

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

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SAFEGUARDING REPRESENTATIVE

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17th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 28 July 2024 (YEAR B)

Recently I was invited to a relative's home for dinner. This family has been having more than a little trouble with their 13-year-old daughter, who is going through a particularly defiant and rebellious stage. The young girl was not happy with the vegetables her mother served at dinner and so she refused to eat them. The uneaten vegetables became the staging ground for an adolescent conflict. Trying to coax the girl into eating, her mother calmly used some lines I'd heard before. 'Wasting food is a sin' and 'There are starving people in the world who would be grateful for what you don't want'. With that the girl jumped up and left the dining room. A few minutes later she returned with an oversized envelope and a marker pen. She began to stuff the food into the envelope and as she did she angrily asked, 'What starving people do you want me to send these vegetables to?' Who said being a parent was easy? Celibacy had never looked better!

In today's Gospel, after the 5,000 have been fed, Jesus says, 'Gather the pieces together that are left over. Let nothing be wasted'. Some of us have never truly been hungry, so it can be hard to fully appreciate how wasteful our developed world must appear to those who watch their families die of starvation. People who lived through the Depression or have lived through wars often carry the scars of being hungry. To this day some of them are on guard against waste. Others try to numb the memory of want by overindulging. For most of us in the developed world, especially 13-year-old middle-class kids, hunger has only ever been fleeting, and we are presently eating ourselves into obesity.

Some people would prefer to think of the story of the feeding of the five thousand exclusively in spiritual terms. There is no question that today's Gospel refers to the Eucharist where all are spiritually nourished by Christ our host. It also refers to the eternal banquet where hunger will be no more. But this Gospel asks us to look at our world through the eyes of Christ's kingdom where the mighty will be cast down from their thrones, the poor will be raised up, and the rich who will not share will be sent away.

There is such a thing as healthy guilt. It's where we become aware of what we have done or failed to do to bring about Christ's Kingdom in our world. Given that it is entirely unnecessary for 29,000 people, on average, to die each day because of lack of food and water and the diseases this brings, guilt on our part seems a reasonable response. It becomes a healthy moment in our lives when we decide to change our priorities, and call for similar changes in a nation's priorities which spends more on bombs than starving babies.

I often wonder what God thinks when he hears wealthy nations say that the reason they refuse to share more with the poor is because these poorer nations often have unelected despots who divert their country's wealth into Swiss bank accounts or nuclear and conventional weaponry programmes. Even in the face of these complex issues we could find a way to feed the hungry who might, one day, be empowered to take charge of their nations.

'What starving people do you want me to send these vegetables to?', the 13 year old asked. To which I wanted to reply, 'Put your own name on the envelope because your own comfort makes you the neediest person in the world'.

May this Eucharist enable us to do on earth what is done in heaven, where the hungry are welcomed and fed, the leftovers are gathered together and nothing is wasted.

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 29th July

NO Mass
SVdP meeting 7.00pm

Tuesday 30th July

NO Mass 8.00am
Rosary after Mass
Samaritans 9.30am

Wednesday 31st July

Communion Service 9.00am
Funeral Mass 10.30am
(for the late Marie Minton)
NO Mass Delamore 4:45pm

Thursday 1st August

NO Mass 8.00am
NO Perpetual Adoration
Encounter 6.30pm

Friday 2 August

NO Mass 8.00am
Christian Meditation 9.00am

Saturday 3rd August

Baptismal Information 11.00am
Reconciliation 4.00pm
Vigil Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 4th August

[18th Sunday in Ordinary Time]
Mass 7.30am, 9.30am
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 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:**

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

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
Sat 5.00pm & Sun 5.30pm Mass
Fr Huong Nguyen
Sun 7.30am & 9.30am

Sacramental Programme
Key Dates for First Holy Communion 2024

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

Laudato Si

Kings and John today tell of multiplication of food and sharing of bread and fish and set forth the great turning points in the history of liturgy, listening to the word, breaking bread and celebrating memory and salvation. They also tell about place, Josiah in 2 Kings sets forth liturgy in the restored Temple, John tells of the miracle meal Jesus provides on the grass. In baking and fishing there is the abundance of nature in Creation and work of human hands. Listening to this same evolving Spirit got the Queensland Bishops on World Ocean Day in June 2004 to issue their pastoral letter on the Great Barrier Reef <https://catholicearthcare.org.au/wp-content/uploads/2015/02/Let-The-Many-Coastlines-Be-Glad-A-Pastoral-Letter-on-the-Great-Barrior-Reef.pdf> and in October 2004 the bishops of the Murray Darling Basin endorsed a statement on that river basin's ecological issues. These are examples where the Church itself witnesses in the public arena. Samford Parish has had a landscape masterplan prepared which it hopes might make that site re-invigorated 'place' of welcome, worship and witness to what Laudato Si' exhorts.

TERM 3
ENCOUNTER KEDRON

'JESUS NO ORDINARY MAN'

WEEKS

Week 1 - Social

*Night Full of Games, fun, Friends and Worship.
Lets Catch up after the holidays!*

Week 2 - Jesus No Ordinary Man

Lets get to know Jesus a little bit better with our first talk of the term and see how incredible this man really is!

Week 3 - Jesus No Ordinary Teacher

Part 1 of 2 Lets get to know Jesus' teachings and understand why!

Week 4 - Scavenger Hunt Night

Almost half way through the term, lets see who can complete the Scavenger hunt first!

Week 5 - Jesus No Ordinary Teacher

Part 2 of 2 Lets dive a little deeper and see what else we can learn from our amazing teacher!

Week 6 - Jesus No Ordinary Relationship

What does it mean to have a relationship with Jesus? the ups and downs, the highs and lows!

Week 7 - Family Night

Lets have dinner as a Encounter Family and Check in out how everyone is and build a closer bond with one another

WEEKS

Week 8 - Jesus and the Mass

Do you know why we have mass? whats the connection?

Week 9 - Jesus No Ordinary Crucifixion

How and why did Jesus make the ultimate sacrifice for us?

Week 10 - Social

Lets Celebrate the End of term together

FOLLOW US!

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Website:

<https://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/encounter-kedron/>

Join us at Youth Mass the Second Sunday of every Month!

Term 3 Youth Masses:
July 14th 9:30 am & August 11th 9:30am



Saints Martha, Mary and Lazarus' story (29th July)

Martha, Mary, and their brother Lazarus were evidently close friends of Jesus. He came to their home simply as a welcomed guest, rather than as one celebrating the conversion of a sinner like Zacchaeus or one unceremoniously received by a suspicious Pharisee. The sisters felt free to call on Jesus at their brother's death, even though a return to

Judea at that time seemed to spell almost certain death.

Martha's great glory is her simple and strong statement of faith in Jesus after her brother's death. "Jesus told her, 'I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, even if he dies, will live, and everyone who lives and believes in me will never die. Do you believe this?' She said to him, 'Yes, Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Messiah, the Son of God, the one who is coming into the world'" (John 11:25-27).

No doubt Martha was an active sort of person. On one occasion, she prepares the meal for Jesus and possibly his fellow guests and forthrightly states the obvious: All hands should pitch in to help with the dinner. The Lord recognizes that Martha is "worried about many things," also noting that Mary, who has spent the preparation time at Jesus' feet listening to his words "has chosen the better part." John 12:1-8 describes Mary's anointing of Jesus' feet at Bethany, an act which he praised highly.

Immediately after we are told that the chief priests plotted to kill Lazarus "because many of the Jews were turning away and believing in Jesus because of him." Lazarus was the one of whom the Jews said, "See how much he loved him." In their sight Jesus raised his friend Lazarus from the dead.

Legends abound about the life of Lazarus after the death and resurrection of Jesus. He is supposed to have left a written account of what he saw in the next world before he was called back to life. Some say he followed Peter into Syria. Another story is that despite being put into a leaking boat by the Jews at Jaffa, he, his sisters, and others landed safely in Cyprus. There he died peacefully after serving as bishop for 30 years.

It is certain there was early devotion to the saint. Around the year 390, the pilgrim lady Etheria talks of the procession that took place on the Saturday before Palm Sunday at the tomb where Lazarus had been raised from the dead. In the West, Passion Sunday was called *Dominica de Lazaro*, and Augustine tells us that in Africa the Gospel of the raising of Lazarus was read at the office of Palm Sunday.

Saint Martha is a Patron Saint of:

- Cooks
- Homemakers
- Restaurant servers

Saints Martha, Mary, and Lazarus are Patron Saints of:

Siblings

Mt Alvernia Class Reunion

Class of 1974 - 50 Year Reunion

<https://www.mta.qld.edu.au/.../class-of-1974-50-year.../>

Class of 1964 - 60 Year Reunion

<https://www.mta.qld.edu.au/.../class-of-1964-60-year.../>

Class of 1971 – belated 50 Year Reunion

<https://www.mta.qld.edu.au/event/class-of-1969-50-year-reunion/>

Kedron Catholic Parish

St Francis Feast Dinner Dance

Saturday
October 5 at 6.30pm
at Kedron-Wavell Club

*Tickets must be purchased by
9th September*

FOOD. MUSIC and DANCING
DRINKS can be purchased at Bar

Adults 95pp

*For tickets please contact the parish office
on 3267 4825*

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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 all 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**

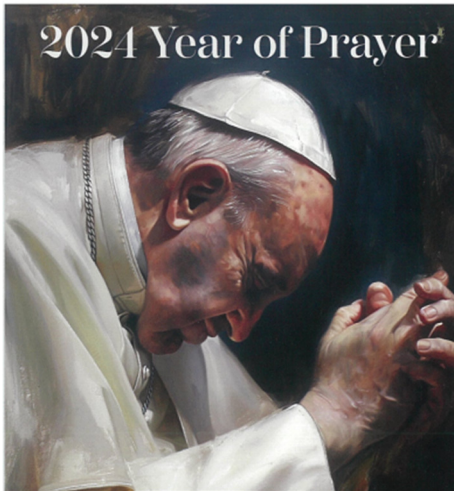
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If you use **Direct Debit (Planned Giving)**, all this amount goes towards **Parish expenses**. For enquiries or if you wish to join Direct Debit, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you.

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
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