

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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13th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 30 June 2024 (YEAR B)

Subverting the Social Order

This is a story of subversion, subversion of the social order turned upside down by the healing presence of Jesus.

Jesus is approached by one of the local elite: a male, with a name [Jairus], prestige, an advocate for his twelve year old daughter, and he knows the correct procedure, adopting a deferential posture.

Jesus hears his request to heal his daughter and sets off.

Jesus' progress is stopped in its tracks by a contrary figure: a woman, with no name, voiceless, because of her haemorrhaging blood ostracised from social and religious contacts, and she adopted the utterly wrong approach. She touched Jesus, or at least his clothing, which risked contaminating him with her 'uncleanness'.

But she was immediately healed. This voiceless, marginalised woman was healed at every level of her person: physical, social and religious. She could now mix with people and attend the synagogue.

All the woman needed to do was get close and have faith that Jesus would restore her to a life worthy of a human being.

By the way, that is the best way to approach confession.

You or I should come into the confessional conscious of whatever is making one ill-at-ease with God because of something one has done or failed to do. Bring that dis-ease into close proximity to Jesus as the Divine Physician. The confessional is 'the hem of his cloak'.

But to return to the Gospel. Jesus stops and looks around: 'Who touched me?' The disciples are unreconstructed supporters of the social status quo. They regard stopping to find out who touched Jesus as an unfortunate and rather misguided interruption to the important task of continuing on to the house of the local leader, the male at the top of the social scale who had so properly pleaded on behalf of his daughter.

But, Jesus does stop and one of the most beautiful moments in the Gospel ensues.

The woman gets her voice back, tells Jesus it was she who had broken all the taboos and touched him. He turns to her and says:

'Daughter, your faith has made you well; go in peace and be healed of your disease.'

He, Our Lord Jesus Christ, calls the outcast who had endured social isolation for twelve years, 'Daughter'. This woman heard this term of relationship, this term of affection and care, 'Daughter', from the lips of Jesus. Can you imagine the liberating and joyful effect of hearing that title of honour and love from Our Lord?

Yes, Jesus went on to heal the little girl. But unlike the disciples he did not regard stopping as an interruption. It was a priority which totally subverted the expectations and the power structures of that society.

We are not Hindus. A caste system within the church is utterly at odds with this gospel. The Church is distorted if power, prestige, pedigree or wealth give one special status. The saving and healing presence of Jesus must always be allowed to be radically egalitarian.

This is good for you and for me when we need the presence of Jesus, the Divine Physician. You and I are a priority when we need that healing presence.

I want you to close your eyes for a moment. Bring to mind whatever it is that is making you ill-at-ease with God. Something you have done or failed to do you now experience as a dis-ease in part of your personality.

Then say with the woman of today's gospel: 'I will touch the outer garment of my Lord and Saviour. I believe he will forgive me and heal me.' Say it with her profound confidence in divine power.

Keep your eyes closed and hear Him say to you:

'My son [or] my daughter, my son [or] my daughter your faith has made you well;

go in peace and be healed of your dis-ease.'

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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 1st July
NO Mass
SVdP 7.00pm

Tuesday 2nd July
Mass 8.00am
Rosary after Mass
NO Samaritans 9.30am

Wednesday 3rd July
Mass 9.00am
NO Mass Delamore 4:45pm

Thursday 4th July
Mass 8.00am
Perpetual Adoration

Friday 5th July
Mass 8.00am
Divine Will Prayer Group 8.30am
Christian Meditation 9.00am

Saturday 6th July
Baptismal Information 11.00am
Reconciliation 4.00pm
Vigil Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 7th July
[14th Sunday in Ordinary Time]
Mass 7.30am, 9.30am
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:

Cristina Pizzica, Stephen Reed, Noel Fauth ofm, 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:

Mary Therakam, Rannie Nedtran, Clair Murphy, Anna Thomas, Pierre Nobin, AnneMarie Kofler, Veronica Rame Soegiarti, Jack (John Matthe) Hennessy, Peter Moran, Ross Caruso, Mary Vedove, Anne McManus, Ron D'Arx, Herman Vargas, Shanti Nanda

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 or
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**



PETERS PENCE COLLECTION
THIS WEEKEND

The Peter's Pence Collection is an annual collection of the Catholic Church around the world. The collection

allows the Holy Father to respond to the most needy throughout the world, to offer timely, effective emergency assistance to our suffering brothers and sisters. In the Archdiocese of Brisbane, we take this collection up as a retiring collection which will be done at all Masses this weekend.

THE CARMELITE SISTERS
invite you to celebrate with them
Our Lady of Mt. Carmel
SUNDAY 14 JULY



10.00 am Mass

Stay for a picnic lunch - tea available; sandwiches on sale.

Piety stall, Sisters' craft works on sale

Spend time in quiet prayer

2.00 pm Evening Prayer - Benediction - Scapular enrolments

Carmelite Monastery, 287 Wellington St Ormiston 4160
www.carmeliteormiston.com



Saints Peter and Paul's Story

Peter (d. 64?) Saint Mark ends the first half of his Gospel with a triumphant climax. He has recorded doubt, misunderstanding, and the opposition of many to Jesus. Now Peter makes his great confession of faith: "You are the Messiah" (Mark 8:29b). It was one of the many glorious moments in Peter's life, beginning with the day he was called from his nets along the Sea of Galilee to become a fisher of men for Jesus.

The New Testament clearly shows Peter as the leader of the apostles, chosen by Jesus to have a special relationship with him. With James and John he was privileged to witness the Transfiguration, the raising of a dead child to life, and the agony in Gethsemane. His mother-in-law was cured by Jesus. He was sent with John to prepare for the last Passover before Jesus' death. His name is first on every list of apostles.

And to Peter only did Jesus say, "Blessed are you, Simon son of Jonah. For flesh and blood has not revealed this to you, but my heavenly Father. And so I say to you, you are Peter, and upon this rock I will build my church, and the gates of the netherworld shall not prevail against it. I will give you the keys to the kingdom of heaven. Whatever you bind on earth shall be bound in heaven; and whatever you loose on earth shall be loosed in heaven" (Matthew 16:17b-19).

But the Gospels prove their own trustworthiness by the unflattering details they include about Peter. He clearly had no public relations person. It is a great comfort for ordinary mortals to know that Peter also has his human weakness, even in the presence of Jesus.

He generously gave up all things, yet he can ask in childish self-regard, "What are we going to get for all this?" (see Matthew 19:27). He receives the full force of Christ's anger when he objects to the idea of a suffering Messiah: "Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle to me. You are thinking not as God does, but as human beings do" (Matthew 16:23b).

Peter is willing to accept Jesus' doctrine of forgiveness, but suggests a limit of seven times. He walks on the water in faith, but sinks in doubt. He refuses to let Jesus wash his feet, then wants his whole body cleansed. He swears at the Last Supper that he will never deny Jesus, and then swears to a servant maid that he has never known the man. He loyally resists the first attempt to arrest Jesus by cutting off Malchus' ear, but in the end he runs away with the others. In the depth of his sorrow, Jesus looks on him and forgives him, and he goes out and sheds bitter tears. The Risen Jesus told Peter to feed his lambs and his sheep (John 21:15-17).

Paul (d. 64?) If the most well-known preacher today suddenly began preaching that the United States should adopt Marxism and not rely on the Constitution, the angry reaction would help us understand Paul's life when he started preaching that Christ alone can save us. He had been the most pharisaic of Pharisees, the most legalistic of Mosaic lawyers. Now he suddenly appears to other Jews as a heretical welcomer of Gentiles, a traitor and apostate.

Paul's central conviction was simple and absolute: Only God can save humanity. No human effort—even the most scrupulous observance of law—can create a human good which we can bring to God as reparation for sin and payment for grace. To be saved from itself, from sin, from the devil, and from death, humanity must open itself completely to the saving power of Jesus.

Paul never lost his love for his Jewish family, though he carried on a lifelong debate with them about the uselessness of the Law without Christ. He reminded the Gentiles that they were grafted on the parent stock of the Jews, who were still God's chosen people, the children of the promise.

Reflection

We would probably go to confession to Peter sooner than to any of the other apostles. He is perhaps a more striking example of the simple fact of holiness. Jesus says to us as he said, in effect, to Peter: "It is not you who have chosen me, but I who have chosen you. Peter, it is not human wisdom that makes it possible for you to believe, but my Father's revelation. I, not you, build my Church." Paul's experience of the risen Jesus on the road to Damascus was the driving force that made him one of the most zealous, dynamic, and courageous ambassadors of Christ the Church has ever had. But persecution, humiliation, and weakness became his day-by-day carrying of the cross, material for further transformation. The dying Christ was in him; the living Christ was his life.

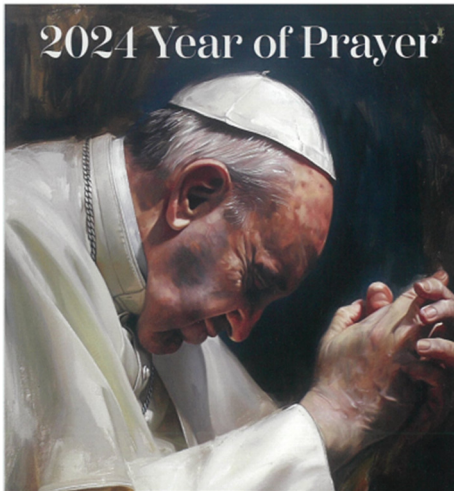
Laudato Si

Mark tells fascinating stories of women this week: the healing of the woman suffering from hemorrhages and Jairus' daughter being given life anew. Both depict Jesus reintegrating the marginalized into a new family of God. We have images of crossing boundaries, cultural (closeness to women) and natural (the Sea of Galilee) in the midst of storms and the human production and operation of boats. We may well think of the boats of fishing and of war, old and new. As Mark recently in the Sunday readings, portrayed God (in Jesus the Christ) as Gardener and as seafarer again here; even as creative head-caterer, the meaning of the Markan parables is all about this broad, inclusive 'Kindom' of God -of gathering all into the Family of God. The Godhead planting seeds, calming seas, healing women, cooking breakfast, multiplying bread and fish, going to the margins, all should give us breath and hope. *Laudato Si'* is addressed to all people of good will. Strengthening goodness and will, body and soul is what we need for healing earth (See the eBook *Healing Earth*) and waging peace (See *Pax Christi* and the Society of Friends – The Quakers).

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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
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