#### **PARISH OFFICE AND CONTACTS**

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#### **PARISH OFFICE HOURS**

Monday to Thursday 8.30am - 3.00pm Friday 8.30am - 12.00pm

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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

## **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.

#### SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE

Mrs Sandra Di Francesco

Ph: 0448 356 599

## Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, 1st August 2021 (YEAR B)

### Reflection

The crowds and the disciples in John's Gospel are always getting their wires crossed when they listen to Jesus. They rarely understand his deeper message.

They're like the couple who had been snowbound in Seattle for two weeks. Affectionately they used to call each other 'husband' and 'wife'. They planned to go down to Florida to get some sun. The husband got away from his work one day early and departed for Miami Beach, where he was to meet his wife the next day. They were looking forward to quality time together in the bright sunshine. Unfortunately, there was some sort of mix up at the boarding gate, and the husband was told he would have to wait for the overnight redeye special. He tried to appeal to a supervisor, but to no avail.

Upon arrival at the hotel the next day, he discovered that Miami Beach was having a heat wave, and its weather was almost as uncomfortably hot as Seattle's was cold. The desk clerk gave him a message that his wife would arrive as planned. He could hardly wait to get to the pool area to cool off, and quickly sent his wife an email, but in his haste he made an error in the email address.

His message arrived at the home of an elderly preacher's wife whose even older husband had died only the day before. When the grieving widow opened her email, she took one look at the monitor, let out an anguished scream, and died on the spot. Her family rushed to her room where they saw this message on the screen:

'Dearest wife, □departed yesterday as you know, but just now got checked in. □Some confusion at the gate. Appeal was denied. □Received confirmation of your arrival tomorrow. □Your loving husband. □P.S. Things are not as we thought. You're going to be surprised at how hot it is down here.'

Following the feeding of the five thousand, the crowd thinks that when Jesus says he is the Bread of Life he is simply referring to the source of their next meal. If this were true it could put a new spin on what some might mean when they use the term 'cafeteria Catholicism'.

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As the sixth chapter of John's Gospel goes on, Jesus becomes clearer about the hunger and thirst he has come to fill. And as he does the crowd's wires get uncrossed and they're shocked. Jesus, the Bread of Life, is interested in us fulfilling our physical, emotional and spiritual appetites in this world as a way of glimpsing the life to come in Him, where all our hungers and thirsts will be fulfilled.

May this Eucharist prepare us for the day when our confirmed departure from this world comes. May there be no confusion at the gate, no need for any appeals and may we be reunited with those we love as we bask in the warmth of the Son's love, as he shows us to our place at the Eternal Banquet.

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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.

lf 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 on 0429 600 711 or by email. Our next program is due to commence in September.

#### **PASSING ON THE FLAME**

All Catholic women in the Archdiocese of Brisbane are invited to 'Passing on the Flame' by Spirited Women, an evening of conversation as Catholic women share their experience of church, their call to discipleship, phases of life, and challenges and their hopes for the Church

The night will include an opportunity for networking and a guest panel of four Catholic women.

Details:

Time: 5:45pm - 8pm

Date: Thursday 19th August

Location: Hanly Room, Francis Rush Centre (249 Elizabeth Street Brisbane City) Cost: \$20 (\$15 for concession)

For more information or to register, head to https://tinyurl.com/passingontheflame

#### New Laws re Sexual Offences Against Children.

The Government has introduced new laws that target behaviour which ignores or hides child sexual abuse. The new laws mean that all adults in Queensland now have a legal duty to: \* report sexual offending against children by other adults to the police; and \* protect children from the risk of sexual abuse by other adults in an institution (e.g. a school, church or sporting club). The laws commenced on 5 July 2021 and carry up to 5 years imprisonment.

#### August 1, 2021 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Each day the people are to go out and gather their daily portion; thus will I test them, to see whether they follow my instructions or not." EXODUS 16:4



Stewardship na, the surplus became wormy and rotten. In the same way today, self-reliance, pride and age leads to the same way today, self-reliance, pride and ego leads to hoarding and excessive sur-

plus of goods and money. Living a stewardship lifestyle helps us discern our "wants" from our "needs". Living a grateful and generous lifestyle reminds us that God will provide all that we need and that we have plenty to share.

#### **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 7 August at 11.00am.



The Catholic Leader August issue is available now for \$4. Featured in this month's issue:

- Ipswich mayor Teresa Harding finds space to pray in her office
- Queensland nurses speak out against VAD
- Celebrating Catholic Education Week in July
- Queensland's newest priests race lockdown clock to be ordained
- Brisbane doctoral student opens up Catechism in new podcast
- Toowoomba family watch as daughter makes first vows in New York
- SPECIAL Catholic Education Week Advertising Feature
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NEXT WEEK'S READINGS: ST MARY OF THE CROSS (MARY MACKILLOP)

8th August 2021

1st Reading: 1 Kgs 17:7-16 2nd Reading: Col 3:12-17 Gospel: Mt 6:25-34

#### **PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK**

**Monday 2 August** Mass 8.00am

Adoration after Mass Funeral 10.00am

Taekwondo 4.30, 5.45 & 7.00pm St Anthony Board Meeting 6.00pm

> Tuesday 3 August Mass 8.00am Rosary after Mas

Wednesday 4 August Mass 9.00am Delamore Mass 4.45pm

**Thursday 5 August** Mass 8.00am **Adoration after Mass** Parish Pastoral Council 6.30pm

Friday 6 August Mass 8.00am Christian Meditation 9.00am Padua Mass 10.50am

Saturday 7 August Baptismal Information 11.00am Reconciliation 4.00pm **Mass** 5.00pm

**Sunday 8 August** Mass 7.30am & 9.30am Baptism 11.00am & 11.45 am Kedron Youth 3.30pm Mass 5.30pm

#### LITTLE FLOWER CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP

Our Kedron Parish Christian Meditation group meets each Friday at 9.00am at the St Clares Room at the back of the church near the Sacristy. 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 Lituray Carmel Burroughs acburroughs1@hotmail.com

**Children's Mass** May Green mav\_sp\_green@hotmail.com

Singing Group Christine Masters christine@musicmasters.com.au

#### **Piety Store**

Communion Gifts.

If you are looking for a Communion gift, why not have a look at the Piety Store. There is a good selection and we can order items from the catalogue if your selection is not in stock. The Piety Store is situated at the foyer of the Church and is open before and after the weekend Masses - 5pm on Saturday; 7.30 am and 9.30am on Sunday. We support the Franciscan Missions so your custom is appreciated. Thank you.

Please pray for our recently deceased:

Bernie Sullivan, Cynthia Mahaffey, Maria Parrella, Carmela Patane, Sr Margaret Minus, Sr Margaret Mines RSC, Rita Wendit, Anthony Carden and those whose Anniversaries occur about now:

Leonardo Caruso, Walter Erceg, Edna Lonergan, Maureen Hennessy, Fredie Juario Novisteros, Edmund and Bridget Jones, Graham and Waters families, Fay Byrne, Joy Martin, Ivy Martin, Derer Young, Richard and Joan McNeven, Bill Standish, Gerrit Janssen

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



# 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
or Jaimi Santhosh 0421 418 861
 Organised by Jesus Youth
 Queensland.



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Places of worship are required to use the Checkin Qld app.

The Check in QLD app is now **compulsory** in all local businesses, including Churches. You can download it from your App Store or Google Play.

- It is easy to use and retains your name and contact details and those of your added guests.so you don't have to enter them each time you check in.
- Please scan the QR code at the church entrance and show the screen with the tick before you press 'Done.'

<u>Please Note</u>: ONLY if you do not own a smart phone and so cannot use the app, please write your name and contact details on the sign-in sheets provided.

The on-line Trybooking platform will only be used for major events where allocated seating is required.



We need you to help us ensure the euthanasia Bill is defeated. We need your action - NOW.

#### **HOW YOU CAN HELP**

- Pray all Queenslanders might respect Church teaching that life is sacred from conception until natural death and that our MPs support a fully funded palliative care system, negating the need for assisted suicide.
- 2. Arrange a meeting with YOUR local Member of Parliament

To find who they are

CLICK HERE
OR TYPE IN
https://www.parliament.gld.gov.au/members/current/list

3. Please also email your views to YOUR local Member of Parliament

CLICK HERE
OR TYPE IN
https://www.noeuthanasia.org.au/petition\_2105\_ocp\_qld

Please stand with the Queensland Bishops and medical experts in opposing this legislation.

Dying with dignity already exists - it lies in being able to access high quality palliative care statewide.



# 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.

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**

#### A. Workshop

(One parent must attend, and please no siblings)

August 22 (Sunday) 1.00 pm - 3.00pm

B. First Holy Communion Masses You are welcome to bring your child to any Mass over two weekends:

Aug 28th & Sept 4th (Saturday) 5:00pm Aug 29th & Sept 5th (Sunday) 7:30am, 9:30am, 5.30pm

#### The Samaritans

Samaritans Community - We hope to recommence on Tuesday 10th August

Here's Hoping. Won't it be great!

Check the NOTICES at the HALL and CHURCH.

Contact Jill on 0438 612 177 and leave name and number please.

To receive the Parish Newsletter and other Parish Resources by email, please 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...

# Work for food that gives eternal life

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

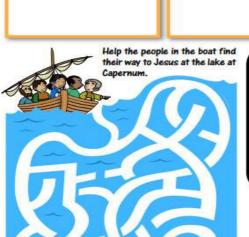
God wants us to have faith in Jesus, the Son he sent to save us.

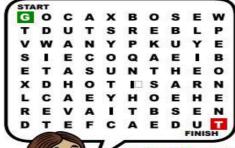
Write or draw answers to these questions. When you have faith.

...how do you treat others?

...what do you do at mass?

...what do you do at home?







COMPLETE THE TEXT MAZE

"God wants you to have faith in the one he sent"

# 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.

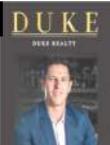
If you have any questions, please contact Sandra in the office.

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/safeguardingtraining.html

Go to the <u>Safeguarding Training Tab</u> at the top of the page. Click. Scroll down the page past "<u>Safeguarding Essentials Preparation (Level 1)</u> to "<u>Safeguarding Induction</u>". Click on the arrow to play the video. On conclusion. Please print off and sign the PDF version of the "<u>Certificate of Completion</u>", 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.

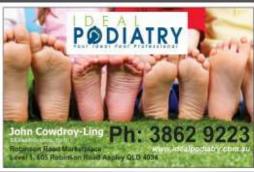


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## Taekwondo in the PARISH HALL Mondays 4:30, 5:45 and 7pm

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