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5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

7<sup>th</sup> February 2021

### Our Pastor's Message

The Belfast-born writer C.S. Lewis was both a great intellectual and a man of great faith. He set out to give a rational explanation for the Christian vision of life. In 1940 he wrote a book called *The Problem of Pain* in which he brought his intellect and his faith to bear on the problem of suffering. However, twenty one years, in 1961, he wrote a very different book, called, *A Grief Observed*.

In that book he recognises that his rational, cerebral, faith has taken something of a battering. The book consists of the painful and brutally honest reflections of a man whose wife has died, slowly and in pain, from cancer. The book gives a vivid description of his own reaction, as a man of faith, to his wife's death. His rational faith fell to pieces when confronted with suffering of a devastatingly personal kind. He writes at one point, 'Where is God? Go to him when your need is desperate, when all other help is vain, and what do you find? A door slammed in your face and a sound of bolting and double bolting on the inside. After that silence.' The name of Lewis's wife was Joy. He had earlier written a book called *Surprised by Joy* in which he wrote about the impact meeting her had on his life. His book *A Grief Observed* has received a wide readership because of his authentic and moving account of the impact of bereavement. Even though his rational, cerebral faith took something of a battering because of Joy's death, Lewis did not lose his faith. Through the darkness of this experience he claims to have come to love his wife more truly. He writes that God had helped him to see that because the love he and his wife had for each other had reached its earthly limit, it was ready for its heavenly fulfilment.

Faith has to come to terms with the cross and it is at the foot of the cross that faith can be purified and deepened. Jesus himself entered fully into the darkness of human suffering. In today's second reading, Paul says of himself, 'For the weak, I made myself weak.' That is certainly true of Jesus. He entered fully into the weakness of the human condition. Elsewhere, in one of his letters, Paul says of Christ that 'though he was rich, yet for your sakes he became poor, so that by his poverty you might become rich.' On the cross Jesus was at his weakest and poorest; it was on Calvary that, in the words of Lewis, Jesus went to God and found a door slammed in his face, as he cried out, 'My God, my God, why have you forsaken me?' Yet, that cry of desolation is itself an act of faith; it is the language faith uses when confronted with the harrowing darkness of loss. God did not forsake Jesus, but brought through death into the fullness of life.

The Jesus who was crucified in weakness is the same risen Lord who is with us in our own experiences of suffering and desolation, just as he was with the suffering and the broken in today's gospel. He is with us as one who knows our experience from the inside. Having gone down into the depths and having moved beyond the depths into a fuller life, he can enable us to do the same. He is the good shepherd who, even when we walk through the valley of darkness, is there with his crook and his staff, leading us to springs of living water.

*God Bless, Fr Mark*

### Parish Diary

#### Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February

- 9:15am Bridge Group, St Catherine's, Moggill
- 1:00pm Mahjong Group, St Catherine's, Moggill

#### Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> February

- 9:15am Daily Mass, OLR Church, Kenmore

#### Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> February – St Scholastica

- 9:15am Craft Group, St Catherine's, Moggill
- 6:30pm Daily Mass, OLR Church, Kenmore
- 6:30pm P&F Meeting, OLR Primary School

#### Thursday 11<sup>th</sup> February

- 9:15am Daily Mass, St Catherine's, Moggill

#### Friday 12<sup>th</sup> February

- 9:15am Daily Mass, OLR Church, Kenmore
- 3:00pm Primary School (Launch Pad) Youth Group, OLR Primary School CCC
- 6:30pm High School (MAGNIFY) Youth Group, OLR Primary School CCC

#### Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> February

- 5:00pm Vigil Mass, OLR Church, Kenmore

#### Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> February

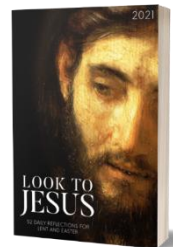
- 8:00am Sunday Mass, St Catherine's, Moggill
- 9:45am Sunday Mass, OLR Church, Kenmore
- 11:15am Baptism, OLR Church, Kenmore
- 12:00am Baptism, OLR Church, Kenmore
- 5:30pm Sunday Mass, OLR Church, Kenmore

### To Book for Mass:

<https://www.trybooking.com/eventlist/olrparishkenmoremoggill>

### Lenten Reflection Books

The Lenten Reflection Books are \$5 each and are available from the Kenmore and Moggill Churches. The daily reflections will invite the reader to contemplate a verse from the Scripture reading of the day. This reflection will be followed by a quote from Pope Francis and a simple prayer.



### Sunday Readings

1<sup>st</sup> Reading Jon 7:1-4, 6-7

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23

Gospel Mk 1:29-39

### Readings at Home

Liturgy and Prayer resources for 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time: <https://universalis.com/20210207/mass.htm>

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

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## PARISH INFORMATION

### 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 all those who have died recently.

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

**Sick:** Please pray for Mary Robba, Hope Taylor, Wayne Waters, Frances Watkins, Kurt Ebert, Clint Quinlivan, Krystyna Kazimierczuk, Hans Gockel, Rosemary Foxon, Anna Stewart, Katherine Parsonage, Theresa Crook, Judy Kocho, Melinda Craig, Pat Clohessy, John O'Dea, Matthew Gilroy, Maria Langenberg, Nadine Jones, Clare Hickey, Nina Smart, Evelyn Gardner, Paul Cherian, John Green, Jackie Rutter, Cherry Austin, Denise Reeves, Brian West, Pat Logan, Benjamin Stekhoven, Chris Morris, Sobhon (Mo) Kanithasevi, Annette Boyle, Noelene Casey, and all those who are sick.

### 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary

Congratulations to **Noel and Joan-Anne Kendall** who celebrate their 60<sup>th</sup> Wedding Anniversary on the 11<sup>th</sup> Feb. Mass will be offered up on Friday 12<sup>th</sup> Feb at 9:15am for this Anniversary.

### Mass Booking Information:

- Attendance limit of 140 worshippers at each Mass
- For all those who book online via TryBooking there is no need to sign in on arrival at Mass. Simply confirm you have pre booked, show your ticket to the monitor, sanitise and move directly to your seat.
- Mass bookings remain open on TryBooking up to the scheduled Mass time.
- For those on roster, please book as soon as possible to ensure your place.
- For those unable to keep all or part of your booking, please cancel online prior to Mass commencing or email the parish office.
- If you are aware of any parishioners who don't receive our Parish Updates or don't have internet access, please ask them to contact the Parish office and we will be happy to assist them.

### COVID Safe Mass Protocols:

- Arrive early for Mass so we can start on time
- Face masks optional
- Confirm your booking with monitor on arrival
- If you have not booked online for Mass, sign in with QR code or written sign in sheets.
- Practice good hand and respiratory hygiene, sanitise your hands on arrival and on departure
- Maintain physical distancing on arrival, when seated, whilst queuing single file for Communion and as you leave the Church
- No physical contact during Sign of Peace
- Communion under one kind, in the hand only
- Depart promptly following Mass
- If sick, stay home

### Youth News

**YOUNG ADULTS (18+)** – Young Adult BBQ

Starting Feb 7<sup>th</sup> – First Sunday of each month, after 5:30pm mass, behind Kenmore Church

**HIGH SCHOOL (Yr. 7-12)** – Youth Group

Friday evenings during the school term, 6:30-8:30pm at the Carroll Community Centre (CCC), OLR School

**PRIMARY SCHOOL (Yr. 4-6)** – Launch Pad Youth Group

Starting Feb 5<sup>th</sup> – Friday afternoons during the school term, 3:00-4:30pm at the Carroll Community Centre (CCC), OLR School

### Ash Wednesday Mass Times 2021

5:30pm Vigil Mass - Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup> Feb OLR Church Kenmore

9:15am Mass - Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> Feb OLR Church Kenmore

6:30pm Mass - Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> Feb St Catherine's Moggill

*Bookings for these Masses will be open on Monday 8<sup>th</sup> February via Trybooking.*

### Parish Giving

Your Parish needs your continued financial support to provide the many sacramental, liturgical, pastoral and administrative services we offer and in support of our clergy. Please consider your financial gift and the various methods of giving available which include:

- Pay-Wave Tap Donations at Mass
- Parish Giving App
- EFTPOS via Parish Office in Person or Phone
- Regular Deduction from your Bank Account
- Regular Deduction from your Credit Card
- Direct Deposit to Parish Bank Account

### Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Reserve Account

**BSB: 064 786**

**Account: 006651102**

To discuss your options please phone or email the Parish manager on 3878 6655 or [finchm@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:finchm@bne.catholic.net.au)

### Centacare Catholic Support Services



Centacare provides practical and pastoral activities each weekday at the Mental Health Hub in Fortitude Valley for people living with a mental health issue.

Centacare mental health workers can support people with their application process to the NDIS to assess their eligibility, provide supports funded under an existing package, or explore other sources of funding to join in activities if not NDIS eligible. Centacare also offers a pastoral and spiritual care program at the Fortitude Valley site which is free to join.

For more information or to register interest please contact Centacare on 3853 7400 or email: [ccsbrisbanesouthgeneral@bne.centacare.net.au](mailto:ccsbrisbanesouthgeneral@bne.centacare.net.au)

## 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

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<b>Parish Kindergarten</b>	Director - Emma Lane	07 3720 1777	<a href="mailto:kenmorekindy@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au">kenmorekindy@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au</a>
<b>Outside School Hours Care</b>	Coordinator - Alex Mallon	07 3378 8943	<a href="mailto:kenmoreoshc@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au">kenmoreoshc@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au</a>

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