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Fourth Sunday of Lent, 14th March 2021 (YEAR B)

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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 8.00am Thursday 8.00am Friday

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION Monday & Thursday 8.30am

RECONCILIATION

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

Ph: 0448 356 599

SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE Mrs Sandra Di Francesco

Reflection ...

As Christians in the world we cannot help but be influenced by the developments that happen around us. Indeed, we believe that many of these advances are gifts from God, given to us to enjoy. But not all developments in thinking and practices are for the better.

One recent and alarming development is the false thinking that we cannot judge other people, or that we should not be judged. The wider community regularly maintains that no one is in a position to judge another's behaviour or statements. This approach holds that everyone's words and actions are of equal value. This position is many things, but it's certainly not Christian, but this hasn't stopped it from finding a home amongst us. We regularly hear statements from Christian men and women like, 'We're not in a position to judge' or 'You can't judge them' and 'If it's fine for them, then it's fine'. This thinking has a name. It's called moral relativism and it tries to claim that the morality of behaviour is only determined by the person who does the act, or the context within which the action is taken.

Our Catholic tradition teaches us that a context is very important in trying to work out if someone is to blame for what they say and do, but that a person's particular circumstances never change the fact that the words or actions are in themselves wrong. We hold that while all human beings have equal value and dignity, we do not believe that everyone's opinion and actions are of equal worth. We believe that 'right judgment' is a gift of the Holy Spirit and that it's best exercised with humility and compassion.

When I hear people say I should not judge others, I assume they are telling me that I should not condemn other people. There is a world of difference between judging and condemning. To judge is to make an assess-To condemn is to damn. As Christians we judge because we have to keep discerning how the things of the world can be reconciled with the things we hold to be true. Condemnation is the prerogative of God alone, who sees all, knows all and loves all. In today's Gospel, however, John tells us that even God has forfeited the right to condemn the world, but has sent Jesus to be the world's light, life, truth and saviour.

The Gospel reminds us that if we feel condemned for what we have done and said, then it's because we have condemned ourselves, not because God condemns us. John tells us that even when we find ourselves lost in the darkness of our most destructive behaviour, the saving love of Christ is always available to us, inviting us to come out of the darkness into his light.

What a great metaphor the light and dark is for making the best judgments in our own lives. Alarm bells should always ring when we find ourselves not wanting anyone else to know what we have said or done. Secrecy is often the ally of sin and the more open and transparent we are, the more confident we can be that we are walking as children of the light.

May this Lenten Eucharist enable us to let go of the desire to condemn others and ourselves, and to receive again the compassionate, just and humble gift of right judgment that helps us to see the darkness for what it is, and keeps us walking in the light of Christ.

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Call to Prayer - Week 5



Let us pray

We pray for those who have not yet come to know Jesus, that their hearts and minds will be open to hearing the Word of God and be transformed.

Reflection

Proverbs 3:5-6

Trust in the Lord with all your heart, and do not lean on your own understanding. In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths.

Reflection

It is Jesus in fact that you seek when you dream of happiness; he is waiting for you when nothing else you find satisfies you; he is the beauty to which you are so attracted; it is he who provokes you with that thirst for fullness that will not let you settle for compromise; it is he who urges you to shed the masks of a false life; it is he who reads in your hearts your most genuine choices, the choices that others try to stifle.

Pope St John Paul II

Let us pray

Jesus we pray for every person who sees a *Call to all Catholics* invitation on a billboard, hears it on the radio or learns of it by word of mouth.

We pray for them to be longing to build a relationship with you, to want to engage with the church.

We pray for those who are fearful of taking steps to be close to you, and especially for those who have been wounded within the Church.

Jesus we pray that your Holy Spirit would pour into their hearts, so that they may step out and respond to your invitation to dive deeper into their faith. We pray for anyone who steps into a Catholic church because of this invitation, that they may be received with love.

Jesus, we pray for each of us as we are called to play our part in this invitation. Amen.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son, and to the Holy Spirit. Amen.

DESSERT & DISCUSSION 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."

Join us on Tuesdays 7.00-8.30pm in the Parish House

We aim to better understand the key insights and reflections from Fratelli Tutti, apply them to daily life and share fellowship.

Please contact Ryan on 0431 040 310 or just come along.

So much friendship to experience as you join the Art Group, or the Craft Group, or the Bingo Group, or the Cards Group or the Cribbage Group. Or you just want to chat and laugh. Contact Jill on 0438 612 177.

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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.

The Grail

At Christmas last the Australian Grail donated 1,000 Personal Journals to Prisoners in Qld Jails. The Grail in Brisbane is now selling matching Journals in order to pay for those donated, If you'd like to contribute to this effort you can purchase Journals by contacting Judy on 0407580174 or moutonbrown@gmail.com. Without postage the coast per Journal is \$10."

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 15 March Mass 8.00am Adoration after Mass Taekwondo 6.30pm

Tuesday 16 March
Mass 8.00am
Rosary after Mass
Samaritans 9.30am
St Anthony Prep Class 11.15am

Wednesday 17 March Mass with Yr 5 9.00am Delamore Mass 4.45pm

Thursday 18 March
Mass 8.00am
Adoration after Mass
Encounter Youth 3.00pm
Padua Board Meeting 6.00pm

Friday 19 March
Mass 8.00am
Stations of the Cross after Mass
Christian Meditation 9.00am
Padua Mass 10.50am

Saturday 20 March
Baptism 11.00am
Reconciliation 4.00pm
Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 21 March
Mass 7.30am & 9.30am
Secular Franciscan Order 9.30am
Baptisms 11.00am & 11.45am
Kedron Youth 3.30pm
Mass 5.30pm
Encounter Youth 6.30pm

LITTLE FLOWER CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP

Our Kedron Parish Christian Meditation group meets each *Friday at 9.00am* at the Parish Hall.

Everyone is very welcome.

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:

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acburroughs1@hotmail.com

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Singing Group
Christine Masters
christine@musicmasters.com.au

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Fifth Sunday of Lent - 21 March 2021

1st Reading: <u>Jer 31:31-34</u> 2nd Reading: <u>Heb 5:7-9</u> **Gospel:** <u>Jn 12:20-33</u>



Join other youth on SUNDAY MARCH 21ST AT LITTLE FLOWER PARISH HALL 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.





Archbishop Mark Coleridge Annual Chrism Mass to be held in the Cathedral of St Stephen on Thursday 25th March 2021 commencing at 7.00pm.



2021 Stations of the Cross Liturgy

Firstly, we just want to say a huge thank you to those who have said yes to being a part of our Stations of the Cross play this year. We are so excited to have the support of you and your young people on board to

work towards a beautiful liturgy. Everything involving costumes, roles and a visual idea of what stations is going to look like will be explained within our first rehearsal. This year, we will have 3 rehearsals prior to Good Friday and a final run through on the morning of Good Friday. The dates for these rehearsals will be as below:

Our first rehearsal will be on **Sunday 14.03.21**Our second rehearsal will be on **Sunday 21.03.21**Our third rehearsal will be on the **Sunday 28.03.21**Final run through and day will be on **Good Friday 02.04.21**

Sunday Rehearsals:

Sunday Rehearsals will go for an hour from **2pm – 3pm** in the afternoon. Any parents of younger children below High School age, we would love it if you could stay for rehearsal!

Good Friday:

Good Friday morning we will have a final run-through at **8:00am** for the liturgy to start at **10:00am**. We will be expecting to finish around the 11:00 o'clock mark.

We are also looking for a few parishioners to help with serving a breakfast for our young group prior to the start of our play.

If you would like to help please contact
Sandra at Parish Office on kedron@bne.catholic.net.au
or by telephoning 3357 6640



Join us for **Encounter Kedron** for youth in School Yrs 7 & up.

Sunday 21 March, 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

The Justice, Peace & Care for Creation Committee Earth

Last Thursday morning Fr Joe facilitated a liturgy with parishioners and Padua students. This is leading up to this years UN Climate Change meeting in Glasgow













Fourth Sunday of Lent – 14th March 2021

Arsad, an Indonesian

farmer, had no toilet, so he and his family always had to walk into the forest to an open defecation area. His family was often sick and open defecation caused many neighbourhood disputes.

With the support of Caritas Australia and its partner, Laz Harfa,



Arsad took part in hygiene, sanitation and financial management training. He then funded the building of a toilet in his house and helped other community members to save for toilets.

Now Arsad's family is healthier. Their community no longer practices open defecation

and is more harmonious. Arsad inspired his community to 'Be More'

Please donate to Project Compassion 2021 and help improve health and wellbeing of communities in Indonesia so they can work towards eradicating poverty, providing a better future for all.

You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.



Part-time Administration Position Now Available

Hours of Work - 9.00am to 12.00pm

Ideal position to fit in with school hours
If you are interested, please email a covering letter and resume to manager@delamoreretirement.com.au

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.



STAYING CONNECTED

Are you on our mailing list for the weekly newsletter, or occasional breaking news alerts? If not, please email: 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.

Something for the Kids...

God gave his only Son to save us

4th Sunday of Lent, Year B

Draw or write some of the ways we can see God's love in the world today.



Jesus Saves Us



When he grew up he proclaimed the Good News





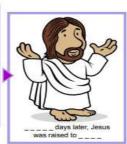
Write a prayer about how you would like God to help you.

Dear Lord.









Amen.

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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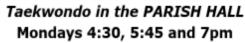
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