



The Parish Community of St Therese 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.

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All Saints - 1st November 2020 (YEAR A)

Reflection ...

Do you remember the old hymn, *Faith of our Fathers*? These days we would, of course, want to explicitly name the extraordinary faith of 'our mothers' as well. But do you recall how we once used to stand and sing,

'Faith of our fathers living still
In spite of dungeon, fire and sword.
Oh how our hearts beat high with joy...
If we like them could die for thee.
Faith of our fathers, holy faith,
We will be true to Thee 'till death.
We will be true to Thee 'till death.'

In one of his letters St Ignatius Loyola tells us we should never pray for something we don't want, because we might just get it. Let's think about what we ask for in this hymn: that if needs be we will die for our Christian faith.

For the first 400 years of the Church's history, Christian women and men were dead at lunch for taking the waters of baptism at dawn. It is on the basis of their fidelity and sacrifice that we gather here in freedom and peace.

Many of us are wimps when it comes to pain, so all we can hope and pray for is that, given a similar context, we may have the grace to witness to our faith in whatever way is demanded of us. It remains true that when most of us hear about the faith of modern-day martyrs we are still deeply affected, our own faith is challenged and our values are shaken up. Mothers and fathers are still dying for the faith which we so often take for granted.

All Saints Day has its roots in the early Church's 'Martyrs Day', attested to by a hymn written in 359 by St Ephraim. It was called All Saints Day in the seventh century.

A Saint is someone who the Church believes is in heaven with God. Wrongly, we often think Saints are perfect, but in fact their greatest witness is how they coped with the ordinary difficulties of life and how they reflected in a variety of ways the love of God.

For most of us sanctity and martyrdom will not come in dramatic ways. The daily routine of looking after a sick child, spouse or parent, of living with a mental, physical, emotional or spiritual illness, the scourge of being unemployed, homeless or addicted and the feeling that we are unlovable brings with it the reality of sharing in the lot of the martyrs and saints.

All Saints Day is the feast which commemorates all those we know who may never be publicly proclaimed in the canon or list of saints, but who nonetheless are in heaven. Some of them may only be known to God. Others are people whose love, sacrifice and fidelity we have seen for ourselves and who have inspired us. Sometimes they can be our own mothers and fathers.

These, too, we believe belong to the great multitude of witnesses who went through their own persecutions and found the blessings within their daily lives. They saw God in this world and are now fully alive to him in the next.

In this Mass may we have the grace to live a holy life that, in ordinary ways, demonstrates the extraordinary power of God working in us. In doing so, in our sacrifices, forgiveness and love may we remain faithful to the women and men who are our saintly heroes and pray that we remain faithful to the Gospel of Christ as they did.

'We will be true to Thee 'till death.
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Did you know....

All Saints' Day is a solemn holy day of the Catholic Church celebrated annually on November 1st. The day is dedicated to the saints of the Church, that is, all those who have attained heaven. It should not be confused with All Souls' Day, which is observed on November 2nd, and is dedicated to those who have died and not yet reached heaven.

All Saints' Day is also commemorated by members of the Eastern Orthodox Church as well as some protestant churches, such as Lutheran and Anglican churches. Generally, All Saints' Day is a Catholic Holy Day of Obligation, meaning all Catholics are required to attend Mass on that day, unless they have an excellent excuse, such as serious illness.

All Saints' Day was formally started by Pope Boniface IV, who consecrated the Pantheon at Rome to the Virgin Mary and all the Martyrs on May 13th in 609 AD. Boniface IV also established All Souls' Day, which follows All Saints.

The holy day was eventually established on November 1st by Pope Gregory III in the mid-eighth century as a day dedicated to the saints and their relics. The May 13th celebration was subsequently abandoned.

Holy day customs vary around the world. In the United States, the day before is Halloween and is usually celebrated by dressing in costumes with themes of death commonly associated. Children go door-to-door in costume, trick-or-treating, that is soliciting candy from their neighbours. The holiday has lost much of its connection to its religious origins.

In other countries, such as Portugal, Spain and Mexico, traditional practices include performance of the play, "Don Juan Tenorio" and offerings made to the dead. All Saints' Day occurs on the same day as the Mexican "Día de los Inocentes" a day dedicated to deceased children.

Across much of Europe, the day is commemorated with offerings of flowers left on the graves of the dead. In Eastern Europe, candles are lit on graves instead of offerings of flowers.

In some places, such as the Philippines, graves can be painted and repaired by family members. Many of these practices and celebrations often blur the distinction between All Saints' Day, which is properly dedicated to those who are in heaven, and All Souls' Day, on which prayers are offered for all those who have died, but have not yet reached heaven.

MASS FOR HEALING OF YOUR FAMILY TREE, St. Mary Magdalene's, Cecil Road, Bardon, Friday, 6th November, 2020, 7.30pm. Only 25 places left. Opportunity to offer Mass for generational healing. Register at lenpatairey@gmail.com or 0421977849. Information and genogram available on <https://www.ccrbrisbane.org.au/news.php>

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8th NOVEMBER

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Join us for **Encounter Kedron** for youth in
School Yrs 7 & up.
Sunday 8th Nov, 6.30-8.30pm.
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beforehand which will be led by the
Encounter Kedron music team**



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

DATE: NOV 22nd 2020

VENUE: LITTLE FLOWER PARISH HALL

TIME: 3.30PM TO 5.00PM

SCHOOL YEARS 4 TO 7

For further information contact:

kedron@bne.catholic.net.au

Or Jaimi Santhosh 0421 418 861

Organised by Jesus Youth Queensland.



Please pray for our recently deceased:

Anne Dahms, Iolanda Porcellini

and those whose Anniversaries occur about now:

**Lawrie Minton, Vince Salanitri, Daniel Green, Philip Carnes,
Glenice Prior, Dick Akers, Madeline Jones, James Rice,
Margaret Denham**

**WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED;
MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.**

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, or call 3357 6640 or email: kedron@bne.catholic.net.au

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:

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PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 2 November

Mass 8.00am

Adoration after Mass

Taekwondo 6.30pm

Tuesday 3 November

Mass 8.00am

Rosary after Mass

Samaritans 9.00am

Wednesday 4 November

Mass 9.00am (with Yr 1)

Mass at Delamore 4.45pm

Padua Old Boy Memorial Mass 5.30pm

Thursday 5 November

Mass 8.00am

Adoration after Mass

Encounter Youth Leaders 3.30pm

Parish Pastoral Council 6.30pm

Friday 6 November

Mass 8.00am

Meditation 9.00am (Parish Hall)

Saturday 7 November

Baptism Information 11.00am

Reconciliation 4.00pm

Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 8 November

Mass 7.30am & 9.30am

Baptism 11.00am

Mass 5.30pm

Encounter Youth 6.30am

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.

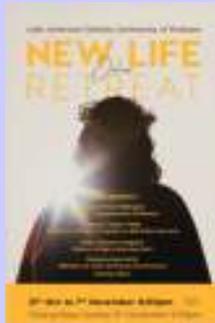
It is basic concepts paired with powerful testimonies of people who have experienced a personal encounter with Jesus that has resulted in a transformation of our lives.

We have managed to invite some good deacon brothers Deacon Peter Pellicaan, 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



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>

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 7th November 2020 at 11.00am.

LITTLE FLOWER CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP

Our Kedron Parish Christian Meditation will be held in the Parish Hall every Friday 9am.

Everyone is very welcome - both beginners and familiar faces.

We look forward to seeing you in person on Friday morning!

NEXT WEEKS READINGS

32nd Sunday in Ordinary

Time, Year A—

8th November 2020

1st Reading:

Wisdom 6:12-16

2nd Reading:

1 Thessalonians 4:13-18

Gospel:

Matthew 25:1-13

Something for the Kids...

Draw a line from the first half of each beatitude to its correct ending.



Blessed are those who grieve...

...they will be treated with mercy.

Blessed are the merciful...

...they will be called God's children.

Blessed are those who make peace...

...they will see God.

Blessed are those with pure hearts...

...they will find comfort.



How can you be like a saint?
Finish these sentences

I am like a saint when I...

I am like a saint when I...

I am like a saint when I...

Complete the Text Maze

"Blessed are the humble, the earth will belong to them."

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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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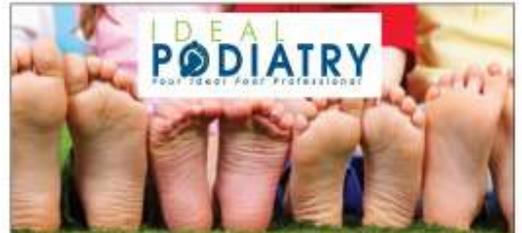
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