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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

14th February 2021

Our Pastor's Message

By referring to leprosy in two of the three readings today, clearly the Church wants to direct our attention to something deeper than a purely physical disease. This is confirmed in the Responsorial Psalm, celebrating the joy of those who confess their sins before God, and experience his forgiveness. We might regard sin as a kind of leprosy of the soul. The ancient world used to combat physical leprosy by isolating the lepers, make them live outside the camp or town, and making them cry aloud, "Unclean, unclean!" as a warning to anyone approaching them. Also, whoever had the misfortune to even touch a leper would be regarded as unclean, and would be excluded from the community.

Perhaps there is some parallel to this on the spiritual plane. In the church of Jesus Christ, a sin committed by any member of this community is never a purely private affair, but a rejection in some degree of the standards the members have pledged to uphold. One of the most disturbing sayings of Christ in the gospels was his reference to Judas at the Last Supper: "Not one of them is lost, except the one who chose to be lost" (Jn 17:12).

There is a touching humility in the leper's request to Jesus, "If you want to, you can cure me." This appeal was met with compassion by Jesus, who, as St Mark comments, was moved with pity. He went further, stretching out his hand and touching the leper, so making himself unclean according to the law. Shortly afterwards Mark says that Jesus could no longer go openly into any town, but had to stay outside in country places. This compassion for suffering humanity resulted in more and more people coming to him, and even today the outstretched arms of God's Son on the cross are a never-ending invitation to sinners to seek refuge with him. No longer was the leper, when cured, forced to live apart. After showing himself to the priest he was re-admitted as a member of the community.

What in the past was called confession is now called the sacrament of reconciliation. We should reflect that just as mortal sin is not an isolated act, but rather the culmination of a series of minor infidelities, so reconciliation is a gradual return to God over a period of time, with the reception of the sacrament as the high point, a time to celebrate our joy and gratitude in being at one with God again. This conversion, this newly-found commitment to the Lord is a thing which has to be constantly renewed.

There is an enduring need for reconciliation, if we want to love God with our whole strength, and our neighbour as ourselves — the task Christ has set each of us when he said, "do this, and you will live."
God Bless, Fr Mark

Parish Diary

Monday 15th February

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

Tuesday 16th February

- 9:15am Daily Mass, OLR Church, Kenmore
- 5:30pm **Vigil Mass (Ash Wednesday)**, OLR Church, Kenmore

Wednesday 17th February – Ash Wednesday

- 9:15am **Ash Wednesday Mass**, OLR Church, Kenmore
- 9:15am Craft Group, St Catherine's, Moggill
- 6:30pm **Ash Wednesday Mass**, St Catherine's, Moggill

Thursday 18th February

- 9:15am Daily Mass, St Catherine's, Moggill
- 7:00pm Maranatha Prayer Group, OLR Church, Kenmore

Friday 19th 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
- 7:00pm Stations of the Cross, OLR Church, Kenmore

Saturday 20th February

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

Sunday 21st February – 1st Sunday of Lent

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

Book to Attend Weekend & Ash Wednesday Masses:

bit.ly/OLRParishtrybooking

Sunday Readings

1st Reading Lev 13:1-2, 44-46

2nd Reading 1 Cor 10:31 – 11:1

Gospel Mk 1:40-45

Readings at Home

Liturgy and Prayer resources for 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time: <https://universalis.com/20210214/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 **Fr Pat Dowd** and 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.

Ash Wednesday Masses

5:30pm Vigil Mass - Tuesday 16th Feb OLR Church Kenmore

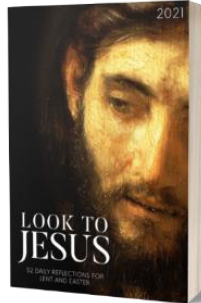
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Lenten Reflection Books

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. For each day there is a double page spread with: the date; a Scripture verse; a short reflection; a quote from Pope Francis; and a short prayer.



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

Youth News

YOUNG ADULTS (18+) – Young Adult BBQ

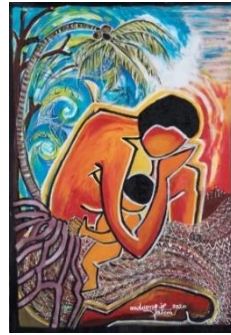
First Sunday of each month, after 5:30pm mass, behind Kenmore Church

HIGH SCHOOL (Yr. 7-12) – MAGNIFY (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)

Friday afternoons during the school term, 3:00-4:30pm at the Carroll Community Centre (CCC), OLR School



World Day of Prayer Service

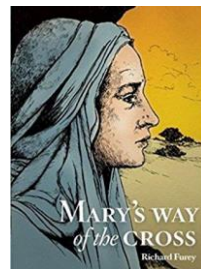
Friday 5th March, 10:00am, Holy Spirit Anglican Church, Moggill Road, Kenmore. Prepared by the Christian women of the Republic of Vanuatu.

Please wear a nametag and dress in something red, green, yellow or black (colours of Vanuatu's flag). Any memorabilia from Vanuatu can be placed on the display table before the service.



Project Compassion Sunday

Please take home a Project Compassion box and/or a set of donation envelopes and support Caritas Australia this Lenten season themed "**Be More**". Through your generosity and by aspiring to be more, you are assisting some of the world's most vulnerable people build better futures for themselves, their families and their communities. You can donate through Parish boxes and envelopes, or by visiting www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or phoning 1800 024 413.



Stations of the Cross

The Stations of the Cross or the Way of the Cross, also known as the Way of Sorrows or the Via Crucis, refers to a series of images depicting Jesus Christ on the day of his crucifixion and accompanying prayers.

The stations grew out of imitations of Via Dolorosa in Jerusalem which is believed to be the actual path Jesus walked to Mount Calvary. The object of the stations is to help the Christians faithful to make a spiritual pilgrimage through contemplation of the Passion of Christ.

Each Friday during Lent at 7:00pm at the OLR Church, Kenmore, the parish community are invited to gather to walk the Way of the Cross of Mary written by Fr Richard G. Furey, CSSR

The first Stations of the Cross will be held on Friday the 19th February at 7:00pm

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 – John Bates	07 3378 2412	pkenmore@bne.catholic.edu.au
Parish Kindergarten	Director - Emma Lane	07 3720 1777	kenmorekindy@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au
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