

# 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

Monday to Thursday 8.30am - 3.00pm

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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: 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

## NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time 2nd October 2022 — Yr C

1st Reading - [Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4](#)

2nd Reading - [2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14](#)

Gospel - [Lk 17:5-10](#)

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 25th September 2022 (YEAR C)

## Reflection...

Maybe the reason this Gospel-story has become so famous is its extraordinary attention to detail; the regal colours of Dives' clothes, his exquisite tableware and fine dining. It all conjures up a vivid picture. At the same time Lazarus' world is equally well described. Begging at the gate, Lazarus' only companions are the dogs and his sores. Even giving names to both these characters adds to the power of the parable. These people are not just a rich man and a beggar. They are Dives and Lazarus, well-known to everyone in the village. All these years later they are well known to us too. Not the actual characters, of course, upon whom the story could be based, but all the Lazarus' and Dives' in our own villages. It is an important task for us to decide which one of these characters we think we are.

Recently the United Nations published a paper which creatively described the world as a village of 100 people. Staying consistent with the international statistics the United Nations tells us that our global village looks like this. There are 57 Asians, 21 Europeans, 14 North Americans, 8 Africans, 4 South Americans and an assortment fills up the final four places. There are 52 women and 48 men of whom only 30 are fair-skinned and 70 are dark-skinned. 91 are heterosexual while nine are gay. Only one of us has a University education and yet six people in our village own 64% of our town's wealth and all of them are Americans. 80 people live in substandard housing without electricity, clean water and sewerage. 70 of us cannot read and 50 suffer from malnutrition.

This village analysis sorts out very quickly who Lazarus and Dives are in our world. As hard as life is for some of us and as much as we struggle financially, we are, comparatively, dressed in purple robes and feasting off fine linen.

The UN report goes on to say that 1.2 billion people live on \$1.50 a day or less. And while we might be personally very generous in assisting the poor in a variety of ways, our Dives-like countries are not. Australia only gives \$98 per person per year to aid third world development. Canada gives \$108, the UK gives \$112 and the USA's third world development budget is just \$67 per person per year. And for all the moral scorn sometimes heaped upon Scandinavia, Denmark is the most generous country in the world, giving \$649 per capita last year.

The point of Jesus' story in today's Gospel is not to remind us that there are poor people at our gate. It is to implore us to listen and learn. Some Catholics want to vigorously uphold dogma and liturgical laws but do not seem to care one iota for the social teaching of the Church which instructs us that our love of God is truly found in deeds not words.

Given the way we keep repeating the sins of the past and we allow the rich to get richer while the poor die before us, it seems we Christians, who have had the benefit of the Law, the Prophets and even a man coming back from the dead, will not change the structures that enshrine global injustice. Why?

There is no way around it. Such a change would involve real sacrifice on our part and we are not prepared to pay the price. Jesus, however, reminds us today of the consequences in both our selective deafness toward Lazarus' cry and our lack of action; our comfortable passivity has implications for this world and the next.

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*We respectfully acknowledge the Turrbal and Jagerra people as the traditional owners and custodians of the land which is Kedron Parish. Our community pays our respects to them and their cultures; and to their Elders, past, present and future. May we too be good stewards of this land.*



Help us  
celebrate the Feast of  
St Francis of Assisi  
Join us for a Sausage  
Sizzle on  
Sunday 9th October  
2022  
Straight after 7.30am  
and 9.30am Mass

#### Baptism Preparation

If you have a child or newborn infant and wish them to be baptised, we have an information and preparation session in the church at 11am on the first Saturday of each month. At this short meeting, we outline some of the symbols used at the ceremony, answer any questions and finalise dates. Further details can be obtained from the parish office (33576640) or Email: [kedron@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:kedron@bne.catholic.net.au)  
Our next session will be Saturday 8 October 2022 at 11.00am.

#### PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

##### Monday 26th September

Mass 8.00am  
Adoration after Mass  
Taekwondo 6.30pm  
Choir Practice 7.15pm

##### Tuesday 27th September

Mass 8.00am  
Rosary after Mass

##### Wednesday 28th September

Mass 9.00am  
JPCCC group 7.00pm

##### Thursday 29th September

Mass 8.00am  
24hr Perpetual Adoration

##### Friday 30th September

Mass 8.00am  
Divine World Prayer Group 8.30am  
Christian Meditation 9.00am  
(Delamore)

##### Saturday 1st October

Reconciliation 4.00pm  
Mass 5.00pm

##### Sunday 2nd October

Mass 7.30am, 9.30am  
Baptism 11.00am  
Mass 5.30pm

### A Conversation on 'Elder Matters' Living with Memory Loss

We invite you to an evening conversation led by Trish Carroll exploring the lived experience of memory loss and the profound impacts on individuals and their families and loved ones.

More specifically, this conversation will provide an opportunity to discuss:

- The many causes and types of memory loss (including dementia);
- Symptoms of memory loss, including uniquely felt loss and grief;
- Complexities of caring for a loved one with memory loss;
- The importance of self-care and sustenance.

Trish Carroll is a Kedron parishioner who is a Psychologist and Founder of *Elder Matters* – a private practice dedicated to supporting individuals experiencing challenges of ageing, illness and life transitions.

**When: Wednesday, 19th October 6.30-7.30pm**

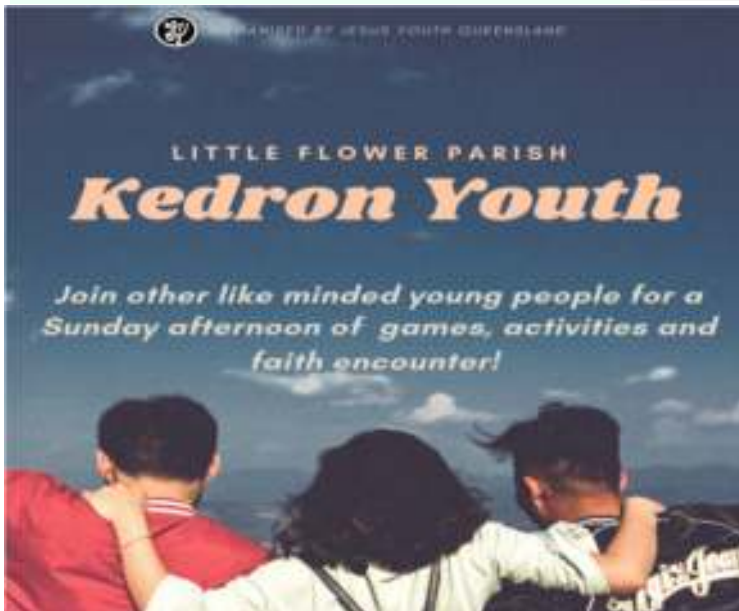
**Where: The Parish House—134 Somerset Rd, Kedron**

**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.

#### MASS INTENTIONS & OFFERINGS

It has been a custom in our church tradition to have a Mass offered for some intentions. Envelopes are in the church. When you have such a need, please write down your intention and return it to the parish office, to Fr Mario or place it in the collection box at the weekend Masses. Thank you.

**LITTLE FLOWER CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP**  
Our Kedron Parish Christian Meditation group meets each **Friday at 9.00am** at Delamore. Everyone very welcome.



**25th SEPTEMBER**  
LITTLE FLOWER PARISH HALL  
3.30pm - 5.00pm -School Years 4 - 7

**The Samaritan Community**  
Next Tuesday 27th September 2022 the Samaritan will be holding a Volunteers and friends lunch at Stafford Tavern starting at 11.30am. For more information please contact Michael 0405 916 291

**You are invited to the  
celebration of the Vigil Feast of  
The Transitus of St Francis with the  
Franciscan Family**



**Ceremony commences at 6.00 pm  
on Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> October 2022  
At St Therese and St Anthony Church  
"The Little Flower"  
80 Turner Road, Kedron  
There is no pre-booking needed  
If you have any questions, please contact  
the  
Parish Office on 3357 6640  
or Email: [kedron@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:kedron@bne.catholic.net.au)**





**JOIN US FOR OUTDOOR MASS  
SATURDAY OCT 8th,  
at 5.00PM**

## Annual Blessing of the Animals

St Francis of Assisi. Born in the 12th century, is the patron saint of animals and the environment. On St Francis feast day, animals are blessed to celebrate his (and our) love for animals and all creation. Please bring your 4-legged and winged friends to church for a blessing during the Sat 5.00pm Mass held on the front lawn of the church.

### ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY LITTLE FLOWER PARISH

*"... to service the poor is to go to God..." - St Vincent de Paul*

In recent times, our St Vincent de Paul Little Flower Conference, a volunteer group in the Kedron parish, has been suspended due to declining membership.

There has been a long Vincentian tradition in our parish of volunteers helping people in need and we would very much like to see this tradition continue.

The existing conference members warmly invite any potential new volunteers to attend an:

**Information Night on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> October, 6.30 – 7.30pm, at the Parish House, 134 Somerset Road.**

It is hoped this meeting will help us to organise our potential visitation roster and conference leadership moving forward.

New Potential Conference members and volunteers are asked to consider whether they can commit to fortnightly meetings (held on an evening) and a willingness to get involved in the Conference service and visitation (weekdays and/or Saturdays). We offer training and also hope to support flexible options to cater to the competing demands of work and family commitments.

The Society offers its volunteers and members a chance to visit companions in need, offering a hand of friendship, as well as practical assistance to their immediate and long-term needs.

If you would like to find out more and help us to reignite our Kedron parish Conference group, please come to our meeting on 10 October or contact Cassandra Bull – 0400 192 679 or Vicki Scanlan 0403 169 421 or email the parish office [kedron@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:kedron@bne.catholic.net.au). **We would be most grateful if you could RSVP by October 6 for planning purposes.**



#### Volunteers needed – Eucharistic Ministry

Are you looking to give back to your community through your gifts of supporting the spiritual, emotional well-being of our patients through sacramental ministry? Being a Eucharistic Minister in a hospital is a rewarding role that will see you visiting with patients to offer them communion or a blessing and companionship. To be successful in this volunteer role you must be an active member of a Catholic parish and have the support of your parish priest to provide Eucharistic ministry. We are looking for volunteers for one Sunday a Month, or perhaps during the week fortnightly. Contact Sharyn Smith for further information Ph 3326 3156 / [sharyn.smith@svha.org.au](mailto:sharyn.smith@svha.org.au)

#### Please pray for our recently deceased:

Margaret Loretto Gurney, Shirley Shepherd,  
Jianwen Feng, Cherlyn Wright, Megan Reid, Pam  
Short, Antonina Gullo, Ken Power,  
Simone Gallimore

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

Jeanne Hayes, Loveday Harding, Giovanni & Dora  
Di Bella, Mariano & Maria Grasso, Nunzio La Spina,  
Gerda Janssen, Neville Taylor, John V Taylor, John  
A Taylor, Shirley Hickey, James Bell, Stanley Kel-  
liher, Maureen Hudson, Fred Hudson, Diana & Fio-  
na Saffigna, Leona Akers, Katherine Stark

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...



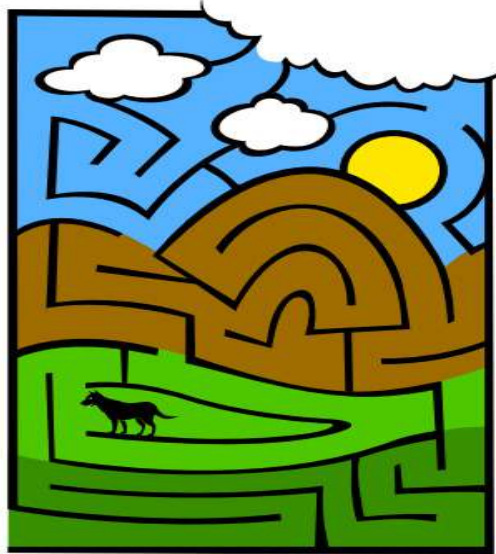
26th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C

What happened to the rich man when he died?

What should the rich man have done while he was still living on earth?



Jesus wants us to listen to him. In what ways can we listen to God? Draw yourself listening to God.



Help the angels take Lazarus up to heaven.



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**Police Check and Blue Cards 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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