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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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

PARISH TEAM

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PARISH SCHOOL

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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: For one hour after the 8am Mass Thursday: For 24 hrs after the 8am Mass until the start of Friday 8am Mass

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

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

8th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 27 February 2022

1st Reading <u>Sir 27:4-7</u> 2nd Reading <u>1 Cor 15:54-58</u> Gospel Lk 6:39-45

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 20th February 2022 (YEAR C)

Reflection ...

Some years ago I was at an annual parents' dinner for a Catholic school for profoundly disabled children.

A well-known local politician, whose child was in the school, was asked to speak. This is what he said:

'I would like to pay tribute to the staff at this school. Only parents and teachers know what a joy and a heartbreak it is to have a profoundly disabled child. I always wanted the perfect child, but where is the perfection in my son David? We are told that God looked at the world and it was perfect, but my son cannot understand things as other children do. David cannot remember facts and figures as other children do. David walks with difficulty and cannot speak. How can God be filled with joy at David?'

The audience was shocked by this pained question from an anguished father.

'I believe', the father continued, 'that when God allows a world in which David can now live for 50 years, perfection is found in the way people react to children like him.'

'Just recently David and I were walking in our local park. Some boys had been there most of the day playing cricket. They were serious about this competition. David was very excited and I knew he wanted to join in. David has terrible physical co-ordination, but I approached one of the boys on the pitch and asked if David could play. The boy looked around for guidance from his mates. Getting none, he took matters into his own hands and said "Things are tight, we have to get six runs to win but we'll try and give him a bat". David smiled broadly. After scoring three more runs the next boy got out. David was put up the batting order and called to the wicket. I helped him get out there.'

'Everyone knew that it was all but impossible for my son to help them win the game. He didn't even know how to hold the bat properly, let alone hit with it. The bowler, however, sent down a soft ball so David could at least make contact. The second similar ball came and David swung clumsily and missed it. One of David's team mates came up to him and together they held the bat and faced the bowler waiting for the next ball.'

'As the ball came down, David and his teammate swung at the ball and together they hit a strong ground shot to the boundary. At his captain's urging David stumbled up the pitch as quickly as he could. Never in his life has David run so fast. He came back for a second run as the fielder saved the ball from being four runs and so the team was screaming for a third run. The fielder could have thrown the ball to David's stumps and got him out. On the winning third run, however, he threw the ball to the other end where the other batsman was safely home. The keeper casually sent it up to David's end, just as David was completing the third, winning run.'

'That day', said the father softly with tears now rolling down his face, 'those boys showed me why God always looks at creation and knows it is very good.'

Jesus said, 'If you love those who love you, what credit is that? Be kind, be merciful, forgive and do not condemn, for the measure you give out is the measure you will receive'.

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24hr Eucharistic Adoration begins this Thursday

Our Kedron Parish has joined six other parishes on Brisbane's Northside to offer Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration 7 days a week, 24 hrs a day.

At Little Flower Church, we will begin this coming Thursday offering Adoration from the end of the Thursday 8.00am Mass through to the start of the Friday 8.00am Mass.

Volunteers to help keep the church open over this 24hr period are always welcome - whether you can make a weekly commitment or less often. This allows anyone who wishes to come and pray anytime in that period. If you wish to come to pray between Thursday 7pm and Friday 7am when the church door is locked for security, please just press the door bell at the front door of the church and a volunteer will let you in.

If you would like to register as a Roster Volunteer or find out more, please contact the Parish Office, or Fr Mario, or Ross Musumeci on 0408 781 929 who is our Roster Coordinator. Thank you, Fr Mario

ORDINATION OF BISHOP-ELECT TIM NORTON SVD

The Episcopal Ordination of Timothy John Norton SVD as Auxiliary Bishop of Brisbane will be celebrated at the Cathedral of St Stephen on Tuesday 22 February at 10.30am. Attendance is via ticketed seating only and if you have not already booked your ticket, you are welcome to watch the livestream of the Ordination via this link

https:// brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/web-cast/



ENCOUNTER KEDRON

Join us for Sunday 5.30pm Mass 20th February which will be led by the Encounter Kedron music team.

"WORLD DAY OF PRAYER Ecumenical Service for 2022 is to be held on Friday 4th March at All Saints Anglican Church, 501 Hamilton Road, Chermside commencing at 10.30am followed by Morning Tea. This year's WDP will focus on England, Wales and Northern Ireland.

ALL are warmly invited to attend and pray together with other Christian denominations in this region. Please bring a plate to share for Morning Tea. If you require any further information contact Mary Anne Lucas on 0412 323 669."

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 21 February Mass 8.00am **Adoration after Mass** Taekwondo - 4.30pm, 5.45 & 7.00pm

> **Tuesday 22 February** Mass 8.00am **Rosary after Mass**

Wednesday 23 February Mass 9.00am Delamore Mass 4.45pm **RCIA** 6.30pm JPICC Group 7.00pm

Thursday 24 February Mass 8.00am **Perpetual Adoration after Mass** until 8am Friday

Friday 25 February Mass 8.00am Divine Will Prayer Group 8.30am (Hall) Intercessory Payer 8.30am St Anthony's Yr 6 Commissioning Mass 9.15am Padua Mass 10.50am

> Saturday 26 February Reconciliation 4.00pm Mass 5.00pm (Sunday Vigil)

Sunday 27 February Mass 7.30am & 9.30am Baptisms 11.00am Mass 5.30pm

Please pray for our recently deceased:

Carmel Bryan, Lorraine Aiken, Paul Hotchkis, Frank O'Brien, Br Ambrose Kyne ofm, Fr Mel Cotter ofm, Fr Anthony Stott ofm, Frank Sain, Christopher Ryan, Beryl Cameron, Tony Collins, Pam Scharf,

and those whose Anniversaries occur about now: James Stark, Miscamble, Fredie Novisteros, Eileen Stevens, Jack Lindau, Arch McKellar, Norine Mullins, Bernadette Okely, Bernie Butler, Gerard Hennessy, Catherine O'Malley, Michael Purcell, Audrey Robson, Barney Curran, Leonardo & Giovanna Caruso, Catherine Mahony, Patrick Mahony, Roy & Vera Jarrett (& Alec Gallaher who is sick) WE PRAY FOR THE SOULS OF ALL THE FAITHFUL DE-PARTED: MAY THEY REST IN PEACE.

PIETY STALL Little Black Book for Easter - 2022

Are you ready to commence your Lenten journey? The Little Black Book could lend you a hand. The book contains daily meditations commencing from Sunday 27th February through to Easter Sunday. These will be available at the Piety Stall as from weekend 12th February. The cost is still \$4.00 each.

Janice Lowcock, Convenor

We would also like to acknowledge Lydia Kirby who has stepped down as Convenor at our piety stall. Thank you Lydia for your wonderful contribution to and care of our piety stall over a long time. You and our other volunteers over many years have helped so much in this work of support for the Franciscan missions.

To receive the Parish Newsletter and other 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:

The Samaritan Community—Good News

The Samaritans Community will be commencing on **Tuesday 1st March**. This day happens to be Pancake Tuesday or Shrove Tuesday– the last day before the commencement of Lent. So this will be a double celebration.

A reminder please: We will require to see your 'double' vaccination certificate on entry. This may be on your phone or if that is not possible, you will need a printed certificate. On the behalf of the Samaritan Committee.

HEALING MASS - BARDON

Are you in need of healing? Come to the first Friday of the month Healing Mass at St. Mary Magdalene's, 24 Cecil Road, Bardon, Friday, 4th March, 2022 at 7.30pm. Fr. Joe McKay, Chaplain to Padua College and National Spiritual Assistant to the Secular Franciscan Movement, will be the celebrant. Personal prayer for healing will be offered during Mass. COVID requirements relating to the wearing of masks and social distancing, will be followed. For further information, contact Len Airey on 0421 977 849 or by email to lenpatairey@gmail.com



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Volunteers and Vaccinations

A major topic that keeps cropping up in the news and day to day life is COVID-19 vaccinations. Every parish has been asked by the Archdiocese to ensure that volunteers who carry out parish work with children or vulnerable adults or in homes, workplaces, hospitals or other health care settings, are fully vaccinated. Typical volunteer roles that require vaccination include:

- Administration work in parish office
- Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion who attend to the sick in hospitals or private residence, Hospital Chaplains, Outreach - Homeless Support including children
- Safeguarding Local Officer
- Youth Co-ordinator Ministries involving children such as: Catechists, Leaders of Children's Liturgy of the Word, Sacramental Coordinators and Altar Server Coordinators

If you are involved in any of these roles, I will be in touch with you directly to ask you to provide evidence of your vaccination in the form of a COVID-19 Digital Vaccination Certificate or an Immunisation History Statement. Or you can forward your certificate to me directly at: kedron@bne.catholic.net.au.

Feel free to cross out your Individual Healthcare Identifier before sending through your certificate, if you wish. Proof of vaccination is **NOT** required for other volunteer roles that are purely domestic, social, recreational, religious, or private in nature, including Mass (e.g. Ministers of the Word or Ministers of Holy Communion at Mass).

Thanks again for your work in the parish and for your continuing generous cooperation in helping us comply with Safeguarding and health requirements.

Sandra



6TH OF MARCH, 27TH OF MARCH, 22ND OF MAY & 12TH OF JUNE

LITTLE FLOWER PARISH HALL 3:30 TO 5:00PM SCHOOL YEARS: 4 TO 7

Grounds/Maintenance Position Now Available

Part-time Position - 4 days per week



Experience Essential Current Police Certificate Required COVID-19 Vaccination Required

Please apply by submitting a cover letter and resume to manager@delamoreretirement.com.au

Divine Will Prayer Group meets monthly at the Parish Hall. Meeting starts after mass (8:45am). All welcome. Study the 'Book of Heaven, The Hours of the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ and The Virgin Mary in the Kingdom" as told by Jesus to Luisa Piccarreta. Phone Sue 0419731780"

Friday Intercessory 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 FRI-DAY**, 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.

