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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 TIMESMondayNO MASS and Tuesday 8.00amWednesday9.00amThursday8.00am and Friday 8.00am

**EUCHARISTIC 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 3th 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

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#### 10th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 9 June 2024 (YEAR B)

#### Avoiding the real Jesus

This Gospel passage portrays two ways in which we can reject the *real* Jesus Christ. One way is quite common and we all engage in it to one degree or another. Thank goodness it is forgivable. The other is rare but has very dire consequences.

The first way is to domesticate Jesus, and that is what members of his blood family were trying to do. They thought he was 'out of his mind', already provoking a severe reaction from the religious and political authorities. He was madly putting himself in harm's way and he had to be restrained.

But Jesus would not give up his mission to establish the reign of God on earth, the signs of which were the curing of bodies and minds, and the forgiving of sins, embodying the merciful healing presence of God, come what may (and he did know what was coming!).

His Nazareth family were trying to reduce him to manageable size so that he did not imperil himself, and them. So, he dramatically creates a new family constituted by those who, like him, are dedicated to doing the will of God.

You and I have to ask: 'Have I tried to domesticate Jesus Christ, to reduce him to a non-threatening Jesus-meek-and-mild?' If so, we are closer to the family of Nazareth standing just outside his circle, ready to run for cover, than to the family of Jesus Christ seated around him really listening to him and therefore vulnerable.

The second way to reject the real Jesus Christ is to completely, and with malice aforethought, misconstrue all the evidence of Jesus' mission on earth and claim that it must be Satanic, that he must be in league with the devil.

Jesus quickly retorts that, if that were the case there must be a civil war going on in Satania, because he is constantly undoing the devil's work by merciful healing. The charge is nonsense.

Worse than that, if you grievously mislead others by saying publicly, as did these religious leaders, that Jesus is diabolically acting because 'He has an unclean spirit', then it is this malicious misleading of others that is unforgiveable. You have deliberately put the salvation of others at risk.

This is real blasphemy, not some outburst of language disrespecting God, but a deliberate turning against God's plan to send the Holy Spirit of Jesus Christ amongst us for our salvation.

You have also made yourself the sort of person who, at death, will not recognise the saving presence of the Risen Lord for who he is – the source of forgiveness necessary to be swept up into the loving eternal life of God.

The fact that you are here listening to this homily leads me, with pastoral confidence not presumption, to say that you need not be worried that you have committed *this* blasphemy.

You and I may be more justly worried about the first mode of rejection of the real Jesus.

Fortunately, we can with the grace of God recognise this and determine to read and hear the Gospels, discern the will of God for our lives and come back within the ultimate family allegiance of those who dare to call God 'our Father'.

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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 10th June NO Mass

Tuesday 11th June Mass 8.00am Rosary after Mass Samaritans 9.30am

<u>Wednesday 12th June</u> Mass 9.00am Funeral 10.30am {for the late Cecily Turnbull] NO Mass Delamore 4:45pm

<u>Thursday 13th June</u> Mass 8.00am 24hr Perpetual Adoration Encounter 6.00pm

Friday 14th June Mass 8.00am Christian Meditation 9.00am

> Saturday 15th June Reconciliation 4.00pm Vigil Mass 5.00pm

## Sunday 16th June

[11th Sunday in Ordinary Time] Mass 7.30am, 9.30am Mass 5.30pm



### 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:

Cecily Turnbull, Paul Dobrec, Brother Jim Fitzgerald ofm, Liana Aitchison, Kelliher, Mervyn-Werda, Suzanne Hickey, Stephen Best, Rhett Evans, Barry Searle, Paul Corkeron,

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Anniversaries occur about now: Clair Murphy, Anna Thomas,Pierre Nobin, AnneMarie Kofler, Veronica Rame Soegiarti, Jack (John Matthie) Hennessy, Peter Moran, Ross Caruso, Mary Vedove, Anne McManus, Ron D'Arx,



#### St Anthony of Padua

Saint Anthony was born Fernando Martins in Lisbon, Portugal. He was born into a wealthy family and by the age of fifteen asked to be sent to the Abbey of Santa Cruz in Coimbra, the then capital of Portugal. During his time in the Abbey, he learned theology and Latin. Following his ordination to the priesthood, he was named guest master and was responsible for the abbey's hospitality. When Franciscan friars settled a small hermitage outside Coimbra dedicated to Saint Anthony of Egypt, Fernando felt a longing to join them. Fernando eventually received permission to leave the Abbey so he could join the new Franciscan Order. When he was admitted, he changed his name to Anthony.

Anthony then travelled to Morocco to spread God's truth, but became extremely sick and was returned to Portugal to recover. The return voyage was blown offcourse and the party arrived in Sicily, from which they travelled to Tuscany. Anthony was assigned to the hermitage of San Paolo after local friars considered his health. There, he was assigned to work in the kitchen and as well, he spent time praying and studying.

Some time later, Dominican friars came to visit the Franciscans and there was confusion over who would present the homily. The Dominicans were known for their preaching, thus the Franciscans assumed it was they who would provide a homilist, but the Dominicans assumed the Franciscans would provide one. It was then the head of the Franciscan hermitage asked Anthony to speak on whatever the Holy Spirit told him to speak about.

Though he tried to object, Anthony delivered an eloquent and moving homily that impressed both groups. Soon, news of his eloquence reached Francis of Assisi, who held a strong distrust of the brotherhood's commitment to a life of poverty. However, in Anthony, he found a friend.

In 1224, Francis entrusted his friars' pursuits of studies to Anthony. Anthony had a book of psalms that contained notes and comments to help when teaching students and, in a time when a printing press was not yet invented, he greatly valued it.

When a novice decided to leave the hermitage, he stole Anthony's valuable book. When Anthony discovered it was missing, he prayed it would be found or returned to him. The thief *did* return the book and in an extra step returned to the Order as well. The book is said to be preserved in the Franciscan friary in Bologna today.

Anthony occasionally taught at the universities of Montpellier and Toulouse in southern France, but he performed best in the role of a preacher. So simple and resounding was his teaching of the Catholic Faith, most unlettered and the innocent could understand his messages. It is for this reason he was declared a Doctor of the Church by Pope Pius XII in 1946.

Once, when St. Anthony of Padua attempted to preach the true Gospel of the Catholic Church to heretics who would not listen to him, he went out and preached his message to the fish. This was not, as liberals and naturalists have tried to say, for the instruction of the fish, but rather for the glory of God, the delight of the angels, and the easing of his own heart. When critics saw the fish begin to gather, they realized they should also listen to what Anthony had to say.

He was only 35-years-old when he died and was canonized less than one year afterward by Pope Gregory IX. Upon exhumation some 336 years after his death, his body was found to be corrupted, yet his tongue was totally incorrupt, so perfect were the teachings that had been formed upon it.

He is typically depicted with a book and the Infant Child Jesus and is commonly referred to today as the "finder of lost articles."

St Anthony is venerated all over the world as the Patron Saint for lost articles, and is credited with many miracles involving lost people, lost things and even lost spiritual goods.





Brisbane Archdiocese is just over three months out ... SYNOD24 is an event that aims to develop action plans to help the Brisbane Archdiocese implement the focus areas (Decrees) from the Plenary Council. You can find a brief explanation of each area of focus (Decree) at: <u>https://aobsynod2024.com/plenary-councilresources/</u>

SYNOD24 will take place over two days in September and two days in October. Approximately 150 people representing the diversity of the Archdiocese will gather to discuss, debate, and vote on proposed practical and measurable action plans. Attendance is mandatory for all four days. More details about SYNOD24 can be found at:

https://aobsynod2024.com/what-is-synod24/

Plenary Council Decree 7 mandates that all dioceses and eparchies hold a synod by the end of 2025. SYNOD24 is our response to this requirement. You can download all Plenary Council Decrees at:

https://aobsynod2024.com/plenary-council-resources/

SYNOD24 is a continuation of the extensive consultation, listening, and discernment that has occurred throughout the Plenary Council journey since 2018. Consultations in March, April, and May have focused on including voices that were previously unheard, such as those on the margins, experts, and experienced practitioners. This ensures that the action plans are practical, measurable, and truly reflective of the needs of the Archdiocese. To review the Plenary Council journey since 2018, visit: <u>https://aobsynod2024.com/what-is-synod24/</u>

For additional information about SYNOD24: <u>www.aobsynod2024.com</u>

## 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.



### Laudato Si

"New relationships, not based on ties of blood or tribal allegiance, but on responsiveness to God". So theologian Elizabeth A. Johnson CSJ says in her book, Come, Have Breakfast – Meditations on God and the Earth. (Orbis 2024 p. 109) commenting on Mark 3: 33-35, "Here is my mother and my brothers, for whoever does the will of God is my brother and sister and mother". She asks, "What would it be like if we emulated the gaze of Jesus? Try looking at the world with this kind of regard. The whole cosmos would come clear as God's Beloved creation. The natural world down to its least member would appear as a wonder. We would see and be rightfully angered by injustice rather than ignore or deny its brutality" (p. 110) See John Dear SJ, Marie Denis and Beth Johnson discuss violence, non-violence and emerging theological perspectives: https:// www.youtube.com/watch?v=ks6q4RB3wZg Johnson in this new book is offering 'contemplaction' on the connections 'cry of the poor' and 'cry of the earth'. Laudato Si' decries, "wars, albeit under the guise of noble claims. (LS 33)

## ENCOUNTER KEDRON

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 eachother. THURSDAYS 6:30-8:30PM



**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** 

## ARCHDIOCESE F BRISBANE

## **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.

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility. Respect & Protect.

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## 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





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 – 7<sup>th</sup> Dan Instructor

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