



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

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 25th October 2020 (YEAR A)

Reflection ...

Nguyen Van Mah is one of eight sons. In 1978 his poor farming parents had to decide which one of their 12 children would be sent on a boat from Vietnam. They knew there was a great risk that they would be sending their son to his death on the South China Sea.

At 4.00 am a knock on the door of the family home came and Mah said his goodbyes. He has not seen his parents since. Mah was blindfolded and travelled in the back of a truck for eight hours. He was led through the jungle to a beach where the blindfold was removed. Mah told me that sometimes at this moment people are shot by evil traders who collect the money without any intention of dispatching a boat. That families never hear from their children is no surprise.

Mah told me, 'We were lucky, we made it off the beach.' There were 29 adults in a boat built for 10. Inadequately prepared for the two week trip, all the boat people were sick, hungry and exposed. Thai pirates attacked their boat, executed three men and raped all the women on board. They were to bury another six people at sea who died from the effects of the journey.

On sighting land, the remaining 20 people in Mah's boat thought hope had arrived. But the Malaysian Navy, under orders to fire on all Vietnamese boats, forced it to return to international waters. Mah told me, 'At this point I almost lost my faith in God and human beings. I was going to die.'

The boat began to take water and was noticed by a Dutch trading ship which rescued them and deposited them in the Philippines. Mah migrated to Australia 12 months later and is now the local doctor in an outback community that could not get a doctor for two years.

Isaiah tells us today 'You shall not wrong or oppress a resident alien for you were aliens in the land of Egypt.' Jesus tells us in the Gospel that the love of God is fulfilled precisely in as much as we love our neighbour.

No pressing issue in the Western World, it seems to me, invites such hysteria as does immigration. Until recently, most western countries have been good in offering hospitality to people who have chosen to leave, or have had to flee their country of birth. Given our comparative wealth this hospitality is entirely appropriate. And it is also appropriate for our countries to have a threshold number for the sake of the common good.

In today's Gospel, however, Jesus does not promise us that the love of God and neighbour is going to cost us nothing. Jesus' law of love involves sacrifice for us individually and as a nation. Through the acceptance of this teaching we are committing ourselves to being our neighbour's keeper. In another part of the same Gospel, Jesus tells us that 'those to whom much has been given, much will be required.' Sadly, many of us want the good life for ourselves, while doing very little to help other countries become more liveable, and then we can reject people who want to share in the blessings we have worked for and inherited.

The Gospel of Matthew gives us the story of Mary, Joseph and Jesus being forced to flee Israel for Egypt as refugees. If the Holy Family were coming our way these days, they might be sent back to King Herod. May this Eucharist see in us a change of heart that enables our faith to act justly toward all people everywhere. May our goodness and hospitality mirror on earth the welcome we hope to enjoy from Jesus, Mary and Joseph in the kingdom which is promised to all, irrespective of where any of us has been born.

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Join other youth in your parish for a Sunday afternoon of games, activities and encounter!

DATES: OCT 25th & NOV 22nd 2020
VENUE: LITTLE FLOWER PARISH HALL
TIME: 3.30PM TO 5.00PM
SCHOOL YEARS 5 TO 7

For further information contact:
 kedron@bne.catholic.net.au
 Or Jaimi Santhosh 0421 418 861
 Organised by Jesus Youth Queensland.



BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

November is traditionally when we remember those who are now with God. If you would like the names of deceased family members and friends added to the "Book of Remembrance" for the days in November please write their names in the book at the front of the church or you can drop the names off at the Parish Office, call on 3357 6640 or email: kedron@bne.catholic.net.au

NEEDED
 Cakes
 Slices
 Biscuits
 Cupcakes



Election Day will be here soon, and we all know that means there will be a **sausage sizzle** and **cake stall**. If you are able to whip up a batch of cupcakes, biscuits, slice, brownies, fudge, confectionery or your very own specialty, we would be delighted to receive your donation to sell at the stall.

Any baking can be delivered to the Parish office on Thursday 29th October, between 9.00am -2.00pm or straight to the stall on Saturday 31st October, before 8.00am.

Thank you for your ongoing support. If you have any questions please contact Sandra at the Parish office on 3357 6640 or email us at kedron@bne.catholic.net.au



ENCOUNTER KEDRON

8th NOVEMBER
 6:30-8:30pm
 Little Flower Church, Kedron



tickets available now

Join us for **Encounter Kedron** for youth in School Yrs 7 & up.
Sunday 8th Nov, 6.30-8.30pm.
 Come together for music & song, inspiring talks, meeting friends, and fun!

As announced in last week's newsletter, the **Samaritans** are gearing up for the **Tuesday Morning Activities** to resume again on **3rd November, Melbourne Cup Day.** Are you as excited as everyone else to recommence our wonderful mornings together. Looking forward to seeing your smiling faces on Tuesday 3 November! Contact Jill on 0438 612 177. New volunteers are very welcome. **AGM is scheduled for Tuesday 27 October, 10.30am.**

Baptism Preparation
 If you have a child or newborn infant and wish them to be baptised, we have an information and preparation session in the church at 11am on the first Saturday of each month. At this short meeting, we outline some of the symbols used at the ceremony, answer any questions and finalise dates. Further details can be obtained from the parish office (33576640) or Email: kedron@bne.catholic.net.au
Our next session will be on Saturday 7 November 2020 at 11.00am.

Piety Stall
 We have a large range of cards, religious icons, rosary beads and medallions. We have a great range of gift ideas for new babies, Baptism, birthdays and other special occasions. The lovely people at the Piety stall are happy to help.

Please pray for our recently deceased:
Anne Dahms, Iolanda Porcellini, Gerry Campbell, Daniel O'Driscoll
 and those whose Anniversaries occur about now:
Philip Carnes, Glenice Prior, Dick Akens, Madeline Jones, James Rice, Margaret Denham, Fay Byrne, Coleen McMahon,
WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED; MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

Formation of a Parish Justice, Peace & Care for Creation Committee

Meeting: Parish House, Tuesday November 10th at 7.00pm

"Let all preach by their deeds" St Francis of Assisi

"The joys and hopes, the grief and anguish of the people of our time, especially of those who are poor or afflicted, are the joys and hopes, the grief and anguish of the followers of Christ as well." *Guadium et Spes (Joy and Hope) Pastoral Constitution on the Church on the Modern World. Vatican II.*

Are you ready to meet Pope Francis' call to listen to the "cry of the earth and the cry of the poor"?

The Catholic Social Teachings have often been described as its "best kept secret" but they have driven change across the globe and here in Australia that has touched the lives of many people.

A parish JPCC committee will prayerfully reflect on the teachings of the Church and the 'signs of the times' in the world around us, discern what practical actions we can take to make our parish, our community, our world, a better place. And then seek the will and courage to act!!

This meeting will consider how a JPCC committee would work in our parish.

Further information:

Fr Joe McKay ofm

jmckay@franciscans.org.au

RETREAT HOSTED BY LATIN AMERICAN CATHOLIC COMMUNITY 31st October –7 November 8.00pm

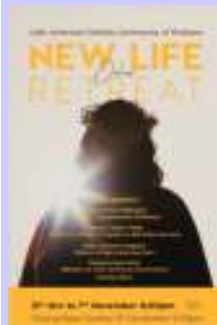
The Latin American Catholic Community is organising an **online** retreat called New Life. The purpose of this retreat is to experience God's salvation through a personal encounter with the risen Jesus and a new outpouring of the Holy Spirit to give birth to our renewed selves as children of God.

It is basic concepts paired with powerful testimonies of people who have experienced a personal encounter with Jesus that has resulted in a transformation of our lives.

We have managed to invite some good deacon brothers Deacon Peter Pellican, Deacon Adam Walk, Deacon Ivan Ortiz and Sister Samuel who will be preaching along key members of the Latin American community. Since it is online we thought we'd like to invite people from all parishes that may be seeking for an opportunity to grow spiritually .

Registrations are open via Eventbrite: <https://bit.ly/NewLifeRetreat2020>

For more information Estela Fuller 0434 491 161 or Liliana Ortiz 0401 926 614



Grail Annual Retreat

Bribie Island Oct 30– Nov 1, 2020

Join us for reflection, prayer and friendship—

to share in a spirit, renewal and rejoicing.

When: 5pm Friday 30 October - Sunday November 1

Where: Congeau House, 36 Banya Street, Bongaree

Cost: 35 per night or \$10.00 day only.

Two excellent speakers.

RSVP Judy Brown 0407 580 174

LITTLE FLOWER CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP

Our Kedron Parish Christian Meditation will be held in the Parish Hall from Friday October 30 at 9am.

From this date we'll no longer be meeting via Zoom.

Everyone is very welcome - both beginners and familiar faces. We look forward to seeing you in person on Friday morning!

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 26 October

Mass 8.00am

Adoration after Mass

Taekwondo 6.30pm

St Anthony Board Meeting 6.30pm

Tuesday 27 October

Mass 8.00am

Rosary after Mass

Wednesday 28 October

Mass 9.00am (with Yr 2)

Mass at Delamore 4.45pm

RCIA 6.00pm

Thursday 29 October

Mass 8.00am

Adoration after Mass

Friday 30 October

Mass 8.00am

St Anthony Prep 2021 8.30am

Meditation 9.00am (ZOOM)

Saturday 31 October

Reconciliation 4.00pm

Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 1 November - All Saints

Mass 7.30am & 9.30am

Mass 5.30pm



Padua College & Padua College Old Boys' Association

Memorial Mass

Wednesday 4 November

5.30pm

The Columbarium,

Little Flower Church, 80 Turner Road, Kedron

This Mass is to celebrate the lives of deceased Friars, Old Boys, Staff & all members of our Paduan Community.

For further enquiries or to let us know who you would like remembered, please email admin@padua.old.edu.au or phone 3857 9999

This event will be held in accordance to all current COVID-19 Restrictions. Registration is essential. <https://www.trybooking.com/BL5TW>

NEXT WEEKS READINGS

All Saints, Year A—
1st November 2020

1st Reading:

Revelation 7:2-4, 9-14

2nd Reading:

1 John 3:1-3

Gospel:

Matthew 5:1-12

Something for the Kids...

Show your love

I show love for God when I

I show love for others when I



Whenever we show kindness, love and respect for others, we are loving God. Draw a picture of yourself doing something that shows love for God.



Fill in the missing words to complete the story.

- love
- second
- God
- answered
- yourself
- teacher
- heart
- first
- test
- commandment

An expert in the Jewish law tried to ____ Jesus. He asked, "_____, what is the most important _____ ?"



Jesus _____ : "Love the Lord your ____ with all your _____, soul and mind." This is the _____ and most important commandment. The _____ is like it : " _____ your neighbour as much as you love _____".



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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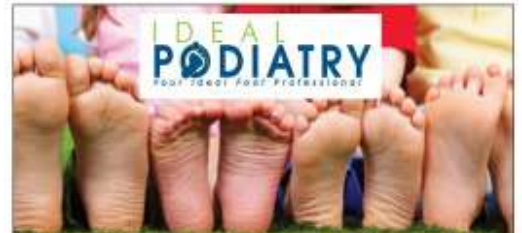
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