

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
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Eleventh Sunday in Ordinary Time, 13th June 2021 (YEAR B)



St Anthony of Padua

Saint Anthony was born Fernando Martins in Lisbon, Portugal. He was born into a wealthy family and by the age of fifteen asked to be sent to the Abbey of Santa Cruz in Coimbra, the then capital of Portugal. During his time in the Abbey, he learned theology and Latin. Following his ordination to the priesthood, he was named guest master and was responsible for the abbey's hospitality. When Franciscan friars settled a small hermitage outside Coimbra dedicated to Saint Anthony of Egypt, Fernando felt a longing to join them.

Fernando eventually received permission to leave the Abbey so he could join the new Franciscan Order. When he was admitted, he changed his name to Anthony.

Anthony then travelled to Morocco to spread God's truth, but became extremely sick and was returned to Portugal to recover. The

return voyage was blown off-course and the party arrived in Sicily, from which they travelled to Tuscany. Anthony was assigned to the hermitage of San Paolo after local friars considered his health. There, he was assigned to work in the kitchen and as well, he spent time praying and studying.

Some time later, Dominican friars came to visit the Franciscans and there was confusion over who would present the homily. The Dominicans were known for their preaching, thus the Franciscans assumed it was they who would provide a homilist, but the Dominicans assumed the Franciscans would provide one. It was then the head of the Franciscan hermitage asked Anthony to speak on whatever the Holy Spirit told him to speak about.

Though he tried to object, Anthony delivered an eloquent and moving homily that impressed both groups. Soon, news of his eloquence reached Francis of Assisi, who held a strong distrust of the brotherhood's commitment to a life of poverty. However, in Anthony, he found a friend. In 1224, Francis entrusted his friars' pursuits of studies to Anthony. Anthony had a book of psalms that contained notes and comments to help when teaching students and, in a time when a printing press was not yet invented, he greatly valued it.

When a novice decided to leave the hermitage, he stole Anthony's valuable book. When Anthony discovered it was missing, he prayed it would be found or returned to him. The thief *did* return the book and in an extra step returned to the Order as well. The book is said to be preserved in the Franciscan friary in Bologna today.

Anthony occasionally taught at the universities of Montpellier and Toulouse in southern France, but he performed best in the role of a preacher. So simple and resounding was his teaching of the Catholic Faith, most unlettered and the innocent could understand his messages. It is for this reason he was declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope Pius XII in 1946.

Once, when St. Anthony of Padua attempted to preach the true Gospel of the Catholic Church to heretics who would not listen to him, he went out and preached his message to the fish. This was not, as liberals and naturalists have tried to say, for the instruction of the fish, but rather for the glory of God, the delight of the angels, and the easing of his own heart. When critics saw the fish begin to gather, they realized they should also listen to what Anthony had to say.

He was only 35-years-old when he died and was canonized less than one year afterward by Pope Gregory IX. Upon exhumation some 336 years after his death, his body was found to be corrupted, yet his tongue was totally incorrupt, so perfect were the teachings that had been formed upon it.

He is typically depicted with a book and the Infant Child Jesus and is commonly referred to today as the "finder of lost articles."

St Anthony is venerated all over the world as the Patron Saint for lost articles, and is credited with many miracles involving lost people, lost things and even lost spiritual goods.

Reflection ...

The readings today remind us that poetic imagery is an apt way of describing the mysterious presence of God in our midst. The cedar began as a seedling that takes years to grow into a magnificent tree. The same is true of the mustard tree. It too requires time to develop its trunk and branches. The development of moral integrity in a human being is just as gradual. Rooted in God, it flourishes in God's presence and it produces fruit even into old age. Although God is present in all things, sustaining them and allowing them to follow their natural courses, God really transcends all things. Metaphorical language may be the best means for speaking about God and the things of God. It enables us to live in the tension that both reveals something about God and conceals God's real nature.

The reign of God also begins in very ordinary circumstances, and it matures gradually until it has spread itself far and wide. Although the mystery of the reign of God unfolds within human history, we need eyes of faith to recognise it. Like the cedar and the mustard seed, it grows within the concreteness of human experience. Just as the life force that thrusts the branches of the trees further and further out cannot itself be seen, so the reign of God is mysterious, even incomprehensible. Still, it is there, inviting us, urging us to move forward, transforming our world.

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The Samaritans Kedron Parish invite you all to come and join us for our **Tuesday Morning Activities** from 9am to 12noon.

Last Tuesday (8th June) we were visited by Jimmy Sullivan our local MP for Stafford. It was lovely that Jimmy was able to join us for a cuppa tea and a chat.

Each week we meet and chat, knit and crochet, do art, play cards, and course play bingo *Plenty of fun all round.*

And ... we provide wonderful sandwiches and a sweet treat for the Morning Tea Break.

See you there next Tuesday.

Contact Jill on 0438 612 177 AND leave a message just saying SAMARITANS. I will phone you back.



The Parish Finance Committee met on 26 May 2021.

- Principal Martin Wilkie presented the parish school reports noting they are tracking well for this time of year though increased COVID cleaning costs are having an impact. Building project is progressing well despite some minor delays for supply issues.
- Planning is underway for renovation work on the hall (ceiling, windows, painting, etc).
- Quotes for solar panels are being further scrutinised. At this stage, we are unlikely to proceed with panels on the church itself due to high risk of damage to tiles and expected higher installation costs because of height. But panels will be installed on the Hall and Parish Office roofs.
- Repair work on the church roof (storm damage) is due to begin shortly.

Home Visitation to the Sick and Elderly

You need not be isolated from your Kedron Parish family if you find yourself suddenly sick or unable to join us for Mass. In our community we are fortunate to have **Extraordinary Ministers of Communion** who will visit homes within our Parish and bring with them the Blessed Sacrament.

If you would like them to visit you or if you know someone who is in need of a visit please contact the Parish Office on 33576640 or email us on: Kedron@bne.catholic.net.au. If you are also interested in becoming an Extraordinary Minister of Communion please contact the office. **Fr Mario** also regularly visits our sick and elderly and if you would like him to visit someone, please do let him know.

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 14 June

Mass 8.00am

Adoration after Mass

Taekwondo 4.30, 5.45 & 7.00pm

RCIA Evaluation 6:00PM

Choir Practice 7.15pm

Tuesday 15 June

Mass 8.00am

Rosary after Mass

Samaritans 9.00am

Wednesday 16 June

Mass (with Yr 3) 9.00am

Delamore Mass 4.45pm

Neighbourhood watch 7.00pm

Thursday 17 June

Mass 8.00am

Adoration after Mass

Friday 18 June

Mass 8.00am

Christian Meditation 9.00am

Padua Mass (La Cordelle) 9.30am

Saturday 19 June

Reconciliation 4.00pm

Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 20 June

Mass 7.30am & 9.30am

Secular Franciscan Order 9.30am

Baptisms 11.00am

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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Please pray for our recently deceased:

Carol Brooks, Elizabeth McCormick

and those whose Anniversaries occur about now:

Cheryl Moran, Rose Graham, Anita Lambert, Lin Graham, Joyce Taylor, Annemarie Kofler, Constance

Peach, Mary Azul, Stella Spillane, Herman Vargas

WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF ALL THE

FAITHFUL DEPARTED; MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS

Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

20th June 2021

1st Reading: [Jb 38:1-8-11](#)

2nd Reading: [2 Cor 5:14-17](#)

Gospel: [Mk 4:35-41](#)



Join other youth this
SUNDAY 20 JUNE
AT LITTLE FLOWER PARISH HALL
3.30pm TO 5.00pm
SCHOOL YEARS 4 TO 7

For further information contact:
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 or Jaimi Santhosh 0421 418 861
 Organised by Jesus Youth
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Sacramental Programme First Holy Communion

Our Sacramental Programme is family-centred and Parish-based. It is a partnership in which families and the Parish community work together in the preparation and celebration of the Sacraments for our children. In this context, children can better learn what it means to be a Catholic.

Any baptised Catholic child in **Grade 4 or above who has made their Confirmation** is eligible to enrol and prepare for the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

Maria Hopes is the Sacramental Coordinator and can be contacted for all enquiries via email at:
 sacramental.kedron@bne.catholic.net.au

Key Dates for First Holy Communion 2021

Enrolments: June 21st - July 19th

A. Information Session

Sunday 18th of July at 11am or Wednesday 21st of July at 7pm at the Church of St Therese and St Anthony, 80 Turner Road, Kedron. Please attend one of these sessions, at which there will be an overview of the Sacrament of Holy Communion and details regarding the program.

B. Enrolment Mass

All children with one parent are required to attend the following Mass

Sunday July 25th at 4.00pm

C. Workshop

(One parent must attend, and please no siblings)

August 22 (Sunday) 1.00 pm - 3.00pm

D. First Holy Communion Masses

August 28th (Saturday) 5:00pm

August 29th (Sunday) 7:30am, 9:30am, 5.30pm

The Legion of Mary will be celebrating its centenary in September this year; Leading up to the special occasion, we would like to invite everyone to the:

Legion of Mary Exhibit
 Presented by Brisbane Comitium
 at 377 St Paul's Tce

Fortitude Valley Qld 4006
on Saturday 26th - Sunday 27th June 2021
10:00am - 1:00pm

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Join us for
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Sunday 20th June
6.30-8.30pm.



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 song, inspiring talks,
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Join us also for the Sunday 5.30pm
Mass
beforehand led by the
Encounter Kedron music team

Secular Franciscan Order

This year is the 800th anniversary of the Third Order of the Secular Franciscans 1221 -- 2021.

In 1221 St Francis established the Third Order now called the Secular Franciscan Order. St Francis saw the need to establish an order for people living in the world and pursuing their ordinary lives. He drew up a very simple rule of life which any good earnest catholic might easily observe. Members of the Kedron Parish are welcome to join the Secular Franciscans who meet each third Sunday of the month. All are welcomed.

2021 At Bonaventure Lecture

“Crumbs from the Table...”
WOMEN AND THE CHURCH

Presented by
 Sr Sue Phillips FMM

Thursday 15 July at 6.30pm

Padua College Auditorium

Book your tickets now using the link below

<http://www.trybooking.com/BRYTL>

Enquiries: mwinney@padua.qld.edu.au



Are you missing important news about our parish? We have an newsletter email list of parishioners. If you aren't in the loop and would like to be the first to know - send Sandra an email asking to be added to the 'list'.

Something for the Kids...

The smallest seed becomes the biggest shrub

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B



What is God's Kingdom like?

Jesus described the Kingdom of God as being like a mustard seed - the smallest of seeds! - but once planted, it grows into the biggest of shrubs. What do you imagine the Kingdom of God to be like? Write or draw your answers

Jesus used parables to help explain his teachings to people. Draw a picture from any one of the following parables...



MUSTARD SEED

How many words can you make from the letters in the words MUSTARD SEED?



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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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