

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon 10:00am Kevin O'Sullivan
Tues 10:00am Ron Appah Birthday
Weds 10:00am Liturgy of the Word
Thurs 10:00am Personal Intention
Fri 10:00am Holy Souls
Sat 6:00pm Annette Bernard
Sun **NO 8:30am Mass until further notice**
10:00am For Peace in the World
12:00noon People of the Parish

Fr Jack

Is there a restless seeker within you? Many people experience a universal longing to search for something that seems just beyond them, happiness, peace, love, purpose or God Himself. Beneath so much of our joy and sorrow lies this deep yearning of the human heart. In the Gospel Jesus gives us the example of three different people who found a treasure of great value and did all they could to get their hands on that treasure. Now that may have been a material treasure and they may be driven by greed. Obviously Jesus is not advocating such behaviour. He talks about the deeper needs of the heart. You may say what am I talking about? And for many people who come to church I believe there is still a residue of the Gospel in their heart and they settle for very little. Jesus wants us to be much more ambitious or as Paul says: - *"be ambitious for the greater things,"* And the greatest thing is love. My question now is how much love?????? and that is the wrong question?? Then as I said last week FAITHFULNESS and we can change the world.

8.30am Mass

I hope people have not been too inconvenienced by the loss of the 8.30am Mass. Thank you all for moving to another Mass and staying in St James to build a stronger community at the other masses.

Impossibilities are possibilities that have never been tried.

Pope Leo XIV encourages Christians not to forget about the sick, the elderly and those who are suffering during the summer season, in the July/August (edition of the

Italian magazine Piazza San Pietro.)

The Pope was responding to a letter sent by Maurizio from Rome, who asked how he can live the summer months in a way that deepens and enriches his faith.

How to nurture our spirituality in a frenetic world

In his letter, Maurizio highlights the current turbulent times affected by wars and instability but also by a world that is faster and more efficient than ever, but often superficial and distracted."

"I often wonder how it is possible to live and nurture a more conscious and authentic spirituality—one that can translate into concrete acts of love and responsible respect for others," Maurizio reflects.

He tells the Pope that as the summer holidays approach, he wants to live them not only as a period of rest but also as a moment to *"rediscover a deeper dimension"* of his inner self, in order also *"to rediscover an authentic space for encountering God the Father."*

The Pope's response: live out the Gospel of peace and mercy

The Pope's response firstly remembers *"those who cannot even enjoy a brief period of rest because they are crushed by burdens of every kind."*

"Let us think of the sick, of those who have lost hope in life, of those overwhelmed by the pain of losing loved ones, of the victims of war, hatred, terrorism, and violence, of those persecuted for their faith and for justice, of prisoners, of those who have lost their jobs or their homes, and of migrants who are not welcomed with humanity," the Pope emphasizes.

He notes how holidays should be for everyone a time of respite from work and worries in order to experience genuine friendship and company, as a foretaste of the communion of the Kingdom of God.