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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

SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE Mrs Sandra Di Francesco Ph: 0448 356 599

11th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 16 June 2024 (YEAR B)

The Sowing of the Seed

In Australia, so far as I know, a farmer ploughs the land and *then* plants the seed. In Galilee, the farmer scattered the seed on the old field and therefore on tracks which people made walking across it after cropping, on thorny areas, and also on what he hoped was good soil. He *then* ploughed in the seed.

It is a wonder that anything grew, and generally the return was about 7:1. In a previous parable Jesus had spoken of the Kingdom he was inaugurating as if it would turn out to be like a bumper harvest of up to a hundredfold.

What would such a harvest mean for a peasant tilling the rocky soil of Galilee? It would mean release from the endless servitude to a landlord, generation after generation. It would mean liberation, not only from hunger, but from the power structure which was quite content with a permanent underclass of subsistence farmers.

In other words, Jesus was telling his listeners that God's Kingdom would turn the world as they knew it 'upside down'. As Mary sang in the Magnificat: 'The hungry he has filled with good things, the rich sent empty away.' Power structures would be shattered by the impulses of the Gospel to create a society where there was a just distribution of the world's resources.

Naturally, the peasant farmers of Galilee wanted to know 'when' and 'how'. We want to know the 'when' and the 'how' of the fulfilment of the Kingdom of God.

Jesus' answer to them, and to us, is basically: 'It is not for you to know. Just get on with the sowing of the Gospel seed. Something will happen with the seed you sow, something out of all proportion to your part in the process.'

Our Lord pictured this by contrasting the tiny mustard seed and the mustard bush which he even exaggerates into a tree in which birds could find shelter!

In this parable Jesus says: 'Be patient, allow the creative power of God to work in the earth and the small seed will be "raised up".'

When did God's creative power work in the depths of the stony ground so that the Gospel Seed was raised up? The answer is, of course, in the Resurrection of Our Lord Jesus Christ.

And what effect did this have? We read in the Acts of the Apostles concerning the early Christian community that 'The faithful all lived together and owned everything in common; they sold their goods and possessions and shared out the proceeds among themselves according to what each one needed.' (Acts 2:44)

In other words, the social system was being subverted by the power of the Gospel. A more just distribution of resources was taking place in the immediate aftermath of the proclamation of the Resurrection by Peter on the Feast of Pentecost.

I think it is very telling that a little further on in the Acts of the Apostles we read: 'The whole group of believers was united, heart and soul; no-one claimed for his own use anything that he had, as everything they owned was held in common. The apostles continued to testify to the resurrection of the Lord Jesus with great power.' (Acts 4:32-33)

There is a correlation between the commitment of Christians to a just distribution of the world's resources and the proclamation of the Lord's resurrection. Only if the commitment is authentic and real will the proclamation be powerful and effective.

So,

let us lead lives with an authentic dimension of social justice,

let us get on with sowing the seed of the Gospel whenever we get the opportunity,

let God get on with germinating that seed with the power of the Resurrection so that

the Tree of Life may grow to such a height that all peoples 'can shelter in its shade.'

© Fr Michael Tate

"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 17th June NO Mass SVdP 7.00pm

Tuesday 18th June NO Mass 8.00am Rosary after Mass Samaritans 9.30am

Wednesday 19th June Communion Service 9.00am NO Mass Delamore 4:45pm

> Thursday 20th June NO Mass 8.00am Encounter 6.00pm

Friday 21st June NO Mass 8.00am Christian Meditation 9.00am

> Saturday 22nd June Reconciliation 4.00pm Vigil Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 23rd June

[12th Sunday in Ordinary Time] Mass 7.30am, 9.30am Baptisms 11.00am and 11.45am Mass 5.30pm



The Samaritan Community

Next Tuesday 18th June The Samaritans will be taking a break for two weeks until they return back on the 9th July.

If you have any spare time and would like to be part of a wonderful community please join the Samaritans 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,

those whose

Anniversaries occur about now: Rannie Nedtran, 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,

Sacramental Programme First Holy Communion

Our Sacramental Programme is family-centred and Parish-based. It is a partnership in which families and the Parish community work together in the preparation and celebration of the Sacraments for our children. In this context, children can better learn what it means to be a Catholic.

Any baptised Catholic child in **Grade 4 or above who has made their Confirmation** is eligible to enrol and prepare for the Sacrament of Holy Communion.

Rosemary Woods is the Sacramental Coordinator and can be contacted for all enquiries and enrolment forms via email at: **sacramental.kedron@bne.catholic.net.au**

Key Dates for First Holy Communion 2024

Enrolments Open from: June 17th - July 16th

A. Information Session

Monday 15th of July at 4pm <u>or</u> Tuesday 16th of July at 7pm

at the Church of St Therese and St Anthony, 80 Turner Road, Kedron. Please attend one of these sessions, at which there will be an overview of the Sacrament of Holy Communion and details regarding the program.

B. Enrolment Mass All children with one parent are required to attend the following Mass

July 21st (Sunday) at 5.30pm

C. Workshop (One parent must attend, and please no siblings) August 18th (Sunday) 1.00pm - 3.00pm

D. First Holy Communion Masses August 24th (Saturday) 5:00pm August 25th (Sunday) 9:30am, 5.30pm

August 31st (Saturday) 5.00pm September 1st (Sunday) 9.30am

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.

Two Minutes Homilies...

Priests from around the Archdiocese are preparing "Two Minute Homilies" and uploading them on social media platforms on a weekly basis now. To view or listen to a podcast please visit htttp:// brisbanecatholic.org.au/ ultimedia/two-minutehomilies/ at your leisure.

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. CCR Brisbane will once again be running Healing Prayer Ministry training for Level 1, based on the Christian Healing Ministries model. Attached is detailed information re topics covered, dates, registration etc. This is for anyone who is interested in learning more about praying for healing, whether they be those who wish to receive healing or those who wish to pray with others for healing.

For more information, please contact: Jenny 0432 968 892 or Miriam <u>prayercentre@ccrbrisbane.org.au</u>

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," your Envelopes, 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, Envelope No.**

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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.

SYNOD24 PRAYER

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

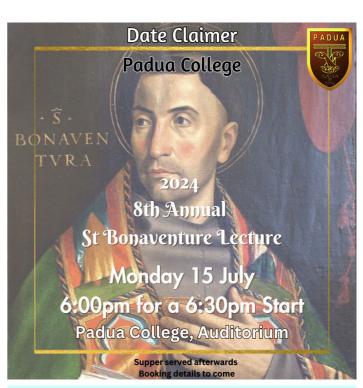
We gather around Your table of communion, as many parts of one body, grounded in the hope, joy and mission of the Risen Christ.

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

All people of good will and we of faith can see and seek to see more clearly, from the ideal to the real, from the prose to the poetry, from thought to action. Warfare and ecological devastation have many causes in thinking and tragically in action. We see the poetry in, "like a mustard seed" - the kingdom of God develops quietly yet powerfully like seed germination. And seers offer enlightening prose, "the gift of creation has resulted in millions of species of astonishing variety, including the species, Homo sapiens. All of these have a radical relationship with their Creator. All share the identity of being cherished by God, whose very essence is love". Elizabeth A. Johnson looks at psalm 104 for a different earth-order than dominion misconstrued as domination by humans, where "the psalm does not ignore the skills and ingenuity of people, these are set within the skein of life shared with other, not above or outside of the community of creation" (Come have Breakfast - Meditations on God and the Earth. p.8 f). Might we meditate and act like responsible and God-loved community members of our earth in these times troubled by us.

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

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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 – 7th Dan Instructor

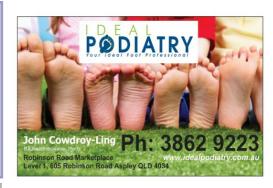
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WHS Incident Report. Parishioners and visitors are reminded of the requirement to immediately report any health or safety incident, injury or damage that occurs within our Parish. Reporting assists our Parish to provide the necessary assistance, remedial action and take provide mandatory notifications to the Archdiocese and the Division of Work Health and Safety QLD.





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