

The Parish Community of St Thérèse and St Anthony

The Little Flower Church - In the care of the Franciscan Friars

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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

EUCCHARISTIC 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

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30th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 29th October 2023 (YEAR A)

All Saints Day

Wednesday November 1st

9.00am.

Padua will also have an Old
Boys Memorial Mass at 5.00pm
(outside)

All Souls Day

Thursday November 2nd

8.00am and 5.00pm

(outside at the
Columbarium)

Reflection...

Nguyen Van Mah is one of eight sons. In 1978 his poor farming parents had to decide which one of their twelve children would be sent on a boat from Vietnam. They knew there was a great risk that they would be sending their son to his death on the South China Sea.

At 4.00 am, a knock on the door of the family home came and Mah said his goodbyes. He has not seen his parents since. Mah was blindfolded and travelled in the back of a truck for eight hours. He was led through the jungle to a beach where the blindfold was removed. Mah told me that sometimes at this moment people are shot by evil traders who collect the money without any intention of dispatching a boat. That families never hear from their children is no surprise.

Mah told me, 'We were lucky, we made it off the beach.' There were 29 adults in a boat built for ten. Inadequately prepared for the two-week trip, all the boat people were sick, hungry and exposed. Thai pirates attacked their boat, executed three men and raped all the women on board. They were to bury another six people at sea who died from the effects of the journey.

On sighting land, the remaining twenty people in Mah's boat thought hope had arrived. But the Malaysian Navy, under orders to fire on all Vietnamese boats, forced it to return to international waters. Mah told me, 'At this point I almost lost my faith in God and human beings. I was going to die.'

The boat began to take water and was noticed by a Dutch trading ship which rescued them and deposited them in the Philippines. Mah migrated to Australia twelve months later and is now the local doctor in an outback community that could not get a doctor for two years.

Isaiah tells us today 'You shall not wrong or oppress a resident alien for you were aliens in the land of Egypt.' Jesus tells us in the Gospel that the love of God is fulfilled precisely in as much as we love our neighbour.

No pressing issue in the Western World, it seems to me, invites such hysteria as does immigration. Until recently, most western countries have been good in offering hospitality to people who have chosen to leave or have had to flee their country of birth. Given our comparative wealth this hospitality is entirely appropriate. And it is also appropriate for our countries to have a threshold number for the sake of the common good.

In today's Gospel, however, Jesus does not promise us that the love of God and neighbour is going to cost us nothing. Jesus' law of love involves sacrifice for us individually and as a nation. Through the acceptance of this teaching we are committing ourselves to being our neighbour's keeper. In another part of the same Gospel, Jesus tells us that 'those to whom much has been given, much will be required.' Sadly, many of us want the good life for ourselves, while doing very little to help other countries become more liveable, and then we can reject people who want to share in the blessings we have worked for and inherited.

The Gospel of Matthew gives us the story of Mary, Joseph and Jesus being forced to flee Israel for Egypt as refugees. If the Holy Family were coming our way these days, they might be sent back to King Herod. May this Eucharist see in us a change of heart that enables our faith to act justly toward all people everywhere. May our goodness and hospitality mirror on earth the welcome we hope to enjoy from Jesus, Mary and Joseph in the kingdom which is promised to all, irrespective of where any of us has been born.

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"We acknowledge the Turrbal and Jagera People in Brisbane, and the Gubbi Gubbi People at Pomona as the traditional custodians, past, present, and emerging, of the land and waters where Kedron Parish stands. We pay our respects to them".

**PARISH EVENTS
THIS WEEK**

Monday 30 October

NO Mass

Taekwondo 4.30, 5.45 & 7.00pm

Tuesday 31 October

Mass 8.00am

Rosary after Mass

Samaritans 9.00am

Wednesday 1 November

(All St Saints Day)

Mass 9.00am

NO Mass Delamore 4:45pm

Old Boys Memorial Mass 5.00pm

Thursday 2 November

(All Souls Day)

Mass 8.00am

24hr Perpetual Adoration

Funeral 10.00am

(for the late Loreto Giacomantonio)

Encounter 6.00pm

All Souls Mass - Outside Mass 5.00pm

Friday 3 November

Mass 8.00am

Christian Meditation 9.00am

(Delamore)

Funeral 11.00am

(for the late Cheryl Maguire)

Saturday 4 November

Baptism Information 11.00am

Reconciliation 4.00pm

Vigil Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 5 November

Mass 7.30am, 9.30am

Mass 5.30pm

**Please pray for our recently de-
ceased:**

Loreto Giacomantonio, Pietro Rossitto,
Ross Hielscher, Heather Clarke,
Scott Dixon

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

Philip Carnes, Geoff Ludgate, Madaline
Jones, Lawrie Minton, Virgilio Escobar,
Melenio Cabrega, Frank Power,
Maureen Hudson, Giovanni Di Bella,
Isidora Di Bella

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

31st Sunday in Ordinary time
5th November 2023 — Yr A

1st Reading - [Malachi 1:14 – 2:2. 8-10](#)

2nd Reading - [1 Thessalonians 2:7-9. 13](#)

Gospel - [Matthew 23:1-12](#)

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 look-
ing to do

**We will be in Assisi for the Feast Day
Dates and places will still need to be con-
firmed**

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.

**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, Bardonia, 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 www.ccrbrisbane.org.au 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: lenpatairey@gmail.com or 0421 977 849

BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

November is traditionally when we remember our dearly departed who are now with God. If you would like the names of deceased family members and friends added to the "Book of Remembrance" for the days in November please write their names in the book near the Blessed Sacrament Chapel in the church, Or you can drop the names off at the Parish Office, Or email: kedron@bne.catholic.net.au

Please join us for our 2023

**Padua College Community
Memorial & Old Boys Mass**

A Mass to celebrate the lives of deceased Friars, Old Boys, Staff and all members of our Paduan Community. We welcome all members of our community, past and present.



Wednesday 1 November 2023 | 5:00pm

Padua College, 80 Turner Road, Kedron

Followed by light refreshments | RSVP: rdunsford@padua.qld.edu.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: _____

Celebrating All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day The origins of All Saints' Day

In the Catholic tradition, November is traditionally a month of remembrance of the dead. The month begins with the Solemnity of All Saints on 1 November and the Commemoration of the All the Faithful Departed (All Souls' Day), on 2 November. While no longer holy days of obligation in Australia, the Church has consistently encouraged prayers for the faithful departed and, during November, a list of the names of the dead is usually placed in the church so that the community can remember them in prayer.

All Saints' Day commemorates all the saints in heaven. The feast dates back to the early Church, when communities would gather and celebrate the anniversary of the martyr's death. During the persecution under the emperor Diocletian at the beginning of the fourth century the number of martyrs became so great that a separate day could not be assigned to each saint, so the Church established a common feast day for all the martyrs.

The first mention of this feast came during the pontificate of Pope Gregory III (731-741). On 1 November, 732, Pope Gregory consecrated a chapel in the Basilica of St Peter dedicated to honour all the saints.

The choice of day may have been also intended to co-opt the Ancient Roman 'Feast of the Lamures,' on which Romans used to placate the restless spirits of the dead. A century later, Pope Gregory IV (827-844) extended the celebration on 1 November to the universal Church.

The feast took on such importance in the life of the Church that from the beginning it was celebrated with a vigil and, from the time of Pope Sixtus IV (1471-84), with an octave.

The liturgical celebration on the day before the feast became known as hallowed evening or Hallowe'en. All Saints Day represents the desire of the faithful to commemorate all saints, 'great multitude which no man could number' (Revelation 7:9), especially those who have no proper feast day of their own. All Saints' Day is a time to consider the example saints offer us and to reflect on how we can imitate their lives. As Pope Benedict XVI said, All Saints' Day calls us 'to see the Church... as Christ wanted it, that is, as the communion of saints.'

All Souls' Day

All Souls' Day follows All Saints Day on 2 November and is also known as the Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed and the Day of the Dead. It is a day of prayer and remembrance for the souls of those who have died. Believers remember, pray and offer Mass for the souls in Purgatory, that they may be purified and attain the Beatific Vision. All Souls Day originally was celebrated in the Easter season, around Pentecost Sunday.

Believers pray for the souls which, on departing from the body are not perfectly cleansed from venial sins, or have not fully atoned for past transgressions, and are not yet able to be granted the Beatific Vision of with God in Heaven. The idea is that the living faithful can help them with prayers, almsgiving and especially the Sacrifice of the Mass.

By the tenth century, the celebration had been moved from Pentecost to October. Sometime between 998 and 1030, St Odilo of Cluny ordered the commemoration of the faithful departed on 2 November in all of the monasteries of his Benedictine congregation.

From there, it spread among the other congregations of the Benedictines and among the Carthusians over the next two centuries. Soon afterwards, the commemoration of all the Holy Souls in Purgatory spread to the entire Church from the diocese of Liege under Bishop Notger in the ninth century.

The day is dedicated to prayer and remembrance, with requiem Masses held. A plenary indulgence may be gained for the dead on All Souls' Day, by visiting a Church and praying the Lord's Prayer and the Creed. There are three conditions to gaining a plenary indulgence: sacramental confession, eucharistic communion and prayer for the pope's intentions.

Many people also visit and sometimes decorate the graves of deceased loved ones on All Souls' Day and throughout the month of November.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord.
And let perpetual light shine upon them.
May they rest in peace.*

VOLUNTEERS, BBQ
join us for a

Sunday 19th November 2023

At 11.30am

RSVP 10th November

Parish office on 32674825 or email kedron@bne.catholic.net.au

For catering numbers

& let us

THANK YOU!

Laudato Si

Cardinal Michael Czerny SJ is Prefect of the Dicastery for Integral Human Development and was one of the clerics and Climate Change Experts and religious leaders who introduced the Pope's exhortation Laudate Deum (Praise God), on St Francis' feast day. It is a complementary follow-up to the encyclical Laudato Si' introduced eight years ago. He said, "It neither repeats nor replaces anything in Laudato Si', that LD is focused very sharply on the climate crisis, that Pope Francis is extremely worried about the urgency of the crisis and how scientific indicators have seriously deteriorated in the last 8 years, that LD is heavily focused on humanity's poor attempts to solve the crisis". Laudate Deum anticipates COP 28 in Dubai late November and makes a strong appeal to keep working together in the urgently needed transition away from fossil fuels: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=CmdZzfoOdJ0>.

Something for the Kids...



Jesus' law of love

God your neighbour

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

Show your love

I show love for God when I

I show love for others when I



Whenever we show kindness, love and respect for others, we are loving God. Draw a picture of yourself doing something that shows love for God.



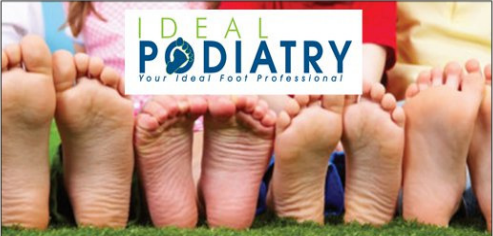
Fill in the missing words to complete the story.

- love
- second
- God
- answered
- yourself
- teacher
- heart
- first
- test
- commandment

An expert in the Jewish law tried to ____ Jesus. He asked, "_____, what is the most important _____?"



Jesus _____: "Love the Lord your ____ with all your _____, soul and mind." This is the _____ and most important commandment. The _____ is like it: "_____ your neighbour as much as you love _____".

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