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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

### Third Sunday of Easter – 4th May 2025 (YEAR C)

*The Shawshank Redemption* was the hit film of 1994. In it we follow the incarceration and escape plans of Tim Robbins and Morgan Freeman. Robbins is condemned to life imprisonment for the murder of his wife and her lover. Freeman says he is the 'only guilty man in Shawshank Prison'. Based on Stephen King's novella, this uplifting film is a surprise package from a writer whose fame comes from the horror genre.

The longer we watch the film, the more we realise that Stephen King has modelled his story on the Gospel of John. It is, in many respects a more modern parable about John's portrait of Jesus. Tim Robbins' character, Andy, like Jesus, is an innocent man, treated harshly by the authorities of his day. He has to endure the condemnation and cruelty of the leading religious zealots who are keepers of law and order, while he inspires others to think of a world free of subjection and oppression where they can be free to live the life of which they dream. Like John's Jesus, Andy has big dreams and often talks in riddles, but he leaves clues for others to follow him in their quest for freedom.

In the last part of the film, after Andy has successfully escaped and the governor of the prison has been exposed for the hypocrite he is, Freeman is paroled after serving 35 years hard labour. He decides to go where Andy has gone and, just as Andy promised when they were together in prison, he finds that Andy has prepared the way for him to follow. The moving climax of the film comes as Robbins and Freeman meet on a beach, embrace each other and share food and drink to celebrate the new life both of them have discovered.

Stephen King understands John's portrait of Jesus very well. For all of Jesus' assuredness and composure throughout the Gospel, the sense of care and intimacy in the encounters with his friends is deeply moving.

In the Easter Gospel to which we have just listened, Jesus returns to where his friends have fled from Jerusalem. In a parable about the growing numbers of the early Church, the Eucharist and the suffering they are enduring, John reaffirms that Jesus is intimately present in their following of him and their suffering for the Kingdom. The only sense John can make of Jesus' death, the martyrdom of the apostles or the persecution of the early church is to see them all as acts of love. 'No one has greater love than this, to lay down one's life for one's friends.'

Those of us who have been caught up in the net of God's love are heirs to the same promises of Jesus' fidelity. Christ is intimately present to us in every act of loving sacrifice we undertake for him. He continues to send us out to tell people of the place that has been prepared for them at the banquet of life and he gives us strength to gird our loins for the times when life takes us to places we would rather not go.

In this Eucharist let's be grateful for this Easter season when we celebrate again that we have been set free from the prison of our fears and shown the way to live a life of sacrificial love and undeserved redemption.

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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 5th May**  
**NO Mass**

**Tuesday 6th May**  
**Mass 8.00am**

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

**Padua Eucharist Mass 6.30pm**  
(Angelo House)

**Wednesday 7th May**  
**Mass 9.00am**

(Anointing)

**Mass Delamore 4:45pm**

**Thursday 8th May**  
**Mass 8.00am**

**NO Perpetual Adoration**

**Friday 9th May**  
**Mass 8.00am**

**Saturday 10th May**  
**Reconciliation 4.00pm**  
**Mass 5.00pm**

**Sunday 11th May**  
(Fourth Sunday of Easter)  
**Mass 7.30am, 9.30am**  
**Baptisms 11.00am**  
**Mass 5.30pm**

**Please pray for our recently  
deceased:**

Edi Passante, Onorina Tesser,  
Thadeus Garu, Mary Chrissy, Moira  
Andrews, Rita Cheles, Val (Valerir)  
Masala, Di Pino, Nancy McLaughlin,  
Tim Purcell, Sr Janine Bliss FMM,  
**those whose**

**Anniversaries occur about now:**  
Ludovico Vargas, Luz Cargas, Helen  
Nanda, Jamie Martin, Therese  
Racey, Claremont and Fereiro, An-  
thony Ellison, Doreen Purcell, Gail  
Purcell, Catherine Purcell, Ester and  
Anzal Day, Ross Caruso, Helmet  
Kofler, Valma Ihle, Moira Andrews,  
Joe Hennessy, Barry Searle

SAMARITANS, a parish based organisation  
with 51 years of history in the parish,

Tuesday Mornings (during School Term)  
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

Volunteers always welcome

Come and enjoy a fun based morning in air-  
conditioned comfort in the Parish Hall (next to  
church)

Contact 0405241644 for further information



**Saint Athanasius' Story (May 2)**

Athanasius led a tumultuous but dedicated life of service to the Church. He was the great champion of the faith against the widespread heresy of Arianism, the teaching by Arius that Jesus was not truly divine. The vigor of his writings earned him the title of doctor of the Church.

Born of a Christian family in Alexandria, Egypt, and given a classical education, Athanasius became secretary to Alexander, the bishop of Alexandria, entered the priesthood and was eventually named bishop himself. His predecessor, Alexander, had been an outspoken critic of a new movement growing in the East—Arianism.

When Athanasius assumed his role as bishop of Alexandria, he continued the fight against Arianism. At first, it seemed that the battle would be easily won and that Arianism would be condemned. Such, however, did not prove to be the case. The Council of Tyre was called and for several reasons that are still unclear, the Emperor Constantine exiled Athanasius to northern Gaul. This was to be the first in a series of travels and exiles reminiscent of the life of Saint Paul.

After Constantine died, his son restored Athanasius as bishop. This lasted only a year, however, for he was deposed once again by a coalition of Arian bishops. Athanasius took his case to Rome, and Pope Julius I called a synod to review the case and other related matters.

Five times Athanasius was exiled for his defense of the doctrine of Christ's divinity. During one period of his life, he enjoyed 10 years of relative peace—reading, writing, and promoting the Christian life along the lines of the monastic ideal to which he was greatly devoted. His dogmatic and historical writings are almost all polemic, directed against every aspect of Arianism.

Among his ascetical writings, his *Life of St. Anthony* achieved astonishing popularity and contributed greatly to the establishment of monastic life throughout the Western Christian world.

**Reflection**

Athanasius suffered many trials while he was bishop of Alexandria. He was given the grace to remain strong against what probably seemed at times to be insurmountable opposition. Athanasius lived his office as bishop completely. He defended the true faith for his flock, regardless of the cost to himself. In today's world we are experiencing this same call to remain true to our faith, no matter what.



**Dear Parishioners**

I have a beautiful offer to make to you  
and your family.

Is your family celebrating a milestone  
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for Mother's Day or Father's Day this

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Money raised will support this year's Padua Student Franciscan Pilgrim-  
age in September

Thank you for your support.

**Michael O'Brien**  
**Pilgrimage Group Leader**



Laudato Si

Even *AI Overview* (!) gives a breakdown of Pope Francis' contributions to theology: Contextual – must be grounded in the realities of people's lives; Dialogical – encouraging a culture of dialogue and encounter between different traditions, religions and disciplines; Critical Engagement – theology to critically assess contemporary issues; Emphasis on Hope and Love – drawing on the Person of Jesus Christ as a source of hope; Inclusive – collaboration between male and female theologians, participation of laypeople and women in theological discourse recognizing their unique contributions and experiences. Francis understood missiologist Steve Bevan's, "Christ's Mission has a church". In his book, *Models of Contextual Theology*. (Orbis 2002), Steve expands, "Translation Model - bring seeds, plant in the native ground; Anthropological Model - seeds are already in the ground; just water them; Praxis Model - garden needs to be constantly weeded; Synthetic Model - cross-pollinate; Transcendental Model - if I cultivate my garden, another will be inspired to cultivate his or hers; Counter-cultural Model - the soil needs weeding and fertilizing so that the seeds can be planted". Pope Francis blessed 'gardening' inside and outside the church. Thank God.

### 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.



### **4 May, 2025 - Third Sunday of Easter**

*When it was already dawn, Jesus was standing on the shore, but the disciples did not realise that it was Jesus. Jesus said to them, "Children, have you caught anything to eat?" They answered him, "No." So he said to them, "Cast the net over the right side of the boat and you will find something." So they cast it and were not able to pull it in because of the number of fish. John 21:4-6*

Reflect, today, upon the symbolism found in this Resurrection account. Consider the fact that the Gospel has, indeed, been shared with you. Have you listened to the Word of God as it is preached by the Church?

Do you immerse yourself in the grace given through the Sacraments? Do you follow the Ten Commandments faithfully? Do you continually open yourself to the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit? Seek to be among that catch of fish caught on the right side.'

Never doubt that hell is real and possible. For that reason, never waver from your fidelity to Christ, so that you will remain firmly grounded in His grace and share one day in His Resurrection.



### **Anointing Mass**

On the first Wednesday of the month at 9.00am Mass everyone is invited to an Anointing Mass. The Anointing of the Sick is a sacrament for those whose health is impaired by sickness or old age. It is a source of healing for the sick rather than the final act of the church for the dying. The Sacrament enables the sick or the aged person to be anointed with the oil of the sick, to experience the healing and strength of Jesus Christ and to be supported by a praying community. Do you know someone who would appreciate attending the anointing Mass? Perhaps you might invite them and assist them with transport.

All are welcome

### **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.

## Youth Group

Date: 8<sup>th</sup> June

Venue: Little flower church

starting Time:

5.00pm-5.30pm praise and worship

5.30pm - 6.30pm mass

6.30pm - 7.00pm refreshments

7.00pm - 8.00pm rally

Guest Presenter

Sione Mohenoa



### **Two Minutes Homilies...**

Priests from around the Archdiocese are preparing "Two Minute Homilies" and uploading them on social media platforms on a weekly basis now.

To view or listen to a podcast please visit  
<http://brisbanecatholic.org.au/ultimedia/two-minute-homilies/>  
at your leisure.

### **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 or scan the QR code here to register today!



## The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,  
may the faith you have given us  
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,  
and the flame of charity enkindled  
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,  
reawaken in us the blessed hope  
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us  
into tireless cultivators of  
the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from  
within both humanity and the whole  
cosmos in the sure expectation  
of a new heaven and a new earth,  
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,  
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee  
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,  
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread  
the joy and peace of our  
Redeemer throughout the earth.  
To you our God, eternally blessed,  
be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

*Francis*



## 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.*

**WHS Incident Report.** Pa-  
rishioners 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  
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