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The NATIVITY of ST JOHN THE BAPTIST 24th June, 2018/Year B

"And he was in the desert until the day of his manifestation to Israel" (v. 80)



John was a member of a priestly family. His mother Elizabeth was a descendant of the family of Aaron, the first priest of Israel, and Zechariah was a practicing Temple priest. While offering incense in the Temple, an angel of the Lord appeared to Zechariah; however, he doubted the angel's announcement of the forthcoming birth of a son (Lk 1:20), and he became mute. On the day of John's circumcision (a rite incorporating the child as a member of the people of Israel, Gn 17:9-12), Zechariah obeyed the angel's command by naming his son John meaning "Yahweh is gracious." Zechariah regained his voice and sang praises to God for having "visited his people with redemption" (v. 68). The people were amazed, wondering what would become of this favoured child of God. For centuries, the voice of the prophets had been silent. That silence

was broken with the proclamation of John the Baptist, the last and greatest of the prophets, who stood at the threshold between the Old and New Testament. The gospel tells us that John's mission was to prepare the way for the Lord.


NOTE: The Church commemorates the saints on the date of their deaths, or "heavenly birthdays." The Nativity of John the Baptist is one of two exceptions in that it is the commemoration of the birth of the saint rather than the day of his death. The other exception is the Virgin Mary. As to the date of the birth of John the Baptist, nothing can be said with certainty. The Gospel suggests that he was born about six months before Christ; but the year of his nativity is also uncertain due to variations in calendars. The Church celebrates the birth of John the Baptist at the time of the year (June 24) when the day begins to grow shorter after the summer solstice, whereas the Nativity of Christ occurs (December 25) when the day begins to grow longer after the winter solstice. This is an embodiment of the words spoken by the Baptist, after the beginning of Christ's preaching:
"He must increase, but I must decrease" (John 3:30).



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NEWTON MASS TIMES
Saturday: 6:00pm (Vigil)
Sunday: 9am, 5pm, 10:30am Italian
Monday-Saturday: 8am
Friday: 7:00pm (in Italian)
LAST Friday: 7:00pm (in English)

CONFESSIONS
Saturday: 11:00am - 12:00 noon
5:00pm - 5:45pm

ADORATION
Weekdays: 8:30am - 9:30am
Friday Nights: 7:40pm - 9:30pm
1st Friday: 8:30am - 5:00pm
& 7:40pm - 9:30pm

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TONIGHT
(FORTH SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH)
at 5:00pm

youth and young adults MASS
INCLUDING CHILDREN'S LITURGY

FOLLOWED BY
reflection for young adults:
FRANCISCAN DEVOTION TO THE MOST SACRED HEART OF JESUS

activity for children:
SCREENING OF BROTHER FRANCIS FORGIVEN

June the month of **SACRED HEART** 24 June 2018
(Fourth Sunday of each month) at 5pm

St Francis of Assisi Catholic Parish, 59 Newton Road, Newton

FEASTS THIS WEEK

Thur 28th - St Irenaeus, bishop, martyr (M)
Fri 29th - Sts PETER & PAUL, apostles (S)

MEETINGS THIS WEEK

All welcome

Monday 25th June 7.00pm
Divine Mercy Group every week - San Nicola Room
Thursday 28th June 10.00am
Legion of Mary Group - Bishop Kennedy Room

ST VINCENT DE PAUL WINTER APPEAL
This appeal in May/June raised a total of \$3717 : a marvellous result.
Thank you to the wonderfully generous and Christian people of Newton Parish.
We are sure God will bless you.

Australind Children's Fund 40th Year Celebration HIGH TEA
Join us for a hilarious, moving High Tea with delicious food, a glass of sparkling wine, fine teas and coffee, raffle and door prizes lead by the irrepressible Dorinda Hafner.
TODAY Sunday 24 June 2018 at 2:00pm
Stamford Plaza Adelaide, 150 North Terrace, (m) 0438513960

STEWARDSHIP


Our Gifts for Weekend of 16th / 17th June

Second Collection:
Weekly Promised Amount: - \$2,993 (as at 5 May 2017)

Pledged Giving:	Offertory Envelopes	\$2856.00
	Direct Debit	\$280.00
	Credit Card	\$694.00
	Total	\$3830.00


Unpledged Giving: Loose Plate \$600.00

Holy Father's Appeal TODAY.
our special collection will be the Holy Father's Appeal or Peter's Pence, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world.
Please be generous. Special envelopes in the foyer.



Appello del Santo Padre OGGI
domenica 24 giugno uscendo di chiesa.
Questa collezione speciale fornisce a Papa Francesco i fondi necessari per portare avanti le sue opere caritatevoli in tutto il mondo. Per favore sii generoso.
Trovarete buste speciali nel foyer della chiesa.

CHURCH CLEANING
We are appealing for volunteers to help clean our church on Saturday mornings. You would be required to do the cleaning for 1 to 1.1/2 hours every 9 weeks. The work involves vacuuming the carpet, dusting pews and so on. If you would like to join in this very worthwhile activity please contact the Parish Office on 8337 3849



PULIZIA DELLA CHIESA
Abbiamo bisogno di volontari per aiutare a pulire la nostra chiesa il sabato mattina per un'ora, un'ora e mezza ogni 9 settimane. Il lavoro consiste di passare l'aspirapolvere sul tappeto, spolverare i banchi ed altro. Se desiderate a partecipare a questa attività molto utile, telefonate l'ufficio parrocchiale 8337 3849.

2018 CAPUCHIN YOUTH FEST!
27 JULY @ 6:00 PM - 29 JULY @ 2:00 PM

CAPFEST
HIS WORD. MY LIFE. FULFILMENT!
27-29 JULY 2018

"HIS WORD. MY LIFE. FULFILMENT!"
A Practical Approach to the Scriptures"

Join other young people (18-35yrs) from around Australia to find out how we can, as young Catholics, approach and apply the Scriptures to our daily life. The weekend will include TALKS, DAILY MASS, ADORATION, GAMES, LIVE MUSIC...and MORE!

PRESENTER Fr. Wojtek Glowacki OFM Cap
VENUE Port Hacking River in the Royal National Park, SYDNEY.
Cost: \$110 (for 2 nights accommodation + food).
Enquiries: Fr Thomas: 0432 362 052, capfest2018@gmail.com


Next ROSARY BEFORE WEEKEND MASSES
will be on the 30th June/1st July weekend.
We are inviting parishioners to have our Pilgrim Statue in their home and pray the Holy Rosary with family & friends.
Please ring the Parish Office - 8337 3849



ADORATION of the BLESSED SACRAMENT
Every FRIDAY
TO PRAY FOR VOCATIONS TO THE PRIESTHOOD & RELIGIOUS LIFE

7.00pm Mass in English (Pro-Life)
Exposition of the Most Blessed Sacrament.
9.30pm Solemn Benediction

THIS WEEK'S ADORATION SUPPORT GROUP
Holy Rosary Group



SOLENNITÀ IN ONORE ALLA MADONNA DEL MONTE CARMELO
DOMENICA 15 LUGLIO
Messa Solenne, ore 10.30am.
TUTTI BENVENUTI




FESTA IN ONORE DI SAN GIUSTINO DE JACOBIS
DOMENICA 29 LUGLIO
ore 10.30am Messa solenne
Processione dopo la messa,
il comitato invita tutte le Associazioni Religiose a partecipare alla processione con i loro stendardi e distintivi



Thank you
We would like to thank San Rocco Committee and John Menechella from Menechella Joinery for their kind donation towards the modifications made to the Projector cupboard in the Church.

PLENARY COUNCIL 2020
As you may be aware Pope Francis gave his approval for the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference to hold a Plenary Council in Australia in 2020. The involvement of our local church is crucial and further details will follow in the coming months. In the meantime, please check the website which has many useful resources: www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au.
If you wish to know more, feel free to contact Sarah Moffatt smoffatt@adelaide.catholic.org.au



FILM NIGHT
All proceeds to aid The Mary Potter Hospice and Calvary North Adelaide
Sunday 1st July at 5.30pm
REGAL THEATRE
275 Kensington Road, Kensington Park
Film: Ocean's 8 - Cost \$25
(incl. hot savouries, sandwiches & sparkling wine)
Tickets available from Jill Harrison on 8431 9323 or mobile: 0411 444 722

ADORAZIONE del SS Sacramento
Ogni VENERDÌ sera
PREGARE PER VOCAZIONI AL SACERDOZIO E ALLA VITA RELIGIOSA

7.00pm Messa in inglese (Pro-Life)
Esposizione del SS Sacramento
9.30pm Benedizione Solenne

QUESTA SETTIMANA È DI TURNO IL GRUPPO DI:
Gruppo del Santo Rosario

Solemnity of the Nativity of Saint John the Baptist/Yr B

ENTRANCE ANTP. (vigil) He will be great in the sight of the Lord and will be filled with the Holy Spirit, even from his mother's womb; and many will rejoice at his birth.
(Mass during the day)
A man was sent from God, whose name was John. He came to testify to the light, to prepare a people fit for the Lord.

1st READING: (vigil) Jeremiah 1:4-10
(Mass during the day) Isaiah 49:1-6

PSALM: (vigil) Ps R. v. 6
Since my mother's womb, you have been my strength.
(Mass during the day) Ps R. v. 14
I praise you for I am wonderfully made.

2nd READING: (vigil) 1 Peter 1:8-12
(Mass during the day) Acts 13:22-26

GOSPEL ACC. Alleluia, Alleluia!
(vigil) He came to bear witness to the light, to prepare an upright people for the Lord.
(Mass during the day)
You, child, will be called the prophet of the Most High; you will go before the Lord to prepare his ways.
Alleluia!

GOSPEL (vigil) Luke 1:5-17
(Mass during the day) Luke 1:57-66, 80

COMM ANTP. (vigil) Blessed be the Lord, the God of Israel! He has visited his people and redeemed them.
(Mass during the day)
Through the tender mercy of our God, the Dawn from on high will visit us.

ON THE ROSTER FOR NEXT WEEK

6.00pm Vigil: 30th June
Commentator: Malcolm Ferguson
1st & 2nd Readers: Beata Dawidowska, Barry Burvill
Ex. Min. Hol. Comm.: Sr Jimsy, A. Burvill, J. Beyer

9.00am: 1st July
If you are unable to attend your 9am rostered day please contact Vanda on 8336 5125
Welcomers: Vivian Lustri, Vanda Bartemucci
Commentator: John Middeldorp
1st & 2nd Readers: Barbara Barnes, Vicki Rubino
Ex. Min. Hol. Comm.: I. Augustine, A. Wardle

10.30am: 1st July
Commentator: Domenic Zollo / Maria Crespan
1st & 2nd Readers: Iolanda Corbo, Antonio Cardone
Ex. Min. Hol. Comm. Sr Jimsy, R. Ruggiero, A. Ruggiero

5.00pm: 1st July
Commentator: Gary Rego
1st & 2nd Readers: Pat Terminello, John Placentino
Ex. Min. Hol. Comm.: Sr Jimsy, D. De Ieso, N. Farina
CLEANERS: 30th June - Leader: Eli Piantedosi,
Johannes & Heidi Beyer, Khai Dinh, Esterina Vial
Toni Visconti, Anne & Ian Wardle

READINGS NEXT WEEK, 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time
1st JULY
Wisdom 1:13-15, 2:23-24 - 2 Corinthians 8:7, 9, 13-15