

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

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 31st January 2021 (YEAR B)

Reflection ...

We've all had to put up with boring speeches or sermons from time to time, whether it be from politicians, preachers, at school speech nights or the local service or sports club. Every now and then though we come across someone who really arrests our attention. It mightn't be only that he or she puts words together well; it's often a combination of that and something in the content that strikes a chord. Maybe we are even envious of the obvious gift that person has. This is surely how Jesus came across to those people in the synagogue. This was someone quite different; they had had their share of the run of the mill scribes with their tired old platitudes. Here was someone who really meant what he said and was able to back it up with fearless engagement with a power from which they shrank in ignorance and doubt.

It is not without importance that this is the first public appearance of Jesus in the Gospel of Mark. Over the next few weeks we will witness the popular acceptance of Jesus as he battles with a force that takes various forms – physical sickness, opposition from entrenched mindsets, the accusation of collusion with the enemy itself. This is the 'gospel', the good news that Jesus invites the people to accept readily by changing their lives.

The same 'gospel' is offered to us for we are dealing with a power that can change our lives, not merely a set of nice, pious sayings. Too often we reduce the gospels to that and so remain relatively unmoved by the dynamic challenge they contain.

As we know, in that society possession by 'unclean spirits' was a general term that covered all kinds of conditions for which we today have medical or social explanations and sophisticated labels. We can therefore approach these stories with a type of superiority as if they either don't occur anymore or are best left to experts to deal with. Yet isn't it true that all of us are 'possessed' in different ways by forces over which we have to admit to having little or no control? Some people are enslaved by addictions to drugs, alcohol, food, gambling and so on. Many of us suffer from more subtle addictions so that we don't even want to admit to ourselves, let alone to anyone else, that we are virtually powerless to control them. All of us know deep down that many of our habits and ways of dealing with others are so much a part of our make up that we can do little to change them.

The people who acclaimed Jesus realised that he had something special that could influence them to change their lives. The authority and healing power of Jesus is present today in his body, the Church, through the Sacraments, but also in the love, care and compassion of every community of faith. We only have to look around us when we are gathered for the Eucharist to name it and accept it. It is when the Church is able to back up teaching and doctrine with the same concern for the troubled lives of ordinary people that it is most effective in continuing the mission of Jesus. That is why in the Gospels he is always accompanied by followers learning how to be genuine 'fishers of men'.

Fr Chris Hope

DESSERT & DISCUSSIONS GROUP

Fratelli Tutti (On Fraternity and Social Friendship), the most recent encyclical of Pope Francis, calls for more human fraternity and solidarity, and is a plea to reject wars. It focuses on contemporary social and economic problems, and proposes a world of fraternity in which all countries can be part of a "larger human family."

You are invited to join a group meeting for 6-8 weeks on
Tuesdays 7.00-8.30pm in the Parish Hall.

Our aim is to better understand the key insights and reflections from Fratelli Tutti and at the same time, share fellowship. If you, or someone you know enjoys talking faith and eating cake,

Please contact Ryan on 0431 040 310

Starting Date: Tues February 2nd, 2021



Padua College participates in the ACER Cooperative Scholarship Testing Program (CSTP), an annual testing program for scholarships for independent schools throughout Australia.

For further information regarding the academic scholarship please see the notices on the Church Notice boards or visit the Padua College website. The following link to the website is provided for your convenience:
<http://www.padua.qld.edu.au/enrolments/scholarships-and-bursaries/>

Information regarding the 2021 Scholarship Test

Registration Closing Date: Monday 8th Feb 2021 (mid-night)

Scholarship Test Date: Saturday 27th Feb 2021

Place of Testing: Padua College, 80 Turner Road, Kedron

Please email any enquiries regarding the Scholarship Test to enrolments@padua.qld.edu.au

ACER Scholarship Tests

Australia Day Celebration

Thank you to everyone who helped make our Aust Day Celebration such a success - it's always great when we can gather as parishioners for some light-hearted fun and build friendships. And to all the Bocce players - well done and thank you for being such good sports!



SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION PREPARATION 2021

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. The program is for children in School Year 5 and above. If you require any further information please contact Maria Hopes, Sacramental Coordinator at: sacramental.kedron@bne.catholic.net.au

We welcome you and your child and look forward to being part of this process of preparation for this sacrament. Please refer to these important dates:



PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 1 February

Mass 8.00am

Adoration after Mass

Taekwondo 6.30pm

Tuesday 2 February

Mass 9.00am

Samaritans 9.30am

Dessert & Discussions 7.00pm

Wednesday 3 February

Mass 9.00am

Delamore Mass 4.45pm

RCIA 6.00pm

Environment & Social Justice 7.00pm

Thursday 4 February

Mass 8.00am

Adoration after Mass

Friday 5 February

Mass 8.00am

Christian Meditation 9.00am

St Anthony Yr 6 Commissioning &

Opening Mass 9.00am

Funeral 12.30pm

Saturday 6 February

Baptismal Information 11.00am

Reconciliation 4.00pm

Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 7 February

Mass 7.30am & 9.30am

Baptisms 11.00 & 11.45am

Mass 5.30pm

LITTLE FLOWER CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP

Our Kedron Parish Christian Meditation group **at 9.00am.**

Everyone is very welcome to the St Clare's Room at the back of the church near the sacristy.

Children's Liturgy & Mass

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

For more information, contact:

Children's Liturgy

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Children's Mass

Mav Green

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Singing Group

Christine Masters

christine@musicmasters.com.au

Reconciliation 2021 - Dates

Submit Enrolment Forms:
29th January – 14th February

Parent Night:
Monday 15th February at 4.00pm
or Tuesday 16 February at 7.00pm

Reconciliation Evening:

Monday 8th March
5.00pm - 7.00pm



Exciting isn't it.

Tuesday Morning Activities organised by The Samaritans starts again NEXT TUESDAY, 2nd February
Come and celebrate with our Samaritan Community
 To welcome the 2021 Year of Tuesday Morning Activities in the hall. Just the best news.

Contact Jill on 0438 612 177



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

UPCOMING DATES:

February 21st, March 21st, May 16th

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.



WE NEED YOUR HELP
FOR MINISTRIES



Dear Parishioners,

As you know, it takes many people to keep a parish vibrant and life-giving. It needs the involvement of as many of us as possible, sharing our gifts and time with one another, for the good of one another, as well as our own nourishment. Over the years, we have been so blessed by the generosity of many parishioners who have done this, often in unseen ways. To all of you, my sincere thanks!

But I also recognise that over time, some of our volunteers need to reduce their activity while still remaining as praying participants of our parish. For this reason, while encouraging our current volunteers to continue their service, I'd like to welcome new volunteers to come forward to make their contribution to our community, simply to the extent that they are able. We are happy to be flexible!

Where we can use the help is for Children's Liturgy, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Morning Tea after Mass, Data Projection, Altar Society, Altar Servers, Church Cleaning, Collection Counting, and our Tuesday Morning Samaritans Group.

A huge thank you to all who have already volunteered but if you think you could also assist or you just want to know more, please contact Sandra at the parish office by phone or email or let me know. Thank you dear brothers and sisters!

Fr Mario ofm



Join us for **Encounter Kedron** for youth in School Yrs 7 & up.
Sunday 21 February, 6.30-8.30pm.
 Come together for music & song, inspiring talks, meeting friends, and fun!

Join us also for the Sunday 5.30pm Mass beforehand which will be led by the Encounter Kedron music team

STAYING CONNECTED Are you on our mailing list for the weekly newsletter, or occasional breaking news alerts? If not, please email us at: kedron@bne.catholic.net.au
 Sometimes we have added a person to our email-list but the email is going to their 'spam' or 'junk-mail' folder. It is a good idea to check these folders to see if it is there. If that is happening, you can mark these emails as 'approved' or 'not-spam/junk', so your email server lets them through.

Please pray for our recently deceased:
Lorna Bowd, Catherine Burchill, Isolina Maccarone, Ken Munro, Josephine Seymour
 and those whose Anniversaries occur about now:
Bernie Butler, Linden Graham, William Lambert, Winifred Taylor, Hardy McMahon, Catherine O'Malley, Marie Sage, Audrey Robson, Mary Galea, Barney Curran, Warren Tickle, Doreen Beckwith, Thomas KS, Cornelius Janssen
WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED; MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

NEXT WEEKS READINGS
5th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 7 February 2021
1st Reading:
 Job 7:1-4, 6-7
2nd Reading:
 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23
Gospel:
 Mk 1:29-39

Something for the Kids...

Jesus showed that he is the one to be listened to. What are some things people would have heard Jesus say?



Jesus taught with great authority and people listened to him. We too are more likely to listen to someone who really believes in what they say. Draw a picture of someone who you listen to.



Help spread the good news by connecting all the faces 😊. Only use straight lines - including diagonal lines - but do not pass through crossed boxes ✖. Complete the sentence below by adding each letter that your line passes through.

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 An Outreach of the Catholic Church Celebrating Life...

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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