

# The Parish Community of St Thérèse and St Anthony

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

## PARISH OFFICE AND CONTACTS

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday to Thursday 8.30am - 3.00pm  
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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)

## SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER

3rd Sunday of every Month at 9.30am  
Jim Kearney 0410 881 622

## SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE

Mrs Sandra Di Francesco  
Ph: 0448 356 599

## 4th Sunday of Easter – 21st April 2024 (YEAR B)

### Reflection...

Sometimes a piece of theatre can be so powerful it stays with you for your whole life. Many years ago I saw Jesuit dramatist Michael Moynahan perform his mime entitled 'Come-Passion'. It starts with a clown happily doing tricks and juggling for the audience. Soon, Jesus is led in by the soldiers and is crucified. The clown watches on in horror. When Jesus dies and the soldiers go home the clown remains at the foot of the cross. He removes the nails from the hands and feet of Jesus and cradles the corpse in his lap, as in Michelangelo's Pieta. He weeps for the evil that saw a just man crucified. Just then, the soldiers return and find the clown grieving over the body of Jesus. They crucify the clown. The clown suffers and dies on the cross. As they leave Jesus is raised to life, he sees the suffering clown, removes the nails, cradles him in his arms and holds him for what feels like an eternity.

When I saw this mime you could have heard a pin drop, and there wasn't a dry eye in the house.

The word compassion comes from the Latin word *compati* meaning to bear or suffer with. It's not pity, sympathy or commiseration. Those words imply that we stand outside an experience and feelingly look in on it. Compassion is about 'fellow-feeling'. It's what the Good Shepherd embodies, and what Easter is all about. If we are worthy followers of Jesus we will all have our fair share of Good Fridays, but Easter Sunday tells us that just as the Father remained faithful to Jesus, so Jesus will remain faithful to us, as one with us.

In recent years the bishops, who are often called shepherds of the local Church, have come under extraordinary scrutiny. And rightly so. All of us who are living the Christian life are accountable for what we have done and have failed to do, and the bishops are no exception. It's a tough time to be the local shepherd. The flock is highly educated and we no longer follow anyone's lead with a herd mentality. We want to know our shepherd, hear his compassionate voice call for justice for victims everywhere, but especially ones who have been injured in any way by the Church. We want to be confident that what our local shepherd says and does is what Christ the Good Shepherd would say and do. Over these past years our sense of dismay has come from a very few bishops who have chosen the so-called good name of the church, its social status and power, their public profile and even the threat of moral and financial liability over the voices of the most vulnerable members of our flock.

Today's Gospel reminds us what Christian leadership should look like. Jesus didn't liken it to princes in palaces or governors of provinces. His metaphor was of a compassionate shepherd who sleeps in the field with his flock, one who knows them so well and loves them so dearly that he lays down his own life for them.

Let's pray at this Eucharist that we always have the leaders we deserve, ones whose compassion is so transparent that it inspires us to be the same, even towards them.

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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 22nd April**

**NO Mass**  
**SVdP 7.00pm**  
**Choir Practice 7.15am**

**Tuesday 23rd April**

**Mass 8.00am**  
**Rosary after Mass**  
**Samaritans 9.30am**  
**Encounter Practice 3.00pm**

**Wednesday 24th April**

**Mass 9.00am**  
**NO Mass Delamore 4:45pm**  
**JPCCC Group 7.00pm**

**Thursday 25th April**

*(Anzac Day)*  
**Mass 8.00am**  
**24hr Perpetual Adoration**  
**Encounter 6.00pm**

**Friday 26th April**

**Mass 8.00am**  
**Divine Will Prayer Group 8.30am**  
**Christian Meditation 9.00am**

**Saturday 27th April**

**Reconciliation 4.00pm**  
**Vigil Mass 5.00pm**

**Sunday 28 April**

*(5th Sunday of Easter)*  
**Mass 7.30am, 9.30am**  
**Baptisms 11.00am & 11.45am**  
**Mass 5.30pm**

**The Samaritan Community**

Join us on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am at 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:**

Barry Searle, Paul Corkeron, Nuzia Spina, Jeronimo Gonzalez, Eileen, Coles, Fanny der Angola, Bishop Austen Crapp ofm, Claudette Perrett, Geoffrey Pisani, **those whose**

**Anniversaries occur about now:**

Ron D'Arx, Therese Rasey, Luz Vargas, Helen Koh, Valma Ihle, Joe Hennessy, Mary Backstrom, Gina Darke, Ludovico Vargas, Robyn Woolley, Doreen Purcell, Gail Purcell, Alf Gow, Gerard Janssen

**Confirmation 2024**

In keeping with the Sacramental Policy of the Archdiocese of Brisbane, our Sacramental Program is parish-based, family-centred and school-supported. The preparation requires commitment from you and your family to attend activities that we offer, and upon your enrolment, we have clear expectations that you will participate fully in the program.

**Enrolments**

**Enrolments are now open until 30th April**  
(all forms must be in before Parents Information nights)

**Parent Information Night**

**Monday 29th April** at 4.00pm or  
**Wednesday 1st May** at 7.00pm  
*(please choose only one to attend)*

**Enrolment Mass**

**Sunday 5th May** at 5.30pm

**Compulsory Workshop**

**Sunday 2nd June** (1.00-3.00pm)

**Confirmation Ceremony**

**Friday 7th June** at 5.00pm and 7.00pm  
*(please choose only one to attend)*

If you require any further information please contact  
Rosemary Woods, Sacramental Coordinator at:  
[sacramental.kedron@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sacramental.kedron@bne.catholic.net.au)

We are excited for you and your child and look forward to being part of this process of preparation for the celebration of this sacrament.



**RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**

Interested to learn about the Catholic faith?  
Baptised Catholic but not received Confirmation or Holy Communion?

Baptised, but have had little or no formal religious education and would like to learn more about your faith?

Baptised in another Christian church and would like to explore becoming a Catholic?

Kedron Parish offers a group-based program called the RCIA that helps people learn about the Catholic faith and their relationship with God.

**If you, or anyone you know would like to find out more, please ask them to contact the parish office on 3267 4825 or by email on [kedron@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:kedron@bne.catholic.net.au).**

**THE CATHEDRAL OF ST-STEPHEN**  
**150 Years**  
*Living Stones*

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**FRIDAY MAY 17**  
Return of the Message Stick & Commemoration of 150th Anniversary  
12:30pm Mass

Ecumenical Prayer of Thanksgiving  
6pm

**SATURDAY MAY 18**  
Archbishop Mark Coleridge  
Golden Anniversary of Priestly Ordination  
11:30am Mass

Pentecost Vigil Mass  
"Come Holy Spirit and Renew the Face of the Earth"  
6pm Mass

**SUNDAY MAY 19**  
Pentecost Sunday  
Celebrating 150 Years  
10:30am Mass

## Laudato Si

Today John has Jesus saying, "I am the good shepherd". The Sisters of the Good Shepherd in their 2021 Province Mission Statement state, "in a world impacted by critical ecological damage, social justice and a global pandemic, we reach out to all whose dignity and quality of life are challenged as never before" <https://goodshep.org.au/about-us/good-shepherd-history/> A powerful Melbourne sister, Bernadette Fox, international leader, transformed their mission from institution to community and lay based. Addressing future priests in Rome, the Pope famously advised priests to be 'shepherds with the 'smell of sheep'" grounded in the situation of their flock". <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/pope/news/2021-06/pope-francis-priests-students-church-louis-french.html> He even advised theologians to smell like sheep too <https://www.ncronline.org/blogs/ncr-today/francis-theologians-should-smell-sheep-too> . As theologian and pastor Fr Denis Edwards said, "In the Christian tradition this idea (of kinship) finds particular expression in the spirituality of St Francis. Francis saw God's creatures as interconnected in one family of creation." Denis also said, "For Wali Fejo, Larrikia theologian, the crocodile is kin" (*Ecology at the Heart of Faith – the Change of Heart that Leads to a New Way of Living on Earth. Denis Edwards. p.23*)

## Musical Performance

Our parish is fortunate to have booked a musical performance in the parish hall on Sat the 27<sup>th</sup> 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.

**All profits will be going toward our fundraising for the church**

**Secular Franciscan Order**  
**"Ordinary Catholics following Christ's gospels in the footsteps of St Francis."**  
**For more information: Jim Kearney**  
**0410-881622**



## 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.

*'I am the good shepherd...and I lay down my life for the sheep...and they will heed my voice'-John 10:14-16*

When you pray, do you only ask Jesus for the things that you want? Do you ever ask Jesus that He wants from you? How do you listen for His response? Many times Jesus responds in "quiet whispers" that are not so obvious. So, take time every day, in silence, to actively listen for His voice.

**Our Anzac Day Mass**  
**will be at 8.00am Thursday**  
**morning**



**ANZAC DAY**  
*Lest We Forget*

**25 APRIL**

Join Catholic Mission online to honour Mother Mary during the month of May through praying the Rosary.

**Pray THE WORLD MISSION ROSARY**  
One Family in Faith | One Family in Mission

**World Mission**  
*May Rosary Prayers*

Mon - Fri  
Time: 2pm Brisbane / Melbourne time  
12pm Perth time  
Join Zoom Meeting:  
<https://tinyurl.com/cmprayer>  
Meeting ID:  
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Password:  
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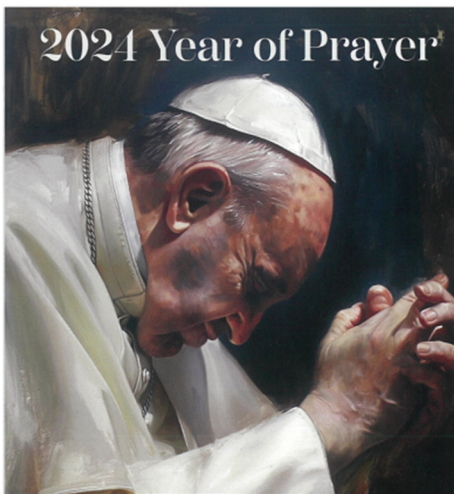
**GO AND INVITE EVERYONE**  
*to the banquet*

**catholic mission**  
*Reach out. Give life.*

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Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

# 2024 Year of Prayer



"I ask you to intensify your prayer to prepare us to live this event of grace well and to experience the power of God's hope. That is why today we begin a Year of Prayer."


Pope Francis

# Prayer

You speak, Lord God, even in silence and we listen with ears of the heart. We listen and our eyes are opened to see all things as they are. We see with the eyes of Jesus and our mouths are opened to speak of our joy and our sorrow, to sing your praise and seek your help. This is the grace of prayer you give, that opens heaven to earth, heart speaking to heart. Give us that grace in this Year of Prayer, teach us to pray anew, lead us deep into the heart of Jesus who is our prayer for ever and ever.

Amen.

+Mark Coleridge  
Archbishop of Brisbane



## 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**  
All ages welcome - family discounts  
Fair Play Vouchers and NDIS supported  
**Kate Eggar - 7<sup>th</sup> Dan Instructor**  
**0408 982 248**



**John Cowdroy-Ling Ph: 3862 9223**  
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