

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)

SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER

3rd Sunday of every Month at 9.30am

Jim Kearney 0410 881 622

SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE

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15th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 14 July 2024 (YEAR B)

Many centuries ago the Pope decided that all the Jews had to leave Rome. Naturally there was an uproar from the Jewish community. So the Pope made a deal. He would have a religious debate with a member of the Jewish community. If the Jews won, they could stay. If the Pope won, the Jews had to leave. The Jews realised that they had no choice. Problem was that no one wanted to debate the Pope. The only volunteer was a poor, simple, old man named Moishe who opened the door to the synagogue each Friday night. Not being used to words Moishe asked for only one addition to the debate – that neither side be allowed to talk. The Pope agreed.

The day of the great debate came. Moishe and the Pope sat opposite each other. The Pope raised his hand and showed three fingers. Moishe looked back at him and raised one finger. The Pope waved his hand in a circle around his head. Moishe pointed to the ground where he sat. The Pope pulled out a wafer and a glass of wine. Moishe pulled out an apple. The Pope stood up and said, 'I give up. This man is too good. The Jews can stay.'

Later, the Pope explained what happened: 'I held up three fingers to represent the Trinity. He responded by holding up one finger to remind me that we believe in the same one God. Then I waved my hand around my head to show that God was all around us. He responded by pointing to the ground, showing that God was present right here. I pulled out the bread and wine to show that God has given us the Eucharist. He pulled out an apple to remind me of original sin. He had an answer for everything. What could I do?'

Meanwhile, Moishe explained to the Jewish scholars how he won the unwinnable debate. 'Well', said Moishe, 'First he said that the Jews had three days to get out of Rome. I told him that not one of us was leaving. Then he told me that this whole city would be cleared of Jews. I let him know that we were staying right here.' 'And then what clinched the debate?' asked the Rabbi. 'I don't know', said Moishe. 'It was strange. He took out his lunch, and I took out mine!'

Life always depends on how we read the signs!

In today's Gospel Jesus tells the twelve apostles that they should embody three signs: simplicity of lifestyle, dependence on others and hospitality. These instructions are such a contrast to what most of us value today, where it is often the rich and powerful, the independent and the inhospitable who are thought to be the best leaders.

For Jesus, however, the one truly sent in his name is the one who knows that another's worth comes from who they are, not what they have. It doesn't matter whether we're rich or poor. It's the way we use our money for others which reveals whether our wealth possesses us or not.

For Jesus, being 'a rock and an island' was not a sign of strength but one of fear and despair. A strong Christian is the one who rejoices in our dependence on each other, and is always grateful for the interconnectedness of life.

For Jesus, making room for others, especially toward those in legitimate need and even when it makes a large claim on us, is a pre-eminent sign of his Kingdom.

The Christian life is about reading the signs of the times. May our Eucharistic signs of his presence amongst us, the bread and wine, change us today, to match it with the best in being simple in lifestyle, happily dependent and extravagantly hospitable with our time, talent and energy for the sake of the Kingdom of God.

Richard Leonard SJ

"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 15th July

NO Mass

Parent Information 4.00pm
(First Holy Communion)
SVdP Meeting 7.00pm

Tuesday 16th July

Mass 8.00am

Rosary after Mass

Samaritans 9.30am

Funeral 11.00am

(for the late Glendon Bryan Kent)

Parent Information 7.00pm

(First Holy Communion)

Wednesday 17th July

Mass 9.00am

Mass Delamore 4:45pm

Thursday 18th July

Mass 8.00am

Perpetual Adoration

Encounter 6.30pm

Friday 19th July

NO Mass 8.00am

Christian Meditation 9.00am

Saturday 20th July

Reconciliation 4.00pm

Vigil Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 21st July

[16th Sunday in Ordinary Time]

Mass 7.30am, 9.30am

SFO 9.30am

Mass 5.30pm

(Enrolment Mass First Holy Communion
and Catholic Education Week)

**Sacramental Programme
First Holy Communion**

Our Sacramental Programme is family-centred and Parish-based. It is a partnership in which families and the Parish community work together in the preparation and celebration of the Sacraments for our children. In this context, children can better learn what it means to be a Catholic.

Any baptised Catholic child in **Grade 4 or above** who has made their **Confirmation** is eligible to enrol and prepare for the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

Rosemary Woods is the Sacramental Coordinator and can be contacted for all enquiries and enrolment forms via email at:
sacramental.kedron@bne.catholic.net.au

Key Dates for First Holy Communion 2024

Enrolments Open from: June 17th - July 16th

A. Information Session

**Monday 15th of July at 4pm or
Tuesday 16th of July at 7pm**

at the Church of St Therese and St Anthony,
80 Turner Road, Kedron. Please attend one of these sessions, at which there will be an overview of the Sacrament of Holy Communion and details regarding the program.

B. Enrolment Mass

All children with one parent are required to attend the following Mass

July 21st (Sunday) at 5.30pm

C. Workshop

(One parent must attend, and please no siblings)

August 18th (Sunday) 1.00pm - 3.00pm

D. First Holy Communion Masses

August 24th (Saturday) 5:00pm

August 25th (Sunday) 9:30am, 5.30pm

August 31st (Saturday) 5.00pm

September 1st (Sunday) 9.30am

The Samaritan Community



Next Tuesday The Samaritans will return back on the 9th July. If you have any spare time and would like to be part of a wonderful community please join the Samaritans 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:**

Peter Nguyen, Therese Nguyen (Fr Joseph's mother and brother), Giovanni Tanda, Dr Kathy O'Sullivan, Peter Kirk, Cristina Pizzica, Stephen Reed, Noel Fauth ofm, Cecily Turnbull, Paul Dobrec, those whose

Anniversaries occur about now:

Gerrit Janssen, Richard Mc Neven, Joan McNeven, Rita Rajanayagam, Sony Lyng Sheilah Nanda, Bridget and Edmond Jones, Anthony O'Brien, Kathlee Mary (Kath) Hennessy, Mary Therakam, Rannie Nedtran, Clair Murphy, Anna Thomas, Pierre Nobin

**TERM 3
ENCOUNTER KEDRON
'JESUS NO ORDINARY MAN'**

WEEKS

Week 1 - Social
*Night Full of Games, fun, Friends and Worship.
Lets Catch up after the holidays!*

Week 2 - Jesus No Ordinary Man
*Lets get to know Jesus a little bit better with our first talk
of the term and see how incredible this man really is!*

Week 3 - Jesus No Ordinary Teacher
*Part 1 of 2 Lets get to know Jesus' teachings and
understand why!*

Week 4 - Scavenger Hunt Night
*Almost half way through the term, lets see who
can complete the Scavenger hunt first!*

Week 5 - Jesus No Ordinary Teacher
*Part 2 of 2 Lets dive a little deeper and see what else
we can learn from our amazing teacher!*

Week 6 - Jesus No Ordinary Relationship
*What does it mean to have a relationship with Jesus? the
ups and downs, the highs and lows!*

Week 7 - Family Night
*Lets have dinner as a Encounter Family and Check in out
how everyone is and build a closer bond with one another*

WEEKS

Week 8 - Jesus and the Mass
*Do you know why we have mass? whats the
connection?*

Week 9 - Jesus No Ordinary Crucifixion
*How and why did Jesus make the ultimate sacrifice for
us?*

Week 10 - Social
Lets Celebrate the End of term together

FOLLOW US!

Instagram **EncounterKedron**
Facebook **Encounter Kedron**

Website:
**[https://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/
encounter-kedron/](https://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/encounter-kedron/)**

**Join us at Youth Mass the Second Sunday of
every Month!**

Term 3 Youth Masses:
July 14th 9:30 am & August 11th 9:30am



St. Bonaventure, Bishop and Doctor of the Church (Feast day-July 15)

Perhaps not a household name for most people, Saint Bonaventure, nevertheless, played an important role in both the medieval Church and the history of the Franciscan Order. A senior faculty member at the University of Paris, Saint Bonaventure certainly captured the hearts of his students through his academic skills and insights. But more importantly, he captured their hearts through his Franciscan love for Jesus and the Church. Like his model, Saint Francis, Jesus was the center of everything—his teaching, his administration, his writing, and his life. So much so, that he was given the title “Seraphic Doctor.”

Born in Bagnoregio in 1221, Saint Bonaventure was baptized John, but received the name Bonaventure when he became a Franciscan at the age of 22. Little is known about his childhood, but we do know that his parents were Giovanni di Fidenza and Maria Ritell. It seems that his father was a physician and a man of means. While Saint Francis died about five years after the saint’s birth, he is credited with healing Bonaventure as a boy of a serious illness.

Saint Bonaventure’s teaching career came to a halt when the Friars elected him to serve as their General Minister. His 17 years of service were not easy as the Order was embroiled in conflicts over the interpretation of poverty. Some friars even ended up in heresy saying that Saint Francis and his community were inaugurating the era of the Holy Spirit which was to replace Jesus, the Church, and Scripture. But because he was a man of prayer and a good administrator, Saint Bonaventure managed to structure the Order through effective legislation. But more importantly, he offered the Friars an organized spirituality based on the vision and insights of Saint Francis. Always a Franciscan at heart and a mystical writer, Bonaventure managed to unite the pastoral, practical aspects of life with the doctrines of the Church. Thus, there is a noticeable warmth to his teachings and writings that make him very appealing.

Shortly before he ended his service as General Minister, Pope Gregory X created him a Cardinal and appointed him bishop of Albano. But a little over a year later, while participating in the Second Council of Lyon, Saint Bonaventure died suddenly on July 15, 1274. There is a theory that he was poisoned.

Saint Bonaventure left behind a structured and renewed Franciscan Order and a body of work all of which glorifies his major love—Jesus.



Kedron Parish is saddened to share the news that Fr. Joseph's mother, Therese, passed away last Saturday, on the 29th of June,



2024. Unfortunately, in the early morning of Tuesday, the 9th of July, 2024, Fr. Joseph's brother, Peter, also passed away. Our heartfelt condolences go out to Fr. Joseph and his family during this incredibly difficult time. Would you all please kindly keep Therese and Peter with their family in your prayers.

*Give Therese and Peter eternal rest,
O Lord, and may your light shine upon
them forever.
May their soul rest in peace. Amen*

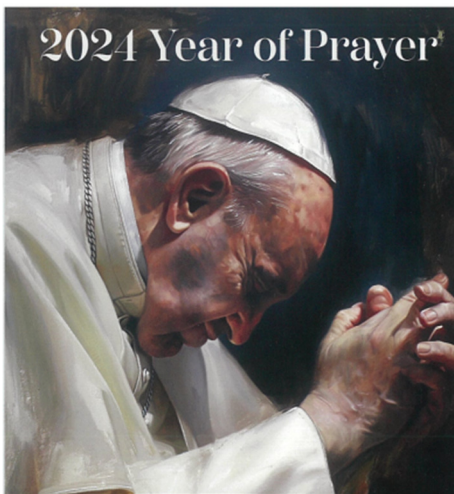
Laudato Si

This Sunday, Mark talks of the “mission of the twelve” and gets nitty and gritty about travelling out with only 2 tunics and a walking stick and being ready to “shake the dust from your shoes”. These words conjure up the very earliest formation of “the church” as a going-out, on the earth together, being grounded, getting down and even dirty. And Ephesians has, “blessed are those in the church before the foundations of the world” expanding the very grounded out into the cosmic. These readings beg for study of what indeed is “the church”? Stephen B. Bevans SVD in his magnum opus, *Community of Missionary Disciples – The Continuing Creation of the Church* says, “the church becomes the church as it moves across boundaries” and “dialogue lies at the heart of the church’s nature and mission”. We constantly have the opportunity for fruitful dialogue with our Indigenous sisters and brothers as highlighted in all the recent events for NAIDOC week and such evolution of Christ’s Spirit in dialogue is magnificently tracked in Steve’s indispensable book: <https://orbisbooks.com/products/community-of-missionary-disciples-the-continuing-creation-of-the-church>

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 - 7th Dan Instructor
0408 982 248



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