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RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.00 - 4.30 pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday (Vigil) 5.00pm

Sunday 7.30am, 9.30am & 5.30pm

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday NO MASS and Tuesday 8.00am

Wednesday 9.00am

Thursday 8.00am and Friday 8.00am

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday: For 24 hrs after the 8am Mass until the start of Friday 8am Mass

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

1st Wednesday of the month at 9.00am

BAPTISMS

2nd and 4th Sunday of the Month at 11.00am (unless of another event that day) (Booking is essential)

CHILDREN'S LITURGY

1st, 2nd and 3th Sunday of the Month - 9.30am (School Term Only)

FAMILY MASS

4th Sunday of the Month at 9.30am (School term only)

ST VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

2nd and 4th Monday of the Month at 7.00pm (Parish Office)

SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE

Mrs Sandra Di Francesco Ph: 0448 356 599 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 1st October 2023 (YEAR A)

Reflection...

A young priest was sent by his bishop to a parish that had a 'red light district' within its boundaries. On his first day in the parish a nun, who had worked in the area for many years, took him on a tour of her beat, the area where all the women-in-prostitution were plying their trade. As they went along Sister introduced the priest to her friends Bubbles, Ginger and Calamity Jane. 'Sister it's fantastic that you know these women so well', he said. 'Don't worry', replied Sister, 'you'll know them in no time as well, and they'll know you by name too.'

Seized by panic, the young priest had visions of the bishop, the parish priest or, worse still, his mother coming to visit and walking with him down the street as Bubbles, Ginger and Calamity Jane all wave and call out across the road, 'Hello Father'. Who would ever believe he only knew them pastorally?

'Truly I tell you that prostitutes and tax collectors are going ahead of you into the kingdom of God.'

The preaching of Jesus attracted all sorts of people who lived at the fringes of, or were oppressed by, Palestinian society. Jesus' message was especially attractive to them. Tensions among the huge variety of Jesus' disciples, between the rich and the poor, men and women, the Jews and Gentiles, the socially respectable and those with outrageous backgrounds continued after his death throughout the next decades, during which the Gospels were written.

It's hard for us to imagine what a diverse and scandalous group, in many respects, the first fathers and mothers of our faith were seen to be. Imagine, if you will, the fuss that would still be created if the local bishop was seen constantly dining with women in prostitution, drug dealers or known terrorists. People would be outraged, but the bishop would be doing nothing short of following Jesus' example. This situation gives us a little insight into how affronted the Chief Priests and Pharisees were by Jesus and, in turn, by his disciples' behaviour.

For Jesus there was never a lost case, or a person beyond help. He didn't just spend time with the poor and broken of his society, but offered them a new way of life, an opportunity to start again and redemption from their destructive behaviour. He went to where they were, as they were. And we do the same because this is precisely what God has done for us. God didn't wait for us to 'talk the talk' before we could 'walk his walk'. Jesus came to us when we were religiously dumb and immobile and showed us how to speak, what to say and where to walk.

The Christian walk and talk is meant to have a profound impact on our daily lives, our concerns, our priorities and compassion. So much so that if, over a period of time, what we celebrate here each Sunday makes no inroads into our family life and workplace, our professional life, our business practices and our relationships, then we should ask ourselves what we are doing here.

And, what's worse, we could even miss the ongoing revelation of Christ's presence in the poor, weak and vulnerable of our own society. We constantly look for Christ in the spectacular and the wonderful and he comes to us in the least of our brother and sisters.

May this Eucharist give us the strength to not only 'look good', but to 'be good', to start over if we need to, and do our best to live out the faith we profess. May it strengthen us to find the Lord where he is, and not keep looking in the places where we would prefer him to be.

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Feast of St Thérèse (1st October)



St Thérèse in her autobiography – The Story of a Soul - called herself "The Little Flower of Jesus". Like St Francis, this young Carmelite nun's way of life was to follow a philosophy which was called the "Little way" - what was important was not doing great works, but doing little things with a great love. She believed that if we can maintain the right attitude, then nothing shall remain that can't be accomplished. St Thérèse is often pictured holding the cross and red roses in her hands which symbolised her mission of love in whatever she did.

PARISH EVENTS

Monday 2 October NO Mass

Tuesday 3 October Mass 8.00am **Rosary after Mass** Transitus Service 6.30pm

Wednesday 4 October Anointing Mass 9.00am Pet Blessing at St Anthony's 8.20am NO Mass Delamore 4:45pm

> **Thursday 5 October Mass** 8.00am 24hr Perpetual Adoration Encounter 6.00pm

Friday 6 October **Mass** 8.00am Christian Meditation 9.00am (Delamore) Padua Mass 10.50am

Saturday 7 October Baptismal Information 11.00am Reconciliation 4.00pm Vigil Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 8 October Mass 7.30am, 9.30am **Baptisms** 11.00am and 11.45am Mass 5.30pm

Please pray for our recently deceased:

Pietro Rossitto, Ross Hielscher, Heather Clarke, Scott Dixon, Rodney Humphrey, Tony Zillotti, Pat Tallon, John Hanly, Errol Kerr, Catherine O'Donnell,

and those whose Anniversaries occur about now:

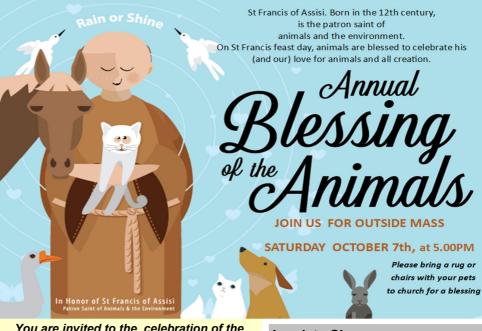
Melenio Cabrega, Frank Power, Maureen Hudson, Giovanni Di Bella, Isidora Di Bella, Nunzio La Spina, Mariano Grasso, Maria Finocchiaro, Mary Robertson, Gerda Janssen, Vince Brasch,

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

27th Sunday in Ordinary time 8th October 2023 — Yr A 1st Reading - Isaiah 5:1-7 2nd Reading - Philippians 4:6-9 Gospel - Matthew 21:33-43

The Samaritan Community

The Samaritans Morning Activities, will resumes again on Tuesday 3rd October. Thank you for the Committee.



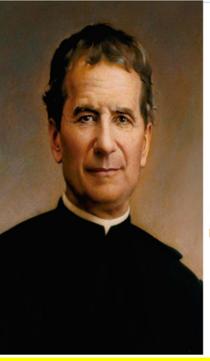
You are invited to the celebration of the Vigil Feast of The Transitus of St Francis with the Franciscan Family



Ceremony commences at 6.30 pm on Tuesday 3rd October 2023 At St Therese and St Anthony Church "The Little Flower 80 Turner Road, Kedron If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office on 32674825 or Email: kedron@bne.catholic.net.au

Laudato Si

Like a river basin with its many tiny and larger tributaries, the Church is a communion of countless local Churches, religious communities and associations that draw from the same shared waters. Each source adds its unique and irreplaceable contribution, until all flow together into the vast ocean of God's loving mercy. In the same way that a river is a source of life for its surroundings, our synodal Church must be a source of life for our common home and all its inhabitants. In the same way that a river gives life to all kinds of animal and plant life, a synodal Church must give life by sowing justice and peace in every place it reach-



THE RELIC STATUE OF ST JOHN BOSCO

ON THE 18TH OCTOBER 2023 between

8.00am-7.00pm at

THE LITTLE FLOWER CHURCH 80 TURNER ROAD, KEDRON

The relic statue of St John Bosco, better known as Don Bosco, will be touring Australia as part of the celebrations of the centenary of the arrival of the Salesians on Australian soil. The Salesians came to the shore of Australia on 30th March 1923 in Fremantle, Western Australia.

The wax replica of the Saint contained in a glass casket comes from the Province of Hong Kong, made by Gianpiero Zoncu at the time of Don Bosco's beatification in 1929. A small part of the brain of the Saint was removed and placed in this wax replica before being securely concealed in the large glass casket. Saint John Bosco is the patron saint of apprentices, editors and publishers, schoolchildren, magicians, and juvenile delinquents. His feast day is on January 31. ALLARE WELCOMED



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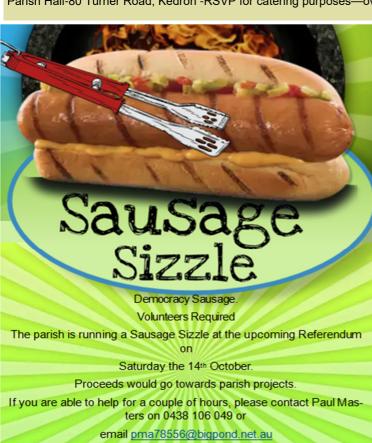
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- **St. Francis of Assisi** ... is one of the Church's best known and most beloved saints. Our current Holy Father Pope Francis took the name "Francis" after him. But how much do we know about his life? Here are 12 fascinating facts you probably didn't know about the great saint's life:
- 1) He was one of seven kids Another reason for being open to a big family.
- 2) He was named after the people of France His father was a merchant who liked French culture. "Francesco" means "Frenchman."
- 3) He was a POW for a year At around the age of 19, before his conversion, he joined the military and fought in a war against a nearby city. He was taken prisoner and held for a year, but was eventually released unharmed.
- 4) He was inspired by Matthew 10.9 In Matthew 10.9, Jesus tells his disciples, "Do not get any gold or silver or copper to take with you in your belts," when they travel around to preach the Gospel. He felt inspired to do the same, and started traveling around preaching repentance in poverty.
- 5) Within a year, he had already gained 11 followers That meant there were 12 of them total just like the 12 Apostles.
- **6)** Pope Innocent III decided to support the Franciscans after a dream Pope Innocent III was initially cautious about supporting Francis and his new group of followers. Then he had a dream in which he saw Francis holding up the Basilica of St. John Lateran. This is the cathedral church of the diocese of Rome, and thus possibly representative of the Church in general, but especially the papacy. He interpreted the dream as indicating that Francis and his group would help support the Church, and so gave official recognition to the group as a genuine Order in the Church.
- 7) He attended the Fourth Lateran Council and met St. Dominic there The Fourth Lateran Council was the 12th ecumenical council of the Catholic Church and affirmed transubstantiation and papal primacy, among other things. St. Dominic, founder of the Order of Preachers or Dominicans, was also present.
- 8) He travelled to a Muslim Sultan, preached the Gospel, and challenged them to a trial-by-fire in order to prove the truth of Christianity During the Fifth Crusade, Francis and a companion travelled into Muslim territory to visit the Sultan al-Kamil. He preached before the Sultan. To demonstrate his great faith in the Christian religion, he challenged those present to a "trial-by-fire" in which he and a Muslim would step into a fire, with the idea that the follower of the true religion would be spared by God. Francis offered to go first, but the Sultan turned down the challenge. Nonetheless, the Sultan was so impressed by his faith that he gave Francis permission to preach in his land.
- 9) The body of a dead Franciscan performed too many miracles, causing problems with crowds, so Francis prayed the miracles would stop and they did In 1220, Francis handed over governance of the greater Order to the Franciscan Peter Catani. However, Peter died just five months later. Visitors to his grave reported many miracles, which led to great crowds visiting his grave. The great crowds were causing problems in that area, so Francis prayed asking Peter to stop the miracles the miracles stopped.
- **10)** He received the stigmata during a 40-day fast in preparation for Michaelmas The Stigmata is a condition in which the wounds of Christ appear on a person's body. A Franciscan who was with him later recounted, "Suddenly he saw a vision of a seraph, a six-winged angel on a cross. This angel gave him the gift of the five wounds of Christ." This happened while he was in the midst of a 40-day fast in preparation for Michaelmas, or the Feast of St. Michael the Archangel (September 29th).
- 11) The foundation stone for the Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi was laid by the pope the day after he was canonized less than two years after his death Francis died on October 3, 1226. He was declared a saint by Pope Gregory IX on July 16, 1228, and the next day the Pope personally laid the foundation stone for the new Basilica of St. Francis of Assisi.
- 12) His tomb was lost for centuries until it was rediscovered in 1818 His body was moved to his basilica in 1230, but was soon hidden by the Franciscans to protect it from Saracen invaders. The location of the body was forgotten, and was not rediscovered until six centuries later in 1818.

Breaking Through

When life is breaking down -The Paschal Mystery -A Prayer Reflection...suitable for all ages and all life stages. Presented by Sr Mary Frazmann, Presentation Sister. This will be held on 22 October 2023 at 2pm-4.30pm Little Flower Parish Hall-80 Turner Road, Kedron -RSVP for catering purposes—overheads2hearts@gmail.com or 0407 580 174-Judy





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Saturday morning between 6am and 8am

to the cake store near the parish hall

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Something for the Kids...

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A



Make Good Choices

Jesus asks us to make good choices. Circle the good choices and cross out the poor choices.

When my bedroom needs tidying, I should...



- ... go outside and play
- ... put some of my things away
- ... play with my computer
- ... sort out my rubbish

When I accidentally bump into someone, I should.



- ... tell them it was their fault
- ... say "l'm sorry"
- . ask them if they are okay
- ... run away quickly

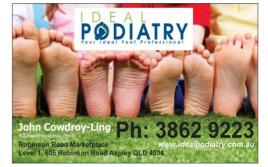
When someone new joins our class, I should...



- ... invite them to come and play
- look at them, but not talk to them
- ... ignore them completely
- ... welcome them to our class



Jesus says it is better to have a change of heart than pretend to do what is right. Draw a picture of yourself doing something that you know is the right thing to do.





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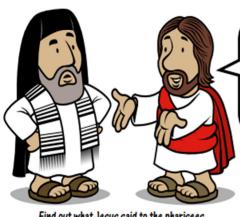
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Find out what Jesus said to the pharisees using the words to fill in the blanks.

I tell you, _____ will _____ the _____ of God before you! For when ____ the _____ showed you how to do ____, you did not _____ him.

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