

# The Parish Community of St Thérèse and St Anthony

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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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*St Mary of the Cross MacKillop, 8th August 2021 (YEAR B)*

### St Mary of the Cross MacKillop

St Mary of the Cross MacKillop's motto of  
*'Never see a need without doing something about it'*  
continues to call us forth to action.

On May 6, 2009, a declaration was received from Pope Benedict XVI assenting to Archbishop John Bathersby's petition that Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop\* be made the patron of the Brisbane Archdiocese.

Such a declaration was both appropriate and enthusiastically received as the Archdiocese has its own historic connections to this remarkable woman, including the formation of four of her order's very first schools in Queensland.

In December, 1869, Mary MacKillop and five of the Sisters of St Joseph came to Brisbane and rented a house in South Brisbane.

During 1870, they opened three schools for the poorer children in Brisbane and one in Maryborough. Mary and her companions attended Mass at St Stephen's Church in Elizabeth Street and often prayed there before the Blessed Sacrament.

Born in Melbourne in 1842 and fired by a deep desire to serve God and help alleviate the plight of the poor, Mary was an ordinary person who lived a holy life.

Her motto of 'never see a need without doing something about it' continues to call us forth to action. At a time when real heroes are in short supply, St Mary of the Cross MacKillop is a true inspiration. Her heroism is all the more firm because it is built not on celebrity or sporting skill but on her love for Jesus Christ and a life of dedication to God and her fellow human beings.

Speaking at the time of the announcement, Sr Moya Campbell rsj, the Sisters of St Joseph Provincial leader, said the order was especially delighted to see their founder made patron in the year of the Archdiocese's 150th anniversary and the 100th anniversary of their founder's death (2009).

Sr Campbell said the honour was truly a recognition of the greatness of this woman and her enduring contribution to the early life of Australia. "She's an inspirational woman ... Among her many qualities was her ability to inspire hope in those she met," she said. "Such hope is a very important quality to seek out in today's world."

Her connection to Brisbane, both through the time she spent resident here and in establishing a number of local schools, was the driver behind her being named as the Archdiocesan Patron in 2009.

Her commitment to helping poor and marginalised children attend Catholic schools is the reason for her ongoing popularity with people all across the Archdiocese and the state.



**Saint Clare of Assisi**  
(July 16, 1194 – August 11, 1253)

**Saint Clare of Assisi's Story**

One of the more sugary movies made about Francis of Assisi pictures Clare as a golden-haired beauty floating through sun-drenched fields, a sort of one-woman counterpart to the new Franciscan Order.

The beginning of her religious life was indeed movie material. Having refused to marry at 15, Clare was moved by the dynamic preaching of Francis. He became her lifelong friend and spiritual guide.

At 18, Clare escaped from her father's home one night, was met on the road by friars carrying torches, and in the poor little chapel called the Portiuncula received a rough woolen habit, exchanged her jewelled belt for a common rope with knots in it, and sacrificed her long tresses to Francis' scissors. He placed her in a Benedictine convent, which her father and uncles immediately stormed in rage. Clare clung to the altar of the church, threw aside her veil to show her cropped hair, and remained adamant.

Sixteen days later her sister Agnes joined her. Others came. They lived a simple life of great poverty, austerity, and complete seclusion from the world, according to a Rule which Francis gave them as a Second Order. At age 21, Francis obliged Clare under obedience to accept the office of abbess, one she exercised until her death.

The Poor Ladies went barefoot, slept on the ground, ate no meat, and observed almost complete silence. Later Clare, like Francis, persuaded her sisters to moderate this rigor: "Our bodies are not made of brass." The greatest emphasis, of course, was on gospel poverty. They possessed no property, even in common, subsisting on daily contributions. When even the pope tried to persuade Clare to mitigate this practice, she showed her characteristic firmness: "I need to be absolved from my sins, but I do not wish to be absolved from the obligation of following Jesus Christ."

Contemporary accounts glow with admiration of Clare's life in the convent of San Damiano in Assisi. She served the sick and washed the feet of the begging nuns. She came from prayer, it was said, with her face so shining it dazzled those about her. She suffered serious illness for the last 27 years of her life. Her influence was such that popes, cardinals, and bishops often came to consult her—Clare herself never left the walls of San Damiano.

Francis always remained her great friend and inspiration. Clare was always obedient to his will and to the great ideal of gospel life which he was making real. A well-known story concerns her prayer and trust. Clare had the Blessed Sacrament placed on the walls of the convent when it faced attack by invading Saracens. "Does it please you, O God, to deliver into the hands of these beasts the defenceless children I have nourished with your love? I beseech you, dear Lord, protect these whom I am now unable to protect." To her sisters she said, "Don't be afraid. Trust in Jesus." The Saracens fled.



**RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**



Are you interested in learning about the Catholic faith?  
Are you a baptised Catholic but 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 baptised in another Christian church and would like to know what the next step is to become one of the Catholic faithful?

Kedron Parish offers a group-based journey called the RCIA that helps people learn about the Catholic faith and their relationship with God.

If you, or anyone you know would like to find out more, please ask them to contact Fr Mario on 0429 600 711 or by email.  
Our next program is due to commence in September.

**NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:**

**The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - 15th August 2021**

First Reading [Rv 11:19; 12:1-6, 10](#) Second Reading [1 Cor 15:20-26](#) Gospel [Lk 1:39-56](#)

**PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK**

**Monday 9 August**

Mass 8.00am  
Adoration after Mass  
Taekwondo 4.30, 5.45 & 7.00pm  
St Anthony Board Meeting 7.00pm on Zoom  
Choir Practice 7.15pm

**Tuesday 10 August**

Mass 8.00am  
Rosary after Mass

**Wednesday 11 August - St Clare of Assisi**

Mass 9.00am  
Delamore Mass 4.45pm

**Thursday 12 August**

Mass 8.00am  
Adoration after Mass  
Funeral 10.00am  
Encounter 3.30pm

**Friday 13 August**

Mass with Anointing of Sick 8.00am  
Christian Meditation 9.00am  
Padua Mass 10.50am

**Saturday 14 August**

Reconciliation 4.00pm  
Mass 5.00pm

**Sunday 15 August - The Assumption of Mary**

Mass 7.30am & 9.30am  
Secular Franciscans (in Hall) 10.30am—3pm  
Baptism 11.00am & 11.45 am  
Mass 5.30pm  
Encounter Kedron Youth 6.30pm

**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 Liturgy**

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**Singing Group**

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

Elia Arquilla, Claire Hughes, Sr Elizabeth Prendergast mfc, Bernie Sullivan, Cynthia Mahaffey, Maria Parrella, Carmela Patane, Sr Margaret Mines RSC,

and those whose Anniversaries occur about now:

Lenore Brady, Leonardo Caruso, Walter Erceg, Edna Lonergan, Maureen Hennessy, Freddie Juario Noviteros, Edmund and Bridget Jones, Graham and Waters families, Fay Byrne, Joy Martin, Ivy Martin, Derer Young  
*WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED; MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.*



Join other youth on  
**SUNDAY 12th SEPTEMBER**  
**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.



Places of worship are required to use the  
 Check-in 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.'

**Please Note:** 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.

### 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: **100003991**

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 if you wish to join Direct Debit, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.

### Secular Franciscan Order

This year is the 800<sup>th</sup> 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.

Join us for  
**Encounter Kedron**  
 for youth in School Yrs 7 & up.  
**Sunday 15 August, 6.30-8.30pm**

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

### 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](mailto: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 (Saturdays) 5:00pm**

**Aug 29th & Sept 5th (Sundays)**

**7:30am, 9:30am, 5.30pm**

#### The Samaritans

The Samaritans Community is closely following the development of the Covid outbreak.

When we restart, we want it to be as a celebration.

Keep well in the meantime.

Contact Jill on 0438 612 177.

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.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

# Something for the Kids...

**"Never see a need without doing something about it."** St Mary of the Cross



Feast of St Mary of the Cross

Mary MacKillop had a great desire to do God's will and help those most in need. Who are the people most in need of help in your community? In what ways can you help them?

I can help...

I can help...

I can help...

I can help...

In 1867, Mary MacKillop became the first sister and Mother Superior of a newly established religious order. In the puzzle below, cross out any letter that appears three or more times. Then unscramble the remaining letters to complete the name of that religious order.

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N	C	M	P	A	V	W	Z	U
B	I	A	Q	C	O	D	Y	C
W	D	U	V	K	N	X	L	Q
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Lord God,  
You called Mary MacKillop to serve you.  
She spent her life caring for and teaching kids  
and inspired others to join with her.  
Through your love  
she lived a life which gave people hope.  
Today we share that hope.  
Bless all who continue her work  
And may they and St Mary of the Cross continue  
to be a source of hope for us all.  
We ask this through Jesus Christ. Amen.



## 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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