30:10-14; Col 1:15-20; Luke 10:25-37