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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

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time — 21 July 2024 (YEAR B)

I know very few people these days who work from 9.00am to 5.00pm. The eighthour day seems to be a thing of the past. Where priests regularly encounter these new work patterns is when we see young people who are preparing for marriage in the Church. Sometimes to arrange a meeting we have to resort to a 6.30am or 10.00pm meeting. Some young people are working sixty hours a week. They take work home and work on the weekends. We know from surveys that they eat out most of the time, they party hard when they get the chance, and that Sunday is spent on the home front, going to the gym or sleeping. Then on Monday they start the process again.

Two things drive this obsessive work practice: competition in the job market, and the financial bonuses offered to the employees. The problem is that this practice cannot be a long-term strategy. At the other end of the scale we all know people, only in their 30s and 40s, who are burnt out and feel used by a ruthless commercial market-place.

This culture of exhaustion is not confined to the young corporate raiders. Most people in our country have never worked as hard, with so many claims on our time and energies.

Excessive demands on one's time, no matter how great the needs and rewards, were issues for Jesus and the Apostles as well. The best translation of the Greek text for today's gospel says that after the apostles returned from their missionary journeys 'there were many coming and going and they had no leisure, even to eat'.

Jesus' call to 'come away t some lonely place all by yourselves and rest for a while' is not just about good work practises and ethical employment policy. It is about humanising our work, making sense of what we do and seeing our work as means to an end, not an end in itself.

The social teaching of the Church, especially in Pope John Paul's statements about labour and the rights of workers, repeatedly stresses three aspects to work:

 it gives us dignity. Governments and employers must not allow a work culture to develop where we lose our sense of personal importance, where we are treated like just another cog in the wheel;

work enables us to improve the standard of living for us and our families;

- through working we develop our talents and gifts which builds up society as a whole.

Rest from work is a key factor in the success of all three aspects being achieved in any community. A culture of exhaustion militates against them. The bottom line in all this is appropriate boundaries.

Mark tells us today that though Jesus was moved to compassion by the needs of the crowd, he also knew that their needs were not the only ones that had to be met. Jesus teaches his disciples and us that the balance between work and rest is an obligation of faith. This applies equally to work inside and outside the family home.

So this Sunday's Gospel carries a critical message for the modern world. Rest, recreation and leisure are not indulgences about which we should feel guilty. They are rights defended by Christ and protect our human dignity.

I hope today you have a well-earned break.

Richard Leonard SJ

"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 22nd July NO Mass

Tuesday 23th July NO Mass 8.00am Rosary after Mass Samaritans 9.30am

Wednesday 24th July Communion Service 9.00am NO Mass Delamore 4:45pm Padua House Mass 6.30pm (Masseo)

Thursday 25th July NO Mass 8.00am NO Perpetual Adoration Encounter 6.30pm

Friday 26th July <u>NO</u> Mass 8.00am Funeral 9.30am (for the late Michael Colman) Christian Meditation 9.00am

> Saturday 27th July Reconciliation 4.00pm Vigil Mass 5.00pm

<u>Sunday 28th July</u> [17th Sunday in Ordinary Time] Mass 7.30am, 9.30am Baptisms 11.00am and 11.45am Mass 5.30pm

The Samaritan Community



If you have any spare time and would like to be part of a wonderful community please join the Samaritans every Tuesday for a morn-

ing 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:

Betty R'Emond, Rina Venier, Br Denis Sullivan cfc, Susan Connors, Cecil Ross, Glendon Kent, Peter Nguyen, Therese Nguyen (Fr Joseph's mother and brother), Giovanni Tanda, Dr Kathy O'Sullivan, Peter Kirk, Cristina Pizzica, Stephen Reed, Fr. Noel Fauth ofm

those whose

Anniversaries occur about now: Leonardo and Maria Caruso, Maureen Hennessy, Fay Byrne, Loveday Harding, Laurence Sherrington, Gerrit Janssen, Richard Mc Neven, Joan McNeven, Rita Rajanayagam, Sony Lyng Sheilah Nanda, Bridget and Edmond Jones, Anthony O'Brien, Kathlee Mary (Kath) Hennessy, Mary Therakam, Rannie Nedtran

Sacramental Programme Key Dates for First Holy Communion 2024

Enrolment Mass All children with one parent are required to attend the following Mass July 21st (Sunday) at 5.30pm

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

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

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 St. Mary Magdalene's Church, 51 Cecil Road, Bardon, Friday, 2nd August, 2024 at 7.30pm. Fr. Ravi Koyya, Assistant Priest, St. Mary's, South Brisbane Parish 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 <u>lenpatairey@gmail.com</u>



July 14th 9:30 am & August 11th 9:30am



St. Mary Magdalene is one of the greatest saints of the Bible and a legendary example of God's mercy and grace. The precise dates of her birth and death are un-

known, but we do know she was present with Christ during his public ministry, death and resurrection. She is mentioned at least a dozen times in the Gospels.

Mary Magdalene has long been regarded as a prostitute or sexually immoral in western Christianity, but this is not supported in the scriptures. It is believed she was a Jewish woman who lived among Gentiles, living as they did.

The Gospels agree that Mary was originally a great sinner. Jesus cast seven demons out of her when he met her. After this, she told several women she associated with and these women also became followers.

There is also debate over if Mary Magdalene is the same unnamed women, a sinner, who weeps and washes Jesus' feet with her hair in the Gospel of John. Scholars are skeptical this is the same person.

Despite the scholarly dispute over her background, what she did in her subsequent life, after meeting Jesus, is much more significant. She was certainly a sinner whom Jesus saved, giving us an example of how no person is beyond the saving grace of God.

During Jesus' ministry, it is believed that Mary Magdalene followed him, part of a semi-permanent entourage who served Jesus and his Disciples.

Mary likely watched the crucifixion from a distance along with the other women who followed Christ during His ministry. Mary was present when Christ rose from the dead, visiting his tomb to anoint his body only to find the stone rolled away and Christ, very much alive, sitting at the place they laid Him. She was the first witness to His resurrection.

After the death of Christ, a legend states that she remained among the early Christians. After fourteen years, she was allegedly put into a boat by Jews, along with several other saints of the early Church, and set adrift without sails or oars. The boat landed in southern France, where she spent the remaining years of her life living in solitude, in a cave.

St. Mary Magdalene's feast day is July 22. She is the patroness of converts, repentant sinners, sexual temptation, pharmacists, tanners and women, and many other places and causes.

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. This weekend, we would like to express our gratitude to the following priests who have agreed to assist us with our Masses. Fr John Gillen – 5.00pm Mass Fr Rodel Enriquez – 7.30am Mass Fr Chris Hanlon – 9.30am Mass Fr Joe McKay – 5.30pm

Laudato Si

Last week, as reported on the Laudato Si' Movement's Website, Pope Francis proposes to install an agri-voltaic power plant 18 km north of Rome where the Vatican Radio station is located <u>https://laudatosimovement.org/news/fratello-sole-vaticanbecomes-a-solar-nation/</u>. It would provide power for the radio station and the complete energy supply of the Vatican City State. "Agri-voltaic" is a dual use of land for both solar electric energy and agricultural production potentially even raising livestock under the panels. Pope Francis issued an apostolic letter called "Fratello Sole" (Brother Sun) which reveals the powers he has over the land and for facilitating cooperation with church, government and private authorities. <u>https://www.vatican.va/content/</u> francesco/en/motu_proprio/documents/20240621-fratello-

<u>sole.html</u>. Understanding the opportunity, even responsibility, of property ownership and its value for interacting with the sun for energy and ecological justice is a hallmark of this papacy. In the spirit of synodality, might parishes exhort their CEOs of the Corporations of Trustees of Australian Archdioceses to similarly advance progress to innovative and just use of their properties in interacting with the sun and the earth as for instance at Mt Maria Mitchelton with its Ground Sourced Heat Exchange 'earth battery' as one step towards clean sourced electricity.

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.** (if you have one) eg. J Blogs 579

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.

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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