

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

3rd Sunday of Easter, 18th April 2021 (YEAR B)

Reflection ...

Sometimes the lectionary cuts a gospel story off too soon. Today we hear from the last chapter of Luke's Gospel where there are four accounts of how the disciples came to believe in the resurrection of Jesus. In the first two stories Mary Magdalene and then Peter come to see that Jesus has been raised from the dead because they found his tomb empty. The third story is set on the Road to Emmaus. Today's gospel is where Jesus appears to the apostles and disciples en masse, but it finishes at verse 48. In the next few verses Jesus tells the disciples that he is sending them out to be his witnesses in the world, and then he ascends to the Father.

The Church finishes the passage early because it does not want to preempt the feast of the Ascension, but by doing so it does the story an injustice. We are used to hearing how the Road to Emmaus mirrors what we do here at Mass each Sunday. But if we include Luke chapter 24, verses 49 to 50, then we can see that today's Gospel does the same thing. The verbs tell the story. In today's Gospel Jesus is present to the disciples; he gives himself to them to be seen and held; he eats with them; teaches them about the scriptures; and he commissions them to go out.

As a result of that first Easter we gather here each Sunday to remember and make Easter present again. This is the reason, for example, we talk about the 40 days of Lent when in fact there are 45 days from Ash Wednesday to the Easter Vigil. In or outside the Easter season, Sundays are always days of the Resurrection. And just like the first Easter Sunday we believe that Christ continues to invite us here; to teach us about how to understand the scriptures and live them out in our daily lives; is present to us, to have and to hold, in his Word, this community, the presider and in a special way in the Eucharistic meal; and that he sends us out to proclaim his saving love with heroic joy.

To enable us to do all this we receive the same gift Jesus gave the first disciples as well, the gift of peace. But sometimes we have to get creative about how we achieve it, like the old man who purchased a retirement home near a high school. He spent the first few weeks in peace and contentment. Then a new school year began. The very next afternoon three young men came down his street beating merrily on every rubbish bin they encountered. The crashing percussion continued day after day, until finally the old man decided to take some action. The next afternoon, he walked out to meet the young percussionists. He called out, 'You kids are a lot of fun. Will you do me a favour? I'll give you each a dollar if you'll promise to come around every day and do your thing.' The kids were elated and continued to do a bang-up job on the rubbish bins. A few days later, the retiree approached them again, 'Look' he said. 'I haven't received my pension cheque this month, so I'm not going to be able to give you more than 25 cents. Will that be okay?' '25 cents?' the drum leader exclaimed. 'If you think we're going to waste our time beating these bins for 25 cents, you're nuts! No way, mister. We quit!' And the old man enjoyed peace and quiet for the rest of his days.

So as Christ sends us forth today, may we be wise about how we can create some happiness and peace around us as well.

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

(ALL GOING WELL) The Samaritans *Tuesday Morning Activities* resume **this coming Tuesday 20 April. And we are excited.**
Hip hip hooray! 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: **11000 03991**
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.



Have you thought? Is 'Literal' wrong?

Is there really something intrinsically wrong about a literal interpretation of scripture? Not at all! It is indeed an essential tool of any scriptural interpretation. It is of course important that we first and foremost understand the text as it is written – we have to have a literal understanding of the words that are used and what they mean. The problem arises when this is as far as we go. If we stop at this stage then we are shutting ourselves off from the richness of the scriptures. If we fail to dig below the surface then we are denying ourselves the opportunity of scrutinising our lives in the light of the scripture.

Back To School - Busyness returns to our roads and daily lives this week with the resumption of school. In welcoming all families back for term 2 it is an opportune moment to remind all parents and parishioners to be conscious of the young students whenever you enter or leave St Anthony's, Padua College and Mt Alvernia – "thank you".

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 Fr Mario or place it in the collection box at the weekend Masses. Thank you.

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 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 1 May at 11.00am.**

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 19 April

Mass 8.00am
Adoration after Mass
Taekwondo 6.30pm
Wedding rehearsal 5.00pm
Choir Practice 7.15pm

Tuesday 20 April

Mass 8.00am
Rosary after Mass
Samaritans 9.00am

Wednesday 21 April

Mass 9.00am
St Anthony Anzac Day Liturgy 2.00pm
Delamore Anointing Mass 4.45pm
JPCCC 7.00pm

Thursday 22 April

Mass 8.00am
Adoration after Mass
Padua House Mass (Rufino) 6.30pm

Friday 23 April

Mass 8.00am
Christian Meditation 9.00am
Padua Mass 10.50pm

Saturday 24 April

Wedding 2.00pm
Reconciliation 4.00pm
Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 25 April

Mass 7.30am & 9.30am
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
christine@musicmasters.com.au

Please pray for our recently deceased:

**Don John Moore, Craig Anthony, John Davis,
Terry Connolly, Herbert Hennessy**

and those whose Anniversaries occur about now:
Annette Donchi, James Graham, Gail Purcell, Doreen Purcell, Catherine Purcell, Tim Purcell, KJ Varghese, Soli George, Shirley Coe

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

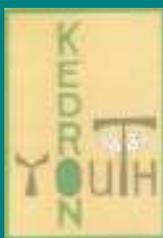
NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

**Fourth Sunday of Easter
April 25 2021**

1st Reading: [Acts 4:8-12](#)

2nd Reading: [1 Jn 3:1-2](#)

Gospel: [Jn 10:11-18](#)



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.



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/>



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.



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**OPEN DAY—
 SUNDAY 16 MAY**

**Please register at
mta.qld.edu.au**

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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 open

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)

PIETY STORE

Thank you

The reason for operating the Piety Store is to raise funds for the Franciscan Missions. Last week we were able to send a donation of \$2500 to Fr. Bernie Thomas, Director, for distribution to the various projects.

These include – the Nuku area in Papua New Guinea and Nesakkaram-SEEDS project in Chennai, India that provides food, shelter and opportunities for street women and children.

Your support by purchasing from the Piety Store is greatly appreciated and please continue so we can carry on providing this worthwhile service.

Co-ordinator

How would you like to co-ordinate the running of the Piety Store? After doing so for 5 years I would like to step aside to give someone else the opportunity.

If you would like to chat about the position to help you decide, please feel free to give me a call. I can give you an overview and run through the procedures.

Remember the position is not limited to ladies only, so gentlemen – think about it!

Lydia Kirby, 0418 918 728.

Date Claimer **Sunday 25th April 2021 10.45 – 4pm** Retreat Day and Prayers for Healing with Fr Ken Barker Missionaries of God's Love, Order Founder and Author. **Commencing with Mass at 11am**, followed by a book launch of Fr Ken's most recent book "**Mary Disciple and Mother**" by **Bishop Brian Finnigan. St Thomas' Catholic Church Camp Hill**, car park Stephen St. BYO lunch, drinks provided. All welcome Info Paul 0417 104 460

Something for the Kids...

When Jesus appeared to his disciples he was not a ghost, but truly alive! How did Jesus help the disciples believe that he had risen from the dead? Write or draw your answer.



Jesus asked that the Good News be spread from Jerusalem to every nation. Unscramble the following words about the Good News.

- esJus vases = _ _ _ _ _ s _ _ _ _
- elvo = _ _ _ e
- doGo sewN = _ _ _ _ _ w _
- gvforie niss = f _ _ _ _ _ n _
- reefdom = _ r _ _ o _
- naltree flei = e _ _ _ a _ _ f
- gealhin = h _ _ _ _ _

There is something that Jesus asks us to do for him. To find out what that is, colour all the shapes that contain a dot • the same colour. Colour the remaining shapes using different colours.



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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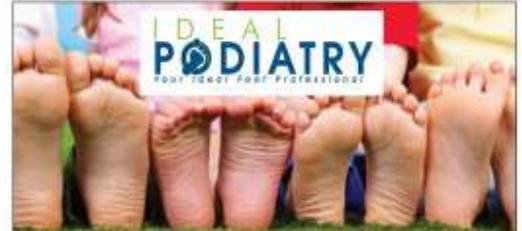
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