



The Parish Community of St Thérèse and St Anthony

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

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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday (Vigil) 5.00pm

**Sunday 7.30am, 9.30am
& 5.30pm**

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday 8.00am

Tuesday 8.00am

Wednesday 9.00am

Thursday 8.00am

Friday 8.00am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday & Thursday 8.30am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.00 - 4.30 pm **OR**
please call Fr Mario to arrange a
time to meet individually.

SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE

Mrs Sandra Di Francesco

Ph: 0448 356 599

19th Sunday in Ordinary Time 9 August 2020 (YEAR A)

A Reflection ...

A conservative Protestant Church in a sleepy fishing village had to find a new minister. Over the protests of Jimmy, the senior Elder, a woman was hired as the new Pastor.

After the Reverend Gayle had been there a few weeks, Tom, a member of the congregation, offered to take her out fishing. Jimmy reluctantly agreed to allow them to use his boat for the day's outing, but insisted that he lead the expedition.

The trio got into the boat and motored out on the lake. When they got ready to fish, they realised that all their tackle had been left on the dock. Tom concluded that they would just have to go back and get it. Reverend Gayle said that wouldn't be necessary, and she got out of the boat and started walking across the water toward the dock.

Jimmy, who refused to be impressed by Gayle's miraculous abilities observed, 'See I told you we never should have hired that woman. She can't even swim.'

The hit animation film *Shrek* was praised by critics for many things but most especially for the clever way it quoted from several other much-loved animation films. When writers do this it's called 'intertextuality', where one text uses another text to tell the story. Some of the references in *Shrek* were obvious; others took a little longer to reveal themselves. Some were used in a new way that turned the original story upside down. Whether any of us got all or none of the references didn't affect the enjoyment we derived from the film, it only added to what was already a great tale.

The story of Jesus walking on the water is in a similar vein to *Shrek*. In eleven verses Matthew quotes several other stories in the Old Testament, uses them in his own way and re-interprets all of them in reference to Jesus. It might be lost on some of us who just enjoy the power of the story, but none of this intertextuality would have been lost on Matthew's first hearers.

Poor old Job found God in the midst of a storm, and winds and waves are a usual Old Testament shorthand for the perils of life. The image of the boat was an early symbol for the Church and Matthew has all Jesus' disciples in it. Jesus hovering over the waters has echoes of the action of the Spirit in the first account of creation in Genesis. Even Jesus restoring calm to the sea follows on from what the Prophet Jonah had done before. For the keen student there is much more besides.

Matthew's account is magnificent on its own terms, but with these details we can see he is also interested in a theological message. Jesus, the Son of God and Lord of creation, remains faithful to the disciples, no matter how treacherous the seas or how great their fear. He has come to them so that they may be saved and recreated as the Church who recognises that he is the fulfilment of creation, the one whom Israel has been longing to see and embrace.

And what does all this mean for us?

We are inheritors of Matthew's faith. We're here because we believe that Jesus is the Son of God who has saved us from ourselves and from destruction. But it also means that in every storm that threatens our lifeboat Jesus comes to call us to faith, to catch us when we think we're drowning, to accompany us back to safety and to bring calm to the troubled seas of our life.

Aren't we lucky Jesus never learnt to swim?

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MARRIAGE, DIVORCE AND REMARRIAGE IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH:

If you would like information about annulments and re-marriage in the Catholic Church, please phone the Brisbane Tribunal Office on **3324 3033** or email

tribbris@bne.catholic.net.au

Information can also be found on the Archdiocesan Website

<http://brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/marriage-annulments/>

Leave Your Legacy

Are you wondering how you can make a lasting gift to Kedron Parish? Naming the parish in your Will, after taking care of your loved ones, can make a meaningful and profound gift to our parish. Gifts can be made to the parish or designated to our perpetual endowment fund. By learning more about these and many other giving options, you can create a legacy of giving to your parish community. To learn more please contact the Catholic Foundation at 3324 3200 or call the parish office.



WEEKEND MASS BOOKINGS

Saturday 5.00pm; Sunday 7.30am, 9.30am & 5.30pm

To allow entry to the church to be as quick and easy as possible, please try using the **TryBooking** Link prior to attending Mass. If you cannot come after booking, please remember to cancel your booking or call the Parish Office. And if you cannot book ahead, you can still come to the church where you will need to record your name and contact details on the sheets provided. Please understand however that once we reach our attendance limit, you will not be able to enter the church.

The **TryBooking** link is at the top of our **Parish Website Home-page**.

Alternately, you can copy this link into your browser:

<https://www.trybooking.com/BJVUR>

WEEKDAY MASSES - *As per our normal schedule.*

There is no pre-booking needed as the number of attendees is always less than our limit. On arriving at the church, please record your name and contact details as required by regulations.

FOR ALL MASSES: For the safety of others, please do not come if you are feeling unwell, or show any flu-like symptoms. Please use the hand sanitizers provided, observe social distancing requirements. Thank you for your co-operation, Fr Mario ofm

MASS COLLECTIONS

If you are in a position to do so, please continue to make a weekly offering to our Collections. This is how:

For the **FIRST Collection** which supports the Friars and their work, please try the new **Parish Giving Portal** located on our Website or in the weekly Parish News email you receive. Or you can bring offerings directly to the Parish Office, use **Direct Deposit** (see below), or use the **Collection Boxes** at the doors of the church.

For the **SECOND Collection** which all goes towards Parish expenses, please continue using your **Envelopes**, **Direct Debit**, **Direct Deposit** (see below), or the **Collection Boxes** at the doors of the church.

For **Direct Deposit** please use your first initial and surname and Envelope No. (if you have one) in the Reference field. It will be presumed that you wish your deposit to be split equally between the 1st and 2nd Collections. If not, please email the office your preferred allocation.

Account Name: **Kedron Parish**

BSB: **064 786**

Account Number: **006 641 100**

Bank: CBA Reference: **1st Initial & Surname & Envelope Number**
e.g J Blogs 579

If you use **Direct Debit**, we would appreciate you continuing this practice and perhaps review your contribution if appropriate. **This amount all goes to the parish.**

For any enquiries or if you wish to join Direct Debit Planned Giving, please contact the Parish Office for the required forms. Thank you.

LITTLE FLOWER CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP

Our parish Meditation Group which usually meets every Friday at Delamore is still currently online. You are welcome to join each session by downloading the free ZOOM app onto your phone, tablet or computer and join the meeting.

Time: Every Friday at 9.00 am

ZOOM Meeting ID: 987 5236 9988

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 10th August

Mass 8.00am

Adoration after Mass

Taekwondo 4.30pm

Tuesday 11th August

Mass 8.00am

Rosary after Mass

Wednesday 12th August

Mass 9.00am

Thursday 13th August

Mass 8.00am

Adoration after Mass

Funeral 11.30am

Friday 14th August

(Public Holiday)

Mass 8.00am

Meditation 9.00am (ZOOM)

Saturday 15th August

Reconciliation 4.00pm

Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 16th August

Mass 7.30am, 9.30am

Secular Franciscans 9.00am

Mass 5.30pm

PARISH GIVING PORTAL



The Archdiocese has set up a **Parish Giving Portal**. This can be used for our **First Collection**. Thank you for your help.

Something for the Kids.....

Life is a bit like a boat out at sea - on some days life seems good and the sea is calm, but on other days there are storms that rock our boat and try to tip it over. Write or draw some of the things that make life tough for you on those stormy days?

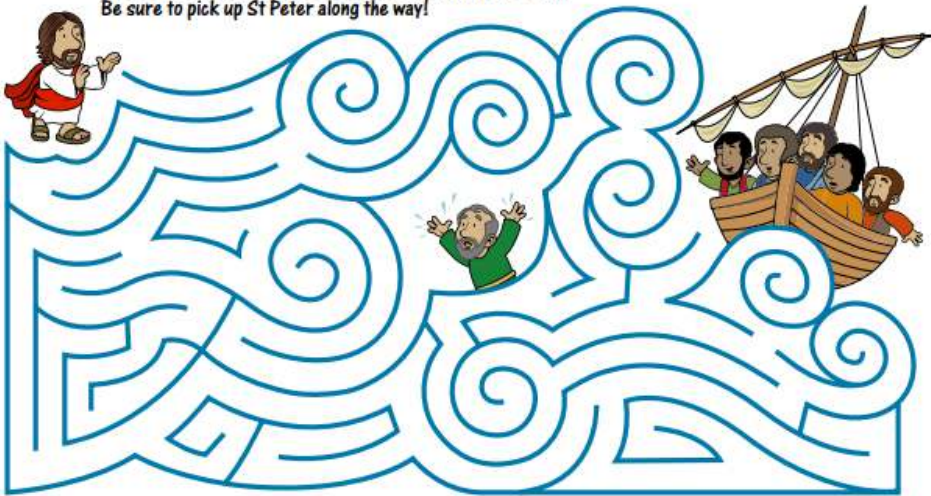


We can have faith that Jesus will always be there to help us in difficult times. Write a prayer asking God to help you when things get tough.

Dear Lord,

Amen.

Help Jesus find his way across the water and onto the boat. Be sure to pick up St Peter along the way!



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Police Check and BlueCard's and other associated forms have been simplified!

There is a new portal for registration of volunteers. The Welcome Portal can be accessed via

<http://archbne.org/welcome>.

In the portal, volunteers will be asked to enter personal information and volunteer position details which will automatically prepopulate forms to be signed.

If you have not completed forms yet and are involved in ministry **PLEASE ATTEND TO THIS ASAP.**

If you have any questions, please contact Sandra in the office.

All volunteers, whether directly or indirectly involved with children and vulnerable adults, are required to view a 25 minute video presentation, as part of our compliance with the Archdiocese Safeguarding Policy. It can be viewed at: safeguardingaob.com.au/safeguarding-training.html

Go to the Safeguarding Training Tab at the top of the page. Click. Scroll down the page past "Safeguarding Essentials Preparation (Level 1) to **"Safeguarding Induction"**. Click on the arrow to play the video. On conclusion. Please print off and sign the PDF version of the "Certificate of Completion", and email (or return original to the Parish Office). For convenience, certificates may be placed into an addressed envelope marked "SAFEGUARDING" and placed in the collection plate at any mass.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

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