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**Twenty Eighth Sunday
in ordinary time
10 October 2021**

When some people struggle or fail to live up to an ideal, is it to be abandoned? The simple answer is *No*. So, how do we maintain the ideal yet deal well with failure to reach it? Though not put in those words, that is one of the questions in the ongoing difficult discussions about divorcees who then wish to marry another. The fact that sometimes a husband and wife separate and divorce is not new; it is well testified to throughout history, including in Jewish Law, though the biblical foundation for the actual practice is found only in Deuteronomy 24:1-3 which prohibits marrying a former wife if she had remarried in the meantime. It refers to the practice of issuing a written document of divorce, known by its later Aramaic term as a *Get*, but there is nowhere in the Law that directly permits divorce. The use of the *Get* is otherwise only referred to analogously in Isaiah 50:1 and Jeremiah 3:8, and in the New Testament in Mark 10:4 in today's reading (10:2-16) and Matthew 5:31 and 19:7. This all shows that it was accepted, but not the rationale for its acceptance. At least in later Jewish understanding marriage is not merely an arrangement or contract between a man and woman but a uniting of souls. However, it allows that just as they entered into the union freely, so can they can dissolve it when the husband officially gives, and the wife officially receives, the *Get*. This is not done lightly. The difficulty for us is that the teaching of Jesus in today's gospel (and Matthew 19:3-12, supported in Luke 16:18) seems very clear in closing this off since he teaches that only God can unbind what God has bound (or literally *yoked together*). It is this teaching and not inventive rule-making by the Church that causes our difficulty. But notice also this language of joining and separating is linguistically related to binding and unbinding (or loosening, remitting and forgiving) in the disciples' commission in Matthew 18:18. Those who would more readily accept divorce and remarriage do not adequately explain how we are to observe faithfully Christ's own teaching; at the same time, literal readers of these passages should ask if we have properly or fully understood his meaning and intent.

Rather than dwell on the difficulties of some cases, we should also note the positives. The text that Jesus alludes to is provided as our first reading (Gen 2:18-24) and it is positive, except when misused by too a literal reading that assigns primacy to *the man* and inferiority to *the woman*. The story is typically mythological and so is rich with poetic insight. At one level it conveys the human awareness of the kindred nature of animals, which here are made and presented as "friends, not food" (borrowing from Bruce, the vegetarian shark who says this of fish in *Finding Nemo*). It also acknowledges that while we find companionship with other animal species, nothing can equal that with another human, especially that which is shared between a husband and wife. An element too often overlooked is the place from which something was taken to be built into the woman: his side. An insightful rabbinic interpretation emerges after asking: Why did God take the rib and not a part from the foot or the head? Answer: To show that she is not under him, nor above him, but beside him as his equal. The story itself enshrines the equality between Adam and Eve, husband and wife; much would have been gained, and much misery averted, if that equality, and the respect it demands, had been upheld and practised by society throughout the ages. Our Lord's teachings were not given so as to inflict injustice and harm, but to uphold those ideals that are right and good for all human relationships.

Text: Homily Help - Rev Dr Barry Craig - 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Year B

Sunday Mass Times

Sat Vigil 6pm
Sun 7:30am, 9am, 10:30am, 6pm

Weekday Mass Times

Mon 8.30am
Tues-Fri 9:15am
Sat 9.00am

Masses for Special Occasions

1st Tues 7.30pm Novena Mass
Our Lady of Perpetual Help
1st Fri 7pm Novena Mass
Sacred Heart of Jesus

Exposition + Benediction

1st Fri after 9.15am Mass
1st Sat after 9am Mass
after the Novena Masses

Reconciliation

After any of the weekday masses
Sat: after the 9am mass until 10am
5:15 - 5:45pm before the Vigil Mass

Sacraments

1st Sat 9am Mass for the Sick
Sun 12pm Baptism *by appointment*

Devotions & Prayers

Mon 7.30pm Christian Meditation
via Zoom Frances Pegrum
0417 406715
Tues 7pm Rosary and Novena
Prayer in the church
except for 1st Tues
Fri 6.30pm Christ Catholic
Community Prayer Group
Pauline Camilleri 0407 417039

Our Parish Mission

The parish of St John XXIII is a faith community with the Eucharist as its heart.

Inspired by John XXIII's prophetic opening of the windows of the Church, we welcome the fresh air of the Holy Spirit, inviting every person to share in the responsibility of enriching the life and faith of our community by sharing their gifts and talents."



Entrance Antiphon

If you, O Lord, should mark iniquities, Lord, who could stand? But with you is found forgiveness, O God of Israel.

First Reading

Wisdom 7:7-11

A reading from the book of Wisdom

In comparison to wisdom, I held riches as nothing.

I prayed, and understanding was given me; I entreated, and the spirit of Wisdom came to me. I esteemed her more than sceptres and thrones; compared with her, I held riches as nothing. I reckoned no priceless stone to be her peer, for compared with her, all gold is a pinch of sand, and beside her silver ranks as mud. I loved her more than health or beauty, preferred her to the light, since her radiance never sleeps. In her company all good things came to me, at her hands riches not to be numbered.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 89:12-17

R. Fill us with your love, O Lord, and we will sing for joy!

Make us know the shortness of our life that we may gain wisdom of heart. Lord, relent! Is your anger for ever? Show pity to your servants. **R.**

In the morning, fill us with your love; we shall exult and rejoice all our days. Give us joy to balance our affliction for the years when we knew misfortune. **R.**

Show forth your works to your servants; let your glory shine on their children. Let the favour of the Lord be upon us: give success to the work of our hands. **R.**

Second Reading

Hebrews 4:12-13

A reading from the letter to the Hebrews

The word of God discerns the thoughts and intentions of the heart.

The word of God is something alive and active: it cuts like any double-edged sword but more finely: it can slip through the place where the soul is divided from the spirit, or joints from the marrow; it can judge the secret emotions and thoughts. No created thing can hide from him; everything is uncovered and open to the eyes of the one to whom we must give account of ourselves.

The word of the Lord.

Thanks be to God.

Gospel Acclamation

Matthew 5:3

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! Alleluia!

Come follow me!



Gospel

Mark 10:17-30

A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark

Go and sell whatever you have and come follow me.

Jesus was setting out on a journey when a man ran up, knelt before him and put this question to him, 'Good master, what must I do to inherit eternal life?' Jesus said to him, 'Why do you call me good? No one is good but God alone. You know the commandments: You must not kill; You must not commit adultery; You must not steal; You must not bring false witness; You must not defraud; Honour your father and mother.' And he said to him, 'Master, I have kept all these from my earliest days.' Jesus looked steadily at him and loved him, and he said, 'There is one thing you lack. Go and sell everything you own and give the money to the poor, and you will have treasure in heaven; then come, follow me.' But his face fell at these words and he went away sad, for he was a man of great wealth.

Jesus looked round and said to his disciples, 'How hard it is for those who have riches to enter the kingdom of God!' The disciples were astounded by these words, but Jesus insisted, 'My children,' he said to them, 'how hard it is to enter the kingdom of God! It is easier for a camel to pass through the eye of a needle than for a rich man to enter the kingdom of God.' They were more astonished than ever. 'In that case' they said to one another 'who can be saved?' Jesus gazed at them. 'For men' he said 'it is impossible, but not for God: because everything is possible for God.'

Peter took this up. 'What about us?' he asked him. 'We have left everything and followed you.' Jesus said, 'I tell you solemnly, there is no one who has left house, brothers, sisters, father, children or land for my sake and for the sake of the gospel who will not be repaid a hundred times over, houses, brothers, sisters, mothers, children and land - not without persecutions - now in this present time and, in the world to come, eternal life.'

The Gospel of the Lord.

Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

Communion Antiphon

When the Lord appears, we shall be like him, for we shall see him as he is.

Special Intentions

Recently Deceased:

Vasna

Deceased:

Agnes Novelda Kumentas, Jessica Briboneria
Carlos Alierio

Anniversary:

Sick: Names published with permission.

Jesus Calvo, Tony Muscat, Fr Kevin Walsh,
Rev Fr Jeffrey Fernandes, Natividad Reyes,
Pat Doyle, Colleen McCunnie, Maria Romeo,
Kristy Arceo, Perla Magculang, Iyrika D'Cruz
Elizabeth Candame, Anshu Mala Nand,
Geoffrey Robinson, Raymond Lanzona,
Elizabeth Newnes, Florentina Elisura,
Christina Properzi, Deidre Thomson,
Mavie Dela Cruz, Sophie De Leon,
Greg Marcellana, Isagani Ocampo,
Zenira D'Souza, Virginia Santos,
Dragica Julich

Thanksgiving:



Welcome to the community of the Catholic Parish
of St John 23rd Glenwood-Stanhope Gardens
where the love of Christ is shining in so many
ways.

Church Calendar

October

Mon	11	8:30am - no Mass 7:30pm - Rosary via Zoom
Tues	12	9:15am - no Mass 7:00pm - Novena prayers to Our Lady of Perpetual Help via Whatsapp 7:30pm - Rosary via Zoom
Wed	13	9:15am - no Mass 7:30pm - Rosary via Zoom
Thurs	14	9:15am - no Mass 7:30pm - Rosary via Zoom
Fri	15	<i>Saint Teresa of Jesus (M)</i> 9:15am - no Mass 7:30pm - Rosary via Zoom
Sat	16	No masses 7:30pm - Rosary via Zoom
Sun	17	10:30 - Mass Live-streamed 7:30pm - Rosary via Zoom

COVID-19 NOTICES

Please check out the following sites for any and all updates:

NSW Health COVID site <https://www.health.nsw.gov.au/Infectious/covid-19/Pages/latest-updates.aspx>

NSW Government site <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19>



Check in and help keep everyone safe

By law, some businesses, venues and events need you to check-in.

For ease on contact tracing, as per NSW COVID regulation, a QR Code is displayed at both church doors for scanning purposes.



PUBLIC MASSES WILL BE REOPENED WHEN WE REACH THE 80% TARGET FOR FULLY VACCINATED.

OUR SUNDAY 10:30am MASS WILL CONTINUE TO BE STREAMED LIVED VIA OUR YOUTUBE CHANNEL AND FACEBOOK PAGE.

The NSW Government has recently published its pathway out of the pandemic and lockdowns, with the "roadmap" to easing various restrictions at the 70% and 80% double dose target for those who are vaccinated. There is a further lifting of restrictions to all citizens of NSW regardless of vaccination status from 1 December 2021.

It is envisaged that NSW will achieve its double dose vaccination target of 70% sometime this week and from next Monday 11 October, restrictions will start lifting for places of worship. Although we would be entitled to open our churches for public Masses from this date, we have decided that we will instead wait the estimated two further weeks until we reach the 80% target before conducting public Masses.

In consideration of the roadmap and its implications to the faithful of the Diocese of Parramatta, a staged process should be applied towards full reopening.

Stage 1: When 70% of the double dose vaccination target is achieved by the state

The full details of the 70% roadmap can be found here: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/easing-covid-19-restrictions/70-percent>. Our churches can be reopened for **private prayer and devotion only**. Parishes and parishioners will need to be mindful of the NSW Government requirements for this stage of the roadmap.

Stage 2: When 80% of the double dose vaccination target is achieved by the state

The full details of the 80% roadmap can be found here: <https://www.nsw.gov.au/covid-19/easing-covid19-restrictions/80-percent>.

At this stage of the roadmap, our churches are to open to our entire community. There is no requirement from the Government to check the vaccination status of people attending our churches.

Stage 3: From 1 December 2021

- Density limits will move to one person per 2 square metres for both indoor and outdoor settings.
- Congregational singing can resume at our liturgies and services.
- Mask wearing will be encouraged but will no longer be mandatory for places of worship.

The updated 70% roadmap will allow:

- ☐ 10 visitors to a home (not counting children 12 and under)
- ☐ 30 people to gather outdoors
- ☐ 100 people to attend weddings and funerals
- ☐ Indoor pools to reopen for lessons, training and rehab activities.

PARRAMATTA DIOCESE UPDATES ON COVID19

THE DIOCESE OF PARRAMATTA ENCOURAGES YOU TO CONTINUE YOUR LIFE OF PRAYER AND PARTICIPATION IN THE LIFE OF THE CHURCH DESPITE CHURCH BUILDING CLOSURES.

For more updates and useful resources visit <https://www.parracatholic.org/covid19/#faq>

FAITH FORMATION

⇒ Our Lady of Perpetual Help

Oh Mother of Perpetual Help, grant that I may ever invoke your powerful name, the protection of the living and the salvation of the dying. Purest Mary, let your name henceforth be ever on my lips. Delay not, Blessed Lady, to rescue me whenever I call on you. In my temptations, in my needs, I will never cease to call on you, ever repeating your sacred name, Mary, Mary. What a consolation, what sweetness, what confidence fills my soul when I utter your sacred name or even only think of you! I thank the Lord for having given you so sweet, so powerful, so lovely a name. But I will not be content with merely uttering your name. Let my love for you prompt me ever to hail you Mother of Perpetual Help. Mother of Perpetual Help, pray for me and grant me the favour I confidently ask of you. (Then say three Hail Marys).



"A family that prays together, stays together - Fr Patrick Peyton"

If you want the opportunity of having the statue of Our Lady visit your home, please contact Bart Sarlabus via email bart.sarlabus@gmail.com or Melva Paguinto emcipi85@yahoo.com.au

Novena prayers 7pm every Tuesday except every First Tuesday it's a Novena mass 7:30pm

Rosary Statue Family Roster for Tuesday Nights

	5	12	19	26	
Oct	Erasmio	Sebastian	Shalini	Jacob	
Nov	2	9	16	23	30
	Gan	Barnouti	Ring	Jacob	Melva
Dec	7	14	21	28	
	Jacob	Richards	Richards	Richards	
Jan	4	11	18	25	
	Paguinto	Lozada	Javelosa	Cano	
Feb	1	8	15	22	
	Tanganan	available	Ring	Jacob	
Mar	1	8	15	22	29
	available	Paguinto	Richards	Shalini	Jacob

Families on the roster, if unable to pick up please don't hesitate to contact Bart or Melva.

"Mary joins us, she fights at our side. She supports Christians in the fight against the forces of evil. Especially through prayer, through the Rosary. Hear me out, the Rosary. ... Do you pray the Rosary each day?" Pope Francis

The best way to find yourself is to lose yourself in the service of others. Mahatma Gandhi

We are in urgent need for volunteers to assist in the different pastoral ministries in our Parish.



⇒ SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM FACILITATORS

We require assistance at the children's baptismal rites during Sundays 12pm. For interested parties please contact Deacon Andrew on andren@john23rd.org.au or the Parish Office.

⇒ GARDENERS AND CLEANERS

Garden Bees - our gardens look magnificent thanks to the work of our abled parishioners but more help is needed. The commitment would be whatever time you can spare - a few hours a fortnight to assist in the maintenance of the church's garden surrounds.

Cleaners - we have four teams of cleaners who clean the church on a monthly cycle and four teams who clean the votive candle stands every few months. Both groups need more bodies to help out, urgently. The commitment would be a few hours each month. For more information contact maintenance@john23rd.org.au

⇒ SRE Teachers

If you could spare an hour during weekdays to spread God's word teaching the scriptures to children, **WE NEED YOU**. We currently have 4 public primary schools and a high school in our parish where we hold scripture classes during school hours for 30 minutes during Mondays, Tuesdays, Wednesdays and Thursdays. For more information call Asoki 0430 020265 or Renuka 0414 795814.

Training and resources will be provided.

⇒ WEEKDAY WARRIORS

The church pews are undergoing refurbishment. We are looking for volunteers to help carry some pews down to the basement where they are being repaired. If you can assist, please let Fr Jolly know or call the parish office.

⇒ VINNIES VAN


The Vinnies Van provides food, friendship, compassion and dignity to those experiencing homelessness and social isolation in the Mount Druitt and Parramatta areas. To become a volunteer of Vinnies Van you must be 16 years of age and over and available to attend induction training upon commencement.

For more information on joining the SJ23rd Vinnies Van team, please contact Naomi Reynolds at naomi1.rey@gmail.com



PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

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Dep Chairman	Chris Drummond
Bernadette Virwani	Margaret Harrison
Secretary	Nanette Gamboa
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Parking Reminder

Please make sure when you come to Mass, let us consider our neighbours. Do not block the neighbours' driveway.

Paying our debt together

FIRST COLLECTION - for the support of the priests and deacons of the Diocese.

SECOND COLLECTION - used to meet our parish running costs of the church and provide for ministry expenses; it is also needed to pay off our church mortgage.

Planned Giving Program as part of the second collection

A Planned giving Program is in place to help us with the planning/budgeting for the church expenses. To register, an **SJ23rd form** is available at the church foyer or the website.

The Parish Finance Committee encourages all parishioners to register for direct debit or credit card deductions instead of the envelope system.

We encourage everyone to contribute financially as you leave by using the *TapnGo* machines or online via BPoint. We have *TapnGo* at both the doors.

Praying the Rosary in October



October is a special month on the Catholic Church's liturgical calendar. It is the month of the Holy Rosary, dedicated to the veneration of the Virgin Mary, mother of Jesus.

The Liturgical Ministry will be running rosary prayers every night in October at 7:30pm. Come and join us for a virtual night of prayer hosted by different parish groups.

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://zoom.us/j/98668602031?pwd=N1FRQWF0VEhpWHNtQVlybDdjYDBoUT09>

Meeting ID: 986 6860 2031 **Passcode:** 395838

Note: 30th October, rosary will start at 7:00pm followed by Praise and Worship night.

SPONSOR A PEW



WE are refurbishing our church pews, as a cheaper alternative, to make mass attendance more comfortable and safe for everyone in the parish.

On this note, we would like to invite parishioners, if able, to sponsor a pew. It can be in memory of a deceased loved ones and wish to be remembered or it could be your family's gift to the

parish community. It could also be a way of thanking God for the graces of a lovely family you have and the blessings you received from the Lord. Each pew will cost from \$2,500 each.

To remember the donor family and their loved ones, a small memorial plaque or Donated by plaque will be placed on each Pew, upon request. If you are interested please contact the Parish office on 8883 5981

VIRTUAL

Praise & WORSHIP Night

30/10/2021
Saturday
7:30pm
Via Zoom

Let us keep the momentum on our virtual parish community activity. Join us for a virtual Praise and Worship Night hosted by the multiple parish choirs. It'll be an enjoyable night of singing and worship, 30th October, Saturday, 7:30pm right after the rosary prayer.

Open to everyone to join via Zoom.

Diocese of Parramatta COVID-19 update

Due to stay-at-home orders from the NSW Government, all church buildings, adoration chapels and other buildings used for prayer and religious services are closed. Public Masses have ceased. Many parishes around the Diocese are celebrating Masses online. For more information, please visit the Diocesan website www.parracatholic.org/covid19

'The Well' offers spiritual nourishment during lockdown

Need some inspiration and spiritual encouragement during lockdown? Why not check out The Well? The Diocese's 'on demand' streaming site has a tonne of video and prayer resources for you to explore and engage with during this difficult time. Check it out on www.thewell.org.au

Parish Online Ministry during COVID

There are an extraordinary amount of initiatives taking place online across the Diocese in a number of parishes. These include games nights, trivia competitions, formation, scripture studies and wellbeing check-ins. If your community is willing to share these opportunities beyond your own Parish, the Mission Enhancement Team (MET Parramatta) would love to hear from you and help connect others who are struggling at this time. Email met@parracatholic.org

Manage your Fertility Naturally!

Are you looking for a natural effective method to manage your fertility? Are you trying to achieve pregnancy? Are you breastfeeding and looking for a natural way to space your children? Natural Fertility Services – Diocese of Parramatta might just have the answers you're searching for. For more information, or to book an appointment, contact Catherine on 0400 427 605 or catherine.bourne@parracatholic.org or visit www.parralmf.org.au

UPDATE: Social Justice COVID-19 Food and Toiletries Drive

During lockdown, Jesuit Refugee Service (JRS) and House of Welcome (HoW) cannot receive physical food and toiletry donations. However, many refugee families are still relying on their foodbanks or the provision of food vouchers. In this difficult time, please support JRS and HoW with a cash donation if you can. Find more information at parracatholic.org/diocesanfooddrive or call JRS on (02) 9356 3888 or HoW on (02) 9727 9290.

Life, Marriage and Family Office Marriage Preparation Courses

Dates for the Diocesan Life, Marriage and Family Office's in-person marriage preparation weekend courses in 2021 are now available, with the SmartLoving Engaged Online course another option to prepare for your marriage. For more information, or to book your course, visit www.parracatholic.org/pmp or call (02) 8838 3460.



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8 October 2021

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Re: COVID-19 (Coronavirus) Update

The NSW Government has recently updated its pathway out of COVID-19 lockdowns.

Wedding and Funerals

As the 70% double vaccination rate has now been achieved, from Monday, 11 October 2021, up to 100 fully vaccinated people can attend funerals and weddings (previously it was 50 people).

At weddings with those who are unvaccinated, a maximum of 5 people may attend.

For funerals with those who are unvaccinated, a maximum of 10 people may attend.

At the 80% double vaccination rate, choirs of up to 10 people can perform in places of worship but all performers must be vaccinated.

COVID-19 Safety Plan and ventilation

For parish priests and parishes, now would be a good time to review and update your COVID-19 Safety Plan ahead of the reopening of churches for public Masses once the 80% double vaccination rate is achieved.

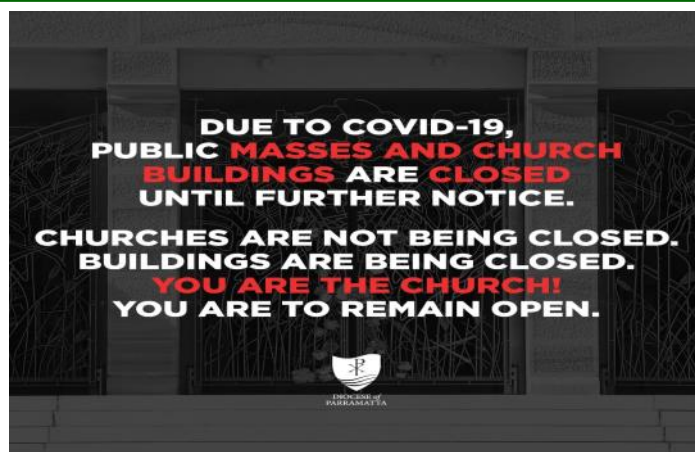
The NSW Government has provided the following information about ventilation and how ventilation issues can be managed by places of worship. Please see here for more information: www.nsw.gov.au/form/covid-safety-plan/places-of-worship.

Thank you for your support during these troubled times.

Yours in Christ

Very Rev Peter G. Williams

Vicar General & Moderator of the Curia



YOUTH MINISTRY

"I can do all things through Christ who strengthens me" Philippians 4:13

BLAZE

BLAZE youth group is held every second Friday throughout the school term in the St John XXIII school hall. Youth runs from 7:15 to 9pm and accommodate a fun and engaging night of faith-based talks encouraging teens to walk with Christ in a nurturing community. If you would like to come along to one of our sessions, please contact the team at blaze@john23rd.org.au

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Caitlin Green - 0425 579 594

Youth Leaders

Anna Todhunter

Taylor Coutinho

Johnathan Soosaipillai

Natasha Surjanto

Charlotte Todhunter

For all youth ministry enquiries, ✉ blaze@john23rd.org.au or
visit our FB page <https://www.facebook.com/blazeyouthsj23/> 👍



Come and Join !

MORE YOUTH GROUPS

CRL (Community of the Risen Lord)

CRL YOUTH LEADERS

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Nimeshi Fernando -0417 101009

YFC (Youth for Christ)

YFC YOUTH LEADERS

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NEW TO OUR PARISH?

Welcome to our parish
community!

Please take a welcome envelope pack
from the front entrance.

Visit our website <http://john23rd.com/>

Like our Facebook page

www.facebook.com/john23rdparish

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<https://www.youtube.com/c/StJohn%20XXIIIStanhopeGardensParish>

SUGGESTION BOX

We welcome your comments and
constructive suggestions.

If you or a family member is homebound and would want to receive
communion in your home please contact the parish office.

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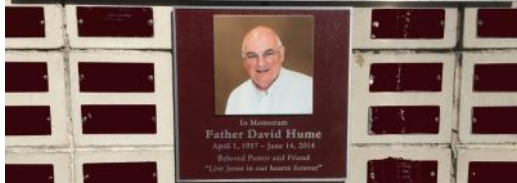
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