

# The Parish Community of St Thérèse and St Anthony

*The Little Flower Church - In the care of the Franciscan Friars*

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

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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

## 4th Sunday of Easter - 8th May 2022 (YEAR C)

### Reflection ...

The passages from the Gospels where Jesus likens us to being sheep leave me a bit cold. I think I must lose something in the translation from first century Palestine to today. Most of the sheep I have ever watched may well be cute, in a woolly sort of way, but they are anxious creatures often running in packs in every direction, are notoriously stupid and difficult to manage or direct. On second thoughts maybe the analogy is not so bad after all! We, the people of God, can certainly be an anxious lot, a bit slow on the uptake and difficult to lead. It also true, however, that sheep are incredibly useful and adaptable animals. Think about all the places they have been taken throughout the world. They thrive. With all due respect to the vegans, vegetarians and animal liberationists here today, think about the multiple ways they have served humanity.

The point of the shepherd analogy in the Gospels, of course, is about the importance of intimacy. A sheep in those days is similar to the central role some domestic cats and dogs have in our homes. They are members of the family. Shepherds in Jesus' day belonged to nomadic tribes that moved with their small flock throughout Israel. Every sheep mattered. Every sheep had a name. In an agrarian society every sheep was a vital economic unit. To lose one caused trouble not only to the individual, but also to the tribe. To lose a flock was financial ruin for a generation. As a result when Jesus invokes the image of the shepherd he draws attention to the intimate knowledge and care the shepherd has of them.

In today's Gospel Jesus tells us that we follow him, not because we are too dumb to know otherwise, or because we are anxious or fearful of our alternatives, but because we know his voice, we know him, he knows our name. We follow Jesus' lead for no other reason than throughout our life we have come to trust him and to rely on the intimacy of our relationship with him. In return he protects us and makes sure no one can steal us from his flock.

The possibility of being stolen away from the Christian family is a real one. We know many people who, for a variety of reasons, have left the fold and been seduced into pursuing other leads. Whereas every Sunday we affirm that we cannot find a better way to live than following the Way, the Truth and the Life which is Christ present here and now. No one can suggest it is always easy to follow the Gospel and hang in here with one another. Jesus was never under any illusions about what following his lead may cost, but he underlines how much we need each other to survive in this world.

In this Eucharist, then, let's steal a few moments to experience again the intimate love of the Risen Lord who knows, claims and loves us. May we respond by following his lead by enfolding all our world in our care and welcoming all his children into his flock.

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### NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

Fifth Sunday of Easter 15 May 2022 — Year C

1st Reading - [Acts 14:21-27](#)

2nd Reading - [Rv 21:1-5](#)

Gospel - [Jn 13:31-35](#)

**Please pray for our recently deceased:**

Lidia Bonaventura, Leonardo Cantarella, Kerry Phillips, Gerard Janssen, Mary Lewis, Connie Oliveri, Santina Longdon, Alma Campbell, Gerardo Iorio

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

Rocco Raineri, Ron D'Arx, Jack Hennessy, Anne McManus, Peter Moran, Joe Hennessy, 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

**And those who are ill:**

Alec Gallaher

**PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK**

**Monday 9 May**

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

**Tuesday 10 May**

Mass 8.00am  
Rosary after Mass  
Samaritans 9.00am  
St Anthony's Yr 6 11.15am  
(Reconciliation)  
Parent Information 4.00pm  
(Confirmation)  
Pastoral Finance Meeting 5.30pm

**Wednesday 11 May**

Mass 9.00am (Yr 6 St Anthony's)  
Delamore Mass 4.45pm  
Parent Information 7.00pm  
(Confirmation)

**Thursday 12 May**

8.00am Mass  
24hr Perpetual Adoration until Friday Mass  
Encounter Youth 6.30pm  
Parish Pastoral Council meeting 6.30pm

**Friday 13 May**

Mass 8.00am  
Intercessory Prayer Group 8.30am  
(in Church)  
Christian Meditation 9.00am  
(at Delamore)  
Padua Mass 10.50am

**Saturday 14 May**

Baptismal Information 11.00am  
Reconciliation 4.00pm  
Mass 5.00pm

**Sunday 15 May**

Mass 7.30am & 9.30am  
Secular Franciscan Order 9.30am  
Confirmation Enrolment Mass 4.00pm  
Mass 5.30pm

**The Samaritan Community**

**Tuesday Morning Activities**, is 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.

**The Secular Franciscans** meet on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of the month in the Church Hall at Kedron. All inquiries are welcome. Come and join us. It is now 800 years since St Francis began the Third Order for lay people. This is now called the Secular Franciscan order and is one of the largest lay orders in the world.

**Confirmation 2022**

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 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 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)

**An introduction to the Gospel of Luke in 3 sessions**

The lectionary for Sunday readings has three cycles: In Year A the Gospel of Matthew is read, in Year B the Gospel of Mark and in Year C the Gospel of Luke. Since 2022 is Year C, we hear from Luke's Gospel at our Sunday liturgies during Ordinary Time, from June to November.

We hear scripture proclaimed every Sunday, but it is not always easy to see a connection between the ancient texts and our everyday lives. Do you want to know more? Join us for three evening sessions of input, reflection and discussion led by Dr Jenny Close. The focus will be a study of the Gospel of Luke. Then there will be a time for quiet reflection on a gospel passage and some time for sharing personal insights.

Jenny Close is a Kedron parishioner who has many years experience as an artist, theologian and liturgist. Her field is not scripture but liturgy, so her focus is on interpreting scripture texts in their liturgical context and understanding their relevance for everyday life.

**Three hour long sessions starting at 6.30pm:**

**When: Tues 7th June, 14th June and 21st June**

**Where: The Parish House – 134 Somerset Road, Kedron**

Please contact Sandra at the Parish Office on 33576640 or email [kedron@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:kedron@bne.catholic.net.au) if you will be attending.

**Laudato Si' Week**

May 22-29 is Laudato Si' Week 2022 where together we'll remember the seventh anniversary of Pope Francis' historical encyclical on the care of creation. We'll have our banner up until then as a reminder. "Listening and walking together" is the theme that will guide us this year, along with the quote, "Bringing the whole human family together to protect our common home" (LS 13). It will be a festive week, showing the world how much the Church has changed in these seven years and inspiring millions of Catholics around the world. Register at <https://laudatosiweek.org/> for updates.

**July 30, 10am - 12 noon in the Parish Hall, we'll host an event involving Catholic Earthcare to help individuals and families engage with Laudato Si in caring for our common home.**

# ENCOUNTER TERM 2

## YOUTH IS

@ Little Flower Church Hall  
From 6.30PM-7.30PM

!KI WITH THE LINK IN OUR INSTA BIO

## DOUBLE IN A DAY

is where we go BIG with activities, food and vibes! Bring a M8 along with you to youth, because you know its going to be good!

## MAY

05

Water into Wine

12

Cleansing the Temple

19

Jesus and Nicodemus

26

Double in a Day: Laser Tag

## JUNE

02

The Samaritan Woman

09

Temptation of Christ

16

Humility and Suffering

## YOU CAN BE MORE

this term we're looking at one of the most influential leaders in history to see how we can be more. come join us on Thursdays for a night of games, music and more



### A Mother's Love

There are times when only a Mother's love  
Can understand our tears,  
Can soothe our disappointments  
And calm all our fears.  
There are times when only a Mother's love  
Can share the joy we feel  
When something we've dreamed about  
Quite suddenly is real.  
There are times when only a Mother's faith  
Can help us on life's way  
And inspire in us the confidence  
We need from day to day.  
For a Mother's heart and a mother's faith  
And a Mother's steadfast love  
Were fashioned by the angels  
And sent from God above.

### Grounds person/Handyman required

Kedron parish is seeking a motivated person to fill a part time role to look after our grounds and the general maintenance of the Church, Parish Hall and Parish House

The successful applicant will need to:

- Maintain and develop the ground areas at parish sites including: Mow lawns, maintenance of garden areas including landscaping
- Arrange pest control spraying and treatments
- Operate mower, whipper snipper, hedge cutter and other equipment as necessary.
- Assist with manual work at all parish sites, as required.
- General repairs that are required.

The successful candidate will also need to submit to a national criminal history/police check, possess a current Working with Children Blue Card, sign a Prior Conduct Declaration and have COVID19 vaccination evidence.

To apply for this position please email your cover letter and resume to the Parish Manager Sandra Di Francesco at: [kedron@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:kedron@bne.catholic.net.au)

**Application closes: 10 May 2022**

*The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for workers to maintain a safe and healthy environment for children. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct working with children checks and background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children and young people (0 - 18 years) and/or vulnerable adults. The organisation is fully committed to child safety and has a zero tolerance to abuse of children or vulnerable adults.*

## CALLING ALL BAKERS SATURDAY 21st MAY FEDERAL ELECTION

COULD YOU HELP PROVIDE A BATCH OR TWO OF HOME-BAKED MUFFINS, CAKES, SLICE, BISCUITS FUDGE ETC?

### Support our Little Flower Parish

Please wrap and label including ingredients where possible  
Please indicate if nut free/gluten free/dairy free.

Baked goods gratefully accepted at the Parish House,  
134 Somerset Road Kedron  
Friday 20th May before 12.00 noon.

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Sandra Di Francesco 3357 6640  
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## Democracy Sausage. Volunteers Required

The parish is running a Sausage Sizzle at the upcoming Federal Election on Sat May 21st. Proceeds will go towards parish projects. If you are able to help for a couple of hours, please contact Paul Masters on 0438 106 049 or email [pma78556@bigpond.net.au](mailto:pma78556@bigpond.net.au).



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: \_\_\_\_\_

# Something for the Kids...

*Jesus is our shepherd and we follow him*

My name is

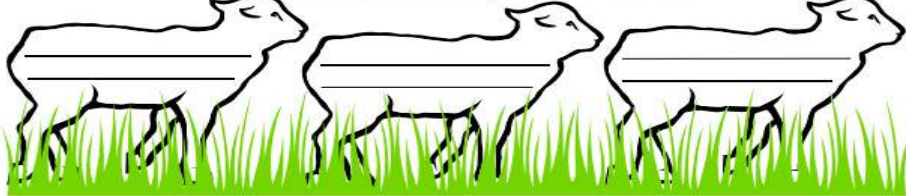


4th Sunday of Easter, Year C

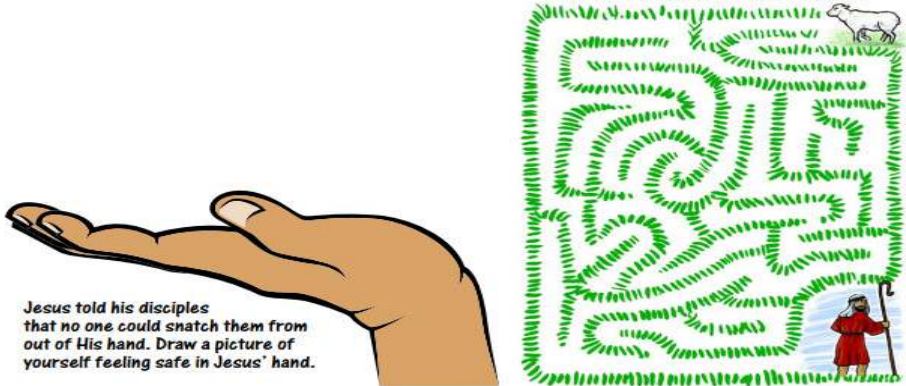
In each of the sheep, write down the name of someone you know who is a follower of Jesus.



What are some of the ways we can follow Jesus?




Jesus' sheep will never be lost. Help the sheep follow the path to the shepherd.



Jesus told his disciples that no one could snatch them from out of His hand. Draw a picture of yourself feeling safe in Jesus' hand.

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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.

**YUN** TAEKWONDO & **HAP** SELF DEFENCE



**Taekwondo in the PARISH HALL**  
Mondays 4:30, 5:45 and 7pm  
All ages welcome - family discounts  
Fair Play Vouchers and NDIS supported  
Kate Eggar - 7<sup>th</sup> Dan Instructor  
**0408 982 248**

**Primary and Secondary School Social & Emotional Workshops**

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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](http://www.catholic.org.au/Safeguardingsunday)