

# 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

## 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 **OR**  
please call Fr Mario to arrange a time to meet  
individually.

## SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE

Mrs Sandra Di Francesco

Ph: 0448 356 599

5th Sunday of Lent - 3rd April 2022 (YEAR C)

## PARISH CELEBRATION OF THE 2ND RITE OF RECONCILIATION

Tuesday, April 11th at 7.00pm in the Parish Church

### Reflection ...

There is a tough phrase at the end of the Gospel we have just heard; 'Go and sin no more.' It's like a sting in the tail, standing in contrast to the compassion of Jesus in his encounter with the woman. Yet, on closer inspection, it is the most important phrase in the story. And that's saying something because this dramatic event is the only one in the Gospel where Jesus confronts sexual sin, where only the woman is dragged from the scene of the crime to answer the charge of adultery. Is it any wonder that in some early manuscripts of John's Gospel this story was left out, its authorship questioned? The dangerous memory of Jesus' compassion toward the woman was too strong in the minds of John's community for it to be excluded, however, and so it remains as an inspired text for us to make our own. It is sometimes very important to hear Jesus say to us, especially in the area of our sexuality, 'I do not condemn you.'

So often, however, we want Jesus to leave it at that. But Jesus goes further. He tells it as it is. If any of us want life and want it to the full, we have to stop doing the destructive things that get us into trouble in the first place. It does not matter if it is drinking, gambling, eating, working, stealing, sexual dysfunction, being into pornography, being violent at home or any other type of obsessive compulsive behaviour, there is little point in being sorry for the consequences of our weaknesses and not changing the pattern of behaviour that leads us to ruin each time.

Twelve step programs enshrine the wisdom of today's Gospel in how they help us to own up to the destructive behaviour of our lives and yet give us hope to live beyond our worst moments.

Steps four to ten say:

Step 4. I have made a searching and fearless moral inventory of myself.

Step 5. I have admitted to God and to another the exact nature of my wrongs.

Step 6. I am entirely ready to have God remove all these defects of character.

Step 7. Humbly ask God to remove my shortcomings.

Step 8. Made a list of all persons I had harmed and became willing to make amends to them all.

Step 9. Made direct amends to such people wherever possible except where to do so would injure them or others.

Step 10. Continued to take personal inventory and when I was wrong promptly admitted it.

The thing I like best about these is that they are pro-active. They alert us to the fact that the best pathway to know healing and forgiveness is not to be passive, but to be active and admit our own faults and work to heal them. Some of us may have been given a tough hand from life's deck of cards, but we do not have to be passive victims, never able to change the cycles of destructive behaviour. If the steps work and we trust today's Gospel then we can be happy, healed and forgiven because we heal and forgive others.

Jesus bestows great dignity on the woman by saving her from being condemned to death, but even more so he knows that it does not have to be like this and so challenges her to turn her life around.

May we hear the same challenge in this final week of Lent. No matter what we have ever done, sexually or otherwise, we are greater than our worst moments. Jesus loves us enough not to condemn us, but to give us this Eucharist so that we might find the strength and hope to stop doing the things that destroy us and to live a life that leads to peace and joy.

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### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

Palm Sunday—10 April 2022

1st Reading - [Is 50:4-7](#)

2nd Reading - [Phil 2:6-11](#)

Gospel - [Lk 22:14 - 23:56](#) or [Lk 23:1-49](#)

**Please pray for our recently deceased:**

Leonardo Cantarella, Kerry Phillips, Gerard Janssen, Mary Lewis, Connie Oliveri, Santina Longdon, Alma Campbell, Gerardo Iorio, Pauline Ashmore, Agatino 'Tino' Palella, Carmel Bryan, Lorraine Aiken, Paul Hotchkis, Frank O'Brien,

**and those whose Anniversaries occur about now:**

Alice Golding, Trevor Stewart, Tim & Catherine Purcell, Alick Harding, Gina Darke, K. P. Matthai, Robin Sharry, Luigi Colavitti, Claudette McLeod, John Currie, James Stark, Bobbie Miscamble, Freddie Novisteros, Eileen Stevens, Jack Lindau, Arch McKellar, Norine Mullins,

**And those who are ill:**

Kathleen Daly, Alec Gallaher

**PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK**

**Monday 4 April**

Mass 8.00am  
Adoration after Mass  
Funeral 10.00am  
Taekwondo 4.30pm,  
5.45 & 7.00pm

**Tuesday 5 April**

Mass 8.00am  
Rosary after Mass  
RCIA 6.30pm

**Wednesday 6 April**

Mass 9.00am  
Delamore Mass 4.45pm

**Thursday 7 April**

Mass 8.00am  
24hr Perpetual Adoration after Mass  
until Friday Mass

**Friday 8 April**

Mass 8.00am  
Stations of the Cross  
(Immediately after Mass)  
Christian Meditation 9.00am  
(Chat room at Delamore)  
Funeral 10.00am

**Saturday 9 April**

Reconciliation 4.00pm  
Mass 5.00pm (Sunday Vigil)

**Sunday 10 April**

Mass 7.30am & 9.30am  
Secular Franciscan Order 9.00am  
Mass 5.30pm



**Shaniella 23**, grew up in a remote village in the Solomon Islands in a province which has limited educational and job opportunities – and one of the country's highest poverty rates. After leaving school, she decided to move closer to the capital city, Honiara, to study hospitality and tourism. However, her vocational training school was hit by a landslide and cyclone in quick succession, destroying its water supply system and the vegetable garden that it relies on

for food.

With your generous support, Caritas Australia has helped the school to install water tanks, re-establish its garden and provided training in disaster risk reduction. Shaniella can now complete her job skills training and the school has enough food and water for its students.

**Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 so this transformational program can continue to empower and strengthen vulnerable communities For All Future Generations.**

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **For All Future Generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from our Parish.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter COVID-SAFE live-in weekends Friday evening 13 May to Sunday afternoon 15 May and Friday evening 14 October to Sunday afternoon 16 October (including Mass) at Santa Teresa, Ormiston. Live-out weekend 1 to 3 July at Siena College, Sippy Downs – going home on the Friday and Saturday evenings. For bookings/details contact Maria and David Murphy: 0481 307 821 [qldbookings@wwme.org.au](mailto:qldbookings@wwme.org.au) Watch Archbishop Mark Coleridge's support video <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4oWp6qGB44> Information website: [www.wwme.org.au](http://www.wwme.org.au)

**Confirmation 2022**

In keeping with the Sacramental Policy of the Archdiocese of Brisbane, our Sacramental Program is parish-based, family-centred and school-supported. The preparation requires commitment from you and your family to attend activities that we offer, and upon your enrolment, we have clear expectations that you will participate fully in the program. If you require any further information please contact Maria Hopes, Sacramental Coordinator at: [sacramental.kedron@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sacramental.kedron@bne.catholic.net.au) We are excited for you and your child and look forward to being part of this process of preparation for the celebration of this sacrament.

**Enrolments**

**Enrolments are open until 9th May**

**Parent Information Night**

**Tuesday 10th May** at 4.00pm or  
**Wednesday 11th May** at 7.00pm  
(please choose only one to attend)

**Enrolment Mass**

**Sunday 15th May** at 4.00pm

**Compulsory Workshop**

**Sunday 5th June** (1.00-3.00pm)

**Confirmation Ceremony**

**Friday 10 June** at 5.00pm and 7.00pm  
(please choose only one to attend)

**The Samaritan Community**

**Tuesday Morning Activities**, will resume on **Tuesday 19th April**. It will be a morning of activities, games, laughter and sharing which everyone enjoys.

**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.

**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: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_



Dear Parishioners,

Last Saturday morning March 19th, our **Parish Pastoral Council** had a time of formation and team building. I would just like to offer you a brief report of some of what we shared on the morning.

Firstly, we received input from the Parish Leadership Team of Evangelisation Brisbane on: the purpose of the PPC, the qualities of a leader and what are some of the qualities we bring to the parish. We then shared our dreams for the parish and reflected on what God may be calling our parish to. Finally, we looked at models of a PPC and briefly looked at an example of Strategic Planning for a parish. The idea is that we may use some of these ideas and adapt them to our own parish.

I would like to offer you a summary of the dreams that we as a PPC have for our parish. This is by no means exhaustive but I hope it can get us thinking about what we hope for ourselves and how we might fulfil these dreams in our little corner of the Church and world.

Here are some of the **PPC dreams for our Parish community**:

- To connect the generations: engage and connect young with old.

- Involve the young generation.
- Social events that bring people of all ages together.
- Be a welcoming and inclusive community.
- Be a community that Breathes In (prayer life, sense of God's love) and Breathes Out (action, mission, outreach, giving).
- Integrated community life.
- That the parish would be comfortable evangelising and have strategies to help us do so.
- That we would each have a relationship with God (prayer, silence).
- We would serve different age groups in coming to encounter God.
- That we can flip the age profile of the parish by having lots more youth and young families among us regularly.
- Interfaith engagement.
- Respond to the poor, social justice initiatives.
- Be a light and proclaim Christ around us.

Dear parishioners, do any of these dreams resonate with you? What are your dreams for our parish community, and importantly, how could you help bring them about even in a small way? Every contribution of every person goes a long way. *Thank you, Fr Mario*

## Stations of the Cross held each Friday of Lent immediately after 8.00am Mass



### Volunteers Required Good Friday Stations of the Cross

Calling all young people of the parish! We need your

help to stage this year's Stations of the Cross Liturgy on Good Friday April 15th at 10.00am. All ages from primary to secondary welcome. Your participation will require 3-4 rehearsals as well as the final performance on Good Friday. No acting experience required. Just bring a sense of fun and adventure and we can create something special for the parish community.

Rehearsals dates will be on Sunday afternoons in Little Flower Church between 1.00pm-2.00pm.

**Sunday 3rd April**

**Wednesday 13th April (5.30pm-6.30pm)**

If you are interested and can help please email Amy Dewanto on [dewantoa@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:dewantoa@bne.catholic.net.au) or Sandra at Parish Office on [kedron@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:kedron@bne.catholic.net.au) or by telephoning 3357 6640  
Come on and join us!

## EASTER SERVICES

### Monday 11th April

7.00pm Parish Reconciliation Service

### Holy Thursday 14th April

7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper  
Night Prayer at 9.00pm

### Good Friday 15th April

10.00am Stations of the Cross (led by Youth)  
3.00pm Passion of Our Lord with Communion

### Holy Saturday 16th April

**NO** Reconciliation at 4.00pm  
6.00pm Celebration of the Easter Vigil

### Easter Sunday 17th April

Normal Sunday Mass times

*Archbishop Mark Coleridge invites you to the annual*  
**CHRISM MASS**  
Thursday 7 April 2022  
@ 7:00pm  
The Cathedral of St Stephen  
249 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane  
*A celebration for the entire Archdiocese  
All Welcome  
car parking available from 6:00pm*

ORGANISED BY JESUS YOUTH QUEENSLAND  
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**Kedron Youth**  
*Join other like minded young people for a Sunday afternoon of games, activities and faith encounter!*

**MAY 22nd & JUNE 12th**

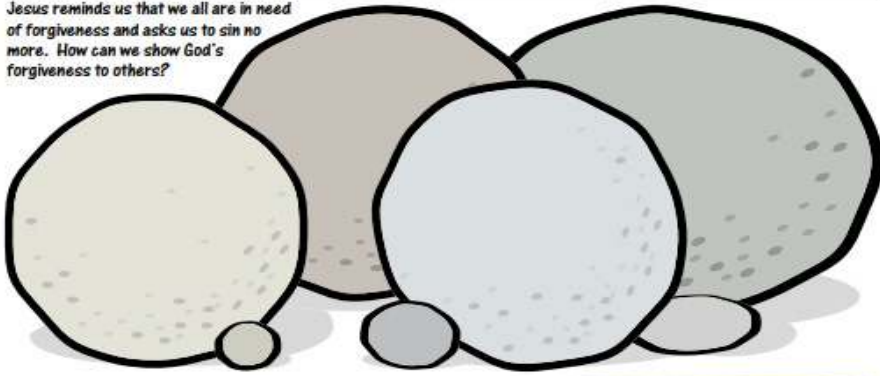
**LITTLE FLOWER PARISH HALL**

**3.30pm - 5.00pm**

**School Years 4 - 7**

# Something for the Kids...

Jesus reminds us that we all are in need of forgiveness and asks us to sin no more. How can we show God's forgiveness to others?



During this final week of Lent we can all work really hard at being the best Christians we can be, in preparation for Holy Week.

Use the code below to work out what Jesus said to the accused woman

At the start of Lent, what was one of the things about your life that you wanted to improve?

How well do you think you have done so far? Give yourself a score between 5 (Great!) and 1 (hmmm...not so great).

What are some ways you can do even better during this final week of Lent and Holy Week?

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**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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