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RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4.00 - 4.30 pm

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

Saturday (Vigil) 5.00pm

7.30am, 9.30am & 5.30pm Sunday

WEEKDAY MASS TIMES

Monday NO MASS and Tuesday 8.00am

Wednesday 9.00am 8.00am and Friday 8.00am Thursday

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

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

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20th Sunday in Ordinary Time – 18 August 2024 (YEAR B)

In the early 1970s there was an edition of Readers Digest that told how a jet crashed in the Andes. It was a good case study in moral reasoning. The issue was that some of the survivors of that crash resorted to cannibalism to survive. The question the author posed was, 'Is it ever ethical to eat another human being?'

Whatever the extreme and specific ethical arguments for cannibalism might be, the thought of eating another person is repulsive to most of us. Yet many people outside Catholicism often think that we are Christian cannibals, feasting on Jesus' flesh and blood.

The best traditions in the Church have always been very careful in the language they use about how Jesus is present in the Eucharist. We are not cannibals. We are not eating Jesus' liver, brain and bones.

In the Catechism when it speaks of the Eucharistic real presence, it never refers to 'Jesus' but always to 'Christ'. The distinction matters. The Eucharist is a Sacrament of Easter. It is the glorified, risen Christ who is wholly and truly present under the form of bread and wine at the Eucharist.

Popular piety and legends that speak too explicitly about the physicality of the Eucharist have not helped us have sensible thinking. As a Catholic I believe that Christ, raised by God from the dead, is truly and personally present to me in the Eucharist. How – is a question that misses the point of the gift.

Chapter six of John's Gospel is a discourse on the Eucharist. It is also, and at the same time, a discourse about Jesus' passion and death and our mission to follow in his way. For Jesus, the new Moses, not only gives bread to the people, but also in his passion, death and resurrection he gives us himself. This is why the Church has always linked the events at Easter with the celebration of Eucharist.

Why have we been given this unique gift? The Eucharist is not meant to be a feast for a privileged few. It's not a private devotion. It's not meant to be something that only assures us of our own particular salvation. It is meant to be something that empowers all Christians to go out and transform the world with love and goodness for Christ's sake.

The Church has always linked what we do away from the Eucharist with what we celebrate at it. This doesn't mean that all of us can rush out and feed the world's poor. It does mean that most of us can assist other groups or people who do precisely that. And it does means that when we think about who we will vote for as political leaders, we ask about their platform in relation to those in our country and world who are suffering the most. The former General of the Jesuits, Fr Pedro Arrupe once said, 'If there is hunger anywhere in the world, then our celebration of the Eucharist is somehow incomplete everywhere in the world'.

Sometimes we can think of the Eucharist as a magical act. Jesus counters such a notion in today's gospel when he tells us that he gives us himself 'for the life of the world'. The Eucharist does not turn us into cannibals; it's meant to make us radicals, radically committed to all God's people everywhere.

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 19th August NO Mass

Tuesday 20th August

Mass 8.00am **Rosary after Mass** Samaritans 9.30am

Wednesday 21st August

Mass 9.00am Mass Delamore 4:45pm

Thursday 22nd August

Mass 8.00am **Perpetual Adoration** Funeral Mass 10.00am (for the late Maria Robles) Encounter 6.30pm

Friday 23rd August Mass 8.00am Christian Meditation 9.00am

Saturday 24th August

Inurnment 3.30pm Reconciliation 4.00pm Vigil Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 25th August

[21st 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 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:

Maria Robles, Kay Thompson, Rosa Parrella, Lilly Hubert, Michael Killihe, Leonard Dittmar, Betty R'Emond, Rina Venier, Br Denis Sullivan cfc, Susan Connors, Cecil Ross, Glendon Kent,

those whose

Anniversaries occur about now:

Monica Carter, James Bell, Fred Hudson, Helen Pulsford, Jean Butler, Walter Erceg, Edna Lonergan, 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.

Laudato Si

Scripture scholars tell us that the Greek verb used in John 6:51 "whoever eats this bread" is not the classical Greek verb of human eating, but that of animal eating, "munch" or "gnaw". This they suggest may be John's emphasis on the reality of the flesh and blood of Jesus (Liturgy and Life Study Bible p. 1726). Laudato Si' teaches that discussion about ecology can be grounded in the Bible and church tradition. Quoting James Martin SJ, theologian Laurie Brink says, "Pope Francis traces the theme of love for creation through both the old and the New Testaments. He reminds us, for example, that God, in Jesus Christ became not only human, but part of the natural world." (The Heavens Are Telling the Glory of God – An Emerging Chapter for Religious Life Science, Theology and Mission. P. 219). The Archdiocese of Brisbane through its office of Justice, Ecology and Peace Evangelization outlines events around Brisbane for this year's upcoming Season of Creation which has the theme, "To Hope and Act with Creation" https://mailchi.mp/bne/soc2024? <u>e=0f1b0c1574</u>. This theology gets practical in this article by M.Div.Theology and Anthrozoology scholar Julia Johnson: https://reflections.yale.edu/article/crucifiedcreation-green-faith-rising/body-christ-breakfast-lunch-and-dinner.



ENCOUNTER KEDRON

'JESUS NO ORDINARY MAN'

WEEKS

Week 2 - Jesus No Ordinary Man

Week 3 - Jesus No Ordinary Teacher

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

Week 4 - Scavenger Hunt Night

Almost half way through the term, lets see w 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 lean from out 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

WEEKS

Week 8 - Jesus and the Mass

Week 9 - Jesus No Ordinary Crucifixion

Week 10 - Social

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EncounterKedron **Encounter Kedron**

Website:

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

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

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

Divine Will Prayer Group have moved to Queen of Apostles Church, Stafford. We meet on the 2nd and last Friday of each

Time: 9:45 -11:30 am Place: Parish Meeting Hall We study the writings of Luisa Piccarreta: The Hours of the Passion; The Virgin Mary in the Kingdom and the 36 Volumes of the Book of Heaven

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, 6th September, 2024 at 7.30pm. Fr. Tomi Alexander Vattukulathil of Jubilee 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 lenpatairey@gmail.com



Your gift is the answer to someone's prayer

The Annual Catholic Campaign is a call asking you to make a sacrifice to support the works of the Church here in South-East Queensland. The giving makes sense only in the context of us becoming the Lord's sacrifice for the life of the world.

Your sacrifice becomes the answer to a prayer, which is the way God wants it to be.





The Story of the Queenship of Mary (22nd August) Pope Pius XII established

Pope Pius XII established this feast in 1954. But the Blessed Virgin Mary's queenship has roots in Scripture. At the Annunciation, Gabriel announced that Mary's Son would receive the throne of David and rule forever. At the Visitation, Elizabeth calls Mary "mother of my Lord." As in all the mysteries of Mary's life, she is closely associated with Jesus: Her queenship is a share in Jesus' kingship. We can also recall that in the Old Testament the mother of the king has great influence in court. court.

In the fourth century Saint Ephrem called Mary "Lady" and "Queen." Later Church fathers and doctors continued to use the title. Hymns of the 11th to 13th centuries address Mary as queen: "Hail, Holy Queen," "Hail, Queen of Heaven," "Queen of Heaven." The Dominican rosary and the Franciscan crown as well as numerous invocations in Mary's litany celebrate her queenship.

The feast is a logical follow-up to the Assumption, and is now celebrated on the octave day of that feast. In his 1954 encyclical *To the Queen of Heaven*, Pius XII points out that Mary deserves the title because she is Mother of God, because she is closely associated as the New Eve with Jesus' redemptive work, because of her preeminent perfection, and because of her intercessory power.

Reflection

As Saint Paul suggests in Romans 8:28–30, God has predestined human beings from all eternity to share the image of his Son. All the more was Mary predestined to be the mother of Jesus. As Jesus was to be king of all creations and leave was to be guestined. tion, Mary, in dependence on Jesus, was to be queen.

All other titles to queenship derive from this eternal intention of God. As Jesus exercised his kingship on earth by serving his Father and his fellow human beings, so did Mary exercise her queenship. As the glorified Jesus remains with us as our king till the end of time (Matthew 28:20), so does Mary, who was assumed into heaven and crowned queen of beaven and earth. crowned queen of heaven and earth.

Sacramental Programme **Key Dates for First Communion 2024**

Workshop

(One parent must attend, and please no siblings) August 18th (Sunday) 1.00pm- 3.00pm (there will be two sessions)

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

St Vincent de Paul Pantry

Thank you to our wonderful parishioners who regularly donate food items to our pantry. We are in need of cereal and rice and would appreciate any donations of these items. The companions we assist in our local Kedron area are always humbled by your generosity.

Can you help? Vinnies have a family in need of a gueen size bed base and mattress. If you can assist, please contact the parish office on 3267 4825 or ring Maria on 0411 871 859.



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

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.

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Multi faith week of climate action

Join with people of all faiths across Australia – September 14 to 24

→ Send a message to both the Prime Minister and the Leader of the Opposition

Calling for much bolder climate action whoever is elected...

◆ Come to a public action

St John's Cathedral 373 Ann St Brisbane City Tuesday September 17 10am

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