

# The Parish Community of St Thérèse and St Anthony

*The Little Flower Church - In the care of the Franciscan Friars*

## PARISH OFFICE AND CONTACTS

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## WEEK DAY MASS TIMES

Monday 8.00am

Tuesday 8.00am

Wednesday 9.00am

Thursday 8.00am

Friday 8.00am

## HOLY HOUR/EUCHARIST ADORATION

Monday 8.30am

## WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday (Vigil) 5.00pm

Sunday 7.30am

9.30am

## RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.00pm - 4.30pm

## SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE

Mrs Sandra Di Francesco

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## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

29 December 2019 (YEAR A)

For some years now family therapists have used an exercise called 'the genogram' to help families understand their internal dynamics.

Each spouse sits down and writes out their family tree. Usually it stretches back at least three generations. Next to each name they write a letter indicating any 'careers' this relative may have picked up in his or her lifetime. It is not just the person's occupation that interests a family therapist, though it's interesting to see the way doctors, farmers, musicians and civil servants pop up in some families.

A career in the genogram has more to do with personal or social dispositions like using alcohol, drugs, work and gambling in a destructive way; like having a propensity to violence or holding a criminal record; like 'having to get married' or whether one's relatives are hetero or homosexual. When people start to dig, they find all sorts of family secrets, especially in older generations. Most families have an 'Aunty Lizzie' who, sixty years on, is still spoken of in hushed tones. They eventually discover she had an abortion. Then sometimes there is an Uncle James 'who never married'.

What family therapists notice is that certain careers are passed down the generations. This exercise can be very helpful when families are struggling to understand why a child is an early victim of alcoholism, gambling addiction, or given to violence. While behaviour can be thought to 'come out of nowhere', this exercise shows that, whether by nature or nurture, destructive behaviour has been on one or both sides of a family system for generations.

The point of the genogram is that knowing our pedigree for good or for ill enables us to build on our strengths while breaking the cycle of our families' negative careers.

Today's feast tells that Jesus, Mary and Joseph had a career in holiness. I suspect there are not many of us who would write Saviour or Saints on the people in our family trees! But there is every reason to believe that holiness is handed down from one generation to the next.

The problem with holiness is that we often equate it with perfection. To be a holy person does not mean one is perfect. Perfection rests only in God. Jesus enjoyed perfection in his humanity, but we must allow Mary and Joseph to be less than perfect, else we make them truly divine as well. As a family, they were not perfect, they were holy. They struggled together to understand the best way they could bring God's reign to bear in our world.

Their destinies were vastly different, but intimately connected. They needed each other.

And so to us. If we allow the Holy Family to be too removed from our experience, they have little to say to the fights, misunderstandings and problems that can sometimes characterise our families. If on the other hand we concede that Jesus, Mary and Joseph, as a family, were not perfect, they can be a model of the very thing we want in our own homes: love, justice, fidelity and kindness that reveal a life of holiness. They can show us a mutual respect that allows each family member to find his or her own path to revealing God's creative and saving love for our world. And they can provide us with the assurance of knowing that as a result of their holiness we have all been welcomed into the family of God.

When any of us do the genogram we can rightly and proudly put Jesus, Mary and Joseph at the top of our tree and mark them as Saviour and first among the Saints.

Happy New Year

The parish office will reopen

Monday 6th January 2020



## Relics of St. Theresia Pilgrimage 2020 - Kedron Parish

Tuesday 11 February 2020

Arrive Kedron  
5pm

5.30pm Welcome Ceremony  
6pm Veneration of Relics  
7.30pm Mass  
8.30pm All night vigil – Veneration of Relics

Wednesday 12 February 2020

Depart  
Kedron 12pm

9am Mass  
10am Prayer with St. Anthony school  
11.30am Farewell liturgy  
12pm Depart



ROSTERS January 4-5	MINISTRY	Saturday 5.00pm	Sunday 7.30am	Sunday 9.30am
	ALTAR SERVERS	Heidi Day	Sofia Poy	Caroline Sierra Tivinia-Leigh Pole
	DATA PROJEC- TOR	Peter Ivers	Sally Galvin	Anthony Briggs
	HOSPITALI- TY		First Sunday	First Sunday
	READERS	Trish Carroll Joe De Pasquale Marion Jackson	Sr Moya Byrne James Taylor Johnny De Angelis	Katherine Cross Carmel Hennessy Colin Dash
	SPECIAL MINISTERS	Therese Sheen Glenda Honan Bill Sheen Joe De Pasquale Janice Lowcock VOL	Julia Bell Michael L'e- strange Johnny De Angelis Karen Martin Malia Rossaro Piero Rossaro	Christie Bartho- dtt Tom Battam Patrick Borger Clare Quaglia Vicki Scanlan Vyv Menegon
	CLEANERS	Cleaners		
	COUNTERS	Helen Carter, Sam Dutton, Tim Dutton		

### Thank you from SVdP

The members of our Little Flower Vinnies conference would like to thank all parishioners who have offered their support during Advent. Your prayers and your gifts and donations through the Giving Tree have been exceedingly generous and thoughtful, as has been the response to the Vinnies Christmas Appeal. We thank you for your support, without which we could not operate. We extend our best wishes to all for the Christmas season and the New Year.

In keeping with the Sacramental Policy of the Archdiocese of Brisbane, our Sacramental Program is parish-based, family-centred and school-supported. The preparation requires commitment from you and your family to attend activities that we offer, and upon your enrolment, we have clear expectations that you will participate fully in the program. We will be starting Reconciliation next year. This program is for children who are in Year 5 and above. If you require any further information please contact Maria Hopes, Sacramental Coordinator at:

[sacramental.kedron@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sacramental.kedron@bne.catholic.net.au)

We are excited for you and your child and look forward to being part of this process of preparation for the celebration of this sacrament.

### Reconciliation 2020

(4 week program)

Enrolment Forms:  
29<sup>th</sup> January - 19<sup>th</sup> February

Program starts:  
Monday 24<sup>th</sup> February  
(2 weeks of Preparation)

Parent Night:  
Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> February  
7.00pm

Reconciliation Evening:  
Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> March  
5.30pm - 7.30pm

### Australia Day BBQ

The Parish will be celebrating Australia Day on 26 January after 9.30am mass. We would like to recognise the many cultures in our community and ask that people bring a small plate of food to share that reflects your culture. As is tradition, the Parish will offer a sausage sizzle and organise a game of cricket. This year you can also enjoy a quiet (or maybe not!) game of bocce. Delamore are challenging the Parish to a game or two so please come and register on the day to get involved. We look forward to seeing you all there.



### HELP NEEDED FOR MINISTRIES

We are needing some more volunteers for Readers, Data Projection, Altar Society, Cleaners and Counters. If you are able to assist, please contact Sandra at the parish office via email –[kedron@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:kedron@bne.catholic.net.au)

## Children's Liturgy & Mass

Our Children's Liturgy is held on the 1st, 2nd and 3rd Sundays of the month at the 9.30am Mass. Our Children's Mass is held on the 4th Sunday of the month at the 9.30am Mass.

Contacts

### Children's Liturgy

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### Children's Mass

Mav Green

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### Singing Group

Christine Masters

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### Holy Anointing Mass date

Friday 10<sup>th</sup> January

Holy Anointing Mass is at  
8.00am

Please come and join us.

### CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Will start up again on .

10 January 2020



*Please pray for the  
repose of the souls of:*

### Recently deceased

Jacquelyn Murphy  
Antonio Febo  
Des Dale  
Bernadette Okely

### Anniversaries

Maria Chirico  
Doreen Beckwith

### SFO

The Secular Franciscan Order meets every Third Sunday after the 9.30am Mass in the Hall at the Kedron Parish.

### Holy Family

29th December 2019 Year A

Proper of the Mass

1st Reading Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14

2nd Reading Colossians 3:12-21

Gospel Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

### Next Weeks Readings:

The Epiphany of the Lord -

5 January 2020 Year A

1st Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6

2nd Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6

Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12