

The Parish Community of St Thérèse and St Anthony

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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

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time , 7th February 2021 (YEAR B)

Reflection ...

In the time of Jesus almost everything they couldn't understand was put down to a demon or an evil spirit. In the Talmud, (a large book dating from around the time of Jesus that contains the collected teachings of the Rabbis), several pages are devoted to the healing of 'fevers'. Even though we have become more advanced in our medical knowledge, it's surprising how this thinking still persists. While most people don't blame evil for their ailments, they can think God has a direct hand in sending an illness or an injury. Such faulty theology cannot be reconciled with the New Testament.

There is not a single instance where Jesus inflicts pain and suffering on others. He regularly tells us we have to carry our cross and bear our burdens, but this is vastly different from personally laying a cross on our shoulders or giving us the burdens in the first place. By contrast, every time that Jesus encounters suffering and pain he works to heal it and restore the person to new life.

The differences between the healing of Peter's mother-in-law and the other healing stories in the first chapter of Mark's Gospel are striking. Rather than in a public space and in front of crowds this personal healing occurs in the privacy of Peter's house. By contrast to the command for the demons to be gone, in his bedside ministry Jesus never mentions a demon and uses no words. Instead he gently takes her by the hand and helps her to her feet. Unlike the others Jesus heals, of whom we never hear about their response, the healing of Peter's mother-in-law leads her to an act of service. Given all the details Mark give us of this encounter it's a pity he never tells us her name.

Sometimes we can think of Jesus' miracles, then and now, as acts of dazzling power. The problem with this idea is that if we see Jesus as going around 'zapping' people it's hard to figure out why there were times when he could not perform any miracles at all, or that they happened in stages. Whatever else miracles are, they are deeply personal encounters of faith.

As Catholics we believe in the power of miracles and that the source of them is always the grace of God. But we do not have to see them as something done to us from without. Rather, we can see them as unlocking something from within. For some people Jesus' word or touch set free the healing power God had placed in them. For others it came through another person's intercession. The same holds true for us today.

Furthermore, being anointed, celebrating Reconciliation or Eucharist, going to a place of pilgrimage, fasting, being prayed over or meditating can have a similar effect. Looked at in this way we can see why some people are healed and others are not. If a personal encounter with Jesus did not always lead to healing, then why should it surprise us that some other encounters these days do not always unlock God's healing within us.

Small and large-scale miracles are happening everyday. Today's Gospel reminds us that they do not happen for show or for the sake of the crowd. They are realisations of faith. Taking Peter's mother-in-law as our model we are healed and strengthened so that we can witness to God's saving power, serve the Kingdom of God in any way we can, and continue to wait on the Lord.



Ash Wednesday 17th Feb. We have received advice from the Archdiocese about the safe distribution of ashes due to COVID-19 ... Your safety is always our first priority and in order to keep everyone COVID-safe, the distribution of ashes will be slightly changed this year. As well as remaining socially distanced, you and fellow Catholics all around the world will receive a light sprinkling of ashes on the top of the head, rather than a cross on your forehead. This distribution of ashes will be done in prayerful silence."

The "World Day of Prayer Service this year is to be held at St. Gerard Majella's Church commencing at 10.30am on Friday 5th March 2021. The service is followed by Morning Tea. All are invited and welcome to attend. Because of COVID it will be important to book in prior to attendance. This can be done either via the St Gerard Majella Parish website as from 22nd February, OR, you may contact Mary Anne Lucas on 0412 323 669 or Marie Jones on 0407 756 662 who can arrange the booking for you. We look forward to praying together at this Ecumenical Service which this year will focus on Vanuatu."

We still need your help for Ministries

We have had a good response to our call for volunteers but are still looking for help in some areas of service in our parish. And so, dear Parishioners, we are still welcoming volunteers for:

- Children's Liturgy
- Morning Tea after Mass

- Data Projector
- Altar Society
- Altar Servers
- Samaritans Group (Tues)
- Music & Singing Ministry

If you can possibly assist, please contact Sandra at the parish office by phone or email, or let me know anytime. Thank you dear brothers and sisters!

Fr Mario

THE CATHOLIC LEADER

Keeping Faith with You \$4

The Catholic Leader has returned as a monthly newspaper after a 10-month absence in its print version. Limited copies are available at our parish for \$4 each. This month's issue includes:

- Message from the Editor about the new monthly issues
- Changes with the distribution of Ashes explained
- Regular monthly column by Archbishop Mark Coleridge
- Brisbane men take up life of asceticism with Exodus 90
- Journalist Jo Hayes hosting a Catholic news program

Please collect an issue at the church entrance, or subscribe to receive The Catholic Leader at your door. Visit catholicleader.com.au/subscribe to get started.

The **Little Black Books** are now available at the Piety Store. They commence on 14th February, the Monday before Ash Wednesday and go up to Easter Sunday. It provides 6 minute prayers and articles to help prepare your journey to the Easter celebration. The cost is still only \$4.00.

MASS INTENTIONS & OFFERINGS

It has been a custom in our church tradition to have a Mass offered for some intentions. Envelopes are in the church. When you have such a need, please write down your intention and return it to the parish office, to the priest or place it on the collection box at the weekend Masses. Thank you.

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 8 February

Mass 8.00am
Adoration after Mass
Taekwondo 6.30pm
Choir Practice 7.15pm

Tuesday 9 February

Mass 8.00am
Rosary after Mass
Samaritans 9.30am
St Anthony P & F 7.00pm
Desserts & Discussion 7.00pm

Wednesday 10 February

Mass 9.00am
Delamore Anointing Mass 4.45pm
RCIA 6.00pm

Thursday 11 February

Mass 8.00am
Adoration after Mass
Parish Pastoral Council 6.30pm

Friday 12 February

Mass 8.00am
Christian Meditation 9.00am
Mt Alvernia Opening Mass 9.00am
Padua Mass 10.50am

Saturday 13 February

Baptisms 2.00pm
Reconciliation 4.00pm
Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 14 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

Carmel Burroughs
acburroughs1@hotmail.com

Children's Mass

Mav Green
mav_sp_green@hotmail.com

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



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.



PREP ENROLMENTS 2022

Prep enrolment interviews for St Anthony's Kedron 2022 will commence later this term. Families will need to submit an online "Application of Enrolment" via St Anthony's School website. Prep enrolment applications for 2022 close on Friday 5th March 2021.

[Please click here to submit an enrolment application](#)

Children born **1/7/2016 to 30/6/2017** are eligible to apply for Prep 2022.

Please pass this information onto friends and neighbours who may be considering a 2022 Prep enrolment at St. Anthony's. Please contact St Anthony's enrolments if you have any queries on 07 3357 6185.



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.



Baptised Catholic? In an advertising campaign in February and March featuring international cricketer, Matthew Hayden, the Archdiocese of Brisbane is inviting all baptised Catholics to reflect upon what it means to be baptised Catholic.

- We're looking for your help to:
- Pray for the opening of hearts.
 - Accompany those who are seeking to renew their contact with the Church.
 - Welcome new faces to our community.

There are flyers in our parish that you can give to family, friends, or colleagues who might be interested.

To sign up to be an accompanier or join the prayer team, or to find out more, go to: www.evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/baptisedcatholic.

Please pray for our recently deceased:
Graham Sherman, Lorna Bowd, Catherine Burchill,
 and those whose Anniversaries occur about now:
Sarina Caruso, Bernie Butler, Linden Graham, William Lambert, Winifred Taylor, Hardy McMahon, Catherine O'Malley, Marie Sage, Audrey Robson,
 WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED;
 MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

NEXT WEEKS READINGS
6th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 14 February 2021
1st Reading:
 Lev 13:1-2, 44-46
2nd Reading:
 1 Cor 10:31- 11:1
Gospel:
 Mk 1:40-45

Something for the Kids...

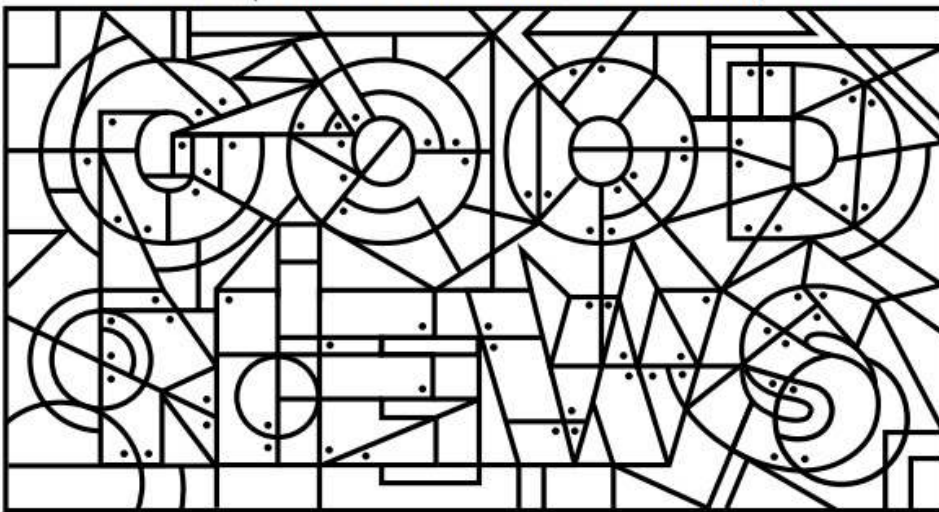
Draw Jesus healing Simon's sick mother-in-law



Jesus went away to be alone and pray.
Where are some places that you pray?

Four empty rectangular boxes for writing answers to the question about places to pray.

Colour in all the shapes that contain dots to reveal what Jesus wants everyone to know.



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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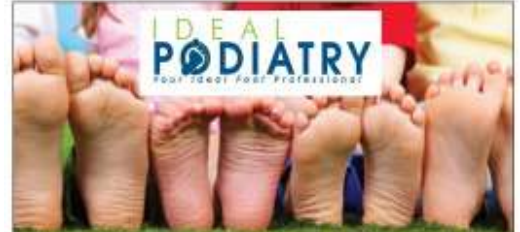
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