

# 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

*32nd Sunday of Ordinary Time, 7th November 2021 (YEAR B)*

## Reflection ...

In today's Gospel Jesus lines up the religious leaders of his day and lets them have it with both barrels. It may come as a surprise to learn that hypocrisy is the sin Jesus condemns most frequently in the Gospels. He could not bear it. And nor should we.

Being powerful and rich is not a problem in itself. As with all gifts, it is what we do with them that show us up for who we are. The problem with religious, political, social or even family power, and the wealth that can come from it, is that it is so seductive. The more powerful and rich we become, the more we can think everything is our due. We can take our eye off the Giver of all gifts and avoid our responsibility to share with those who are left with nothing.

In the second part of today's Gospel, Jesus does not praise the widow because she is poor. There is no nobility in poverty. Jesus praises her for being generous and he indicates how the poor teach the rich about what really matters in life.

This story teaches a similar lesson.

Centuries ago, the Pope decided that all the Jews had to leave Rome. Naturally there was a big uproar from the Jewish community. So the Pope made a deal. He would have a religious debate with a member of the Jewish community. If the Jew won, the Jews could stay. If the Pope won, the Jews would leave.

The Jews realised that they had no choice. They looked around for a champion who could defend their faith, but no one volunteered. It was too risky. So they picked Moshe, an old, poor man. Moshe had nothing to lose so he agreed, but on one condition. Not being a learned man he asked that neither side be allowed to speak. The Pope agreed.

The day of the great debate came. Moshe and the Pope sat opposite each other for a full minute before the Pope raised his hand and showed three fingers. Moshe looked back at him and raised one finger. The Pope waved his fingers in a circle around his head. Moshe pointed to the ground where he sat. The Pope pulled out a wafer and a glass of wine. Moshe pulled out an apple.

The Pope stood up and said, 'I give up. This man is too good. The Jews can stay.'

An hour later, the cardinals were all around the Pope asking him what happened. The Pope said: 'First I held up three fingers to represent the Trinity. He responded by holding up one finger to remind me that there was one God common to both our faiths. Then I waved my finger around me to show him that God was all around us. He responded by pointing to the ground, showing that God was also right here with us. I pulled out the wine and the wafer to emphasise the Eucharist. He pulled out an apple to remind me of original sin. He had an answer for everything.'

Meanwhile, the Jewish community had crowded around Moshe, amazed that this old, poor man had done what all their scholars had insisted was impossible!

'What happened?' they asked. 'Well,' said Moshe, 'First, he said to me that the Jews had three days to get out of here. I told him that not one of us was leaving. Then he told me that this whole city would be cleared of Jews. I let him know that we were staying right here.' And then?' asked a woman. 'I don't know,' said Moshe. 'He took out his lunch and I took out mine.'

May this Eucharist, then, give us strength to avoid being seduced by power, riches and greed. May we use whatever gifts we receive to build up the entire human family and may we never stand condemned by Jesus for coming here each Sunday and saying one thing, and then leaving here and doing the very opposite.

## WE REALLY DO NEED YOUR HELP FOR PARISH SERVICE

Dear Parishioners, as you know, it takes many people to keep a parish vibrant and life-giving. We really do rely on volunteers who can offer even a little time on a regular basis. Over the years, we have been so blessed by the generosity of many parishioners who have done this, often in unseen ways. To all of you, my sincere thanks!

As we come to the end of the year, a number of our regular volunteers are unable to continue next year and so we are facing a real challenge so that those who remain are not overburdened. I am appealing to you all to please consider assisting our community with even a little service. It may be just once a month or even less often.

*The areas where we are most in need are for Children's Liturgy, Morning Tea after Mass, Data Projection, Altar Society, Church Cleaning, and Collection Counting.*

*A huge thank you to all who are currently volunteering and if you would like to consider doing so and want to know more, please contact Sandra at the parish office by phone or email, or me directly. Thank you, Fr Mario.*

### **The Samaritans, Kedron Parish**

**Tuesday Morning Activities**, organised by the **Kedron Parish Samaritans**, operates each week during the school year. It is a morning of laughter and sharing which everyone enjoys. The sandwiches specially made by the catering crews provides Morning tea/lunch with an added surprise.

Entry cost is \$5.00 and that includes three free tickets for prizes as well as a lucky door prize. Become a happy member of the exciting community of the Samaritans.

Join other youth this

**SUNDAY 28th NOVEMBER**

**AT LITTLE FLOWER PARISH HALL**

**3.30pm TO 5.00pm**

**SCHOOL YEARS 4 TO 7**

**This will be the final one for the year.**

For further information contact:  
kedron@bne.catholic.net.au

or Jaimi Santhosh 0421 418 861

Organised by Jesus Youth  
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## PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

### Monday 8 November

**Mass** 8.00am  
**Adoration after Mass**  
**Taekwondo** 4.30pm, 5.45 & 7.00pm  
**Choir Practice** 7.15pm

### Tuesday 9 November

**Mass** 8.00am  
**Rosary after Mass**  
**Samaritans** 9.30am  
**St Anthony Yr 4 Class** 11.15am

### Wednesday 10 November

**Mass** 9.00am  
**Mass Padua - Yr 6** 11.30am  
**Delamore Mass** 4.45pm  
**RCIA** 6.30pm

### Thursday 11 November

**Mass** 8.00am  
**Adoration after Mass**  
**Padua Board Meeting** 6.00pm

### Friday 12 November

**Mass** 8.00am  
**Christian Meditation** 9.00am  
**Mass Padua** 10.50am

### Saturday 13 November

**Reconciliation** 4.00pm  
**Mass** 5.00pm

### Sunday 14 November

**Mass** 7.30am & 9.30am  
**Baptisms** 11.00am  
**Mass** 5.30pm

### 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.

**Get vaccinated for the common good:** Vaccination against COVID-19 is a morally good thing, providing protection for the person vaccinated and the wider community. Pope Francis and the Australian Bishops have stated it is morally permissible to receive any vaccine available. More information is at: <https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus>

### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

**33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time -14 November 2021**

1st Reading [Dn 12:1-3](#) 2nd Reading [Heb 10:11-14, 18](#)

Gospel [Mk 13:24-32](#)

**VOLUNTEERS, BBQ**  
join us for a

Sunday 7th November 2021

At 11.30am

RSVP 3<sup>rd</sup> November

Parish office on 3357 6640 or email [kedron@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:kedron@bne.catholic.net.au)

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Family and friends are invited on **Friday 26<sup>th</sup> November at 6.00pm**

for an outdoor Memorial Mass at the Columbarium.

This is to conclude the month of November for all our deceased family members and friends.

## New Readers and Eucharistic Ministers Welcome!

As this year draws to a close, we will start putting together the rosters for Mass Readers and Eucharistic Ministers for 2022. If you would like to be a Mass Reader and/or Eucharistic Minister, we ask you to complete some training and then we can put you on next year's roster. Please contact Sandra in the Parish Office or Fr Mario.

Training is offered online from Liturgy Brisbane. We will purchase a login key and provide you with it so you can do your training at your convenience. After completing it, Fr Mario will meet with you to organise a short local practical training.

If you are an existing Reader or Eucharistic Minister and would also like to do the online program, please just let Sandra or Fr Mario know.

Thank you for your willingness to help our community pray at Mass.

### Prayer Group

If you would like to be part of an intercessory prayer group and help make a difference, you are invited to join others following the Parish 8.00am Mass **every SECOND FRIDAY**, commencing **Friday 19th November**, in front of the Tabernacle in the church. Spontaneous prayer will be encouraged. For the many needs of our Parish, our world, families and friends, indeed for many issues which need holy intervention. It is intended that the prayers will go no longer than twenty minutes or so and will conclude with the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

### 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

#### Children's Mass

Mav Green  
mav\_sp\_green@hotmail.com

#### Singing Group

Christine Masters  
christine@musicmasters.com.au

### BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

November is traditionally when we remember our dearly departed who are now with God. If you would like the names of deceased family members and friends added to the "Book of Remembrance" for the days in November please write their names in the book near the Blessed Sacrament Chapel in the church. Or you can drop the names off at the Parish Office, or call 3357 6640 or email: kedron@bne.catholic.net.au

Please pray for our recently deceased:

Raymond Edwards, Kathleen Devlin, Valda Willstead, Sr Margaret Costello mfc, Tony Pennington, Sr Quentin mfc, Dora Di Bella, Margaret Cavallaro and those whose Anniversaries occur about now: Amabile Saffigna, Camillo Saffigna, Diana Saffigna, Fiona Saffigna, Daniel Green, Gemma Debattista, Millie Byrne, Lawrie Minton, Philip Carnes, Margaret Denham, James Rice, Dick Akers, Annie Ranger, Madeline Jones, Br Bernard Pavitt, Pierre Nobin, Bill & Pat Ryan  
**WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DEPARTED; MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.**

Join the Kedron Parish Community for **Family Christmas Carols on the Lawn**

**Sunday 19th Dec from 4.30pm followed by Outdoor Mass at 5.30pm.**

Contact Christine Masters for info:

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

**Little Flower Church,  
80 Turner Road, Kedron**

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...

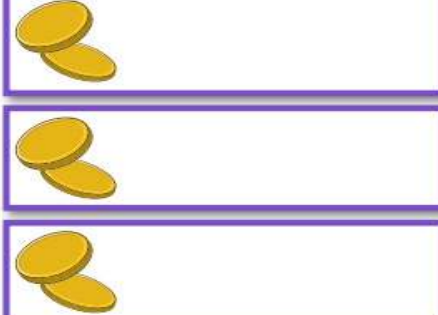


## Be generous and selfless like the poor widow

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B

Jesus praised the widow for her generosity because she gave everything she had even though she was poor. What are some ways we can be generous like the poor widow?

Jesus could see past the outward appearance of people and into their hearts. He could see the good inside people who were shunned and despised in his society. Draw a picture of another occasion when Jesus helped or acknowledged someone who was considered a lesser person.




**Spot the difference** Can you spot the seven differences between these two pictures?



### 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)

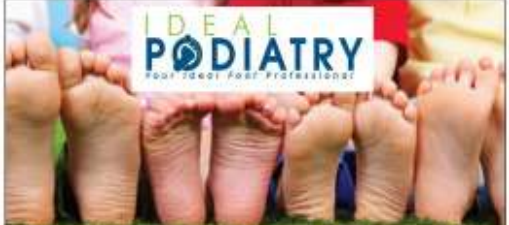
Go to the Safeguarding Training Tab at the top of the page. Click. Scroll down the page past "Safeguarding Essentials Preparation (Level 1)" to "**Safeguarding Induction**". Click on the arrow to play the video. On conclusion. Please print off and sign the PDF version of the "Certificate of Completion",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