



32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 10th November 2024 (YEAR B)

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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

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)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

1st Wednesday of the month at 9.00am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday: For 24 hrs after the 8am Mass

until the start of Friday 8am Mass

ST VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

2nd and 4th Monday of the Month at 7.00pm

(Parish Office)

All enquiries for assistance Ph: 1800 846 643

SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER

3rd Sunday of every Month at 9.30am

Jim Kearney 0410 881 622

**The Parish Office will be closed on the Tuesday 12th November.
The staff will be attending an
Archdiocesan Professionals Day for all parishes.**

In today's Gospel Jesus lines up the religious leaders of his day and lets them have it with both barrels. It may come a surprise to learn that hypocrisy is the sin Jesus condemns most frequently in the Gospels. He could not bear it. And nor should we.

Being powerful and rich is not a problem in itself. As with all gifts, it is what we do with them that show us up for who we are. The problem with religious, political, social or even family power, and the wealth that can come from it, is that it is so seductive. The more powerful and rich we become, the more we can think everything is our due. We can take our eye off the Giver of all gifts and avoid our responsibility to share with those who are left with nothing.

In the second part of today's Gospel, Jesus does not praise the widow because she is poor. There is no nobility in poverty. Jesus praises her for being generous and he indicates how the poor teach the rich about what really matters in life.

This story teaches a similar lesson.

Centuries ago, the Pope decided that all the Jews had to leave Rome. Naturally there was a big 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 Jew won, the Jews could stay. If the Pope won, the Jews would leave.

The Jews realised that they had no choice. They looked around for a champion who could defend their faith, but no one volunteered. It was too risky. So they picked Moshe, an old, poor man. Moshe had nothing to lose so he agreed, but on one condition. Not being a learned man he asked that neither side be allowed to speak. The Pope agreed.

The day of the great debate came. Moshe and the Pope sat opposite each other for a full minute before the Pope raised his hand and showed three fingers. Moshe looked back at him and raised one finger. The Pope waved his fingers in a circle around his head. Moshe pointed to the ground where he sat. The Pope pulled out a wafer and a glass of wine. Moshe pulled out an apple.

The Pope stood up and said, 'I give up. This man is too good. The Jews can stay.'

An hour later, the cardinals were all around the Pope asking him what happened. The Pope said: 'First I held up three fingers to represent the Trinity. He responded by holding up one finger to remind me that there was one God common to both our faiths. Then I waved my finger around me to show him that God was all around us. He responded by pointing to the ground, showing that God was also right here with us. I pulled out the wine and the wafer to emphasise the Eucharist. He pulled out an apple to remind me of original sin. He had an answer for everything.'

Meanwhile, the Jewish community had crowded around Moshe, amazed that this old, poor man had done what all their scholars had insisted was impossible!

What happened?' they asked. 'Well,' said Moshe, 'First, he said to me that the Jews had three days to get out of here. 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?' asked a woman. 'I don't know,' said Moshe. 'He took out his lunch and I took out mine.'

May this Eucharist, then, give us strength to avoid being seduced by power, riches and greed. May we use whatever gifts we receive to build up the entire human family and may we never stand condemned by Jesus for coming here each Sunday and saying one thing, and then leaving here and doing the very opposite.

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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 November

NO Mass
Choir practise 7.15pm

Tuesday 12th November

OFFICE CLOSED
Mass 8.00am
Rosary after Mass
Samaritans 9.30am

Wednesday 13th November

Mass 9.00am
Mt Alvernia Year 12 10.00am
[Evolution Day]
NO Mass Delamore 4:45pm

Thursday 14th November

Mass 8.00am
Perpetual Adoration
Padua Yr 12 Graduation 9.00am
Mt Alvernia Graduation Mass 3.15pm
Encounter 6.30pm

Friday 15th November

Mass 8.00am
Christian Meditation 9.00am

Saturday 16th November

Reconciliation 4.00pm
Vigil Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 17th November

[33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time]
Mass 7.30am, 9.30am
Secular Franciscan Order 9.30am
[Followed by Mass 11.30am]
Mass 5.30pm

The Samaritan Community



50 years of support in the Parish - new volunteers needed

9.30-12 with morning tea

Card games, Scrabble, Rummykub, Art class, and Bingo.

A fun packed morning

Chance to make new friends - All welcome - transport offered.

Cost \$7.00 per visit

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Please pray for our recently deceased:

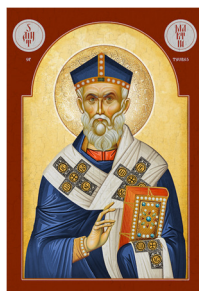
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Anniversaries occur about now:

Bill Cox, Ronald O'Malley, Catherine O'Malley, Victor Kelly, Philip Carnes, Ernesto Checa, Loreta Checa Edgar Checa, Emelita Checa, Jose Lebita, Maximina Lebita, Chiara Lebita, Belen Vargas, Narelle Gednes, Stephen Gibbons, Bruce Awning, Madeline Jones, Martin family, Piasey family, Sheila De Zilva, Jesuina Fernandes, John McManus, Michelle Elizabeth Quinn,

This Saturday night the 9th November we would like to express our gratitude to Fr John Gillen for his invaluable assistance in helping us celebrate Mass. Welcome Fr John.

Then on Sunday 10th November Fr John Phuoc will Con-celebrate Masses in our Kedron Parish with Fr Joseph Welcome Fr John Phuoc to Australia and to our Kedron Parish Family (In Vietnamese: Chào đón Cha Gioan Phước đến Úc và Gia Đình Giáo Xứ Kedron).



Saint Martin of Tours' Story

A conscientious objector who wanted to be a monk; a monk who was maneuvered into being a bishop; a bishop who fought paganism as well as pleaded for mercy to heretics—such was Martin of Tours, one of the most popular of saints and one of the first not to be a martyr. Born of pagan parents in what is now Hungary, and raised in Italy, this son of a veteran was forced at the age of 15 to serve in the army. Martin became a Christian catechumen and was baptized when he was 18. It was said that he lived more like a monk than a soldier. At 23, he refused a war bonus and told his commander: "I have served you as a soldier; now let me serve Christ. Give the bounty to those who are going to fight. But I am a soldier of Christ and it is not lawful for me to fight."

After great difficulties, he was discharged and went to be a disciple of Hilary of Poitiers. He was ordained an exorcist and worked with great zeal against the Arians. Martin became a monk, living first at Milan and later on a small island. When Hilary was restored to his see following his exile, Martin returned to France and established what may have been the first French monastery near Poitiers. He lived there for 10 years, forming his disciples and preaching throughout the countryside.

The people of Tours demanded that he become their bishop. Martin was drawn to that city by a ruse—the need of a sick person—and was brought to the church, where he reluctantly allowed himself to be consecrated bishop. Some of the consecrating bishops thought his rumpled appearance and unkempt hair indicated that he was not dignified enough for the office.

Along with Saint Ambrose, Martin rejected Bishop Ithacius's principle of putting heretics to death—as well as the intrusion of the emperor into such matters. He prevailed upon the emperor to spare the life of the heretic Priscillian. For his efforts, Martin was accused of the same heresy, and Priscillian was executed after all. Martin then pleaded for a cessation of the persecution of Priscillian's followers in Spain. He still felt he could cooperate with Ithacius in other areas, but afterwards his conscience troubled him about this decision.

As death approached, Martin's followers begged him not to leave them. He prayed, "Lord, if your people still need me, I do not refuse the work. Your will be done."

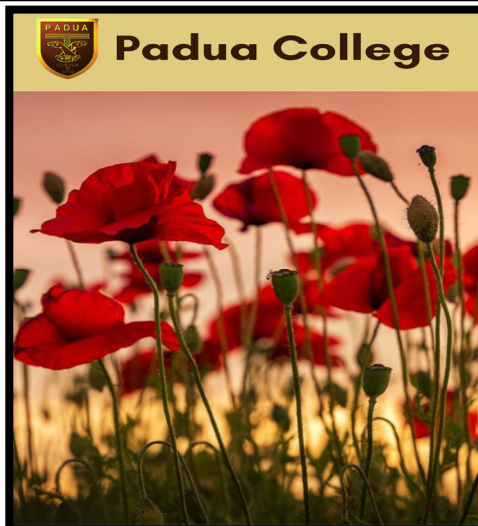
Reflection

Martin's worry about cooperation with evil reminds us that almost nothing is either all black or all white. The saints are not creatures of another world: They face the same perplexing decisions that we do. Any decision of conscience always involves some risk. If we choose to go north, we may never know what would have happened had we gone east, west, or south. A hyper-cautious withdrawal from all perplexing situations is not the virtue of prudence; it is in fact, a bad decision, for "not to decide is to decide."

Saint Martin of Tours is a Patron Saint of: Horses—Soldiers—South Africa

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 email: kedron@bne.catholic.net.au



2024
Remembrance Day Liturgy
The Rector of Padua College,
Mr Peter Elmore
invites you to join us for Remembrance Day liturgy
DATE: MONDAY 11 NOVEMBER
TIME: 10:15AM FOR 10:45 START
WHERE: PADUA FRONT LAWN
LIGHT REFRESHMENTS TO FOLLOW
Please RSVP by Friday 8th November 2024
mblyth@padua.qld.edu.au

Driveway Closure...

Next Thursday 14th November the driveway between the Church and Padua College will be closed due to the Yr 12 Graduation walk that the Senior boys do every year. There will be a lot of parents, family members and students from 8.30am to 1.00pm so please be aware and careful.



ENCOUNTER KEDRON

Our Youth Group, Encounter Kedron is a home for High Schoolers (Year 7-12). A place where young people can connect with friends, faith filled leaders and encounter something and someone greater than themselves.

This term we're diving into the theme of Leadership and Advent! Join us for a night of games, great music, an engaging speaker and small groups.

Musica Antiqua Collegii presents

Voices Through Time: From Vivaldi to Gjeilo

*performing Antonio Vivaldi's 'Gloria in D Major'
featuring soloists and string ensemble*

Sunday, 1 December 2024 - 2.30 pm

**Chermside Kedron Community Church
590 Gympie Road, Chermside**

Admission \$30

Includes Afternoon Tea

Trybooking: <https://www.trybooking.com/CVZWH>

Tickets also available at door - credit card or cash

Enquiries: musicaantiquacollegi@gmail.com



Piety Store

If you are looking for a gift, why not have a look at the Piety Store. We have new stock that has just arrived. There is a good selection and we can order items from the catalogue if your selection is not in stock. The Piety Store is situated at the foyer of the Church and is open before and after the weekend Masses - 5pm on Saturday; 7.30 am and 9.30am on Sunday.

In store at the moment are - 2025 CALENDARS

Franciscan \$6.00

Columban \$10.00

All proceeds go to the missions.

FLOCKNOTE SIGNUP

Many of us are familiar with the paper parish census form; we fill these out every few years to ensure we stay up to date with who is in the parish and to keep ourselves connected to parish programs and ministries. With much more activity online today, Flocknote is the ultimate secure solution for managing communication between you and the parish. Parishioners and visitors are invited to use the QR code and signup and register with the parish. If you have any questions, speak with the Parish office.

scan the QR code here to register today!



For unto us
a child is born!



Christmas Mass Nativity

24 December

5pm on the lawn outside

2024

Little Flower Church

CHRISTMAS EVE NATIVITY MASS Plans are currently underway for the Parish Christmas Eve Nativity Mass.

We are looking for children who would like to help us tell the gospel story by being involved in our Nativity play.

If you know someone who would like to volunteer to be the various roles in the play, please email Aimee Bodley abodley@bne.catholic.edu.au to put your child's name forward to participate in the nativity play.

We will meet following 9:30am Children's Mass on Sunday 24 November for more information.

Rehearsals are on Dec 22 @ 2:30pm in the Parish Hall before a final rehearsal on Dec 24 @ 4pm prior to our Christmas Eve Mass.

(All children, in the play or not, are welcome to dress up as angels, shepherds or wise kings on Christmas Eve and share in the magic!)

Laudato Si

COP 16 – (The Conference of the Parties to the Convention of Biological Diversity) has just taken place in Cali Columbia (see: <https://www.cbd.int/conferences/2024>). Laudato Si' Movement was one Catholic organization represented and contributed from the faith perspectives outlined by Laudato Si' and actions outlined in Laudate Deum. The "Eco faith" proposal was called "Eco-Spirituality in Action" addressing climate challenges from a spiritual and social justice perspective understood as the deep connection of faith with creation. The proposal seeks to create a coalition called, 'Peace for Nature' recognizing the interconnection of stresses on biodiversity conservation, species extinction and habitat destruction and the stresses causing poverty, hunger and war. For many cultures biodiversity is sacred and faith communities propose that nature be recognized as a subject of rights. It is an ethical approach which seeks to protect the integrity of ecosystems and the communities that depend on them. It is recommended that the conclusions of COP16 be taken into account at COP29 and COP 30 given that biodiversity is being affected by the climate catastrophe. (See the article in full at: <https://drive.google.com/file/d/19HPWmWxVGrLbFblEtpTAYFTYzjvRujK2/view>). Vatican Representatives attended among the 15,000 delegates from 200 countries. See: <https://www.vaticannews.va/en/world/news/2024-10/emilce-cuda-cop16-on-biodiversity-must-also-focus-on-people.html>



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.

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

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