

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 3rd 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

4th Sunday of Lent - 10th March 2024 (YEAR B)



This weekend Kedron Parish would like to welcome newly ordained Rev Peter Doherty. Peter had been a significant part of Kedron Parish, and we are thrilled to have him back this weekend. We urge you to join us in welcoming him back to our community. Let's show him how much we value his presence and support him in his new role with confidence and pride.

Reflection...

As Christians in the world we cannot help but be influenced by the developments that happen around us. Indeed, we believe that many of these advances are gifts from God, given to us to enjoy. But not all developments in thinking and practices are for the better.

One recent and alarming development is the false thinking that we cannot judge other people, or that we should not be judged. The wider community regularly maintains that no one is in a position to judge another's behaviour or statements. This approach holds that everyone's words and actions are of equal value. This position is many things, but it's certainly not Christian, but this hasn't stopped it from finding a home amongst us. We regularly hear statements from Christian men and women like, 'We're not in a position to judge' or 'You can't judge them' and 'If it's fine for them, then it's fine'. This thinking has a name. It's called moral relativism and it tries to claim that the morality of behaviour is only determined by the person who does the act, or the context within which the action is taken.

Our Catholic tradition teaches us that a context is very important in trying to work out if someone is to blame for what they say and do, but that a person's particular circumstances never change the fact that the words or actions are in themselves wrong. We hold that while all human beings have equal value and dignity, we do not believe that everyone's opinion and actions are of equal worth. We believe that 'right judgment' is a gift of the Holy Spirit and that it's best exercised with humility and compassion.

When I hear people say I should not judge others, I assume they are telling me that I should not condemn other people. There is a world of difference between judging and condemning. To judge is to make an assessment. To condemn is to damn. As Christians we judge because we have to keep discerning how the things of the world can be reconciled with the things we hold to be true. Condemnation is the prerogative of God alone, who sees all, knows all and loves all. In today's Gospel, however, John tells us that even God has forfeited the right to condemn the world, but has sent Jesus to be the world's light, life, truth and saviour.

The Gospel reminds us that if we feel condemned for what we have done and said, then it's because we have condemned ourselves, not because God condemns us. John tells us that even when we find ourselves lost in the darkness of our most destructive behaviour, the saving love of Christ is always available to us, inviting us to come out of the darkness into his light.

What a great metaphor the light and dark is for making the best judgments in our own lives. Alarm bells should always ring when we find ourselves not wanting anyone else to know what we have said or done. Secrecy is often the ally of sin and the more open and transparent we are, the more confident we can be that we are walking as children of the light.

May this Lenten Eucharist enable us to let go of the desire to condemn others and ourselves, and to receive again the compassionate, just and humble gift of right judgment that helps us to see the darkness for what it is, and keeps us walking in the light of Christ.

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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 11th March

NO Mass

SVdP meeting 7.00pm

Choir Practise 7.15pm

Tuesday 12th March

NO Mass 8.00am

NO Rosary after Mass

Samaritans 9.30am

Wednesday 6th March

Communion Service 9.00am

Funeral Mass 10.30am

(for the late Allan O'Neill)

NO Mass Delamore 4:45pm

Thursday 14th March

NO Mass 8.00am

NO 24hr Perpetual Adoration

Encounter 6.00pm

Friday 15th March

Mass 8.00am

Stations of the Cross 8.30am

Christian Meditation 9.00am

(Delamore)

Saturday 16th March

Reconciliation 4.00pm

Vigil Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 17 March

(5th Sunday of Lent)

Mass 7.30am, 9.30am

SFO 9.30am

Mass 5.30pm

The Samaritan Community

Join us on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am in our air-conditioned Parish Hall for a morning filled with fun, laughter, and meaningful conversations. This is an excellent opportunity to meet new people, make friends, and participate in exciting activities and games. Thank you on behalf of the Samaritan Committee.

New volunteers always welcome.

**Please pray for our recently
deceased:**

Allan O'Neill, Anthony Colavitti,
Mary Ivers, Frank Deighton,
Leo McCourt,

and those whose

Anniversaries occur about now:

James Clooney Stark, John Currie,
Sarina Caruso, Eileen Stevens,
Jack Lindau, Paul Hotchkis,



Communion for the Cup

We are pleased to announce that starting Palm Sunday, 'Communion from the Cup' will be reinstated across the Parish, making the Precious Blood available at all weekend and weekday Masses. It is up to each individual to decide whether to receive from the cup or not. We strongly urge Communion Ministers to contact the Parish Office if they have any concerns about consuming what remains after communion. We will be offering two cups at each Mass, with only a small amount of wine put out. Our preference is that the cup runs out by the end of communion, so that no Precious Blood is left. It is important to remember that Jesus Christ is 'whole and entire' under both the form of bread and under the form of wine. We can choose to consume the Host, or the Host and Precious Blood. Regardless of our choice, we will still receive the body, blood, soul, and divinity of our Lord.

World Day of Prayer:

Last Friday, close to 100 people from local faith communities shared an ecumenical prayer service in our parish church. Each year, the service is prepared by the women of a particular country and for 2024 the focus was Palestine. The opportunity to hear the prayers and stories of Palestinian women was particularly poignant as we see in the daily news the terrible war they are enduring. We had the chance to pray with and for these people as they are beset by the horrors of war and gain some insight into their faith and their country of birth, the land where Jesus also trod.

Thank you to Mary Anne Lucas and Marie Jones who led the service as our parish representatives and also organised an amazing morning tea that gave all attendees the chance to gather and share their thoughts on what was a very moving service. Thanks also to their many helpers!

Please also keep in mind the people of the Cook Islands, the country of focus for the 2025 World Day of Prayer which will be hosted by the St Gerard Majella's parish.



Archbishop Mark Coleridge
invites you to the annual

CHRISM MASS

Thursday 21st March 2024 @ 7:00pm

Cathedral of St Stephen
249 Elizabeth Street,
Brisbane 4000

A CELEBRATION FOR THE ENTIRE ARCHDIOCESE
ALL WELCOME

CAR PARKING AVAILABLE FROM 6:00PM
A LIGHT SUPPER WILL BE SERVED FOLLOWING THE MASS

Laudato Si

This last week, the Archdiocese of Brisbane launched its 2024 – 2026 Laudato Si' Action Plan –LSAP (see their website) It provides for actions to be led by a particular person or team in the Archdiocese who is responsible for their timing and reporting on details of implementation by way of accountability. For instance, one goal is the "planting of native trees and vegetation will be encouraged on all Archdiocesan property and guidelines and advice will be developed". God already managed with the co-operation of some of his birds (one big one too) to drop seeds and grow "volunteer" native trees on our beautiful Church property. (see: <https://apps.des.qld.gov.au/map-request/re-broad-veg-group/> to find yours). These maps have remnant and pre-clearing species lists which are the preferred choices of connecting to the 'country' you find yourself on. Original species and indeed original owners are duly honoured in the Archdioceses LSAP.



ENCOUNTER KEDRON

Bringing together high school students to grow in their faith journey and spread the word of God.

Every Thursday Night during the School Term.

6:30pm – 8:30pm
Little Flower
Parish Hall

Home Visitation to the Sick and Elderly

You need not be isolated from your Parish family if you are sick or unable to join us for Mass. We are fortunate to have **Ministers of Communion** who will visit homes within our Parish and bring Holy Communion.

If you would like them to visit you or someone you know, please contact the Parish Office on 3267 4825 or by email. If you are interested in becoming a Minister of Communion please contact us.



Stations of the Cross

Once again the Parish will be doing the stations of the cross for Good Friday. We would love for student volunteers to help enact the stations. If you would like to volunteer please contact us!

Contact Info:
Email: lythallm@bne.catholic.net.au
Phone: 0421504600

ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE
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RecoRally

Youth and Young Adults from across the Archdiocese are invited to "RecoRally" on Friday 22nd March from 6 - 8:30pm at Padua College, Kedron. This will be a night of live music, games, inspirational speakers, powerful prayer and the opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Registration is free and more information is available at tinyurl.com/reco rally24

If you are a priest who is able to assist us with reconciliation for this event, please contact Nattasha Mierendorf at mierendorf n@bne.catholic.net.au or via Evangelisation Brisbane on 07 3324 3440.

The Padua College community invites you to join them in remembering the first anniversary of the passing of



Fr John
Boyd-Boland
&
Bob Out

MONDAY 18 MARCH
4PM
LITTLE FLOWER CHURCH,
KEDRON

light refreshments to follow in La Foresta

Please RSVP to mwinney@padua.qld.edu.au by Monday 11 March

ALL EASTER SERVICES

Volunteers are needed for various ministries. Please put your name down on the list in the Sacristy

Musical Performance

Our parish is fortunate to have booked a musical performance in the parish hall on Sat the 27th of April at 1.30 pm. The orchestral group, Geoverdi Musica, has been performing at numerous venues for over 25 years. A wide variety of musical genres are covered and audiences have never been disappointed. It will be followed by afternoon tea. Tickets are \$10, available at the door but prior bookings are advisable. Please contact Therese Murphy on 0407141365.

Holy Week 2024

HOLY THURSDAY | MARCH 28

7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper
9.00pm Night Prayer

GOOD FRIDAY | MARCH 29

10.00am Stations of the Cross
3.00pm Passion of Our Lord with Communion

HOLY SATURDAY | MARCH 30

NO Reconciliation at 4.00pm
6.00pm Celebration of the Easter Vigil

EASTER SUNDAY | MARCH 31

Mass at 7.30am and 9.30am
NO Mass at 5.30pm

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.



Safeguarding 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.



Taekwondo in the PARISH HALL

Mondays 4:30, 5:45 and 7pm

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