

# 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

*Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 4 July 2021 (YEAR B)*

## Reflection

If ever we needed convincing just how fickle a home town crowd can be, all we have to do is recall what happened around the death of Diana, Princess of Wales. Only two weeks before she died, London papers sold out with headlines which read, 'Diana, say No to Dodi', or 'Soap-opera queen flees England to be with Muslim lover', and 'Diana: a national disgrace'. We were told that Diana was mentally ill, spoilt and a scheming temptress.

The death of a 36-year-old mother of two is always an immense tragedy. But who could have predicted that we could change our minds, literally over one Paris night, and come to see that Diana was in fact the 'queen of hearts' and a modern icon. How could we have missed that two weeks earlier?

What happened to the memory of Diana is not far from what happened to the memory of Jesus in the earliest Church. In today's wonderful reading from Mark's Gospel we would expect to find Jesus' home town accepting and welcoming him with open arms. Jesus' ability to teach so well, his wisdom, and deeds of power, however, cause so much offence that the hometown crowd turn on him because he claims too much for himself. Jesus, literally, gets the hell out of there.

The Gospel of Mark, written at the beginning of the persecution of the Christians, finds great consolation in these stories of Jesus' suffering and rejection. And is it any wonder? The first generation of Christians were being expelled from the synagogue and, no doubt, many of them were experiencing similar rejection from their families and friends. Maybe some of them had to leave town as well. In this context their fate was an identification with that of Jesus. It gave meaning and direction to their plight. It gave them hope.

The experience of rejection, misunderstanding and frustration is also a reality in many of our lives. Even having Christian faith these days can see us derided as fools or pushed out of certain circles. In this context, we can draw on the same hope and courage that has always sustained the Christian community.

On a more worrying level, however, as a community we can run the risk of acting like the residents of Nazareth. No matter how much wisdom, authority or goodness some people demonstrate in our Christian community, it seems some people are told they are not acceptable, we take offence at them and drive them away. Some Catholics have simply walked away from us because our community disbelieves that Christ's gifts can be manifest through them as well. Nazareth did not value what was in its midst because it thought it knew better.

Today's Gospel also has a practical impact in our homes, where we don't get away with very much, and affirmation can be sparingly given. This can be taken to unhealthy extremes when parents and siblings speak highly of their spouse, children, brothers or sisters to everyone except to the person being praised. We are often so worried about a family member 'getting a big head' that they never hear from us the encouragement they deserve. As Christians we should look for opportunities to build up and praise those we know and love.

When Diana died it was a bit late for the world to decide she did worthwhile things. It was too late for Nazareth after it rejected Jesus as well. In Mark's Gospel he never returns there. But it's not too late for us. May it never be said that we despised wise people who have something to teach us, and that we dragged down those whose gifts and talents reflected the power of God.

This Sunday Jesus reminds us that it's never too late to stop our disbelieving.

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## RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults



Are you interested in learning about the Catholic faith?  
Are you a baptised Catholic and have not received Confirmation or been prepared for Holy Communion?  
Are you baptised, but have had little or no formal religious education and would like to learn more about

your faith?

Are you married to a Catholic and attend Mass, and would like to know what the next step is to become one of the Catholic faithful?

Kedron Parish offers a group-based journey that leads people into learning more about the Catholic faith and their relationship with God, and providing the opportunity for people to ask and to discuss about some of the basic questions of life. In so doing, the journey provides participants with the framework to explore whether the answers to these questions can be found in the Catholic faith.

If you, or anyone you know would like to join the next RCIA program, or simply find out more about it, please ask them to contact Fr Mario directly on 0429 600 711 or by email.

### Report from the Parish Pastoral Council Meeting

Dear Parishioners, earlier this month, the Parish Pastoral Council was joined by Mel Ledwich from the Parish Leadership team at Evangelisation Brisbane who provide parishes ongoing support for strategic planning and in the creation, discernment, formation, and training of pastoral councils. Mel took the Council through a personal development session to help build our strengths as a team. For those of you who have never undertaken a Myers-Briggs type assessment of personality, you might like to do so to help you discover what really drives, inspires, and worries different personality types, helping you build more meaningful relationships. Use this link <https://www.16personalities.com/>

The PPC also agreed to further develop the parish survey and you should all receive an invitation to participate in it soon. I really encourage you to do so as it can give Fr Mario and the PPC some feedback useful in guiding decision making. We heard from you that you wanted a bin for recyclables to be placed at the back of the Church. This is now there so thank you for helping to reduce our carbon footprint. A BBQ for Confirmation candidates and their families is on this Sunday after the 9.30 Mass. It's a way of continuing to welcome the newest members of our parish, and you are welcome to attend.

Fr Mario introduced a new opportunity for leadership formation, the Catholic Leadership Intensive which was developed in response to requests from parishes for more leadership formation to equip parish leaders, both clergy and laity, to create flourishing parishes of missionary disciples. This intensive will be delivered in ten sessions on Monday evenings at Holy Spirit Seminary, commencing 12th July. It will be an experience of collaborative learning, exploring key principles of leadership important for the context the Church currently faces. We are pleased that two members of our PPC are participating.

Vinnies Kedron are also looking for new members. Vinnies conduct calls/visits in pairs mostly in daylight hours MON-FRI (except WED). Vinnies assist people facing a variety of health, economic and social barriers. Their ethos is "a hand up" not "a hand out." For more information, please contact their president Joe de Pasquale or David Cox via the parish office. Our next meeting is scheduled for August 5th, so please touch base with a member of the PPC if there is anything that is on your mind. Wishing everyone a very happy and safe school term break.  
*John De Angelis (PPC Chair)*

### Peter's Pence Collection this Weekend

The Annual Peter's Pence Collection supports the charitable works of the Holy See. It allows the Holy Father to respond to the most needy throughout the world, to offer timely, effective emergency assistance to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please consider making an offering to this collection as you leave Mass today. Thank you.

### 2021 St 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](mailto:mwinney@padua.qld.edu.au)

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: 15TH Sunday Ordinary Time 11 July 2021

1st Reading: [Am 7:12-15](#) 2nd Reading: [Eph 1:3-14](#) Gospel: [Mk 6:7-13](#)

## PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

**Monday 5 July**  
Mass 8.00am  
Adoration after Mass  
Funeral 10.00am

**Tuesday 6 July**  
Mass 8.00am  
Rosary after Mass

**Wednesday 7 July**  
Mass 9.00am  
Delamore Mass 4.45pm

**Thursday 8 July**  
Mass 8.00am  
Adoration after Mass

**Friday 9 July**  
Mass 8.00am  
Christian Meditation 9.00am

**Saturday 10 July**  
Reconciliation 4.00pm  
Mass 5.00pm

**Sunday 11 July**  
Mass 7.30am & 9.30am  
Baptisms 11.00am  
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](mailto:acburroughs1@hotmail.com)

#### Children's Mass

Mav Green  
[mav\\_sp\\_green@hotmail.com](mailto:mav_sp_green@hotmail.com)

#### Singing Group

Christine Masters  
[christine@musicmasters.com.au](mailto:christine@musicmasters.com.au)

### Piety Store

The Piety Store is located at the front of the Church. It is open before and after the weekend Masses - Saturday, 5pm; Sundays - 7.30am and 9.30am. We have a good selection of religious items for sale including special items for **Baptism** and **Holy Communion**. Please feel free to come and browse. We can also order items from the catalogue for you if you don't see anything you like on the shelves.

Please pray for our recently deceased:

Thomas Keegan, Freddie Noviteros, Yvonne Coyne, Anna Fola, Maureen Saxil, Sally Whittington, Carol Brooks, Elizabeth McCormick and those whose Anniversaries occur about now:

Edmund Francis, Bridget Jones, Gerrit Janssen, Kath Hennessy, Gino Arquilla, Teresa Gianni, Lawrence Sherrington, Mollie Dooley, Cheryl Moran, Rose Graham, Anita Lambert, Lin Graham, Joyce Taylor, Sofia Abis, Candido Sintome

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

## 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](mailto:sacramental.kedron@bne.catholic.net.au)

### Key Dates for First Holy Communion 2021

Enrolments: June 21st - July 19th

#### A. Information Session

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> of July at 11am or  
Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> 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 at least one parent are required to attend Mass on:

Sunday July 25<sup>th</sup> 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

You are welcome to bring your child to any Mass over two weekends:

Aug 28<sup>th</sup> & Sept 4<sup>th</sup> (Saturday) 5:00pm

Aug 29<sup>th</sup> & Sept 5<sup>th</sup> (Sunday)  
7:30am, 9:30am, 5.30pm



## Places of worship are required to use the Check-in Qld app.

The Check in QLD app is used in many local businesses and you may have already downloaded it. If you don't, you can download it from your App Store or Google Play.

- It is easy to use and retains your name and contact details - name, address, phone and email.
- Easily add family members or group details. All these details will be retained so you don't have to enter each time you check in.
- We will have several posters with the new QR codes to speed up entry. On entry to the church, please just show the screen with the tick before you press 'Done.'

**Please Note:** If you do not own a smart phone and so cannot use the app, you are still allowed to write your name and contact details on the sign-in sheets provided, as we do at present. Due to current restrictions, you still need to pre-book Mass with TryBooking to obtain a seat number or to wait at the church entrance to be given a seat number.

## The Samaritans

Tuesday Morning Activities resume on 13 July 2021. So be ready to come along.

We (Samaritans) are looking for three more card players to start another group. The card game is 500 and even if it is 50 years since you last played, help will be given to bring you up to speed. You will be amazed how quickly the memory kicks in.

Phone Jill on 0438 612 177 AND LEAVE A MESSAGE. All you need to say is, it is about Samaritans and I will phone you back.



Join other youth on

SUNDAY 8th AUGUST

AT LITTLE FLOWER PARISH HALL

3.30pm TO 5.00pm

SCHOOL YEARS 4 TO 7

For further information contact:  
[kedron@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:kedron@bne.catholic.net.au)

or Jaimi Santhosh 0421 418 861

Organised by Jesus Youth  
Queensland.



## Parish Planned Giving Envelopes

The 2021-2022 Financial year Planned Giving Envelopes are available at the back of the church from this weekend. THANK YOU to all those who generously give in support of the parish through our planned giving. It is essential for the life of the parish. Please contact Sandra at the Parish office on [kedon@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:kedon@bne.catholic.net.au) if you would like to join our planned giving program.

## THE LIFE

Join us for  
Encounter Kedron  
for youth in School Yrs 7 & up.  
Sunday 18 July, 6.30-8.30pm.

## the life

Come together for music &  
song, inspiring talks,  
meeting friends, and fun!

of Jesus

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

and Chrisitans



the life

To receive the Parish Newsletter and other Parish Resources by email, please just print your details here, tear off this section, and drop it in the suggestion box at the church door or give it to Fr Mario or Rob.

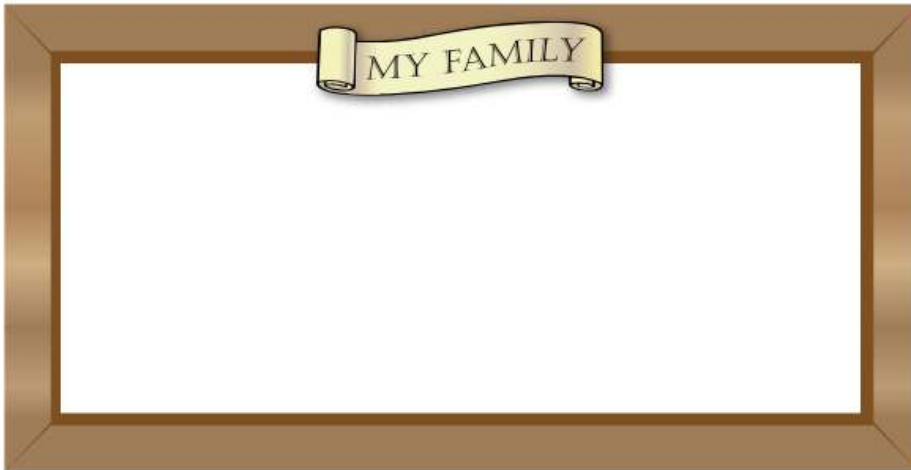
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# Something for the Kids...

Draw a picture of each member of your family and write a word that best describes that person.



Jesus did remarkable things during his life, except in his hometown. Draw or write about some of the amazing things that Jesus did.



Complete Jesus' teaching by using the words below.

\_\_\_\_\_ are  
\_\_\_\_\_ everywhere \_\_\_\_\_  
in their \_\_\_\_\_.



except  
hometown honoured prophets

## 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](http://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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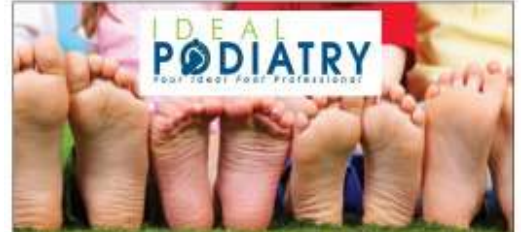
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