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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

4th Sunday of Lent – 30th March 2025 (YEAR C)

Reflection

The resource I use to help couples prepare for marriage has questions for them to think about and discuss in between sessions. One of the questions at the end of one of the chapters is, 'What effect would adultery have on your marriage?'

In one sense this hypothetical question is absurd. Dealing with the consequences of any sin requires time and place, context and contrition. It is even tougher to imagine the effect of any destructive behaviour in one's marriage even before the marriage has begun. Still, it never ceases to amaze me how this question usually leads the couple to have a very fruitful and frank discussion, not about adultery, but about their values, family history, commitment, fidelity and growing old together.

Sometimes, however, I cringe when the prospective bride or groom seems to give the green light to their future spouse by saying, 'Well I guess if he or she went looking elsewhere it would be my fault' or 'I love him or her so much that I know we could go on regardless'. Others say very clearly that it would alter the trust and respect of the relationship, but they hope they could look at the circumstances and rebuild the relationship.

The most mature couples do not wipe over the seriousness of the sinful action, but want to hold on to compassion, forgiveness and a commitment that it will not happen again.

Couples like these have clearly understood the power of today's readings. The third Sunday of Lent is all about second chances. In Exodus we have a bush that is alight but does not burn and in Luke we have a fig tree that does not bear fruit, is earmarked for the chop and saved by the gardener. In both cases where we would expect to find destruction we find new opportunities for growth, nurturance and flowering.

Over the centuries the goodness of God that always gives us another chance has not been proclaimed as vigorously as it should have been. We have focused on God's justice as though it was a once and for all, shape up or ship out sort of message. These ideas can be deduced from today's second reading where Paul seems to argue that God killed the chosen people for their complaining and infidelity.

Paul was a tough man and for him Christian commitment was no picnic. He was aware of how people were suffering and dying for the Gospel, so he was at pains to teach the people of Corinth that the commitment demanded from the Gospel could entail everything they had. His reading of why the Israelites died in the desert, however, needs to be read against the second chances of the other readings, especially the Gospel.

We believe in Lent that we enter a holy time in our year and visit a holy place in ourselves where the fire of God's love should burn brightly within us. We are offered these weeks to re-examine our values, family history, commitment, fidelity and growth so as to chart how best we can grow old with God. To do this sometimes requires facing up to our sinful behaviour and making choices to change our lives. We can only do this when we trust that the fire of God's love is not about destruction, but compassion, forgiveness and a second chance.

May this Eucharist be nurturance for the foundations of our lives and a moment to take stock and to assess with honesty the fruitfulness of how, as a sign of Christ's light within us, we live out our faith in our marriage, at home, at work and in the world.

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**PARISH EVENTS
THIS WEEK**

Monday 31st March
NO Mass

Tuesday 1st April
Mass 8.00am
Rosary after Mass
Samaritans 9.30am

Wednesday 2nd April
Mass 9.00am
(Anointing)
Inurnment 9.45am
Mass Delamore 4:45pm

Thursday 3rd April
Mass 8.00am
NO Perpetual Adoration

Friday 4th April
Mass 8.00am
Stations of the Cross
(straight after Mass)
Christian Meditation 9.00am

Saturday 5th April
Baptismal Information 11.00am
Reconciliation 4.00pm
Vigil Mass 5.00pm

Sunday 6th April
[Fifth Sunday of Lent]
Mass 7.30am, 9.30am
Baptisms 11.00am
Mass 5.30pm

**Please pray for our recently
deceased:**

Carmela Di Pino, Nancy McLaughlin, Tim Purcell, Sr Janine Bliss FMM, William Darch, Thomas Hayes, Elizabeth Arthy, Elizabeth Azul, Christine Little, Margaret Ryan, Steven Hughes
those whose

Anniversaries occur about now:
Gerard Janssen, Robyn Woolly, Alf Gow, Martin and Rasey family, Dennis Azarraga, Nestor Lomeda, Therakam Kuriakose George, Harry Roy Nanda, Val West, Jack Cuttle, Bernabela Ferrer

Prayer for the Sick
Jessica O'Brien

SAMARITANS, a parish based organisation with 51 years of history in the parish,

TIME - 9.30-12 with morning tea

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

A fun packed morning!

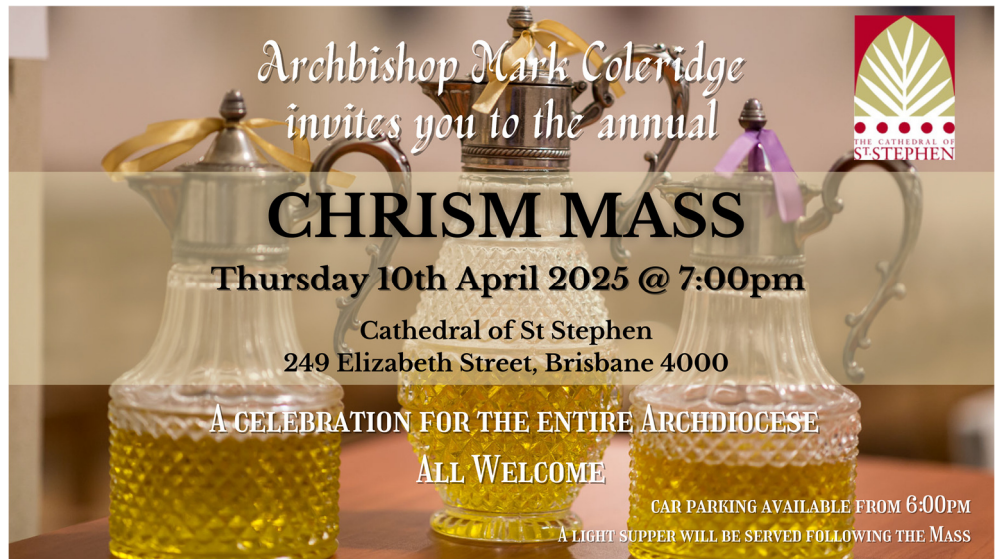
Chance to make new friends - All welcome - transport offered.

Cost \$7.00 per visit

Volunteers always welcome

Come and enjoy a fun based morning in air-conditioned comfort in the Parish Hall (next to church)

Contact 0405241644 for further information



Archbishop Mark Coleridge
invites you to the annual
CHRISM MASS
Thursday 10th April 2025 @ 7:00pm
Cathedral of St Stephen
249 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane 4000
A CELEBRATION FOR THE ENTIRE ARCHDIOCESE
ALL WELCOME
CAR PARKING AVAILABLE FROM 6:00PM
A LIGHT SUPPER WILL BE SERVED FOLLOWING THE MASS

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," options form **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.

Leave Your Legacy

Are you wondering how you can make a lasting gift to Kedron Parish? Naming the parish in your Will, after taking care of your loved ones, can make a meaningful and profound gift to our parish. Gifts can be made to the parish or designated to our perpetual endowment fund. By learning more about these and many other giving options, you can create a legacy of giving to your parish community. To learn more please contact the Catholic Foundation at 3324 3200 or call the parish office.

Laudato Si

Older bible commentaries describe Luke's Prodigal Son parable as the "Crown and flower of all the parables" (Expositor's Bible Commentary ed. William Robertson Nicoll 1889). Dr. Mark Siddall PhD, theologian and climate scientist says the story begins on a 'oikos' (a home farm – an 'ecology') and that the brothers falsely think of the farm as a possession to be exploited. Broken relationships among people and the land in the parable correlate with the contemporary human broken relationship with creation, which is causing the climate crisis. The brothers categorize the family farm in terms of either possession or merit. Neither possession nor merit are correct; the correct categories in which to view both the family farm and creation are the gospel categories of faithfulness and grace. (<https://journals.sagepub.com/doi/10.1177/0040571X221097548?icid=int.sj-abstract.similar-articles.4>). Siddall writes with a climate and social scientist's plus theologian's perspective on the integration of cultural/religious worldviews and both the stated and absorbed attitudes to anthropogenic caused climate change. His study is across the disciplines of cultural anthropology and current history of various religions in their official but varying religious responses to climate change. (<https://academic.oup.com/oacc/article/4/1/kgae002/7550025>)

Dear Parents and Guardians

This year we are implementing a new Archdiocesan program called **Flocknote**.

Flocknote enables you to input information for all Sacraments you wish your child/children to receive at the one time. We therefore encourage you to enrol for all three at this time.

The Enrolment process will cover your child's enrolments for the Sacraments of:

- Confirmation
- Reconciliation
- First Holy Communion

There are two simple steps involved in this process:

Step 1. Register your family with **Flocknote** by using this link: <https://kedroncatholic.flocknote.com/register>



or using the **Flocknote URL**

Step 2. Completing the form for Sacramental Enrolment on **Formsite**. Here is the separate link to the form: <https://fs12.formsite.com/archbne/kedronsacpro/signup>

Importantly, if you need to add or attach additional information at a later stage this can be done. **Flocknote** is considered to be a more streamlined system and hopefully will work well for all. It is the first time **Flocknote** has been used so there may be a few teething problems. If you have **any** questions or queries please call or email.

We look forward to you and your family being part of the Little Flower Parish and the Sacramental program.

Sacramental Team

Little Flower Church

Stations of the Cross

18th April 2025
10.00am

Once again the parish is doing a re-enactment of the Stations on the Cross for Good Friday. We would love for school student volunteers to help re-enact the stations. If you would like to volunteer please contact us.

Monday 14th April 9.00 - 12.00noon
[Rehearsal]

Friday 18th April 7.00am -8.00am
[Rehearsal]

8.00am -9. 00am
[Breakfast]

9.00am - 9.45am
[Final Preparation]

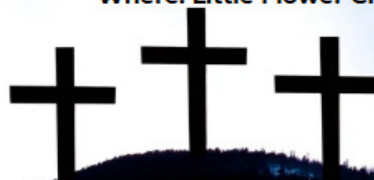
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**PROJECT
COMPASSION**

Fourth Sunday of Lent
30th of March 2025

Irene lives in a remote village in the Kongolo Region in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC).

Life hasn't been easy for Irene. After losing her father in a war, Irene and her family were forced to flee their home. Life became even more challenging when her husband left, leaving Irene to raise her 2 children alone. Without finishing her education and with few job opportunities in her village, she struggled to provide even the basics for her family.

Things began to change when Irene joined the Youth Capacity Strengthening Program (YCSP), run by Caritas Kongolo with the support of Caritas Australia. Through the program, Irene learned sewing skills and was provided with a sewing machine and fabric. Irene also gained farming skills. Now, she grows enough food to feed her family and even shares her sewing knowledge by mentoring other women in her community.

"Before, women depended on men's income, but now, with our sewing skills, we can take care of ourselves," Irene said.

Your support of Project Compassion helps women like Irene to create brighter futures for themselves and their families.



Everyone's Welcome!



Fundraising event for the 2026 Padua Football Tour

It will be an afternoon of live music, drinks and fun in the sun!

Saturday, 5 April
12:00pm - 5:00pm

Padua College Kedron, Greccio Oval

Scan the QR Code to secure your tickets



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 or scan the QR code here to register today!



The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven,
may the faith you have given us
in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother,
and the flame of charity enkindled
in our hearts by the Holy Spirit,
reawaken in us the blessed hope
for the coming of your Kingdom.

May your grace transform us
into tireless cultivators of
the seeds of the Gospel.

May those seeds transform from
within both humanity and the whole
cosmos in the sure expectation
of a new heaven and a new earth,
when, with the powers of Evil vanquished,
your glory will shine eternally.

May the grace of the Jubilee
reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope,
a yearning for the treasures of heaven.

May that same grace spread
the joy and peace of our
Redeemer throughout the earth.
To you our God, eternally blessed,
be glory and praise for ever. Amen.

Francis



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.*

WHS Incident Report. Pa-
rishioners 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 notifica-
tions to the Archdiocese and
the Division of Work Health
and Safety QLD.

COME AND TRY!



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