

The Parish Community of St Thérèse and St Anthony

The Little Flower Church - In the care of the Franciscan Friars

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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

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday: For 24 hrs after the 8am Mass
until the start of Friday 8am Mass

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

1st Wednesday of the month at 9.00am

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 3rd Sunday of the Month-
9.30am
(School Term Only)

FAMILY MASS

4th Sunday of the Month at 9.30am
(School term only)

ST VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

2nd and 4th Monday of the Month at 7.00pm
(Parish Office)

SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER

3rd Sunday of every Month at 9.30am
Jim Kearney 0410 881 622

SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE

Mrs Sandra Di Francesco
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The Most Holy Trinity – 26th May 2024 (YEAR B)

Reflection...

One of the things we often hear in times of domestic, local or international crisis is that 'everyone pulled together'. We are rightly proud, and a few times amazed, at how people can set aside their differences and strive for the common good. Sometimes this experience of working together has the long-lasting benefit of breaking down boundaries. Other times, sadly, old enmities, prejudices and suspicions return when the crisis is over.

Trinity Sunday celebrates that whether we are in crisis or not, in season and out of season, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit do nothing but 'pull together' to love and save us. What we glimpse as the best attribute of our family, town or nation defines who our Christian God is, and what they see, how they judge and the way they act toward the world.

A famous icon of the Trinity depicts the three persons at a table where there are four place settings. The final place, in the lower half of the painting, invites the viewer to take the seat and join them. It's profound theology and masterful art, but we can quickly misunderstand it.

We are not just personally invited to join in the very life of God, and pull together with them in their loving and saving of the world. The seat at the table is reserved for all of humanity.

In practical terms it is impossible to profess belief in the Trinity, on the one hand, and then work at things which pull the human family apart, on the other. It is scandalous to hold to the Father, Son and Holy Spirit and be known as racist, bigoted and sexist, to not care about refugees or those who die each day of starvation. We cannot keep signing ourselves in the name of a Triune God and then work hard at getting richer and more secure while the rest of humanity grow poorer and lack the necessities for human dignity. Ghandi once said, 'I love the New Testament and the Christian ideas about God and I would take the waters of Christian baptism tomorrow if I saw Christians practise what they the preach.'

Trinity Sunday is not about theological mathematics, working out how three goes into one. It's about gaining the strength at this Eucharist to pull together to see that all of God's children have the opportunity to hear the good news of how much God loves us as Father, Son and Holy Spirit, and so can take their privileged place at God's table. Most people will learn about the saving love of God primarily through the way they observe us seeing, judging and acting.

It's not by accident that in our Catholic tradition the usual moment we invoke the Trinity is when we make the sign of the cross. It reminds us that 'we cannot have our cake and eat it too'. Every time we profess the Trinity we recommit ourselves to die to self so that God's saving love may be realised for everyone, everywhere.

So let's not only profess our belief in the three persons that make up our one God, but live the life that goes with it, 'In the name of the Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. Amen.'

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**PARISH EVENTS
THIS WEEK**

Monday 27th May
NO Mass

Tuesday 28th May
Mass 8.00am

Rosary after Mass
Samaritans 9.30am
Funeral 11.00am

{for the later Liana Aitchison}

Wednesday 29th May
Mass 9.00am

Mass Delamore 4:45pm
Padua House Eucharist 6.30pm
{Quintavalle}

Thursday 30th May
Mass 8.00am
24hr Perpetual Adoration
Encounter 6.00pm

Friday 31st May
Mass 8.00am
Divine Will Prayer Group 8.30am
Christian Meditation 9.00am

Saturday 1st June
Baptismal Information 11.00am
Reconciliation 4.00pm
Vigil Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 2nd June
{The Body and Blood of Christ}
Mass 7.30am, 9.30am
Confirmation Workshop 1.00pm
Mass 5.30pm

INVITATION TO A HEALING MASS

Are you in need of healing prayer for you or your family? An invitation is extended to the people of the Archdiocese to attend a healing Mass at S. Mary Magdalene's Church, 51 Cecil Road, Bardonia, Friday, 7th June, 2024 at 7.30pm. Fr. Thomas Varkey will be the celebrant. The Sacrament of Healing will be administered during Mass together with a personal prayer. Prayer ministry will also be offered after Mass for anyone who would like further prayer. Supper will be provided. For more information, contact Len Airey on 0421 977 849 or by email to lenpatairey@gmail.com



RCIA: The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

Interested to learn about the Catholic faith?
Baptised Catholic but not received Confirmation or Holy Communion?
Baptised, but have had little or no formal religious education and would like to learn more about your faith?

Baptised in another Christian church and would like to explore becoming a Catholic?

Kedron Parish offers a group-based program called the RCIA that helps people learn about the Catholic faith and their relationship with God.

If you, or anyone you know would like to find out more, please ask them to contact the parish office on 3267 4825 or by email on kedron@bne.catholic.net.au.

Baptism Preparation

If you have a child and wish them to be baptised, we have an information and preparation session in the church at 11am usually on the first Saturday of each month. At this short meeting, we explain the meaning of Baptism and the ceremony, answer questions and finalise dates. Further details can be obtained from the parish office (3267 4825) or email: kedron@bne.catholic.net.au

Our next baptismal Information will be
Saturday 1st June at 11.00am

Planned Giving Envelopes will be issued mid June for the next campaign period starting in the first week of July. For those no longer wishing to use envelopes and would like to move across to planned giving via your bank account or credit card, please contact the parish office. We would appreciate hearing from you before the end of May as there are internal processes to do before the envelopes can be issued.

The Samaritan Community



Join us on Tuesday mornings at 9:30 am at Parish Hall for a morning filled with fun, laughter, and meaningful conversations. This is an excellent opportunity to meet new people, make friends, and participate in exciting activities and games.

Thank you on behalf of the Samaritan Committee.

New volunteers always welcome.

Please pray for our recently deceased:

Liana Aitchison, Kelliher, Merryn Werda, Suzanne Hickey, Stephen Best, Rhett Evans, Barry Searle, Paul Corkeron,

those whose

Anniversaries occur about now:

Pierre Nobin, AnneMarie Kofler, Veronica Rame Soegiarti, Jack (John Matthie) Hennessy, Peter Moran, Ross Caruso, Mary Vedove, Anne McManus, Ron D'Arx,

SYNOD24 PRAYER

Creator Spirit, whose breath of life *makes all things new*.

We gather around Your table of communion,
as many parts of one body,
grounded in the hope, joy and mission of the Risen Christ.

We open our minds and hearts,
so we can be nourished and enlivened by Your presence,
ready *to be* the hope, joy and mission of the Risen Christ.

We make space for the many stories of hurt, exclusion and silence of those within, and on the very edges of our communities,
so we may be *in service* of the hope, joy and mission of the Risen Christ.

As your breath of life flows in us and through us,
may we be a vessel for Your bold creativity
so we may be the *hands and feet* of the hope, joy
and mission of the Risen Christ.

We ask this in the name of the Risen Christ,
Amen.





Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 31st May]

We reflect on the beautiful encounter between Mary and her cousin Elizabeth, as described in the Gospel of Luke 1:39-56. This passage invites us to contemplate the profound significance of this meeting and draws our attention to the virtues of humility, faith, and joy that Mary exemplifies for all of us.

The Journey of Love and Humility

When Mary received the angel Gabriel's message that she would conceive the Son

of God, she humbly accepted her role in God's plan. Filled with the Holy Spirit, she embarked on a journey to visit her cousin Elizabeth, who was also with child. Mary's visitation reminds us of the importance of reaching out to others, especially in times of need. It demonstrates the power of genuine love and solidarity, as Mary selflessly went to assist Elizabeth during her own miraculous pregnancy.

Elizabeth's Greeting and Recognition

Upon Mary's arrival, Elizabeth was filled with the Holy Spirit and recognized the profound significance of Mary's presence. In a beautiful outpouring of praise, Elizabeth exclaimed, "Blessed are you among women, and blessed is the fruit of your womb!" Elizabeth's words echo through the centuries, affirming the unique and blessed role that Mary would play in salvation history. Her recognition of Mary's divine mission highlights the deep faith and spiritual insight that comes from being attuned to God's presence.

The Magnificat: A Hymn of Praise

In response to Elizabeth's greeting, Mary offers her profound hymn of praise, known as the Magnificat. This prayer encapsulates Mary's deep faith and trust in God's providence. Mary's soul magnifies the Lord, and she rejoices in God her Savior. Her words proclaim the great things that the Almighty has done for her and for all generations. Mary's faith teaches us to trust in God's promises and to give glory to Him in all circumstances. The Magnificat is not only a song of personal gratitude but also a prophetic declaration of God's justice and mercy.

Joy in the Presence of Christ

The encounter between Mary and Elizabeth is a celebration of the joy that springs from a life of faith and surrender to God's will. Both women exude a contagious joy that arises from their encounter with the divine. Elizabeth's baby, John the Baptist, leaps in her womb at the sound of Mary's voice, recognizing the presence of the unborn Christ. This moment serves as a reminder that true joy comes from embracing the presence of Jesus in our lives, allowing Him to transform us from within. The leaping of John in the womb symbolizes the prophetic recognition and the joy that the Messiah brings to all.

Imitating the Virtues of Mary and Elizabeth

As we reflect on the Feast of the Visitation, we are called to imitate the virtues displayed by Mary and Elizabeth. We are invited to approach others with humility, compassion, and a readiness to serve. We are encouraged to deepen our faith, to trust in God's plan for our lives, and to surrender ourselves to His will. And we are reminded that true joy is found in encountering Christ and sharing His love with those around us. The Visitation teaches us that our encounters with others should be marked by the same selflessness, faith, and joy that characterized the meeting of these two holy women.

The Feast of the Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary offers a profound reflection on humility, faith, and joy. Mary's journey to Elizabeth's home, Elizabeth's recognition of Mary's blessedness, the Magnificat's hymn of praise, and the joy of Christ's presence all provide deep spiritual insights. As we celebrate this feast, let us strive to embody these virtues in our lives, reaching out to others with love, deepening our faith, and finding joy in Christ's presence.

Date Claimer
Padua College

2024

8th Annual
St Bonaventure Lecture

Monday 15 July
6:00pm for a 6:30pm Start
Padua College, Auditorium

Supper served afterwards
Booking details to come

Laudato Si

Pentecost is the birthday of the community of Christ. What we know of our Christian God is through Jesus in the Gospels and the wisdom of the Old Testament with the ongoing inspiration by the Holy Spirit. The Spirit which has prompted saints, mystics, and conscience - individually and in the universal church with the 'sense of faith' and 'sense of the faithful'. Laudato Si' Week emphasizes participation, communion and mission and sows "Seeds of Hope". Communion or 'oneness with', is participation with the "Kingdom" of God - kin being all God's creatures in our common home. "Seeds of Hope" is the theme and is inspired by the Season of Creation 2024 (Sept 1st to Oct 4th) theme, "first fruits" (from Rom 8:19-25). See: <https://seasonofcreation.org/2024/02/02/soc-2024-to-hope-and-act-with-creation/>. Parishes throughout Australia and across the world are being exhorted to act in communion within their multifarious 'ecologies'. See the official Laudato Si' Week 2024 website for resources: <https://laudatosiweek.org/> and the Catholic Justice and Peace Commission of Brisbane page for Laudato Si' Week 2024: <https://cjpbrisbane.com/2024/05/16/laudato-si-week-2024/>

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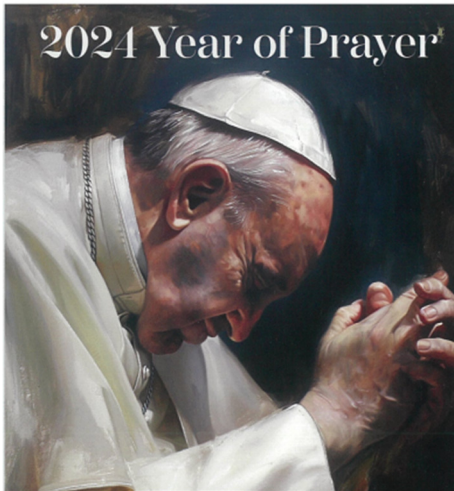
**THURSDAYS
6:30-8:30PM**

Held every Thursday during the school term in the Little Flower Parish hall, full of fun, games, challenges, live music, friends, faith and input. We focus on helping the youth build their relationship with God and each other.

To receive the Parish Newsletter and other resources by email, please print your details here, tear off this section, and drop it in the suggestion box at the church door .

Name: _____ Email: _____

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



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.



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.



Taekwondo in the PARISH HALL

Mondays 4:30, 5:45 and 7pm
All ages welcome - family discounts
Fair Play Vouchers and NDIS supported
Kate Eggar - 7th Dan Instructor
0408 982 248



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