

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

2nd Sunday of Easter, 11th April 2021 (YEAR B)

Reflection ...

The earliest Christian community focused strongly on the wounds of the Risen Lord for two reasons: to affirm the fact that Christ, now raised from the dead was the same person who had lived with them; and to make sense of the physical wounds being inflicted on them for Christ's sake.

The story of Thomas, even with its mystical details, counters a magical notion of what the resurrection is about. Jesus bears the marks of his torture and death. His glorified body, though different, is connected to how the disciples knew and loved him. They can recognise him through his words and his wounds.

We know the community of Ephesus, for which this Gospel is written, was experiencing great persecution. Is it any wonder, one generation after the earliest disciples, that the sign of Christ's Risen presence are his marks of suffering?

Our own world continues to be intrigued by manifestations of Jesus' wounds. Over recent years films like *Stigmata*, *Dogma*, *Agnes of God* and even the appalling *Daredevil* give a hysterical and cynical prominence to the stigmata. There are regular 'believe it or not' documentaries that usually follow suit. Even some pilgrims flocked to Padre Pio's monastery in the south of Italy to see if his hands really bled, or if his wounds really wept. This desire to see outward signs of inner faith is a long way short of Jesus telling us today, 'Happy are those who believe without seeing.'

Our day-to-day lives should be the clearest manifestation of the cross and resurrection of Christ.

It seems, however, that words and wounds still make a claim on us today. You and I know that we don't have to go to a stigmatic to see Christian battle wounds. We carry within us the death of the Lord. We all have our wounds. And we also know that, for many of us, it is precisely when we are wounded most deeply by life, that our doubts in the presence of God can be greatest.

The Easter story is not that we should be ashamed of this, or pretend it doesn't happen. Today's Gospel reminds us that it is into this chaos that Christ comes with words of peace, with empathy from the one who was wounded for our sake and with the mission to forgive as we are forgiven.

Years ago I remember struggling with some personal issues during a retreat. One day, when I felt lowest about myself, the retreat director, adapting today's psalm, 117, said to me, 'you realise that the stone rejected by the builder becomes the corner stone'. By this he meant that often God takes that part of ourselves we don't like, forgives it, heals it, and uses it most powerfully to demonstrate that the pattern of the life, death and resurrection of Christ continues in all believers who bear his name and carry his wounds.

And that's what happened to Thomas. Christ took his fears, doubts and disbelief and transformed them into a powerful Christian witness that has sustained generations of us who struggle with life and faith.

So at this Easter Eucharist we are offered the same opportunity to discover that the stone rejected within us, or among us, is the one which God wants to use as the cornerstone. When we see this happening, when we see God taking the part of us we consider most unlovable and using it for good, then we want to cry out with the psalmist, 'This is the work of the Lord, a marvel in our eyes.'

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Join us for **Encounter Kedron**
for youth in School Yrs 7 & up.
Sunday 16 May, 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 led by the Encounter Kedron music team**

The Samaritans

The Samaritans will **resume** on Tuesday 20th April 2021, when school also resumes. *Love always The Samaritans, Kedron Parish* Contact Jill on 0438 612 177.

MASS COLLECTIONS

The **FIRST Mass Collection** supports the Franciscan Friars and their work. You can also use the "Tap & Go" at the church entrance, or the **Parish Giving Portal**, or **Direct Deposit** (see below).

The **SECOND Mass Collection** all goes for Parish expenses. You can also use "Tap & Go," your **Envelopes, Direct Deposit, or Direct Debit**. A percentage of both the 1st and 2nd Collections is also required to be sent to the Archdiocese for various needs.

For **Direct Deposit** please use your first initial and surname. Your deposit will be split equally between the 1st and 2nd Collections, unless you let the parish office know otherwise.

Account Name: **Kedron Parish** BSB: **064 786** Account Number: **110003991**

Bank: CBA Reference: **1st Initial, Surname, Envelope No.** (if you have one) eg. J Blogs 579

If you use **Direct Debit (Planned Giving)**, all this amount goes towards Parish expenses. For enquiries or you wish to join Direct Debit, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.



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Hearing Loop...

Our Parish has a **HEARING LOOP** to assist those parishioners who have hearing difficulties. To use this device you need to sit in the front seven pews either side of the main aisle. If you are not hearing the celebration of the Mass using this device please contact the Parish Office.

WHS Incident Report. Parishioners and visitors are reminded of the requirement to immediately report any health or safety incident, injury or damage that occurs within our Parish. Reporting assists our Parish to provide the necessary assistance, take remedial action and provide mandatory notifications to the Archdiocese and the Division of Work Health and Safety QLD.

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.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS **Third Sunday of Easter** **April 18th 2021**

1st Reading: [Acts 3:13-15. 17-19](#)

2nd Reading: [1 Jn 2:1-5](#)

Gospel: [Lk 24:35-48](#)

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 12 April

Mass 8.00am
Adoration after Mass

Tuesday 13 April

Mass 8.00am
Rosary after Mass

Wednesday 14 April

Mass 9.00am
Funeral 10.30am
Delamore Mass 4.45pm

Thursday 15 April

Mass 8.00am
Adoration after Mass

Friday 16 April

Mass 8.00am
Christian Meditation 9.00pm
Deanery Meeting 10.00am

Saturday 17 April

Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 18 April

Mass 7.30am & 9.30am
Secular Franciscan Order 9.00am
Baptisms 11.00am, 11.45am & 12.45am
Mass 5.30pm

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:

Children's Liturgy

Carmel Burroughs
acburroughs1@hotmail.com

Children's Mass

Mav Green
mav_sp_green@hotmail.com

Singing Group

Christine Masters
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Please pray for our recently deceased:
John Davis, Terry Connolly, Herbert Hennessy, Marlene Lawrence, Rose Vella
and those whose Anniversaries occur about now:
KJ Varghese, Soli George, Shirley Coe, Neville Johnson, Mascarenhas and D'Souza families, Tekava Kaisara, Robin Sharry
WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED; MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.



Join other youth this
SUNDAY 16 MAY
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.



MAC CHOIR SINGS MESSIAH

Sunday 18 April, 2:00 to 4:30pm

Chermside Kedron Community Church | 590 Gympie Road, Chermside

Spend an afternoon listening to one of the great oratorios and be inspired by GF Handel's Messiah

Conductor - Spencer Faulkner
 Orchestra Leader - Spiros Rantos
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 Mezzo Soprano - Kristie Eckersley
 Tenor - James Scott
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Tickets \$25 - No sales at the door
Bookings essential!
<https://www.trybooking.com/BPGNV>



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.

Padua College Open Day

Learn about the Good Men of Padua College
 Join us to discover how your son can unlock his potential.
 Meet members of our College community and hear from our Rector (Principal) Peter Elmore, on the many benefits of an education at Padua College.

Sunday 16 May 2021*

10.00am – 1.00pm

THIS EVENT WILL BE MODIFIED TO MEET ANY CURRNT COVID-19 SAFE RESTRICTIONS

Registration is essential via our website:

<https://padua.qld.edu.au/enrolment-information/open-day/>



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. Please check these folders and if that is happening, mark these emails as 'approved' or 'not-spam/junk', so your server lets them in.

Confirmation 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.

If you require any further information please contact Maria Hopes, Sacramental Coordinator at: sacramental.kedron@bne.catholic.net.au
 We are excited for you and your child and look forward to being part of this process of preparation for the celebration of this sacrament.

Enrolments

Enrolments are now opened

Parent Information Night

Tuesday 27th April at 4.00pm or

Wednesday 28th at 7.00pm

(please chose only one to attend)

Enrolment Mass

Sunday 2nd May 4.00pm

Compulsory Workshop

Sunday 23rd May (1.00-3.00pm)

Confirmation Ceremony

Friday 28th May 5.00pm and 7.00pm

(please chose only one to attend)

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."

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

Please contact Ryan on 0431 040 310 for more information and meeting details.



Have you thought?

Those who have not seen

Jesus says to Thomas, 'You believe because you can see me. Happy are those who have not seen and yet believe.' That's us! Jesus' words in the gospel are meant for people like us living today. We are not in the position of Thomas and the other disciples who were able to see the risen Lord face to face and so convince themselves of his rising. The gospel recognises that to believe in the resurrection without that physical, personal encounter with Jesus is to be celebrated even more. Happy are we - Blessed are we - who have not seen and yet still believe!

Holy Land Collection

Thank you to everyone for giving so generously to the Good Friday Collection. Our Kedron Parish total was \$3547.80



Something for the Kids...

Have faith and you will be blessed

2nd Sunday of Easter, Year B

A week after Jesus died he appeared to his disciples. They were very happy to see him. Draw the risen Jesus.



Thomas had doubts about Jesus being alive. He wanted to see Jesus' hands and side before he would believe that Jesus had come back to life. Re-arrange the tiles to discover the important message Jesus gave to Thomas.

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What are some things in today's world that show us that Jesus' spirit is with us? Circle the correct answers and add some of your own.



poverty	war
people sharing	people who love us
the Church	selfishness

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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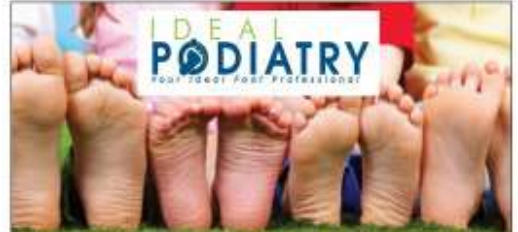
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