

# 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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## PARISH TEAM

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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

## 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 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  
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## Pentecost – 19th May 2024 (YEAR B)

### Reflection...

Recently I considered buying a Bose 'sound wave' speaker system. For a small box it gave the best sound reproduction I have ever heard. In comparison to the hi-fi I presently have, its bass notes are strong and true, which gives the music a sense of presence, a foundation upon which the treble rises and falls as the music dictates. This machine allows an exceptional clarity to the sound, so that the composer's work can be properly heard.

In the Acts of the Apostles today we are told that the crowd who heard the earliest disciples of Jesus understood them in his or her own language. Now that's clarity! It wasn't so much the gift of tongues the earliest disciples received as much as their hearers received the gift of ears, of listening.

When it comes to listening in the Church today, some people mistake mono for stereo, uniformity for unity. At the first Pentecost, the earliest Christians had no such difficulty; they knew that speaking the same language was not as important as was careful listening to one another.

The early Church was a very complex and diverse community. Like today they had their struggles with one another. Within a few years of the first Pentecost, there were fights between Peter and Paul over Jewish and Gentile converts. There were people who died for the faith and others who betrayed them to the authorities. Some Christians thought they were for Paul or Apollos rather than for Jesus, and still others thought the end of the world was nigh. Through it all, however, the bass notes played: the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ.

The Second Vatican Council helped us recover the most ancient tradition in our faith, that in various, unexpected and inculturated ways the Word of God has been present in all peoples, in every culture. We now hold that whenever the Gospel has been proclaimed in a new land, it compliments the best in that culture as well as correcting aspects of any culture which oppress, demean and diminish the women and men within it.

In this process, what is born between Christ and an individual culture is an inculturated faith, which takes as seriously as the early Church did the context in which our faith is proclaimed and lived.

Pentecost faith holds that while we build our faith on that of all the believers who have gone before us, we have the responsibility to listen to our contemporary culture and put it into conversation with the Gospel. That's why courage is one of the Holy Spirit's pre-eminent gifts. We are not allowed to retreat from the world but are sent out to enter into conversation with it, and hear in this dialogue the symphony God is composing here and now between the treble of our daily life over the continuing bass line of Christ's life, death and resurrection.

Let's pray that this Pentecost Eucharist hones our ears as well as prepares our tongues to clearly receive and proclaim the Gospel of Christ in the market places of our own day and age.

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**PARISH EVENTS**  
**THIS WEEK**

**Monday 20th May**

**NO Mass**  
**SVdP meeting 7.00pm**

**Tuesday 21st May**

**Mass 8.00am**  
**Rosary after Mass**  
**Samaritans 9.30am**

**Wednesday 22nd May**

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

**Thursday 23rd May**

**Mass 8.00am**  
**24hr Perpetual Adoration**  
**Encounter 6.00pm**

**Friday 24th May**

**Mass 8.00am**  
**Christian Meditation 9.00am**  
**Funeral 12.30pm**  
*(for the late Anne Crow)*

**Saturday 25th May**

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

**Sunday 26th May**

*[Holy Trinity]*

**Mass 7.30am, 9.30am**  
**Baptisms 11.00am, 11.45am**  
12.30pm  
**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:**

Michael Kelliher, Merryn Werda, Suzanne Hickey, Stephen Best, Rhett Evans, Barry Searle, Paul Corkeron, Nuzia Spina,  
**those whose**

**Anniversaries occur about now:**

Pierre Nobin, AnneMarie Kofler, Veronica Rame Soegiarti, Jack (John Matthie) Hennessy, Peter Moran, Ross Caruso, Mary Vedove, Anne McManus, Ron D'Arx, Therese Rasey, Luz Vargas, Helen Koh, Valma Ihle,

**ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE MASS COUNT 2024**

Parishioners are advised that starting from the 5 May and for the rest of the month of May, the Archdiocese of Brisbane has requested a Count of Mass Attendance.

Attendance is to be recorded at Mass for each church on the weekends of  
**19th May**  
**26th May**

While Father is preaching the homily at each Mass, a head count will be taken of all attending each respective Mass. This information will then be forwarded to the Archdiocese of Brisbane. The annual Mass Count provides valuable insight into trends of attendance at both a local level and an Archdiocesan level, a summation of which will be shared with parishes later this year.



**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).**

**MASS COLLECTIONS**

**The FIRST Mass Collection** supports the Franciscan Friars and their work. You can also use the "Tap & Go" at the church entrance, or the **Parish Giving Portal**, or **Direct Deposit** (see below).

**The SECOND Mass Collection** all goes for Parish expenses. You can also use "Tap & Go," your **Envelopes**, **Direct Deposit**, or **Direct Debit**. A percentage of both the 1st and 2nd Collections is also required to be sent to the Archdiocese for various needs.

For **Direct Deposit** please use your first initial and surname. Your deposit will be split equally between the 1st and 2nd Collections, unless you let the parish office know otherwise.

Account Name: **Kedron Parish** BSB: **064 786**

Account Number: **100003991**

Bank: CBA Reference: **1st Initial, Surname, Envelope No. (if you have one)** eg. J Blogs 579

If you use **Direct Debit (Planned Giving)**, **all this amount goes towards Parish expenses**. For enquiries or if you wish to join Direct Debit, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.

**MASS INTENIONS & OFFERINGS**

It has been a custom in our church tradition to have a Mass offered for some intentions. Envelopes are in the church. When you have such a need, please write down your intention and return it to the parish office, or place it in the collection box at the weekend Masses. Thank you.



This Parish has been incredibly blessed with a dedicated group of parishioners, particularly our Pastoral Council, who have consistently offered their support. The Pastoral Council has tirelessly worked alongside Fr Joseph to propel the Parish forward over the years. After much consideration, the Parish has made the decision to grant the Council a well-deserved break. In 2025, Fr. Joseph will establish a new Advisory Council to continue guiding the Parish on its journey. This transition marks a new chapter for the Parish, as fresh perspectives and ideas will shape its future direction. The commitment and efforts of the outgoing Pastoral Council are truly appreciated, and their contributions will not be forgotten as the Parish looks ahead to the exciting opportunities that lie ahead.



On Tuesday, May 14th, the Samaritans commemorated 50 years of service in the parish. Established in 1974, the Samaritans originally aimed to support the elderly and others in need in Kedron and the surrounding areas. Over time, the organization has grown and now serves a regular clientele of 50 or

more individuals every Tuesday. The parish has been fortunate to have dedicated volunteers who have contributed their time to sustain the Samaritans for half a century. The celebration on Tuesday was a delightful occasion, marked by a delightful sausage sizzle and cake. We extend our gratitude to all who contributed to making this morning a truly special one. We also would like to thank Fr Joseph and Fr John on the wonderful song that they sung to the group.



### Laudato Si

Pentecost, the 'fiftieth day' is rooted in the earth. The Old Testament Feast of Weeks was a Jewish harvest festival observed on the 50<sup>th</sup> day of Omer (a 3 1/2 litre cup) bringing grain for an offering fifty days after the Passover. Our Christian tradition is also about the connection of the Godhead and Earth. Passing over and into a new life. Christ appears to the disciples in the offering of a breakfast of bread and fish, "Come, have breakfast" (Jn 21:12). Theologian Elizabeth A. Johnson CSJ, in her wonderful book, *Come Have Breakfast – Meditations on God and the Earth*. Orbis Books 2024 says, "Reading this gospel in our time of ecological crisis, the invitation .... is a bugle call of divine hospitality toward all people and all living creatures, revealing a passionate divine desire that all should be fed." As we hear about starving Palestinians and wheat disruption in Ukraine and pray and act for "Peace, dignity and equality of a healthy planet" we grasp the interconnectedness of the joy and challenge of Pentecost (see: <https://www.fao.org/publications/home/fao-flagship-publications/the-state-of-food-security-and-nutrition-in-the-world/en> ). *Laudato Si Week 2024 Celebration Guide* for the eight days of integrated meditation and action is here: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/1b1FBULLGeUEv561CdXUkQROBwbj5wOEX/view>

## ENCOUNTER KEDRON

Held every Thursday during the school term in the Little Flower Parish hall, full of fun, games, challenges, live music, friends, faith and input. We focus on helping the youth build their relationship with God and each other.

**THURSDAYS  
6:30-8:30PM**

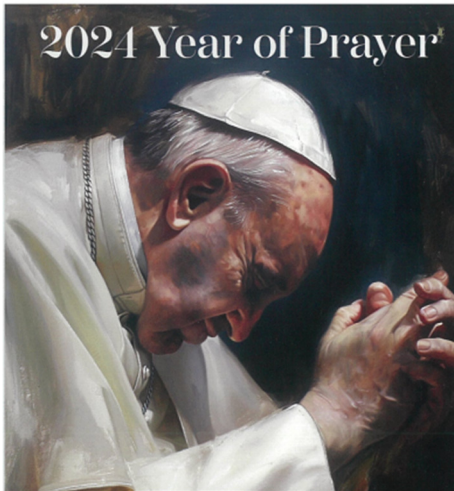


To receive the Parish Newsletter and other resources by email, please print your details here, tear off this section, and drop it in the suggestion box at the church door .

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



# 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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