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RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.00 - 4.30 pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday (Vigil) 5.00pm Sunday 7.30am,

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

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 7th August 2025 (YEAR C)

For some weeks now Luke has been telling us about the cost of discipleship. As a commentary on what was happening in his community and a preparation for what was to come, today's gospel used the hyperbole of hatred to drive home the point. For the earliest Christians a choice for faith in Jesus could be this stark and dramatic: families split up and sometimes people who had loved each other turned their brother or sister, mother or father over to martyrdom. This is the context in which Luke's community produced this Gospel.

It is always good for us to recall that for some of our brothers and sisters beyond these shores the perils of public belief are still like those of Luke's community. Luckily for us the threat of death for our faith is only a very remote possibility. The power of this Gospel is that even if we are not faced with physical death, there are many other dyings that see us share in the cross of Jesus and follow in his way.

The verbs in this passage tell an interesting story: 'carry', 'follow', 'estimate', 'lay foundations', 'plan' and 'give up possessions'. It is a very tough list of things to do. Whatever our situation in life, this Gospel advocates that we figure out our priorities and live them out. In other words, we 'say what we mean and live what we say'.

We often think we could never live without most of the things to which we have become accustomed or attached. But we can. We know from people who have lived through some of the worst events of last century that there are very few things that are essential to a happy life: human dignity; meaning and purpose; love of others; a sense of security. These are the essentials. Each person has a right to them and we have obligations to do our bit to see that they enjoy them. Everything else, as good as it might be, is icing on the cake. The problem is that we 'want our cake and eat it too!'

As Christians we cannot have it both ways. We cannot say we are baptised into the life and death of Christ and not be prepared to sacrifice anything. If material riches come our way, with them come an even greater obligation to share with the poor. If we have talents and energy we are called to put them at the service of improving the world in any way we can. If we want the hope of the resurrection, we have to first carry the cross. So riches, a better world and hope come with a price.

Many of us, however, do not need to be reminded about all this because we carry crosses every day. For some it comes through mental, physical or spiritual ill health. For others it can be in our homes where we have to deal with illness, dysfunction or violence. It can be in our places of employment where we are overworked, undervalued or bullied. Whatever our particular crosses may be we are one with all those who have 'gone before us marked with the sign of faith' and who found Christ in the midst of their suffering. This Gospel promises us that Christ walks beside us bearing the burden of the struggle.

May this Eucharist give us eyes to see Christ present in our most difficult moments and make us more compassionate so we never add to the weight of another person's burden, but help carry it as best we can.

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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 8th September
NO Mass

Tuesday 9th September
Mass 8.00am
Rosary after Mass
Samaritans 9.30am

Wednesday 10th September

Mass 9.00am

NO Mass Delamore 4:45pm 'Elder' Matters Talk 6.30pm

Thursday 11th September Communion Service 8.00am

Friday 12th September Mass 8.00am

Saturday 13th September Reconciliation 4.00pm Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 14th September

(Exaltation of the Cross)

Mass 7.30am, 9.30am

Baptisms 11.00am & 11.45am

Mass 5.30pm

Please pray for our recently deceased:

Jeffery Redshaw, Sandra Frangiosa, June McLeod, Suzanne Kempnich, Sandra Frangiosa, Angela Varricchio,

those whose Anniversaries occur about now:

Maureen Hudson, Dora and Giovanni Di Bella, Nunio La Spina, Maria and Mariano Grasso, Gerda Janssen, Martin Purcell, Brian Purcell, Emma Cuellar, Stanley Kelliher, Feriero, Claremont, Martin Families,

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













Queensland Child Protection Week 7-13 September 2025

From Sunday 7 to Saturday 13 September 2025, we come together to recognise Queensland Child Protection Week — a time to celebrate our shared responsibility in creating safe, supportive, and nurturing environments for children and young people.

Keeping children safe from harm is a responsibility we all share. When communities work together, children grow up feeling valued, protected, and heard.

Children and young people often show great courage when they share their experiences. Listening to them — and believing them — is one of the most powerful ways we can protect them. By responding with care, respect, and action, we send a strong message that their voices matter.

Research shows that children may have to tell several people before someone truly hears them. That's why it's so important for parents, professionals, and community members to listen attentively, seek advice when needed, and take the right steps to ensure safety.

If you believe a child is in immediate danger or a life-threatening situation, call **Triple Zero (000)**.

If you are concerned that a child in Queensland may be experiencing harm, is at risk of harm, or may be neglected, you can:

- During business hours contact your nearest Child Safety Regional Intake Service.
- After hours call the Child Safety After Hours Service Centre on 1800 177 135 (available 24/7).

Together, we can create a Queensland where every child is safe, supported, and able to thrive.

Protecting children is everyone's business.

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 <u>all</u> 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.

MULTICULTURAL MASS

Everyone Belongs Join us on 12th October 2025 at 9.30am Mass

FOLLOWED BY A MULTICULTURAL LUNCH IN THE PARISH



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.

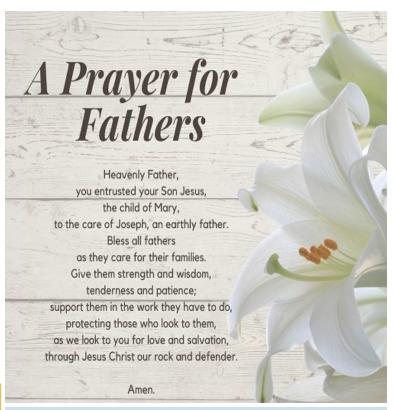
After the Mass, we will gather for lunch in the hall. We warmly invite everyone from our diverse cultures to contribute a dish to share, enhancing our community celebration of this special day.

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!

Leave Your Legacy

Are you wondering how you can make a lasting gift to Kedron Parish? Naming the parish in your Will, after taking care of your loved ones, can make a meaningful and profound gift to our parish. Gifts can be made to the parish or designated to our perpetual endowment fund. By learning more about these and many other giving options, you can create a legacy of giving to your parish community. To learn more please contact the Catholic Foundation at 3324 3200 or call the parish office.



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 conf

ronting, 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 wis-

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 dis-

- · Our uniquely lived transitions and experiences of age-
- · 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,

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.

Franciscus



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. 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.





Kedron Parish Hall - MONDAYS

4:30 - 5:30 and 6:30 - 8pm

Complimentary introductory classes

0408 982 248 Instructor Kate Eggar - 8th Dan Bo

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