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5th Sunday of Lent

Year A

29th March 2020

Our Pastor's Message



Dear Parishioners,

The coronavirus pandemic is turning our lives on our heads; at no other time in recent history has our world changed by the hour, with new realities and restrictions being placed on whole populations with little notice. Our lives are being seriously disrupted and from all indications across the world, there is more to come. For all of us it is an anxious and stressful time.

The rules of social or physical distancing, self-isolation and the limit of one person per four square metres indoors and keeping 1.5 metres apart elsewhere applies to us all. It is imperative that the social distancing mantra is clearly understood and taken seriously by us all, in the battle against this pandemic.

Responding to the restrictions imposed by the public health authorities in an orderly way has its many challenges, at all levels. We need to remain human Church communities who care for each other and we need to find new ways to have a bond of communion with our brothers and sisters in faith.

Our parish staff and volunteers have been coming to terms with how to continue to minister in this environment and we have begun the process to continue this human contact with those who are house bound, self-isolating, the elderly and unwell, the parish youth and all members of the parish.

I am committed to our Parish continuing to serve our community during this time, that we continue to support people spiritually, physically and socially through whatever means we as a parish community can muster and that we are here, ready and able to resume our Eucharistic life, when this crisis is over.

Over the past week, we have been working on how the parish plans to respond to the community of the faithful. We are putting together a caring phone tree where volunteers will call parishioners at home once a week to keep in touch with those feeling isolated, who just need to hear a friendly voice or who are in need of assistance in some form or other.

If you know of anyone who would benefit from this service or you would like to be on the phone tree please email or call the parish office.

We are also providing online liturgical and prayer resources from the Archdiocese and elsewhere for people to use in the Home, "the Domestic Church". In the newsletter, there will be web links and online opportunities to nourish our Spiritual lives and stay connected to the Community electronically. Be it through watching Mass via web cast, looking up the readings of the day or other online links to nourish our faith life.

Currently, in consultation with the Parish Finance Council, we are looking at present realities and are restructuring our parish budget to be able to continue to operate on a much-reduced income. Expenses are being rationalised where possible and there are measures under consideration by the Archdiocese to assist parishes. During this time, we still need your support and I encourage you to continue, as appropriate to your own circumstances, your contributions to the Parish.

For those utilising automatic and electronic means of giving, we thank you for continuing your support. For those who would normally support the envelope or Mass collections I ask you to consider moving to the various electronic or automatic deduction methods available for giving by contacting the Parish office. The Parish manager, Michael Finch, will be emailing or phoning envelope givers at my request over the coming week to talk about how you can continue to assist your community.

In the meantime, if you wish to join the giving program, or need to vary your giving, please contact the parish.

Currently parish staff are updating our email communication system, as we add as many contacts as possible. This will enable the parish and myself to communicate directly with as many parishioners as we can weekly and in the case of an emergency. If you know of anyone who would like to be receive our parish updates, please ask them to contact the office to provide their email address or refer them to our website where they can subscribe.

The parish office will be the central place for all communication, so I ask that you contact the office if you have any needs, questions or concerns for yourself or other members of the parish community.

It is important to note that in case of death and serious illness I am available to respond to both nursing homes and private homes, the mobile to contact me on is 0418 785 440.

Let us continue to pray for each other and for all those throughout the world who have died, are ill, or are grieving their loss.

Please remember to pray the Archbishop's pray in this time of crisis.

Very Rev Mark Franklin P.P.

Sunday Readings

1st Reading Ezek 36:12-14

2nd Reading Rom 8:8-11

Gospel Jn 11:1-45

Readings at Home

Please see the link for the readings of the 5th Sunday of Lent: <https://litedliturgybrisbane.weebly.com/sunday-readings-at-home.html/>

Vision: To be a welcoming and inclusive community, sharing God's kingdom with all.

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Prayer Requests

If your relative or friend has been removed from this list and you wish them to remain on it, please call the Parish Office.

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Anniversaries: Please remember all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Sick: Please pray for Peter McNamara, Anthony Kenneth Thomas, Theresa Crook, Judy Kocho, Colin Warnick, Melinda Craig, Kay Houghton, Pat Clohessy, John O'Dea, Paul Smeaton, Matthew Gilroy, Maria Langenberg, Nadine Jones, Clare Hickey, Nina Smart, Evelyn Gardner, Paul Cherian, John Green, Jackie Rutter, Cherry Austin, Eugenie Hargraves, Denise Reeves, Brian West, Wal Giugni, Leo Thomsen, Pat Logan, Danielle Keymer, Benjamin Stekhoven, Chris Morris, Sobhon Kanithasevi (Mo), Annette Boyle, Noelene Casey, and all those who are sick.



Fifth Sunday of Lent 29th March 2020

Tawonga is a 10-year-old girl living with a disability, and struggling with food insecurity and discrimination in Malawi. Since participating in a caritas Australia supported program, Tawonga's life has transformed.

Please donate to Project Compassion 2020 so this transformational program can continue to empower vulnerable women, men and children, and strengthen the communities around them.

Let's Go Further, Together. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.

Youth Ministry

While all youth group events are currently cancelled for the foreseeable future, the youth ministry will still be kicking through social media. We want to keep in touch especially in this time where it's easy to lose hope, so the youth are welcome to follow our new Instagram account 'olrkenmoreyouth' where we'll be seeking new ways to stay connected with each other and our Faith!

Live streaming of Mass from St Stephens Cathedral

www.brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/web-cast

Family Prayer

<https://litedliturgybrisbane.weebly.com/family-prayer-week-by-week.html>

The Catholic Leader

The Leader has gone digital and you'll love the layout! Reads just like the paper version- now accessible on all devices, anywhere! Read the entire digital newspaper for free here: <https://bit.ly/39e5JtD>

Supporting Your Parish and its Mission

Parish Giving via Envelopes and Cash: With the suspension of Masses, Planned Giving Envelopes, cash contributions and Project Compassion Envelopes can be handed in at the parish office during office hours or through the mail slot in the office door after hours.

At this time you may wish to consider automatic giving options:

Electronic Funds Transfer:

BSB: 064 786

OLR Parish Account Number: 006651102

(please include your name and purpose such as "Parish giving")

Regular Direct Debit from your bank account:

An authority form for automatic bank deduction can be completed through the Parish office. Contact the Parish manager at finchm@bne.catholic.net.au

Credit Card deduction: Either one off or monthly can be arranged by contacting the Parish office.

Your continued financial support will assist Fr Mark and the parish to meet the needs of parishioners during these difficult times and ensure that when normality resumes we will be in a position to continue our mission in full.

Of course we understand that everyone's circumstance will be different as the current situation continues to impact on all our lives. Should you need to alter your existing arrangements please don't hesitate to contact the parish office.

Our Lady of the Rosary Education Ministry

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish has a number of education services, please contact these for further information

Parish Primary School	Principal - Andrew Oberthur	07 3378 2412	pkenmore@bne.catholic.net.au
Parish Kindergarten	Director - Emma Lane	07 3720 1777	kenmorekindy@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au
Outside School Hours Care	Coordinator - Alex Mallon	07 3378 8943	kenmoreoshc@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au