

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

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)

ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS

1st Wednesday of the month at 9.00am

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Thursday: For 24 hrs after the 8am Mass

until the start of Friday 8am Mass

ST VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY

2nd and 4th Monday of the Month at 7.00pm

(Parish Office)

All enquiries for assistance Ph: 1800 846 643

SECULAR FRANCISCAN ORDER

3rd Sunday of every Month at 9.30am

Jim Kearney 0410 881 622

31st Sunday in Ordinary Time – 3rd November 2024 (YEAR B)



Dear Parishioners,

In recent years, Our Franciscan Friars in Vietnam have sent quite number of Friars overseas in response to the needs of our Franciscan Entities where there is lack of vocation and personnel. Our Franciscan Province in Vietnam sent two young Friars to Papua New Guinea over a year ago and one of them will be ordained to the priesthood on Monday 18th of November. Fr John and my Provincial in Vietnam will be attending this special event to support our brothers over there. The reality is that the entry to Papua New Guinea from Australia is much easier than from Vietnam. So, our Provincial, Fr John Phuoc (John of God) will take this opportunity

to visit Australia for a short period of time before attending the ordination ceremony in PNG.

His schedule is:

Monday night 4th November: Arrive in Brisbane from Vietnam.

Wednesday morning 6th November: Visit Friars in Sydney (Fr John and myself will accompany our Provincial to Sydney).

Saturday evening 9th November: Return to Kedron

Sunday 10th November: Con-celebrate Masses in our Kedron Parish.

Wednesday morning 13th November: Depart Brisbane for PNG (Fr John Nguyen will accompany Fr John Phuoc to PNG), who will leave PNG for Vietnam after the ordination.

Fr John Phuoc, our Provincial was my Novice Master back in 2000. It brings back some beautiful memories of my Noviciate when I first officially entered the Franciscan life. If you see Fr John around these above mentioned days, please kindly make him welcome and "give him a good report about Fr John and myself so that he doesn't take us back to Vietnam....."

Welcome Fr John Phuoc to Australia and to our Kedron Parish Family

(In Vietnamese: Chào đón Cha Gioan Phước đến Úc và Gia Đình Giáo Xứ Kedron).

Fr Joseph Nguyen, OFM

Reflection...

It is amazing to note how leaving out just one half of one verse of the Gospel can affect the Christian life for centuries.

All of us know by rote the command of Jesus that we must love God with all our heart, mind, soul and strength and we must love our neighbour.

But the second half of verse 31 is not usually quoted because, sadly, it is not as imbedded in our memory. It reads: 'You shall love your neighbour AS YOU LOVE YOURSELF.'

There are very clear historical reasons why the second part of Jesus' summary of the commandments was quietly forgotten. Given the chequered personal experience he had of his own body, St Augustine, in the fifth century, had very ambivalent feelings about the human body. He thought that, generally, it was to be feared as the instrument through which we would sin. He encouraged us to tame it through prayer, mortification and penance. Augustine's ideas about the body held sway until Thomas Aquinas in the 13th century and the Jesuit Theologians of the 15th century argued that while the body can lead us to sin, it is also a temple of the Holy Spirit and a vehicle of God's love and grace.

PTO....

"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 4th November
NO Mass

Tuesday 5th November
Mass 8.00am
Rosary after Mass
Samaritans 9.30am

Wednesday 6 November
Communion Service 9.00am
Funeral Mass 10.30am
(for the late Lorna Le Mura)
Mass Delamore 4.45pm

Thursday 7th November
NO Mass 8.00am
NO Perpetual Adoration
Encounter 6.30pm

Friday 8th November
NO Mass 8.00am
Christian Meditation 9.00am

Saturday 9th November
NO Reconciliation 4.00pm
Vigil Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 10th November
[32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time]
Mass 7.30am, 9.30am
Baptisms 11.00am and 11.45am
Mass 5.30pm

The Samaritan Community



50 years of support in the Parish - new volunteers needed

9.30-12 with morning tea

Card games, Scrabble, Rummykub, Art class, and Bingo.

A fun packed morning

Chance to make new friends - All welcome - transport offered.

Cost \$7.00 per visit

Contact 0405241644 for further information

Please pray for our recently deceased:

Lorna Le Mura, Max Wilgen, Eleanor Feeney, Annie Ranger, Benjamin Sandiego, Tom Davies, Maria Papa, Dymna Jones, Michael Cappiello, Falina Land, Nancy Crismani, Antonia Puglisi, Crowe, Patricia Ryan **those whose**

Anniversaries occur about now:

Bill Cox, Ronald O'Malley, Catherine O'Malley, Victor Kelly, Philip Carnes, Ernesto Checa, Loreta Checa Edgar Checa, Emelita Checa, Jose Lebita, Maximina Lebita, Chiara Lebita, Belen Vargas, Narelle Gednes, Stephen Gibbons, Bruce Awning, Madeline Jones, Martin family, Piasey family, Sheila De Silva, Jesuina Fernandes, John McManus, Michelle Elizabeth Quinn,

In the 16th century Cornelius Jansen denounced Aquinas and the Jesuits and argued that Augustine held the correct Christian view. No matter what the Church did to denounce Jansen at the time, his thinking took deep root in Europe, the USA and missionary countries throughout the world. Jansenism, the belief that our body and its desires are evil and that we need to harshly mortify ourselves, is, tragically, still active in Christian thought today.

Jansenism is irreconcilable with today's Gospel where Jesus tells us that the love of God, the love of neighbour and the love of self are the cornerstones of the Christian law. And the opposite must be true too. We CANNOT call ourselves Christian if we hate God, hate our neighbour or hate ourselves.

Some people argue that Western society has already gone too far in the direction of self-love. They maintain that the lengths some people go to achieve a sculptured body, the use of steroids, the growing frequency of eating disorders, the adoration of sportsmen and women, the cult of the gym and of the sex industry all point to a culture too much in love with itself. Some argue what we need is a good dose of self-control. They are only half-right.

The problem with the term 'love of self' is that we often hear in it an encouragement to 'adore self'. Nothing could be further from what Jesus is saying. We are called to love our body, not worship it. Jesus is not calling us to a narcissistic love, like we see in the sex industry and the gym cults, where the only thing we love is ourself. If we have no sense of our own self worth, our own dignity and the personal love of God for each of us, it is impossible for us to give the same to others and to claim from others the dignity we deserve. We will either treat others as our inferiors on the one hand, or allow others to walk all over us, on the other.

Love of self is not about canonising a loss of self-control. Jesus shows us by the way he loved his Father, us and himself that true love always involves sacrifice. If we love our self in the right way, we have the self control to forgo those things that are most destructive in our life and we have the generosity to do for others the things that will enrich their lives. Jesus knew, that we can never love others if we hate ourselves.

Let's pray in this Eucharist, then, that we will develop our mind, heart, soul and strength to love the One who has created us in love and love those given into our care with the same love we lavish on ourselves. The Gospel of Jesus Christ demands nothing less!

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ENCOUNTER KEDRON



Our Youth Group, Encounter Kedron is a home for High Schoolers (Year 7-12). A place where young people can connect with friends, faith filled leaders and encounter something and someone greater than themselves.

This term we're diving into the theme of Leadership and Advent! Join us for a night of games, great music, an engaging speaker and small groups.

Piety Store

If you are looking for a gift, why not have a look at the Piety Store. We have new stock that has just arrived. There is a good selection and we can order items from the catalogue if your selection is not in stock. The Piety Store is situated at the foyer of the Church and is open before and after the weekend Masses - 5pm on Saturday; 7.30 am and 9.30am on Sunday.

In store at the moment are - 2025 CALENDARS

Franciscan \$6.00

Columban \$10.00

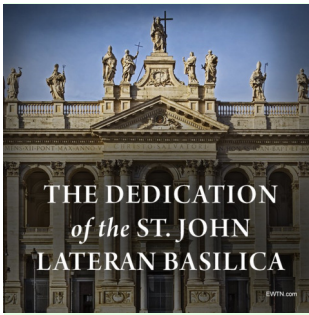
All proceeds go to the missions.



Padua Memorial Book 2024

As we prepare the Padua Memorial Book for 2024, we invite parishioners to submit the names of loved ones, including Old Boys, friends of the college, or family members who have recently passed. This memorial book is a cherished way to honour and remember those who have been part of our community.

To add a name, please email us at admin@padua.qld.edu.au



Story of the Dedication of St. John Lateran

(9th November)

Most Catholics think of St. Peter's as the pope's main church, but they are wrong. St. John Lateran is the pope's church, the cathedral of the Diocese of Rome where the Bishop of Rome presides.

The first basilica on the site was built in the fourth century when Constantine donated land he had received from the wealthy Lateran family. That structure and its successors suffered fire, earthquake, and the ravages of war, but the Lateran remained the church where popes were consecrated. In the 14th century when the papacy returned to Rome from Avignon, the church and the adjoining palace were found to be in ruins.

Pope Innocent X commissioned the present structure in 1646. One of Rome's most imposing churches, the Lateran's towering facade is crowned with 15 colossal statues of Christ, John the Baptist, John the Evangelist, and 12 doctors of the Church. Beneath its high altar rest the remains of the small wooden table on which tradition holds Saint Peter himself celebrated Mass.

Reflection

Unlike the commemorations of other Roman churches, this anniversary is a feast. The dedication of a church is a feast for all its parishioners. In a sense, St. John Lateran is the parish church of all Catholics, because it is the pope's cathedral. This church is the spiritual home of the people who are the Church.

Baptism Preparation

If you have a child and wish them to be baptised, we have an information and preparation session in the church at 11am usually on the first Saturday of each month. At this short meeting, we explain the meaning of Baptism and the ceremony, answer questions and finalise dates.

Further details can be obtained from the parish office

(3267 4825) or email: kedron@bne.catholic.net.au

Our next baptismal Information will be Saturday 2nd November at 11.00am

Laudato Si

What's love got to do with it (integral ecology)? Pope Francis has just published an encyclical called *Dilexit nos* ("He loved us" in latin and from Romans 8:37). https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/encyclicals/documents/2024_1024-enciclica-dilexit-nos.html French Saint Margaret Mary Alacoque's visions in the 17th C of the Sacred Heart encouraged ("*en heart ened*") devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus. Pope Francis said in his closing address to the Synod on Synodality that the Church, "needs to get its hands dirty". That is hard to avoid in gardening, horticulture, arboriculture, agriculture and anything to do with earth, water, rock, river, tree – our ecological niche – our 'common home'. Words like 'ecology' or 'economics' come from the Greek 'oikos' meaning 'home'. Not for nothing we have sayings like, "home is where the heart is". Francis says of *Laudato Si'* that, "it is by drinking of that same love that we become capable of working together to care for our common home" (DN 217). As Christians, Christ's sacred heart-love we believe, empowers us, to love our niche, aka 'God's Creation' – not just 'steward our environment' as if we were separate from 'nature'.

BBQ and Cake Stall

Thank you to all of our cooks, bakers and wonderful volunteers that helped make last weekend (Election) a great success.



BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE

November is traditionally when we remember our dearly departed who are now with God. If you would like the names of deceased family members and friends added to the "**Book of Remembrance**" for the days in November please write their names in the book near the Blessed Sacrament Chapel in the church,
or email: kedron@bne.catholic.net.au

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.

FLOCKNOTE SIGNUP

Many of us are familiar with the paper parish census form; we fill these out every few years to ensure we stay up to date with who is in the parish and to keep ourselves connected to parish programs and ministries. With much more activity online today, Flocknote is the ultimate secure solution for managing communication between you and the parish. Parishioners and visitors are invited to use the QR code and signup and register with the parish. If you have any questions, speak with the Parish office.

scan the QR code here to register today!





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.

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

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