

# ST PIUS X, RAIWAQA, PARISH NEWSLETTER

## TO RESTORE ALL THINGS IN CHRIST

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### TWELFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME CYCLE C: 19/06/16

#### 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 – 6.00pm

**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.

*“St Therese of Lisieux invites us to practise the little way of love, not to miss out on a kind word, a smile, or any small gesture which sows peace and friendship. An integral ecology is also made up of simple daily gestures which break with the logic of violence, exploitation, and selfishness.” (#230, Laudato Si)*

**Reflection for Twelfth Sunday of the Ordinary Time: *Ending Discrimination.*** People today are more interested in rights and freedoms and personal dignity than a message about self-denial or taking up the cross. Yet today's reading show us a nice balance between human dignity and equality for all and the need for self-sacrifice. Modern freedoms are welcome and too long delayed, but they bring attendant dangers when a culture of entitlement replaces one of responsibility. Just a few points: a) Each should know and rejoice in our own dignity as child of God. But each other person is as good as we are in the eyes of God, equally a brother or sister of Christ; (b) The first duty of a Christian towards his neighbor is to give him his proper dignity as a child of God. Allow him or her to be who and what he or she is; and (c) Remember the one they pierced on the cross. That's the Master we follow. Remember that he is pierced often today in the oppressed, the poverty-stricken, the sick, the neglected. And we tell ourselves, "I must seek for them the

#### ***Laudato Si Week Celebration***

*Care for our Common Home* is a responsibility that we all share. Many thanks to those who came to the awareness symposia, the community activity on Saturday and those who participated today in the liturgy in a special way. More importantly, we continue responding to the deafening cry of the present time—the CRY OF THE EARTH AND THE CRY OF THE POOR. #LiveLaudatoSi

**Parish Bazaar:** will be held at **Swann Park**, beside the church. \$215 is already paid to Suva City council and permit has been granted.

**Things to Remember:** (a) During the bazaar, communities are to take ownership of maintaining the cleanliness of the surroundings and washroom. An hourly roster will be circulated as a reminder; (b) to minimize risk of robbery or delay in money counting communities are encouraged to either back funds raised in parish account or present bank cheques on the bazaar date; (c) Consolation prize is awarded to: **c.1.** Community that achieve(s) target by 30/06/16; **c.2** communities that achieve target on bazaar day.

**RCIA Classes** to start on 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 SalaNavuku.

**Finance Meeting:** is on Monday, 20/06/16, 8:00 pm at the Parish hall.

**MOB Raiwaqa Members:** Meeting today 19/06/16, 5:00 pm at the Parish Hall. Your presence is highly requested.

**Cathedral Secondary School:** is looking for two experienced and qualified handyman. Please submit your application on or before the end of June.

**St Michael Community (5a):**

- (a) *Small Christian Community* consultation scheduled for Monday (20/06/16) be moved to Wednesday (22/06/16). Members of the community, please avail yourselves; your presence is very significant.
- (b) *Prayer Meeting (7 Steps Bible Sharing)* shall continue on Wednesdays @ 7:00 pm.
- (c) *Community Final Soli Day* is this Friday (22/06/16), 8:00pm at Ms SalaQaqa's residence.

**St Peter Chanel Community (4a):**

- (a) *Prayer Meeting (7 Steps Bible Sharing)* this Tuesday, 21/06/16 at 7:30 pm. All members please take note of the slight changes in the venues:
  - i. *All men* will meet at Joseph's residence;
  - ii. *All ladies* will meet at the Parish hall;
  - iii. *All children* will meet at Master Dan Burese's residence at 5:00 pm.
- (b) Family Soli on Saturday, 25/06/16, 5:00 pm at the Parish Hall (Men to contribute; Ladies to cater)

**St Patrick Community (4b):** Executive visitation to the community is moved on Monday, 20/06/16, 7:30 pm at the Hurley hall.

**Charismatic Prayer Meeting:** at 3:00pm 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
- (c) **Meeting of all teachers and CCD helpers** today 05/06/16 to evaluate the CCD program so far

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

Team 1	Team 2
Leader: Vama Members: Angie, Jack, Gina, Thomas Responsible for communities: <b>2, 4A, 4C, 5B, 7A</b> Dates: <b>7A-14/6/16; 4A-15/6/16; 2-16/6/16; 4C-19/6/16; 5B-20/6/16</b>	Leader: Maria Members: Master Dan, Ben, Rafa, Alex Responsible for Communities: <b>1B, 3, 4B, 5A, 7B, 6</b> Dates: <b>3-14/6/16; 4B-20/6/16; 7B-16/6/16; 6-17/6/16; 5A-22/6/16; 1B-21/6/16</b>
<i>The team will also provide feedback on the last visit conducted and provide clarifications for any question asked.</i>	
<b>Community leaders are requested to notify parish teams on adjustment to visitation dates.</b>	

**Walk for Health (24/6/16) & Mum's a Hero Program**

Health experts have termed healthy living practices as the key to longer life and self-preservation. Realistically, it is actually impossible to change lifestyle in one day. It's not just about food, a wide range of exercise are also very crucial. Hence, the recommendation is to start with small decision. Please set aside this date for the **Walk for Health** activity (up Milverton Road, Rewa Street, Nailuva Rd, Grantham Rd, then to Ed's Basketball court) and **Mum's a Hero** program at the Ed's Basketball for Zumba, health checks, and refreshments thereafter. (Families are encouraged to partake in this activity.)

**'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 Cecilia Community (1b) for animating the Liturgy during the week and the clean-up of the church & compound yesterday. We invite Members of St Joseph the Worker Community (2) to continue from tomorrow 20<sup>th</sup> June, 2016.

**Details of last Sunday's Collections published here:** First Collection - \$ 477.15; Second Collection - \$ 98.25 = \$ 575.40; Envelope Pledge \$ 215.00. Thank You so much.

**Readings for the coming Week:**

**12<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time [19/06/16]** Zechariah 12: 10-11, 13:1; Galatians 3: 26-29; Luke 9: 18-24; **MON [20/06/16]** 2 Kings 17: 5-8, 13-15, 18; Matt 7:1-5; **TUE [21/06/16]** *St Aloysius Gonzaga* 1 John 5:1-5; Matt 22: 34-40; **WED [22/06/16]** 2 Kings 22: 8-13; 23: 1-3; Matt 7:15-20; **THURS [23/06/16]** 2 Kings 24: 8-17; Matt 7: 21-29; **FRI [24/06/16]** **NATIVITY OF ST JOHN THE BAPTIST** Isaiah 49: 1-6; Acts 13: 22-26; Luke 1: 57-66, 80; **SAT**

[25/06/16] Lamentations 2: 2, 10-14, 18-19; Matt 8: 5-17; **STS. PETER & PAUL, *Apostles*** Acts 12: 1-11; 2 Tim 4: 6-8, 17-18; Matt 16:13-19