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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 <u>OR</u> please call Fr Mario to arrange a time to meet individually.

SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE Mrs Sandra Di Francesco

Ph: 0448 356 599

# 28th Sunday of Ordinary Time, 10th October 2021 (YEAR B)

## Reflection...

John Calvin, one of the founding fathers of the Protestant Reformation, reacted against what he saw as medieval Catholicism's adherence to the sacramental law as a means to salvation. 'If you keep the law, the law will keep you.' He was right to condemn the preaching of some Catholic priests of his day. Calvin maintained that since time began God predestined those who, by faith, would be saved. Calvin argued that the rest of humanity would be lost. It was impossible to know for certain, Calvin argued, who was who. This was tough stuff!

Within a few years, however, his own congregation in Geneva wanted to know how anyone could be sure they were on the right path to salvation. Calvin's disciples taught that strict and right behaviour was an indication of who belonged to those elected by God to be saved. Not dancing, drinking, swearing or gambling, but working hard, saving one's money and the careful observance of the Ten Commandments became the benchmarks of the elect. Within a few generations of Calvin's death, it is easy to see that the observance of the strict, Protestant, moral code had replaced the seven Sacraments as the way of being assured of heaven.

The rich young man wanted to be assured of salvation too. He was a good man; an observant Jew and someone Jesus looked on with love. But he was hoping the law would save him. He wanted to be sure of gaining heaven by jumping through the right hoops, at the right time, for the right reasons.

Jesus doesn't reject the importance of faithful and good living, but he offers the young man a relationship that would make sense of the choices involved in following him. Without a loving relationship with God, who calls us to live the best life we can, the fulfilment of any law, civil or moral, is a tyranny. We do not believe in a tyrannical God.

We do believe, however, in a God who makes demands of us, who often challenges us in the places where we are most vulnerable. For the young man, his money was an obstacle. He could not embrace a relationship with Jesus because this would have placed in peril his wealth and the comfort that his many possessions afforded him.

For the earliest Christian community today's Gospel highlights serious issues on which people left their company: the role of the law in following Christ; the divide between rich and poor; the commitment demanded of followers in the earliest community. In comparison to our forebears in faith, we have domesticated this radical edge of the Gospel.

We often comfort ourselves with the assurance that the law will save us, whereas Jesus tells us that salvation comes from a loving relationship with him, shown in the sacrifice of our lives. To the degree that any law enables us to deepen this relationship with Jesus and to serve his people, then it is helpful and good. If a civil or religious law gets in the road, then its moral authority over us is questionable.

In a world where the vast majority of the world's wealth and resources are held and used by a dominantly white, educated and, at least nominally, Christian First World, then the demands of today's Gospel should be as confronting to us as they were to the rich young man. 'There is still one thing you lack, sell everything and come follow me.' It has suited us to move away from this financially hard teaching of Jesus.

The law and money are in themselves neutral things. They can be used for good or evil. At their worst the law and money seduce us into pride, greed and power. At their best they can serve the liberation of all people and enable our world to better reflect the Kingdom of dignity, justice and equality Jesus taught and lived.

Given that all things are possible for God, let's pray in this Eucharist that we might stop domesticating the Gospel but allow it to lead us more deeply into a relationship with Jesus who looks on us, loves us and calls us to write the law of love on our hearts in such a way that there will be justice for all people.

# Paduan Memorial & Old Boys

## Wednesday November 3, 2021 at 5.30pm

A Mass to celebrate the lives of deceased Friars, Old Boys, staff and all members of our Paduan community and to welcome all member of our community past and present.

The Columbarium The Church of St Therese of Lisieux and St Anthony of Padua

Register: https://www.trybooking.com/ BUJJK Followed by light refreshments

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The Holy Spirit Seminary, Banyo, is seeking a casual housekeeper/cleaner. The person needs to be attentive to the spirit of the community. The work is not arduous and hours are 6 hours each Thursday and Friday. Remuneration is commensurate with current casual award rates. If you are interested, could you please contact the office on 3267 4800 and speak or leave a message. Otherwise email seminary@gld.catholic.net.au. Applications close COB Friday, 1<sup>st</sup> October.

#### PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 11 October Mass 8.00am Adoration after Mass St Anthony Prep & Yr 1 Pet Blessing 8.20am Taekwondo 4.30pm, 5.45 & 7.00pm Finance Meeting 5.30pm Choir Practice 7.15pm

> Tuesday 12 October Mass 8.00am **Rosary after Mass** Samaritans 9.30am

Wednesday 13 October Mass 9.00am Delamore Mass 4.45pm

Thursday 14 October Mass 8.00am Adoration after Mass Padua Board Meeting 6.00pm

Friday 15 October Mass 8.00am Christian Meditation 9.00am Padua Mass 10.50am

> Saturday 16 October Reconciliation 4.00pm Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 17 October Mass 7.30am & 9.30am Secular Franciscans Order (in Hall) 9.00am JPICC Activity after Mass 10.30am Baptisms 11.30am Kedron Youth 3.30pm Mass 5.30pm Encounter Youth 6.30pm

#### The Samaritans, Kedron Parish

are looking forward to seeing you all again every Tuesday. Contact Jill on 0438 612 177, but you must leave a message please. Just say it is about Samaritans. She will return your call.

#### **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:**

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time -17Oct 2021

1st Reading Is 53:10-11 2nd Reading Heb 4:14-16

Gospel Mk 10:35-45 or Mk 10:42-45



#### Did you know.....

Many of us are aware of the Tau Cross and its significance to Franciscans. Did you know that St Francis adopted the Tau Cross as his own. St Francis loved the symbol so much that he used it as his signature in the later years of his life. The Tau is the last letter of the Hebrew alphabet – like the omega of the Greek alphabet. The earliest reference of the Tau is from the prophet Ezekiel 9:4 – "Go through the city of Jerusalem and put a Tau on the foreheads of those who grieve and lament over all the detestable things that are done in it." In 1215, Pope Innocent III opened the fourth Lateran Council by

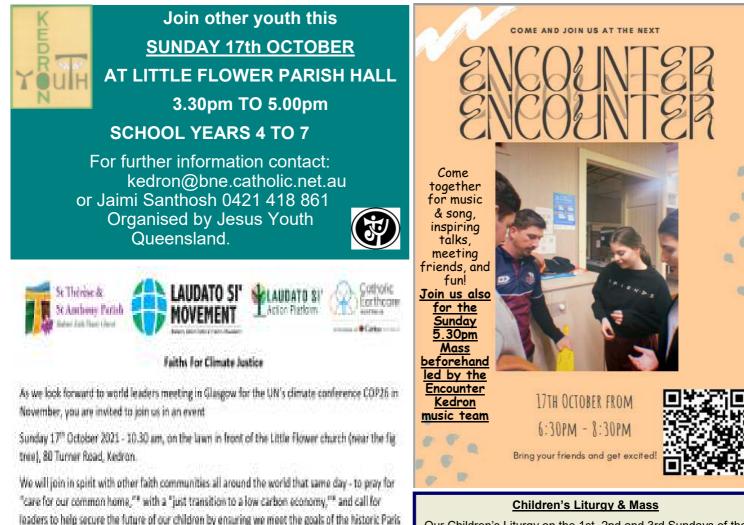
saying: "We are called to reform our lives, to stand in the presence of God as righteous people. God will know us by the sign of the Tau marked on our foreheads.

Francis was present for part of the Fourth Lateran Council, and perhaps his devotion to Tau came from the call of Pope Innocent. But more personally, it came from his involvement with the lepers in areas around his home in Assisi. The Antonians were a community of men that existed in Francis' time, whose chief ministry was the care of lepers. On their habit they wore the Tau Cross, representing their fidelity to the passion of Christ and their devotion to serve the least of his brethren. Francis worked with the Antonians in caring foe lepers and this was probably his first introduction to the Tau. In Francis' mind and heart devotion to the Tau was devotion to the cross and to the person of Jesus. It was a symbol of conversion and redemption; and so it remains today for birth vowed and secular Franciscan throughout the world.

The habit of Franciscans are full of deep an rich symbolism manifesting their particular charism. Consisting of a simple brown hooded robe, and a cored rope cincture worn around the waist. The rope symbolises being girded with Christ and is tied in the three characteristic Franciscan knots that signify the vows of poverty, chastity and obedience. Each know has five coils with represent the five wounds of Christ.

Many Catholics carry their own symbols each having a special meaning: rosary beads holy medals or holy cards. All have an important symbolism to their owners, helping them come closer to God. What symbols do you hold dear and carry with you?





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

#### Piety Store

If you are looking for a 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.

## 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.

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.

Climate Agreement.

Kedron Catholic Parish

At this event, we will pray, ring the Franciscans' bell, unful a banner, and share a group photo.

At 10.45 am, Lisa Turner from the Downfall Creek Bushland Centre will present on recycling and

Please pray for our recently deceased:

Sr Margaret Costello mfic, Tony Pennington, Sr Quentin mfic, Dora

Di Bella, Margaret Cavallaro, Jean Teura Joseph, Lena Hughes, Rob

Beckwith, Shirley Hickey, Hilton Muscat, William Bagster

and those whose Anniversaries occur about now:

Madeline Jones, Br Bernard Pavitt, Pierre Nobin, Bill & Pat Ryan, Gerry Campbell, John McManus, Joseph Thomas, Loveday Harding, Cyril Collins & Vera Whittington, Antonio Febo, Neville Taylor, John

V Taylor, John A Taylor, Mario & Maria La Rosa, Gerda Janssen

WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED:

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

\*The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference ~ Social Justice Statement 2021-22

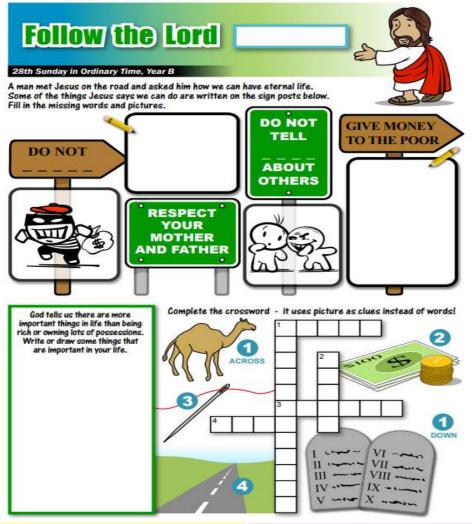
other practical ways we can help care for our common home.

We look forward to seeing you there!

Justice Peace & Care for Creation Committee

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

# Something for the Kids...



### 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.

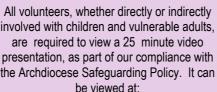
If you have any questions, please contact Sandra in the office.

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- Home Maintenance

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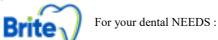


#### safeguardingaob.com.au/safeguardingtraining.html

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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