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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

Commemoration of all the Faithful Departed – 2nd November 2025 (YEAR C)

Please Note: Our Anointing Mass scheduled for 9.00am on Wednesday, 5th November will now be held at 8.00am.

This change is due to both our priests attending the funeral of **Fr Huong Nguyen**, who kindly celebrated several Masses for us last year.

Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.

May he rest in peace. Amen.

A man died and went to the pearly gates. St Peter met him there. 'Before you meet with God,' St Peter said, 'I thought I should tell you that we've looked at your life, and you really didn't do anything particularly good or bad. We're not at all sure what to do with you. Can you tell us anything you did that can help us make a decision?'

The newly arrived soul thought for a moment and replied, 'Yeah, once I was driving along and came upon a woman who was being harassed by a group of bikies. So I pulled over, got out my wheel brace, and went up to the leader of the bikies. He was a big, muscular, hairy guy with tattoos all over his body and a ring pierced through his nose. Well, I tore the nose ring out of his nose, and told him he and his gang had better stop bothering the woman or they would have to deal with me!' 'I'm very impressed', St Peter responded, 'When did this happen?' 'About two minutes ago!'

All Souls Day has its roots in the sixth century Benedictine tradition of praying to the dead. It was a way of recognising the human bonds which go beyond death. By the tenth century this feast was about praying for the dead, that they might know the merciful love of God.

It is appropriate today for us to think about what a soul is. In an increasingly secular society it's interesting to note that the word 'soul' persists in ordinary conversation. Many non-religious people use this most religious of terms to describe another person. We often hear how others are lonely, distressed, or lost souls. It can be said that someone has a 'beautiful soul' or that a piece of music, a painting or other work of art 'stirred my soul'. We describe mellow jazz as 'soulful' and still alert others to distress by an SOS, 'save our souls'. These uses of the word reinforce St Thomas Aquinas' teaching that the soul makes us human, and sets us apart from other animals.

Nearly all the great religions of the world believe in a soul, or its equivalent – something that survives the annihilation of the body in death. I have come to the opinion that whatever else might characterise the soul, memory is an integral part of it.

I have done several funerals of people who have suffered from Alzheimer's disease. These are rarely very sad occasions because the family invariably says that they 'lost' their loved one months or years before. Why? Because increasingly their loved one couldn't remember anyone or anything. We hold to caring for the body from the womb to the tomb, because we believe that human dignity must always be respected. There are now theories about how even the memories of the circumstances of our conception and birth have a bearing on the way we live our lives. It is also apparent that even when people seem to have lost their memory, or are unconscious, that there is some recognition of some things at a very deep level.

Soul as memory means that when I meet God face to face, I will remember who I am and how I lived, and God will remember me. It's also a comfort for us to think that we will be reunited with those we have loved who have died before us, because we remember each other.

And what is best about a 'remembering soul' is that it is purified. In the old catechism we used to say that heaven was the place where we are perfectly happy with God for eternity. If we think of purgatory as a stage rather than a place, then it's possible to reclaim it as a moment when we see the fullness of God's sacrificial love for us, and recall our sometimes destructive behaviour toward ourselves, others and the world. Purgatory can be a moment where our memory is purified so we can be eternally happy with God in heaven.

So let's remember at this Eucharist all those 'departed souls' we have known and loved over the years, that they might pray for us that we never forget God's saving love and live lives worthy of it.

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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 3rd November

NO Mass

Funeral 10.00am

(for the late Buu Loc Nguyen)

Tuesday 4th November

Mass 8.00am

Rosary after Mass

Samaritans 9.30am

Wednesday 5th November

Mass 8.00am

(Anointing Mass)

Mass Delamore 4:45pm

Thursday 6th November

Mass 8.00am

Friday 7th November

Mass 8.00am

Saturday 8th November

Mass 8.00am

Baptism 11.00am

Reconciliation 4.00pm

Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 9th November

(Dedication of the Lateran Basilica)

Mass 7.30am, 9.30am

Baptisms 11.00am and 11.45am

Mass 5.30pm

Please pray for our recently deceased:

Fr Huong Nguyen, Buu Loc Nguyen, Alexander Goldthorpe, Marie Thompson, Lindsay, Concettina Rolff, Damon Deagon, Rosemary Buckley, Keith Mann, Merle Beahan, Robin Lynch, John Roche,
**those whose
Anniversaries occur about now:**
Bill Cox, Philip Carnes, and Claremont and Souls of Purgatory, Annie Ranger, Akers, John McManus, Feriero Claremont families, Leona Akers, Peter Rossitto, Maureen Hudson

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

HEALING OF THE FAMILY TREE MASS

Are there patterns of sin and/or trauma in your family tree? Bring your family tree Genogram to the healing power of Jesus in the Eucharist at the Anointing Mass to be held at St. Mary Magdalene's Church, 51 Cecil Road, Bardonia, on Friday, 7th November, 2025 at 7.30pm. Fr. William Aupito Luliano will be the celebrant. Preparation information for the Mass and a Genogram are available on the CCR Bardonia website www.ccrbardonia.org.au under "**Resources: Event Resources: Healing of the Family Tree Mass**". The information and Genogram will also be available at the Church on the night. The Genograms will be brought to the Altar at the Offertory. Personal prayer for healing will be available after Mass. For further information contact Len Airey. Email: lenpatairey@gmail.com or 0421 977 849

All Saints' Day (November 1) honors all saints and martyrs, both known and unknown, while **All Souls' Day** (November 2) is a day for prayer and remembrance for all the departed faithful. These two consecutive Christian observances, also known as [Allhallowtide](#), conclude with customs like visiting graves, lighting candles, and praying for those who have died.

All Saints' Day (November 1)

Purpose:

To commemorate all the saints and martyrs throughout Christian history.

Significance:

Since there were too many martyrs to honor individually, a common feast day was established to remember all the holy men and women in heaven.

Observance:

It is also known as [All Hallows' Day](#) or [Hallowmas](#).

All Souls' Day (November 2)

Purpose:

To pray for the souls of all the faithful departed, especially those in purgatory who are not yet in heaven.

Significance:

It is a day for the living to assist the departed through prayer and remembrance, helping them on their journey to the Beatific Vision of God.

Observance:

This day is also called the [Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed](#).

Traditions

Visiting graves:

Families and communities visit the graves of loved ones, cleaning, decorating, and offering prayers.

Lighting candles:

Candles are often lit on graves to symbolize hope and light, with communities creating a spectacle of light in cemeteries at night.

Prayers and Masses:

Special Masses are said, and people may write the names of their loved ones in a [book of remembrance](#) to be prayed for throughout November.

Symbolic gestures:

Traditions vary by culture, but often involve acts of remembrance, community, and honoring the cycle of life and death.

Reconciliation (Sacrament of Penance)

Every Saturday from 4.00pm to 4.30pm

On conclusion of Reconciliations at 4.30pm, we appreciate your cooperation and understanding that the priest will then be doing their final preparations for the celebration of Mass.

If you need to speak with a priest for a longer time than a brief Confession. Please make an appointment with the office for a time when you can discuss issues with a priest at a longer appointment.

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

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.

Safeguarding Volunteer member wanted

As a Safeguarding volunteer representative, you will be responsible for ensuring that the members of our parish community are aware of the policies and procedures in place to safeguard children and vulnerable adults. You will also be a point of contact for anyone who has concerns or suspicions about the safety or well-being of someone in the parish community. Training will be provided to all Safeguarding representatives to ensure that you have the knowledge and tools necessary to fulfil your role effectively. The safety and well-being of our community is everyone's responsibility, and we hope that you will consider joining us in this important work. To find out more or to express your interest in becoming a Safeguarding representative, please contact our Parish Manager Sandra at the Office on 3267 4825.

Thank you for your commitment to keeping our parish community safe.

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.

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.

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.

Laudato Si

The Conference of the Parties (COP30) to the United Nations Framework Convention on Climate Change will meet in Belém in Brazil, November 10-21, 2025. It is of theological, spiritual and religious, as well as practical concern. The World Council of Churches' (WCC) Bishop Bedford-Strohm has said, "We believe that every human being is created in the image of God equally. And we believe that it makes a difference if we believe and say that God is the creator of this earth. It means that each human being has the same right to enjoy the fruits of the earth." (<https://www.oikoumene.org/news/faith-leaders-position-about-cop30-as-peoples-cop>). Common ground (literally) and "the universal destination of goods" prompts ethical questions arising from deep theological 'tenets' (what a group 'holds'). The Christian Universities study an intellectual and practical set of traditional and emerging ethical, moral and spiritual, social-thought paradigms (<https://theo.kuleuven.be/en/research/centres/ccst>). The range of faith groups engaging with the political, commercial and technical spheres is legion and well represented for Catholics by the Laudato Si' Movement's engagement with the Global Ethical Stocktake in advance of COP 30. (<https://cop30.br/en/news-about-cop30/at-the-vaticans-global-ethical-stocktake-religious-and-spiritual-leaders-discuss-tackling-climate-change>). See also the WCC (<https://www.oikoumene.org/news/international-eco-theological-symposium-addresses-shared-responsibility>)

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!



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