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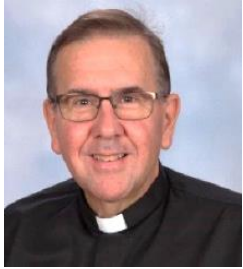
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6th Sunday of Easter

Year A

17th May 2020



Our Pastor's Message

Dear Parishioners,

In our society today some of the social formalities of the past are now a dim memory. Our teachers, police, priests and others in our community used to be greeted with respect when we passed them in the street.

Other adults we called Mr or Mrs. Similar courtesies were expected as good manners.

Something of the kind survives in rural Australia even today, where as a mark of respect for the deceased, people still bow their heads, shops would close their doors and cars and people would stop as the funeral procession went by and the church bell tolled to warn of the coming procession. This was my own experience of growing up in a rural community not that far from the big city. Now most of these formalities have gone, like the world of our childhood which valued them so highly.

“Revere the Lord in your hearts,” says Saint Peter. This reverence should reach out into all our other relationships too. If, on the contrary, reverence for God is lost, nothing is truly sacred anymore.

And, as a quiet warning to people engaged in religious debate, Peter urges us to make our arguments “with courtesy and respect,” qualities that are notably lacking in the discussion of political and social issues. Reverence for God, respect and courtesy for others are parts of the same virtue.

One positive aspect of the current pandemic in our own nation is how people have generally realised that we need to work together, to care for one another, to show respect to our elderly and vulnerable more than ever before.

Showing respect for the other has in many ways been set aside for a general occupation with the me. It's all about me and it's this 'what I want' attitude that has grown to such an extent that families and community suffer.

We have been now forced to look at the needs of others and to care and be aware that our actions can have a deadly effect on others in our community.

God has not sent this pandemic but we can now find God in the current crisis in the way people act towards our neighbour, being church and being community. This pandemic has given us a chance to really live the Gospel in our home, community, workplaces and in our human family.

God Bless, Fr Mark

Stage 1 Easing of COVID-19 Restrictions Places of Worship

We have received advice from the Archdiocese of Brisbane that the celebration of Mass continues to be suspended at this time. Please be aware however that our Parish is putting in place procedures & protocols to allow daily Mass to resume within the revised restrictions as soon as we have approval from the Archdiocese. Your patience is appreciated and we ask you to continue your devotional practices at home for now.

Live Streaming of Mass from St Stephen's Cathedral

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

Schedule of Celebrations from St Stephen's Cathedral

<http://archbne.org/bzz>

Family Prayer

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

The Catholic Leader

Read the entire digital newspaper for free here:
<https://catholicleader.com.au/digital-newspaper-covid19>

Pentecost Pilgrimage

Register for free at: <https://www.pentecostpilgrimage.com/>

Sunday Readings

1st Reading Acts 8:5-8, 14-17

2nd Reading 1 Pet 3:15-18

Gospel Jn 14:15-21

Readings at Home

Please see the link for the readings of 6th Sunday of EASTER: <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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PARISH INFORMATION

Parish Office Re-Opening

The Parish office at Kenmore will re-open to visitors from Monday the 25th May (8:30am to 2:00pm Mon-Fri).

The Parish has put in place procedures & protocols to ensure we continue to abide by COVID-19 regulations.

Protocols for Visiting the Parish Office:

- If you are sick do not visit, stay home.
- Short term Parking in Church car park is permitted.
- Only one person to enter the office foyer at any time, other visitors to wait outside keeping 1.5 metres apart.
- Protective screening at counter.
- Contactless payment facility.
- Hand sanitiser available.
- Once business is conducted, we ask that you leave the church grounds without delay.
- The OLR School site is currently out of bounds to Visitors.

Sacramental News

Confirmation 2020: The Parish is intending to run the Confirmation programme later this year once COVID-19 restrictions are lifted.

New session dates will be communicated to those enrolled in the programme asap. If you have not completed your enrolment for Confirmation, please contact the parish office via email kenmore@bne.catholic.net.au

1st Communion 2020: The 1st Communion Programme dates will need to be pushed back later in the year once Confirmation has been completed. When we have the dates for the Confirmation programme the 1st Communion programme dates will be issued and enrolment interviews will commence.

Parish Youth Ministry

With restrictions still in place, OLR Youth is still going ahead with online Zoom meetings every Friday night from 6:00-7:30pm. These meetings have a pretty simple flow, they consist of an online game, a brief talk, a time of prayer and small groups.

Last Friday we held week two of our "Triune" series, where Matt Arendse spoke to us about God the Son. This Friday we have the final week of the series on the Holy Spirit, which will lead us into our next series in preparation for Pentecost. If you know any highschoolers, let them know that they are most welcome to join us!

We are also beginning to make plans and work towards putting the necessary safety measures in place for when normal youth group resume. Stay tuned for more info on that! Peace, Matt Foxon - Youth Ministry Coordinator

- **Friday Zoom Youth Gathering 6:00pm – 7:30pm**
- **Instagram @olrkenmoreyouth**

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.

Recently Deceased: Please remember **Neil McMeniman, Isaac Schuurmans-Stekhoven** and all those who have died recently.

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

Sick: Please pray for Rosemary Foxon, Anna Stewart, Katherine Parsonage, 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 (Mo) Kanithasevi, Annette Boyle, Noelene Casey, and all those who are sick.

Praying the Rosary

The month of May is traditionally devoted to Mary and many Catholics have made an effort pray the rosary at home – a focus of prayer being the coronavirus pandemic as suggested by Pope Francis.

Please see the link below for detailed instructions on Praying the Rosary: <https://dynamiccatholic.com/rosary/how-to-pray-the-rosary>

Supporting Your Parish and its Mission

Thank you to the many Parishioners who continue to respond to the call to give electronically and to those who have been placing their Planned Giving Envelopes and donations in the mail slot in the door at the parish office. Your support allows Fr Mark and the Parish staff to continue to meet the needs of our community during these peculiar times.

Options for electronic giving are as follows:

Electronic Funds Transfer:

BSB: 064 786 - OLR Parish Account Number: 006651102
(please include your name, giving number if applicable and reference i.e. "Parish giving")

Direct Debit from your bank account or Credit Card payment: Regular or one off contributions can be arranged through the Parish office. Contact the Parish manager at finchm@bne.catholic.net.au



Parish Giving App: The Archdiocese has developed a Phone & Web App, which is now available online and for download from the Apple App Store and Android Google Play.

Guides for set up and use of this convenient & secure phone and web based application are available at: <https://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au/slides/>
https://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au/slides/giving_transaction.html

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
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