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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

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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

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NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time 23 October 2022 - Yr C

1st Reading - <u>Sir 35:12-14, 16-18</u> 2nd Reading - <u>2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18</u>

Gospel - <u>Lk 18:9-14</u>

29th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 16th October 2022 (YEAR C)

Reflection...

Many years ago I remember hearing the story of a charismatic prayer meeting which went all night. Apparently the leader was convinced that, 'God wants to do a strong and powerful work here tonight and we have to show we are worthy.' So he insisted that everyone stay until it happened. By dawn nothing had overtly occurred, so the leader declared, 'God has worked hundreds of miracles here tonight — on the inside.' He may have been right, but it sounded like mystical spin doctoring to me! What worries me about his story is that it can portray God as a remote and severe figure whom we need to convince that we are serious about him before he will be moved by our plight.

Today's Gospel is often used to support this idea. The persistent widow gets her way because she nags the judge into submission. While Jesus praises her endurance, he tells the disciples that God is NOT like the judge, but rather that God will quickly attend to our needs, rather than see us cry out all night.

There is a long and venerable tradition in the Church that prayer can influence God's will. Our belief in the power of intercession is predicated on it. This tradition holds that God regularly and actively intervenes to effect good outcomes in the world. In this school God is waiting to be asked or have us ask others to petition him.

The problem with this school is how much an all-knowing, unchanging God changes his mind in regard to our petitions. Furthermore God's interventions in the world are fine if all the decisions are running our way, but what happens when they run against us?

This approach can downplay free will. It can minimise our role, with God, to discern our options and choose carefully. If most of our petitions are focused on what God can do, it shifts all the responsibility (and the blame) on to God.

An equally long and venerable tradition in the Church, however, is that prayer changes us. This tradition has had less airplay. Fasting, abstinence and pilgrimages, for example, do not change God, but are meant to change the person who undertakes them. These things can enable us to be more responsive or receptive to whatever happens in life. I think this tradition needs to be reclaimed.

The idea of prayer changing us, changes our prayer – giving it greater dynamism and urgency. While we may not know the mind or will of God, we often know our own thoughts and desires. We can usually pinpoint what needs recrafting or reshaping in us so that we may live out the goodness and love of God more clearly. Confronting and converting these obstacles, with God, can see our prayer at its boldest and bravest. At these times we can enjoy God's healing and forgiveness. And because conversion is a lifetime process, Jesus encourages us not to lose heart but to pray always and hold on to faith even when the going gets tough.

John Powell once said, 'God knows what we want and need before we open our mouths. In prayer, then, he does not need a performance from us. He longs for an act of love.' May this Eucharist help us to move away from demanding that God change his mind or will to allowing his love to keep converting and changing us.

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Dear Parishioners,

As Fr Mario announced to you last weekend, he is leaving for Juba early January 2023. In December Mario will take a months leave.

On behalf of the Provincial Council I advise you that after consultation with the Archbishop, Fr Harry Chan ofm has been appointed Administrator of the Kedron Parish, effective 1st November 2022. A new Friar Pastor will be appointed in the New Year.

Please keep these Friars in your prayers as they take up new appointments.

Stephen Bliss ofm

Vicar Provincial

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.

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

and those whose Anniversaries occur about now:

Madeline Jones, 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

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.

A Conversation on 'Elder Matters' Living with Memory Loss

We invite you to an evening conversation led by Trish Carroll exploring the <u>lived 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,



PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 17 October
Mass 8.00am
Adoration after Mass
St Anthony Career Mass 3.30pm

Tuesday 18 October
Mass 8.00am
Rosary after Mass
St Anthony—Prep 11.15am
Wedding Rehearsal 5.45pm
St Anthony P & F AGM 7.00pm

Wednesday 19 October

Mass 9.00am
Encounter Practice 3.30pm
Mass Delamore 4.45pm
Padua Board 5.30pm
Elder Matters 6.30pm
(Parish House)

Thursday 20 October
Mass 8.00am
24hr Perpetual Adoration
Encounter Youth 6.30pm
PPC 6.30pm

Friday 21 October
Mass 8.00am
Christian Meditation 9.00am
(Delamore)
Padua Mass 10.50am

Saturday 22 October
Wedding 2.00pm
Reconciliation 4.00pm
Mass 5.00pm
Parish Trivia Night 6.00pm
(School Hall)

Sunday 23 October Mass 7.30am, 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.

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". https://international.la-croix.com/news/religion/how-a-catholic-parish-in-australia-has-marked-the-season-of-creation/16689

Parish Columbarium Memorial Mass

Family and friends are invited on **Monday 14th November at 5.30pm** for an outdoor Memorial
Mass at the Columbarium. This is to remember
all our deceased relatives and friends interred in
this sacred place of our parish.

A single woman is in urgent need of a granny flat to rent. Please contact the Parish office if you can help.

Leave Your Legacy

Are you wondering how you can make a lasting gift



to Kedron Parish? Naming the parish in your Will, after taking care of your loved ones, can make a meaningful and profound gift to our parish. Gifts can be made to the parish or designated to our perpetual endowment fund. By learning more about these and many other giving options, you can create a legacy of giving to your parish community. To learn more please contact the Catholic Foundation at 3324 3200 or call the parish office.

VOLUNTEERING OPPORTUNITY

Do you have one hour to spare on a Tuesday morning, every 2nd month? That's all it takes to become a volunteer at the **Parish's outreach program of assisting with Meals on Wheels.** The centre is located at Mawson Street, just off Turner Road. Information on the delivery process is provided. If you are interested please contact me and I can provide an overview. Thanks for considering this. Lydia Kirby, Co-ordinator, 0418 918 728.

Thank you from Kedron St Vincent de Paul

Last Monday night we had an information night regarding SVdP Kedron Conference. We have had 10 people express interest in getting involved in the conference. This is a wonderful outcome. Thank you to Cassandra Bull and Vicki Scanlan for organising this for the parish.

Our next meeting will be on 24th October at 7.00pm at the Parish Office. New members are all welcome.

If you would like more information please call Cassandra Bull 0400 192 679 or Vicki Scanlan 0403 169 421 or email the parish office Kedron@bne.catholic.net.au



ENCOUNTER TERM 4

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 here him? We are going to journey with it together!

walk with Jesus series

BRING HOPE TO NEELA AND HER FAMILY

This week Catholic Mission offers us the opportunity to be part of a life-changing program which aims to help prevent malnutrition, especially in babies and young children, and help disadvantaged families provide food for their loved ones.

The Deberety Goat Rearing Centre is a dream of the local Church and community in Emdibir. When established, the Centre aims to provide nutritious goats milk for families in need, like Neela's*, so that babies like Ajani* can be healthy and strong.

Please give generously today to help kickstart this life-giving program by using the appeal envelope provided, going online at catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia, or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.

*Name altered to protect identity







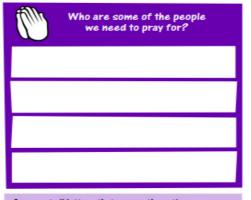
Freecall: 1800 257 296 catholicmission.org.au/ethiopia

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.

Something for the Kids...



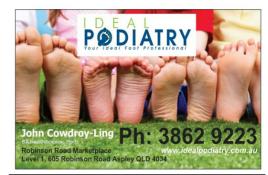
sus wants us to pray to God and not give up. Draw a picture of yourself praying to God





Write a prayer asking God to help you to never give up when things get tough.

Cross out all letters that appear three times or more. Then unscramble the remaining letters to complete the name of the popular prayer below.							
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plified!

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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