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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:

Easter Sunday 17 April 2022—Year C

1st Reading - <u>Acts 10:34, 37-43</u> 2nd Reading - <u>Col 3:1-4</u> or <u>1 Cor 5:6-8</u> Gospel - <u>Jn 20:1-9</u> or <u>Lk 24:1-12</u> or Lk 24:13-35

Palm Sunday - 10th April 2022 (YEAR C)

PARISH CELEBRATION OF THE 2ND RITE OF RECONCILIATION

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

Reflection ...

The crowd who cheered on Palm Sunday proved to be a fickle lot. It took them no time at all to move from the cries of adulation of Palm Sunday to the derision of Good Friday, and back again, with frightening speed. What is most worrying, however, is that we can do the same just as easily.

Take, for example, in our own country, where on the one hand we tell the original inhabitants of this great land that they have some claim on it and then change the rules when they begin to make such a claim. You don't have to look far for Calvary. Try being black in a white world.

We bask in the myth that this is the land of the fair go, but seem to think that this fair go is primarily for white people born of an Anglo Celtic, Christian background. You don't have to search too far for Calvary. Try being Asian in a Eurocentric world.

As Christians we affirm that women and men are made in the image and likeness of God, but in the Church and society we find new arguments to keep men in power and women only fractionally developing their God-given talents. You don't have to seek out Calvary. Try being a woman in a man's world.

Our society tells the gay community they may have been born with a desire for a same sex partner and that no one should discriminate against them, yet we deny them basic rights for legal security and dignity. You don't have to hunt for Calvary. Try being gay in a straight world.

Our society sings the praises of IVF and its associated technologies and proclaim how hundreds more couples are now 'complete' as a result of having a baby and yet each year we abort tens of thousands of unborn babies. You don't have to explore far to find Calvary. Try being a pregnant mother in an unsympathetic and death-dealing world.

The reality is that Palm Sunday is not a yearly historical pageant. It is the day when we hear proclaimed that:

- our God knows what it's like to be heralded on Sunday and condemned on Friday;
- our God loved us so much that he laid down his own life so that we might live;
- our God showed us that the price of walking on palm branches is in the taking up of the cross.

And how do we do that? How do we face all the Calvarys of our world and be Christ-like?

In the Passion we are told that Jesus did five things:

- He healed the ear of the High Priest's servant;
- He spoke the truth to Pilate;
- He empathised with the women of Jerusalem;
- He forgave those who condemned him;
- He had compassion toward the other criminal being crucified.

And here's the rub: in facing our personal passion and being with those who face their Calvary we are called to do likewise.

If Holy Week means anything it means we end this week as we began it – processing. Walking away from inflicting pain to being a healer, desisting with lies and speaking the truth, resisting the temptation to judge and embracing empathy as our first response and, always and everywhere, being generous with forgiveness and compassion. No more and no less is asked of us if we are to follow 'the King of Love on Calvary'.

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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:

Dora Scarcella, Patrick Byrne, Gina Darch, Annette Donghi, 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, Fredie Novisteros, Eileen Stevens, Jack Lindau, Arch McKellar, Norine Mullins.

And those who are ill:

Kathleen Daly, Alec Gallaher

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 11 April
Mass 8.00am
Adoration after Mass
Taekwondo 4.30pm,
5.45 & 7.00pm
Parish Communal Reconciliation
7.00pm

Tuesday 12 April Mass 8.00am

Rosary after Mass

Wednesday 13 April

Mass 9.00am
Delamore Mass 4.45pm
Stations of the Cross Rehearsal
5.30pm

Encounter Rehearsal 6.30pm

Thursday 14 April

NO 8.00am Mass today
Perpetual Adoration ONLY from
8.30am to 5.00pm today.

Mass of the Lord's Supper 7.00pm
Night Prayer 9.00pm (Hall)

Friday 15 April (Good Friday) Youth Stations of the Cross 10.00am

The Lord's Passion 3.00pm

Saturday 16 April RCIA Practice 10.00am Easter Vigil Mass 6.00pm

Sunday 17 April (Easter Sunday) Mass 7.30am & 9.30am Baptisms 11.00am Mass 5.30pm





Palm Sunday

Every day, more than 200 million children miss out on school, around 690 million people go hungry and 2.2 billion people cannot access clean drinking water. In recent years, COVID-19has also devastated vulnerable communities already living in poverty, with the health and economic impacts to reverberate for years to come.

It's through the generous support of people like you, even amidst the COVID-19 pandemic, that we are able to continue to help lift vulnerable communities out of poverty – support that isneeded now more than ever. Thousands of schools and Parishes in Australia have supported Project Compassion over the past year alone.

Thank you for your continued support for Project Compassion – past, present and future. Together, we canhelp vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *For All Future Generations*.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2022 to help continue empowering vulnerable communities around the world lift themselves and their communities out of poverty.

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 Watch Archbishop Mark Coleridge's support video https://www.youtube.com/watch?y=40_Wp6qGB44 Information website: www.wwme.org.au

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.

Home Visitation to the Sick and Elderly

You need not be isolated from your Parish family if you are sick or unable to join us for Mass. We are fortunate to have **Ministers of Communion** who will visit homes within our Parish and bring Holy Communion.

If you would like them or **Fr Mario** to visit you or someone you know, please contact Fr Mario directly or the Parish Office on 33576640 or by email. If you are interested in becoming a Minister of Communion please contact us.

WHS Incident Report. Parishioners and visitors are reminded of the requirement to immediately report any health or safety incident, injury or damage that occurs within our Parish. Reporting assists our Parish to provide the necessary assistance, take remedial action and provide mandatory notifications to the Archdiocese and the Division of Work Health and Safety QLD.

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:

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



The annual collection FRANCISCANS for the support of the church in the Holy

Land takes place on Good Friday.

This annual collection promotes the missionary work of the church in the Holy Land by providing welfare assistance to local Christians in areas such as health, education, employment and housing. Parishes schools, orphanages and medical centres throughout the Holy Land also rely on assistance from this collection. It is also used to maintain over 70 churches and shrines associated with the life of Jesus. Last year, due to the global pandemic, it was an extremely difficult time for the Church and people of the Holy Land with very little income due to the lack of pilgrims and the closure of churches around the world. In Australia, we were more fortunate and Australian Catholics donated \$1,126,098 (compared to \$406,023 in 2020 and \$1.3 million in 2019).

This year, the Holy Land will continue to face an income shortfall due to the ongoing effects of the pandemic and so we again ask Catholics around the world to be as generous as possible. Please remember the Christians of the Holy Land on Good Friday and please keep them in your prayers.



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.

The final rehearsal will be on Wednesday 13th April (5.30pm-6.30pm)

If you are interested and can help please email Amy Dewanto on dewantoa@bne.catholic.net.au or Sandra at Parish Office on 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

Confirmation 2022

Our Sacramental Program is parish-based, familycentred and school-supported. The preparation requires commitment from you and your family to attend activities that we offer, and upon your enrolment, we have 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 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 chose 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)

LITTLE FLOWER CHRISTIAN **MEDITATION GROUP**

Our Kedron Parish Christian Meditation group meets each Friday at 9.00am in the Chat Room at Delamore Retirement Community. Everyone is very welcome.

If you are looking for a gift, why not have a look at the Piety Store. We have new stock that has just arrived. 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.

WHITE BOOKS

The WHITE BOOKS are available at the Piety Store. This book covers the period from Easter Monday to Pentecost Sunday. There are prayers and reflections for spending time with the Lord during these 50 days which includes His Ascension, 40 days after Easter. We support the Franciscan Missions so your custom is appreciated. Thank you.

Something for the Kids...



Help fill in the details of the rtant events of Holy Week

PASSION SUNDAY

Crowds of people saw Jesus ride a donkey into the city of Jerusalem. The people cheered, "Blessed is the king who comes in the name

Draw some of the symbols of Passi

HOLY THURSDAY

Write down what you know about the last supper.



After the last supper, Jesus led his disciples to the garden at Gethsemane to be with him while he was betrayed by Judas and arrested

Draw some of the symbols of Holy Thursday.





Jesus carried his cross through the streets until he arrived at Calvary where he was crucified. With the sky dark he died on the cross.

HOLY SATURDAY

Holy Saturday is a quiet time when we reflect on the death of Jesus.

Draw the closed tomb where Jesus' body lay.

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.

The Parish of Kedron and the Diocese of Brisbane are committed to the care, wellbeing and protection of children, young people and people at risk in our community. May our message be that child protection and the dignity of every person is the responsibility of every adult. You can find out more about the Church's work in this area at:

www.catholic.org.au/ Safeguardingsunday



Taekwondo in the PARISH HALL Mondays 4:30, 5:45 and 7pm

All ages welcome - family discounts Fair Play Vouchers and NDIS supported

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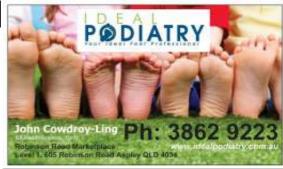


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