

#### PARISH OFFICE AND CONTACTS

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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 TIMESMondayNO MASS and Tuesday 8.00amWednesday9.00amThursday8.00am 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 29th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 22nd October 2023 (YEAR A)

# Reflection...

There are people inside and outside the Church who think that Christ did not give the Church a mandate to speak about political matters. They regularly quote the Gospel we have just heard to support their case. But if one knows and understands the context and meaning within which this text was written it provides no ammunition for those who want the Church to stay indoors, reflect on things 'spiritual', preach the eternal verities, and sing hymns more ancient than modern.

In Jesus' day, we know that some people thought he was a Zealot. Zealots were a well-organised group who agitated for the end of the Roman occupation of Israel. One of the things Zealots did was withhold paying the Roman taxes. We can see why some people thought Jesus may have been a Zealot. He took the part of the poor, the sick, women and those who lived on the fringes of society. He attacked the religious authorities of his day and certainly stirred up trouble in many places he went. On the other hand he rejected violence, taught his followers to pray for their enemies and to return good for evil. Jesus showed us that the justice and equality God longs to see in the world comes from a community which is converted by love, not by weapons, fear or revenge. Jesus was no Zealot.

Rather than undermine civil authority, however, Jesus, in this passage, supports it. But he does more. 'Give to Caesar what is Caesar's' is followed by 'And give to God, what is God's', which encompasses all the Caesars of this world, all civil authorities and states. The sense that we as the People of God can split off our obligations to the Gospel from the State is as false as it's dangerous.

We only have to think of some of the darkest chapters last century to see what happens when good, church-going people, like us, do not put their Sunday devotion in touch with their Monday politics. Evil can reign.

Christian leaders, who are charged to proclaim and defend the Gospel, are obliged to use whatever forum necessary to declare that God's personal love encompasses everyone and everything under heaven. As the prophet Isaiah reminds us today, God calls each one of us by name.

At times we may not agree with our religious leaders; we may think them ill informed; we may even think they have overstepped the mark. If this is the case we should tell them, enable them to consider other perspectives and to broaden the basis upon which they make their judgments. But we should never be seduced by those who want the Church sidelined from the mainstream of the debates that shape the way we live, the values we share, the laws we draft and the priorities we draw up for our human community.

If the Church shows disinterest in any of this, it is untrue to the very things for which Jesus lived, died, and was raised from the dead. By all means we should give to Caesar all that Caesar is justly entitled to have for the sake of the common good. A higher allegiance, however, goes to God, who will call all Caesars to account for what they have done and what they failed to do. And we might be asked to explain how we let them get away with it in the first place.

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#### PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

Monday 23 October NO Mass Taekwondo 4.30, 5.45 & 7.00pm SVdP Meeting 7.00pm Choir practice 7.15pm

> Tuesday 24 October Mass 8.00am Rosary after Mass Samaritans 9.00am

Wednesday 25 October Mass 9.00am Mass Delamore 4:45pm

Thursday 26 October<br/>Mass 8.00am24hr Perpetual Adoration<br/>Encounter 6.00pm

Friday 27 October Mass 8.00am Divine Will Prayer Group 8.30am Intercessory Prayer Group 8.30am Christian Meditation 9.00am (Delamore) Padua Mass 10.50am

> Saturday 28 October Reconciliation 4.00pm Vigil Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 22 October Mass 7.30am, 9.30am Mass 5.30pm

#### Please pray for our recently deceased:

Pietro Rossitto, Ross Hielscher, Heather Clarke, Scott Dixon and those whose Anniversaries occur about now: Madaline Jones, Lawrie Minton,

Virgilio Escobar, Melenio Cabrega, Frank Power, Maureen Hudson, Giovanni Di Bella, Isidora Di Bella

# **NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:**

30th Sunday in Ordinary time 29th October 2023 — Yr A

1st Reading- Exodus 22:20-262nd Reading- 1 Thessalonians 1:5-10Gospel-Matthew 22:34-40

**The Samaritan Community** Join the Samaritans Morning Activities, every Tuesday . Thank you from the Committee.

#### Fr Joseph Nguyen ofm is looking at taking a group of parishioners on a Franciscan Pilgrimage in 2024 Below is the itinerary route that we will be looking to do We will be in Assisi for the Feast Day Dates and places will still need to be confirmed

Day 1 Brisbane - Dubai-Venice Day 2 Dubai-Venice Day 3 Venice Day 4 Venice Day 5 Florence Day 6 Florence Day 7 Florence - Rome Day 8 Rome Day 9 Rome – Pompeii Day 10 Rome Day 11 Rome - Greccio -La Foresta – Assisi Day 12 Assisi Day 13 Assisi – La Verna Day 14 Assisi Day 15 Assisi Day 16 Assisi - Rome - Dubai Day 17 Arrive Brisbane



We are asking for expression of interest for this wonderful experience. Please contact our parish manager Sandra for more details on 3267 4825.



This week Catholic Mission will offer the opportunity to be part of a life-changing program which aims to address gaps in medical care, and provide families with essential health care and knowledge, equipping them with the confidence to act and autonomy over their health and well-being.

The Maria Auxiliadora Clinic is a vital project for the Salesian Sisters and the Church in Venilale. Since its establishment, the clinic has provided life-saving treatment for families in need, like Petrolina's, whose daughter Vitoria was found to have tuberculosis. But, with an increase in the demand for treatment, the Sisters resources can only carry them so far.

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

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# WE NEED YOUR HELP FOR MINISTRIES

As you know, it takes many people to keep a parish vibrant and life-giving. It needs the involvement of as many of us as possible, sharing our gifts and time with one another, for the good of one another, as well as our own nourishment. Over the years, we have been so blessed by the generosity of many parishioners who have done this, often in unseen ways. To all of you, my sincere thanks!

But we also recognise that over time, some of our volunteers need to reduce their activity while still remaining as praying participants of our parish. For this reason, while encouraging our current volunteers to continue their service, we'd like to welcome new volunteers to come forward to make their contribution to our community, simply to the extent that they are able. We are happy to be flexible!

Where we can use the help is for Children's Liturgy, Readers, Eucharistic Ministers, Morning Tea after Mass, Data Projection, Altar Society, Altar Servers, Church Cleaning, Collection Counting, and our Tuesday Morning Samaritans Group.

We are also wanting people for the 5.30pm to go on a roster,. This will help out our priest who would be on that evening mass.

A huge thank you to all who have already volunteered but if you think you could also assist or you just want to know more, please contact Sandra at the parish office by phone or email—kedron@bne.catholic.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.

Name:

Email:

## **Friday Intercessory Prayer Group**

If you would like to be part of an intercessory prayer group and help make a difference, you are invited to join others following the Parish 8.00am Mass **every SECOND FRIDAY**, in front of the Tabernacle in the church. Spontaneous prayer will be encouraged. for the many needs of our Parish, our world, families and friends, indeed for many issues which need holy intervention. It is intended that the prayers will go no longer than twenty minutes or so and will conclude with the recitation of the Divine Mercy Chaplet.

**Divine Will Prayer Group** meets monthly. Meeting starts after mass (8:45am). All welcome. Study the 'Book of Heaven, The Hours of the Passion of Our Lord Jesus Christ and The Virgin Mary in the Kingdom" as told by Jesus to Luisa Piccarreta. Phone Sue 0419731780"

## Laudato Si

The universal church attempting to listen to voices from the margins and discern the signs of these times including wars, famine, and climate change offers hope that the Holy Spirit will be heard.

# The Relics of Don Bosco

We were thrilled to have St Don Bosco visit our church last Wednesday. The turnout was truly amazing and we are grateful to everyone who made this event possible. Special thanks go to Brother Stan who has been accompanying Don Bosco on his travels and ensuring his safe arrival at our church.

We also want to express our gratitude to the Padua students who assisted in bringing Don Bosco into the church. Their dedication and hard work made this event a success. We are so proud of their efforts.

Lastly, we want to thank everyone who took the time to visit our church and be a part of this special day. Your presence and support made the occasion even more memorable.

We hope that St Don Bosco's visit has brought blessings and inspiration to all who attended. May his teachings continue to guide us in our lives.

Thank you once again to everyone involved in making this event a memorable one.

# VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MEALS ON WHEELS

Do you have one morning every 2 months free? Perhaps you may like to consider volunteering for the Parish's Meals on Wheels ministry. The

roster is allocated on the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month and only takes an hour to complete the deliveries. If you are interested and would like more information please contact Lydia Kirby on 0418 918 728. Thank you.

### HEALING OF THE FAMILY TREE MASS

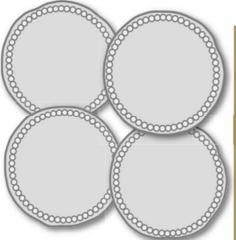
Are there patterns of sin and/or trauma in your family tree? Bring your family tree Genogram to the healing power of Jesus in the Eucharist at the Anointing Mass to be held at St. Mary Magdalene's Church, 51 Cecil Road, Bardon, on Friday, 3rd November, 2023 at 7.30pm. Fr. Joson Antony will be the celebrant. Preparation information for the Mass and a Genogram are available on the CCR Brisbane website <u>www.ccrbrisbane.org.au</u> under **"Resources → Family Tree Mass"** The information and Genogram will also be available at the Church on the night. The Genograms will be brought to the Altar at the Offertory. Personal prayer for healing will be available after Mass. For further information contact Len Airey. Email: <u>lenpatairey@gmail.com</u> or 0421 977 849





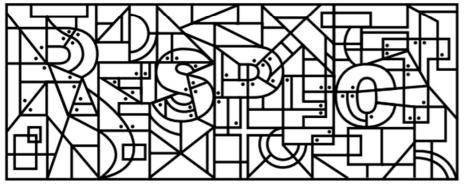
# Something for the Kids...





Draw a picture of yourself doing something as Jesus would have done.

Colour in the shapes that contain dots to reveal something that Jesus wants us to show others.





# **Safequarding Commitment**

The Archdiocese has zero tolerance for all forms of abuse & is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries & services.

The safety & wellbeing of children & adults-at-risk is paramount.

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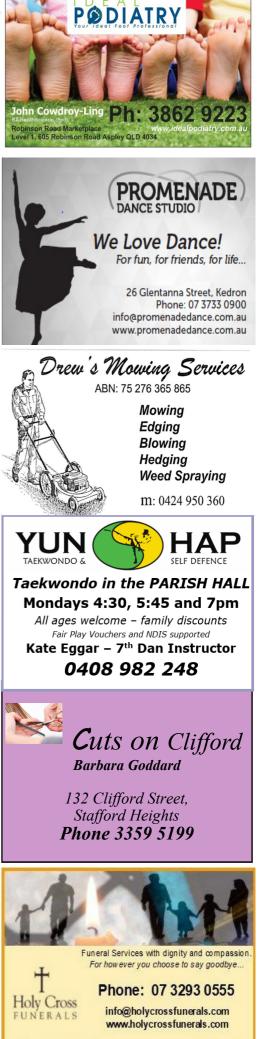
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