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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

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

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 31st August 2025 (YEAR C)



Congratulations to all the children who will be celebrating their First Holy Communion this weekend and next weekend.

It is a special occasion to commemorate the fullness of God in their lives. We want to express our gratitude to Rosemary Woods, our Sacramental Coordinator, and her team for their hard work in organizing and managing all the necessary preparations for this celebration. Our heartfelt thanks also go to our APRE, teachers, musicians, and office staff who have been actively involved in making this event possible. We would like to acknowledge the ongoing support of all the parents as well.

To the children, we hope that you will continue to strengthen your faith and experience a life filled with love. May you be blessed in all your endeavours.

What is Eucharist?

Eucharist is the sacrament that completes the process of initiation and is when one can fully participate in the Eucharist by receiving Holy Communion.

Eucharist is unique among the sacraments as it is at the heart of our faith. For Catholics, the Eucharist, or Mass, is the most powerful way we encounter the real presence of Jesus Christ. Sunday after Sunday (some, of course, gather everyday), Catholics gather to celebrate the Eucharist, the ritual in which, by the power of the Holy Spirit, bread and wine are transformed into the Body and Blood of Christ. We who celebrate are also transformed, becoming Christ's presence to others, and recognising the presence of Christ in others.

Symbols of Eucharist



Bread – Wheat is grown and ground, transformed by human work to make bread. Bread is a staple food of life.

Wine – Grapes are grown and crushed, transformed by human work to make wine. Wine symbolises joy and celebration.

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Please keep all of our First Holy Communion Candidates in your prayers.

"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 1st September
NO Mass

Tuesday 2nd September
Mass 8.00am
Rosary after Mass
Samaritans 9.30am

Wednesday 3rd September
Mass 9.00am
(Anointing Mass)
Mass Delamore 4.45pm

Thursday 4th September
Mass 8.00am

Friday 5th September
Mass 8.00am

Saturday 6th September
Baptismal Information 11.00am
Reconciliation 4.00pm
Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 7th September
(23rd in Ordinary Time)
(Fathers Day)
Mass 7.30am, 9.30am
Mass 5.30pm

**Please pray for our recently
deceased:**

Sandra Frangiosa, June McLeod,
Suzanne Kempnich, Sandra Frangiosa,
Angela Varricchio, John Francis Ryan,
Elda Di Lizio, Howard Smith (Howie),
Barbara Murphy, John Stevens,

**those whose
Anniversaries occur about now:**
Gerda Janssen, Martin Purcell,
Brian Purcell, Emma Cuellar, Stanley Kelliher,
Ferio, Claremont, Martin Families,
Walter Erceg and Edna Lonergan,
Peter Moran, James Bell, Sergio Galletti,

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

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

Contact 0405241644 for further information

Reflection...

One of the most basic human responses to anything new is to ask, 'What's in it for me?' We would like to think our motives are pure and our interests are for others, but there is often a nagging voice reminding us that selfish desires are never far from the surface. That said, we all know heroic individuals who care for sick spouses or children, who go to faraway places to give those in need their time and talent or who stay at home and do the same in their local neighbourhood. That's what makes them heroic. There is nothing in it for them; they are drawn by bonds of love, faith or by a desire to create a better world.

There are at least two ways we can hear Jesus' words in today's gospel. The first is as a strong challenge about social justice.

National boundaries mean nothing to God. All people are equal in God's sight, so the banquet Jesus refers to has implications for how we share the riches with which we have been blessed with others in the world. The poor, crippled, lame and blind of our world are the majority of God's children who mainly live in the Third World. They are our brothers and sisters. At the banquet of life Christians are called to give priority to the needs of these people, not only because they have a just claim on our resources, but also because they can't do anything for us in return. They purify our motives. When we link our concern, time, talent, career, and money with these children of God, we tame that nagging question, 'What's in it for me?' with a firm reply, 'Very little – except God's justice.'

A somewhat comforting angle to take on this gospel is more psychological. Many of us, when we come to God at any time, try to dress ourselves up to look better than we are! This gospel reminds us that at Christ's banquet, however, it's not the poised and perfect who are most welcome, but the vulnerable. What does this mean for us who pray and celebrate the Eucharist? That God embraces those parts of us that are in greatest need of his love and healing – where we are poor, crippled, blind and lame.

We know this it is true because if Jesus is telling us to host the poor and broken at our tables, then as the perfect host he must do exactly the same with us at this Eucharistic meal as well.

When I was a child we referred to our finest clothes as our 'Sunday best' and we wore them proudly to Mass. Not only did we look good, we acted the part as well. Everyone was on best behaviour for the entire parish to see. Now, I have nothing against dressing with care and behaving well at Mass; it can be a sign of our self-respect, our courtesy toward others and our devotion to God. But God cares more about what's going on inside us. We can never hide from God, especially at the Eucharist because we have been invited to be here, not as we would like to be, but as we are.

May this Eucharist – this taste of heaven's justice – give us renewed courage to think beyond our self and national interests, and show to others the hospitality of God that has been lavished on us. May we discover that where faith is concerned, the answer to 'What's in it for me?' is 'More than we can ever hope or imagine.'

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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," options form **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**, eg. J Blogs

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.



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

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.

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.

MULTICULTURAL MASS

Everyone Belongs

Join us on 12th October 2025 at 9.30am Mass

FOLLOWED BY A MULTICULTURAL LUNCH IN THE PARISH HALL



**RSVP TO SANDRA AND WHAT YOU WILL BE BRINGING BY
3RD OCTOBER - 32674825**

Multicultural Mass October 12th, 2025 at 9.30am

This year will be our first Multicultural Mass and we are excited. This event is a wonderful opportunity to honor and appreciate the rich diversity within our Catholic faith while reaffirming the shared bonds that unite us as members of our Church.

After the Mass, we will gather for lunch in the hall. We warmly invite everyone from our diverse cultures to contribute a dish to share, enhancing our community celebration of this special day.

If you or your group would like to participate in the Multicultural Mass, please contact Fr Joseph or Sandra at the Parish Office. We encourage everyone to come dressed in their country's traditional costume. The Mass will include singing and readings in the native languages of our parishioners.

Join us in this celebration as we recognize and appreciate the unique richness and diversity of our Catholic faith!

Conversations on 'Elder' Matters (2 Sessions)

The experience of ageing is as unique as each individual and so can present both gifts and challenges throughout our lives. As we grow older, the challenges often become more prominent and confronting, and can impact our independence, family relationships, confidence, faith and general wellbeing.

As families and loved ones, we are also affected as we experience vicariously these many and complex challenges of ageing, and struggle to understand how best to promote and support wellbeing, while also reminding our loved ones of their ongoing worth and wisdom.

Do you want to know more? Join us for two evening sessions of input, reflection and discussion led by Trish Carroll.

These conversations will provide an opportunity to discuss:

- Our uniquely lived transitions and experiences of ageing,
- Acknowledgment of wisdom, talents, and contributions,
- Complexities of elder care, and
- The importance of self-care and sustenance.

Trish Carroll is a Kedron parishioner who is a Psychologist and Founder of *Elder Matters* – a private practice focused on supporting individuals who are experiencing the challenges of ageing and/or life transitions.

**When: Wednesday, September 10th & 17th, 2025
from 6.30-7.30pm**

Where: The Parish House – 134 Somerset Road, Kedron

Please contact Sandra at the Parish Office on 3267 4825 or email: kedron@bne.catholic.net.au if you will be attending.

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
the necessary assistance,
take remedial action and
provide mandatory notifica-
tions to the Archdiocese and
the Division of Work Health
and Safety QLD.

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