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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

2nd Sunday of Advent – 8th December 2024 (YEAR C)

Advent Reconciliation Service 2024
will be on
Tuesday 10 December at 7.00pm
in the church.
Please come and join us.

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist encourages his followers to be patient, as the wait for salvation will soon be over. The Israelites longed to see the day when the Messiah would come. Each generation hoped and prayed that they would be the one to witness the appearance of God's anointed. The Jewish people still hope and pray for this event in every generation.

But Jesus did not come as many expected. Some thought he would arrive in a dramatic event and the end of the world would occur. Others expected a regal entrance or a political overthrow of the Romans. Luke's Gospel repeatedly points out that the very people who longed for the day to see the Messiah missed out because they were looking for the wrong signs.

John the Baptist is the first to see Jesus for who he really is for the world. He recognises that Jesus' sacrificial love can fill our valleys, lay mountains low, make crooked paths straight and rough ways smooth.

Advent is not a season where we have to pretend that we do not know Jesus is coming and then put on mock surprise at Christmas. Advent is the season which celebrates a 'patient yes'. Every year all of us in the Church stand in a queue and remind ourselves of how blessed we are to have seen our salvation in Jesus. We remember the faith of those who longed to see what we see and to know what we know. And we cultivate our patience for life's valleys, mountains and crooked paths where sometimes we can feel Jesus' absence more than his presence, where only when we look back we can see he was with us all the way.

So, as we all wait together in line this Advent let's say yes to all that salvation holds for us: yes to God's personal love; yes to Jesus' kingdom of justice and peace; yes to every opportunity to serve the Gospel and yes to knowing that our God is a companion to us at every step of our journey, even in the most unexpected ways.

Scottish poet John Bell expresses it this way:

'Light looked down and saw the darkness.

'I will go there", said light.

Peace looked down and saw war.

"I will go there", said peace.

Love looked down and saw hatred.

"I will go there", said love.

So he, the Lord of Light,

the Prince of Peace, the King of Love,
came down and crept in beside us.'

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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 9th December
NO Mass

Tuesday 10th December
Mass 8.00am
Rosary after Mass
Advent Reconciliation 7.00pm

Wednesday 11th December
Mass 9.00am
NO Mass Delamore 4:45pm

Thursday 12th December
Mass 8.00am
Perpetual Adoration

Friday 13th December
Mass 8.00am
Christian Meditation 9.00am

Saturday 14th December
Reconciliation 4.00pm
Vigil Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 15th December
[3rd Sunday of Advent]
Mass 7.30am, 9.30am
Mass 5.30pm

**The Samaritan
Community**



SAMARITANS is now in recess for the Christmas break. The activities begin again on Tuesday 4th February 2025.

Thank you to all who helped in any way with Samaritans this year. We are grateful for your support.

Contact 0405241644 for further information.

**Please pray for our recently
deceased:**

Paul Crowe, Marie Ahern, Zita Beasley, Benedict Veluz, Lorna Le Mura, Max Wilgen, Eleanor Feeney, Annie Ranger, Benjamin Sandiego,

Tom Davies, Maria Papa, Dymrna Jones, Michael Cappiello, Falina Land,
those whose

Anniversaries occur about now:

Maria La Rosa, K. A. George, Mariam Augusty, Elena Nedtran, Ricardo Lavada, Carmelo Angi, Dick Akers, Reg McIntyre, 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,



VENICE

**PILGRIMAGE TO
ITALY**

ASSISI

PADUA

LA VERNA

FLORENCE

ROME

GRECCIO

Kedron Parish Pilgrimage September-October 2026

Dear Parishioners,

We normally celebrate birth rather than death. However, any passing of a loved one reminds us of the words "Remember we are but travellers here" (*St Mary of the Cross MacKillop*), our life is a pilgrimage and "our citizenship is in heaven" (*PI 3,20*). This coming 2026 marks 800 years of the passing of our Franciscan Family Founder St Francis of Assisi (1226-2026). As believers, we consider our passing as our birth to eternal life with God.

Therefore, to mark the death of St. Francis, our Parish is planning a pilgrimage to Assisi for those who are interested in this event. In order to organize this journey, we need at least a minimum of 20 people for it to proceed. The number registered will affect the cost: the more people in our group the lower the cost will be. So, we encourage any of you who are interested to make a booking via our Parish Office as soon as possible so that we can prepare in advance, an itinerary and the necessities needed for this pilgrimage, which will certainly be a great experience for all those who travel this journey.

Thank you and may God bless you all.

Fr Joseph Nguyen, OFM

Mass times for Christmas and New Year 2024/2025

Tuesday 10th December -7.00pm Advent Reconciliation Service

Tuesday 24th December - 5.00pm Christmas Vigil Mass
(on the lawn with carols from 4.30pm)
Midnight Mass with carols from 11.30pm

Wednesday 25th December (Christmas Day Mass) – 9.00am Mass only

Thursday 26th December Boxing Day – NO MASS

Friday 27th December - 8.00am (Normal Mass)

Saturday 28th December - 5.00pm Vigil (Normal Mass)

Sunday 29th December -7.30am and 9.30am (Normal Mass)

Monday 30th December – NO MASS

Tuesday 31st New Year's Eve Day – 8.00am (Normal Mass)

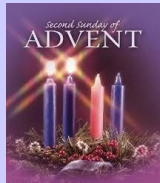
Wednesday New Year Day 1st January – 9.00am (Normal Mass)



Little Flower Church Christmas Eve Family Mass

We are needing people for our outdoor Christmas Eve Family Mass. In order to make this a special time for the Parish and families, we are looking for volunteers to please help us with: setup, pack up, offertory and collections.

Please consider your availability during this special season on the church calendar. A volunteer sheet is now in the sacristy. We would be grateful!



The Advent Wreath...

is a Christian tradition that symbolizes the passage of the four weeks of Advent. It is a circular candle holder that typically holds five candles. During the season of Advent one candle on the wreath is lit each Sunday until

all of the candles, including the fifth candle, are lit on Christmas Day.

Each candle represents an aspect of the spiritual preparation for the celebration of the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ. Most Advent wreaths use three colors of candles – purple, pink, and white.

Today we light the 2nd candle (purple), known as the Bethlehem Candle or candle of preparation.

We are preparing to celebrate Jesus' birth.

Please Join Us for the
HOUR OF GRACE
Sunday 8th December, 2024
12 noon – 1p.m.
FEAST OF THE
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
AT
OUR LADY, QUEEN OF APOSTLES
STAFFORD
All Welcome



★ **The Advent Giving Tree is now available in the church foyer. If you can, please collect a prayer or gift tag from the tree and return any donations as soon as you can either on the collection plate (eg vouchers, education fund assistance) or under the Giving tree (eg. Christmas food or gifts). As the cost of living crisis continues, the number of**

local people requiring our help is rising. We appreciate any contribution, big or small, that you may be able to give. Should you prefer to donate to directly support our works you can use the appeal envelopes at the church doors - options include cash, cheque, credit card and bank transfer.

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!



For unto us
a child is born!



Christmas Mass Nativity

24 December

5pm on the lawn outside

2024

Little Flower Church

CHRISTMAS EVE NATIVITY MASS Plans are currently underway for the Parish Christmas Eve Nativity Mass.

We are looking for children who would like to help us tell the gospel story by being involved in our Nativity play.

If you know someone who would like to volunteer to be the various roles in the play, please email Aimee Bodley abodley@bne.catholic.edu.au to put your child's name forward to participate in the nativity play.

We will meet following 9:30am Children's Mass on Sunday 24 November for more information.

Rehearsals are on Dec 22 @ 2:30pm in the Parish Hall before a final rehearsal on Dec 24 @ 4pm prior to our Christmas Eve Mass.

(All children, in the play or not, are welcome to dress up as angels, shepherds or wise kings on Christmas Eve and share in the magic!)

Laudato Si' "...the word of God came to John's son of Zechariah in the desert. He went throughout the whole region of the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins" (Luke 3:2-3) **Laudato Si'** Movement's (LSM) Advent Reflection this Sunday says, "Reflect on the importance of the wilderness, deserts, rivers, seas and other natural landscapes to the narratives of the Bible. How can we recognize the importance of such places to our own personal narratives and how can we draw together ecological and Christian reconciliation?" https://drive.google.com/file/d/1iKBVe_fQm58sJiV1GobxwsDa1evj4M1c/view LSM puts out a *Guide to Ecological Virtues* [EN Guide- Ecological virtuesdf.pdf - Google Drive](#) which says we can think of the three theological virtues of faith, hope, and love and we know the cardinal virtues of prudence, justice, temperance, and fortitude and the gifts of the Spirit that help sustain these virtues: wisdom, understanding, counsel, fortitude, knowledge, piety, and fear of the Lord "ecological virtues do not substitute or replace any of these; rather they are connected to these virtues and sustained by the gifts of the Spirit.





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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Taekwondo in the PARISH HALL

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