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WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday (Vigil) 5.00pm Sunday 7.30am, 9.30am & 5.30pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

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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:

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time 16 October 2022 — Yr C 1st Reading - <u>Ex 17:8-13</u> 2nd Reading - <u>2 Tm 3:14 – 4:2</u>

Gospel - Lk 18:1-8

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 9 October 2022 (YEAR C)

Reflection...

There was once a parish priest who, with the passing of the years, had become a very difficult pastor. The president of the parish council decided to write to the Bishop and ask for the priest's removal. The Bishop reluctantly agreed, but insisted that the parish council arrange for a good farewell for the departing priest, one with a strong spiritual motif. The council agreed. They planned an elegant farewell that would begin with the singing of a hymn.

At the farewell the president began, 'For many years Father has been telling us that Jesus sent him into our parish. More recently, Father has been saying that Jesus requires him to stay in our parish. And, though he hasn't said it, I guess it follows now that Jesus has decided that it's time for Father to move on from our parish. I'd like you all to stand and join me in singing what is now my favourite hymn, "We give thanks to Jesus with all our hearts"!'

Have you noticed how the words 'please' and 'thank you' are less frequently used these days? Many people seem to act and speak as though anything done for them is entirely their due; no recognition, no please and no thank you. This should not come as a great surprise; there's been a rapid shift to seeing many social institutions as commodities rather than services and we always want value for money from commodities. My fear is that we are increasingly treating people as commodities as well. By contrast, however, Christians are identified by asking for what we need and being grateful for every blessing.

The Gospel of Luke was written about 60 years after the death of Jesus, most probably for the Gentile community at Antioch in Syria. It has four major themes: compassion, healing, prayer, and the outsider. Luke loves telling stories about the Gentiles, not only because they are outsiders, but also because they often show up the faith of the Jews. The story of the ten lepers has Luke at his best.

Lepers were until this century treated as outcasts. Also, in Jesus' day, they were considered sinful and ritually impure. If one touched a leper one incurred that same fate. The leper who comes back to Jesus, however, was also a Samaritan! This guy can't win a trick! He is a leper, a Gentile and a Samaritan. He would have been rejected and despised by everyone, even the other Jewish lepers.

The story of the ten lepers is not just about asking for what we need and being grateful when we get it, as important as that is. In this rich and multi-layered story, Jesus does three things: he reaches out to the untouchables of his day; he heals them and enables them to be welcomed back into the community; he draws attention to the fact that the poorest of the lepers, a Samaritan, is the only one who can recognise the source of the healing and has the humility to return and praise God for it.

As well as the virtue of gratitude, then, Jesus also announces that the Christian community is the place where there is no such thing as an unclean or untouchable person. Jesus touches the lepers and then goes about his business. In doing so he rejects centuries of ritual taboos. We are called to do the same today. We are challenged to get our hands dirty with the most unclean groups of our society, confront the assumptions that marginalise and oppress them, and defend their rights to dignity and participation. Not surprisingly Christians who do this often report the same experience as Jesus: they are staggered at the gratitude and faith of the people society has rejected.

May this Eucharist then be a celebration of the fact there is nothing in our life or in our world that Christ won't touch and heal. All we have to do is say 'please' and 'thank you'. May it also give us strength to go out and do likewise in the name of Him who has healed us, finding the humility to keep singing that great old hymn, 'We give thanks to Jesus with all our hearts'.

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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.

PARISH HALL REFURBISHMENT

Dear Parishioners

As you are all aware the Parish hall has for the last couple of years been talked about as needing a face lift.

The Finance Council and myself are pleased to announce that as from Monday 10 October we will begin renovation of the hall. The builder has anticipated that this will take approximately 6 weeks to complete the following work:

- New ceiling
- New windows
- Air-conditioning
- Update the wet bar kitchen
- Internet wifi and projector
- Painting inside and outside
- Polish of floor and new carpet.

If you have any questions, please contact the parish office.

A PUBLIC ROSARY

Please join us for a nation-wide Rosary chain: THE HOLY ROSARY—SACRED HEART CHURCH, 369 GIVEN TCE, PADDINGTON DATE: SATURDAY 15 OCTOBER TIME: 10:30AM



A Conversation on 'Elder Matters' Living with Memory Loss

We invite you to an evening conversation led by Trish Carroll exploring the <u>lived</u> <u>experience of memory loss</u> 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: Wed, 19th Oct. 6.30 - 7.30pm Where: The Parish House, 134 Somerset Rd, Kedron

Help us celebrate the Feast of St Francis of Assisi

> Join us for a Sausage Sizzle on Sun 9th October 2022 straight after the 7.30 & 9.30am Masses.

Please pray for our recently deceased:

Rosaria Greco, Jeanne Hayes, John McGowan, John Albury, 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:

John McManus, Freda Vas, James Clyne, , 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 Kelliher, Maureen Hudson, Fred Hudson, Diana & Fiona Saffigna, Leona Akers, Katherine Stark

PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 10 October Mass 8.00am Adoration after Mass Vinnies Info Session 6.30pm (in the Parish House)

> Tuesday 11 October Mass 8.00am Rosary after Mass Choir Practice 7.15pm

Wednesday 12 October Mass 9.00am Mass Delamore 4.45pm

<u>Thursday 13 October</u> Mass 8.00am 24hr Perpetual Adoration Encounter Youth 6.30pm

Friday 14 October Mass 8.00am Christian Meditation 9.00am (Delamore) Padua Mass 10.50am

Saturday 15th October Baptism 11.00am Wedding 2.30pm Youth Rehearsal 3.30pm Reconciliation 4.00pm Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 16th October Mass 7.30am, 9.30am

SFO Meeting 9.30am Baptisms 11.00am & 11.45am Mass 5.30pm

LITTLE FLOWER CHRISTIAN MEDITATION GROUP

Our Kedron Parish Christian Meditation group meets each *Friday at 9.00am* at Delamore. Everyone very welcome.

Piety Store

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.

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.

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 10th 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 of 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. We would be most grateful if you could RSVP by October 6 for planning purposes.

Laudato Si

October 4th, The Feast of St Francis marked the end of the Season of Creation (SoC) which 'season' is really perennial. The much anticipated film The Letter was released and is available now: https://theletterfilm.org/watch/. As Lorna Gold, PhD in Economic Geography, referring to the encyclical (letter) Laudato Si', says in the introduction, "the Pope wrote you a letter" that is, everyone on earth. LS 118 says, "There can be no renewal of our relationship with nature without a renewal of humanity itself". How will you care for our common home? Here is what one parish did for SoC https:// international.la-croix.com/news/religion/how-a-catholic-parish -in-australia-has-marked-the-season-of-creation/16689



St Francis of Assisi. is the patron saint of animals and the environment. On St his 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 on Oct 8th held on the front lawn of the church.

Paduan Memorial & Old Boys' Mass



ednesday, November 2, 2022

A Mass to celebrate the lives of deceased Friars, Old Boys, Staff & all members of our Paduan Community. We Welcome all members of our community, past and present. Followed by light refreshments

The Columbarium The Church of St Therese of Lisieux & St Anthony of Padua 80 Turner Road, Kedron

The Secular Franciscans meet on the 3rd 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.

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.

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Walk with Jesus Series

thursdays from 6:30pm - 8:30pm

AGAIN AND AGAIN

WEEK 1 - 6th of OCTOBER

THE END IN MIND

WEEK 2 - 13th of OCTOBER

HOW TO STAND BACK UP WEEK 3 - 20th of OCTOBER ALL IN

WEEK 4 - 27th of OCTOBER

LOOKING BEYOND YOURSELF WEEK 5 - 3rd of NOVEMBER TO THE TABLE

WEEK 6 - 3rd of NOVEMBER

ALL IN - SENIORS NIGHT

WEEK 7 - 17th of NOVEMBER

FINAL ALL IN week 9 - 2nd of DECEMBER

dinner s on us! don t worry about bringing anything but yourselves + a friend!

OUR WALK WITH JESUS SERIES

is going to five deep into what to do when you ask that question of what is next? What do I do if I feel stuck? or when I can t walk here him? We are going to journey with it together!

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