

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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32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time — 12th November 2023 (YEAR A)

Reflection...

One Sunday a pastor told the congregation that the church needed some extra money and asked the people to prayerfully consider giving a little extra in the offering plate. He said that whoever gave the most would be able to pick out three hymns. After the offering plates were passed, the pastor glanced down and noticed that someone had placed a \$1000 cheque on the plate.

He was so excited that he immediately shared his joy with his congregation and said he'd like to personally thank the person who placed the money in the plate.

A very quiet, elderly, saintly spinster at the back shyly raised her hand. The pastor asked her to come to the front. Slowly she made her way to the altar. He told her how wonderful it was that she gave so much and, in thanksgiving, asked her to pick out three hymns.

Her eyes brightened as she looked over the congregation, pointed to the three most handsome men in the congregation and said, 'OK Father, I'll take him, him, and him.' Now that's a different take on a wise virgin!

In one sense the parable of the wise and foolish virgins could be considered the first known oil crisis in the east. It is, however, about planning for the future and pacing oneself to see that one has a future to enjoy.

In Christian theology this is called 'discernment'. St Ignatius Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits, wrote a lot about discernment and one of his teachings is that the Holy Spirit allows us to prepare for our future without living it.

Think for a moment of the times when we are going to have a difficult interview or a conversation we would rather not have. We play out in our mind how the interaction will run. It rarely happens how we imagine and we find that our anxiety and fear has often been misplaced. What is curious is that on the next occasion we go through this same process of trying to live the future all over again. Tragically, some people are so anxious about their future that they try and control it, and everyone associated with it. It's always a disaster.

St Ignatius was suspicious of this process. Ignatius seems to have understood today's Gospel very well. The early church thought Jesus would return quickly. There was a crisis of faith when he didn't. Some Christians lived as though this imminent return was a fact. We are still waiting. Matthew tells us then, that the Christian life is about wisdom, right judgment and reading the signs of the times.

St Ignatius tells us the best way to prepare for the future is to let go of the unhealed past, as best as we can, and live in the here and now. The Holy Spirit helps us see what needs to be done today and what preparation is necessary for tomorrow. This is such simple and sound advice and yet many of us don't heed it. For some of us it takes nothing to feel the hurt and pain of our past or to be consumed by the future.

Alcoholics Anonymous sums it up neatly when it tells us to take life 'one day at a time' which is another way of saying what Matthew's community came to see, 'keep awake because you know not the time or place'.

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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 13th November

NO Mass
Taekwondo 4.30, 5.45 & 7.00pm
Choir Practise 7.15pm

Tuesday 14th November

Mass 8.00am
Rosary after Mass
Samaritans 9.00am
Encounter 6.30pm

Wednesday 15th November

Mass 9.00am
Encounter Rehearsal 3.30pm
NO Mass Delamore 4:45pm

Thursday 16th November

Mass 8.00am
24hr Perpetual Adoration
Mt Alvernia Graduation Mass 10.00am
Padua Graduation Mass 12.00 noon
Encounter 6.00pm

Friday 17th November

Mass 8.00am
Christian Meditation 9.00am
(Delamore)

Saturday 18th November

Reconciliation 4.00pm
Vigil Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 19th November

Mass 7.30am, 9.30am
SFO 9.30am
Volunteer BBQ 11.30am
SFO Mass 2.00pm
Mass 5.30pm

**Please pray for our recently
deceased:**

Fr Greg Bourke OFM, Maguire, Loreto Giacomantonio, Pietro Rossitto, Ross Hielscher, Heather Clarke, Scott Dixon
**and those whose Anniversaries
occur about now:**

Elena Nadtran, Bill Cox, Philip Carnes, Geoff Ludgate, Madaline Jones, Lawrie Min-ton, Virgilio Escobar, Melenio Cabrega, Frank Power, Maureen Hudson,

NEXT WEEK'S READINGS:

**33rd Sunday in Ordinary time
19th November 2023 — Yr A**

1st Reading

Proverbs 31:10-13. 19-20. 30-31

2nd Reading

1 Thessalonians 5:1-6

Gospel

Matthew 25:14-30 or

25:14-15. 19-21

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

Saint Elizabeth of Hungary (17th November)

PATRON OF THE SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER

*"IT IS CHRIST WHOM YOU HAVE WASHED,
FED AND LOOKED AFTER"*



The spiritual fire of Saint Francis burst out where ever the friars went, this was especially so in life of the beautiful Saint Elizabeth of Hungary. When the friars Minor came to Thuringia in 1222 her and her husband, Ludwig were very much impressed with their way of life. Elizabeth chose Friar Rudiger as her spiritual director. When he narrated to her the circumstances of the conversion of the young and rich merchant Francis of Assisi, Elizabeth was even more enthusiastic about following her path of Christian life. From that moment, she decided to follow even more closely the poor and crucified Christ, present in the poor by joining the third Order of Saint Francis, today called the Secular Franciscans. Even when her first son was born, followed by two others, our saint never neglected her works of charity towards those who suffered. Moreover, she helped the Friars Minor to build a monastery in Halberstadt, of which Friar Rudiger became the superior. Elizabeth's spiritual direction then passed to Konrad of Marburg. Her practical love of God shone out in her joyous love of her husband and family and her constant steadfast love for the poor, sick and helpless. Her ability to clearly organize her priorities made her one of the most famous women of Europe and an ideal for all those in positions of responsibility to follow.

The Catholic leader

As you may already now, the Catholic Leader will no longer be sending out bulk deliveries to parishes, and will stop production of their digital online editions from the end of the year. Their new subscription -only model means they will be able to print their newspaper with less excess and streamline delivery so readers will receive the newspaper straight to their door. The Catholic Leader is always full of local and global Church news, and well worth reading. If you would like to receive them we have subscription envelopes at the back of the church or you can call their office on 07 3324 3555 or go online on catholicleader.com.au/subscribe. (Every new subscription will go into a draw for a chance to win from a range of weekly prizes like movie tickets, books and restaurant vouchers.)

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: _____

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!

Safeguarding Volunteer member

As a Safeguarding volunteer representative, you will be responsible for ensuring that the members of our parish community are aware of the policies and procedures in place to safeguard children and vulnerable adults. You will also be a point of contact for anyone who has concerns or suspicions about the safety or well-being of someone in the parish community. Training will be provided to all Safeguarding representatives to ensure that you have the knowledge and tools necessary to fulfil your role effectively. The safety and well-being of our community is everyone's responsibility, and we hope that you will consider joining us in this important work. To find out more or to express your interest in becoming a Safeguarding representative, please contact Sandra at the Parish Office. Thank you for your commitment to keeping our parish community safe.

Secular Franciscan Order

“Ordinary Catholics following Christ's gospels in the footsteps of St Francis.”

For more information: Jim Kearney 0410-881622



Laudato Si

The Recent XVI Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops had a commitment to the safeguarding of creation prior to its assembly. Through the financial support of SOS Planet Foundation and the technical contribution of LifeGate (already tested at the 2019 Synod) part of the remaining CO2 emissions will be offset thanks to projects that generate a carbon credit. The project chosen to compensate emissions, which responds to the criterion of integral ecology as proposed by the encyclical Laudato Si', brings together the ecological aspect, attention to the local area and concrete help for the lives of populations involved. The identified project, implemented in Nigeria and Kenya, aims to disseminate efficient cooking stoves and water purification technologies to households, communities and institutions. This will result in a significant improvement in air pollution that is directly correlated to respiratory disease and mortality rates, especially among women and children. See complete article at: <https://www.synod.va/en/news/the-commitment-to-the-safeguarding-of-creation.html>

Also SOS Planet Foundation at: <https://www.sosplanet.eu/>

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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

Something for the Kids...



Help Jesus tell the story of the girls with oil lamps. Add words and pictures to the story.

Ten girls went to a _____ and waited for the groom.

Five were foolish. They took their lamps but no extra _____.

Five were _____. They took extra oil for their lamps.

The _____ was late. The foolish girls asked for some oil, but the wise girls did not have enough to share.

While the _____ girls were buying more oil, the groom arrived. Everyone went inside and closed the doors.

The foolish girls returned. They shouted, "Open the _____!", but they were not allowed inside.

What words would you use to describe the wise girls and the foolish girls?

The wise girls

The foolish girls



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