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4th Sunday of Easter

Year B

25th April 2021

Our Pastor's Message

When people go to Rome on pilgrimage, they usually try to include a visit to the Catacombs, the earliest Christian cemeteries in existence. The earliest Christian art is in the catacombs, the images are very simple and unadorned compared to the art that would emerge in later centuries. Yet these pictures are very striking just because of their simplicity and directness.

One of the images of Jesus most found in the catacombs is that of the Good Shepherd. One is in the Catacomb of San Callistus, showing a young beardless man with a sheep draped around his shoulders and holding a bucket of water in his right hand. Clearly the image of Jesus as the Good Shepherd that we find in today's gospel spoke to Christians from the earliest days of the church.

The shepherd image in the catacombs appealed to Christians from the start, because it conveys the *personal* nature of the relationship between Jesus and his followers; it portrays the close personal care that the shepherd has for the sheep. The shepherd has gone looking for the one sheep that has wandered off and having found it, he takes it home to the flock upon his shoulders. There is a bond between the shepherd and this one sheep.

That is what Jesus conveys in today's gospel. He declares that he knows his own and his own know him, just as the Father knows him and he knows the Father. It is an extraordinary statement to make. Jesus is saying that the very personal relationship he has with his heavenly Father is the model for the equally personal relationship he has with each one of us. Jesus knows us as intimately as the Father knows him, and he wants us to know him as intimately as he knows the Father. There is a great deal to ponder there. When it comes to the Lord we are not just one of a crowd, lost in a sea of faces. In a way that we will never fully understand, the Lord knows each one of us by name. He relates to us in a personal way and he invites us to relate to him in a personal way. He wishes to enter into a personal relationship with each one of us.

I am often struck by a line in Saint Paul's letter to the churches in Galatia, where he says, '**I live by faith in the Son of God who loved me and gave himself for me**'. We can each make our own those words of Saint Paul. When Jesus says in today's gospel that, as the good shepherd, '**I lay down my life for my sheep**', he is saying that he lays down his life for each one of us individually.

God Bless, Fr Mark

Parish Diary

Monday 26th April – St Mark (PUBLIC HOLIDAY)

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

Tuesday 27th April

- 9:15am Mass, OLR Church, Kenmore
- 7:00pm OLR School Board Meeting, OLR School

Wednesday 28th April – St Peter Chanel

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

Thursday 29th April – St Catherine of Siena

- 9:15am Mass, St Catherine's, Moggill
- 6:00pm Young Adult Holy Hour, OLR Church, Kenmore
- 7:30pm Maranatha Prayer Group, OLR Church, Kenmore

Friday 30th April

- 9:15am 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 1st May

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

Sunday 2nd May

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

To Attend Weekend Mass:

Online Booking Only: bit.ly/OLRParishtrybooking

Or phone the Parish on 3324 3630 and staff will assist you

Sacrament of Baptism

Under current COVID-19 restrictions, our Parish celebrates Baptisms by Appointment with certain restrictions.

One Baptism per family on a Sunday either at 11:15am or 12:00pm at OLR Kenmore.

If you would like to organise a Baptism in the Parish please contact the Office via Email or Phone.



1st Reading Acts 4:8-12

Sunday Readings

2nd Reading 1 Jn 3:1-2

Gospel Jn 10:11-18

Readings at Home

Liturgy and Prayer resources for 4th Sunday of Easter: <https://universalis.com/20210425/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 **Michael Fitzgerald, Prida**

Dibbayawan, Maureen Thomsen, Lara Dunn, Ian Plowman, Kerry Lannoy, Katherine Parsonage, Tony Nelson, Judy Hart, Marion Hodge, Nicole Dyer, Mary Robba, Hope Taylor, Wayne Waters, Frances Watkins, Kurt Ebert, Clint Quinlivan, Krystyna Kazimierczuk, Hans Gockel, Rosemary Foxon, Anna Stewart, 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.

Project Compassion 2021

THANK YOU for your support in 2021. This year Our Lady of the Rosary Parish community raised a magnificent amount totalling **\$8,806.80**

Through your generosity you will be empowering the world's most vulnerable communities to grow stronger and share their strengths with their communities to lift themselves out of poverty.

Tax receipts, where requested, will be emailed or posted by the Parish office in the coming week.

The Parish has now closed this appeal however you can still donate to Project Compassion direct via Caritas online at www.caritas.org.au/projectcompassion or by phone on **1800 024 413**

Thank you, Michael Finch, Parish Manager

Liturgical Ministries

Over the last year a number of people have retired from various liturgical ministries many after many years of service to the community. We thank them for these years of service. Currently some liturgical ministries need more people to volunteer for our weekend Masses.

If you are willing to receive training for the following liturgical ministries please contact the Parish Office.

- Reader of the Word – Lector
- Communion Minister
- Altar Server
- Mass Co-ordinator
- Piety Stall helper
- AV operator
- Singer - Choir
- Musician

We also need willing people to assist with the flowers and environment at Kenmore Church this ministry is important especially during the Easter and Christmas celebrations so that the Church is ready and set for these and on the weekend Masses.

Youth News

YOUNG ADULTS (18+) – Young Adult BBQ

1st Sunday of each month, after 5:30pm mass, behind Kenmore Church. **Next Event – 2nd May**

Holy Hour – Last Thursday of every month, 5:45pm - 7:00pm at OLR Church. **Next Event - Thursday 29th April**

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

COVID-19 Vaccine Information

Get vaccinated for the common good: Vaccination against COVID-19 is a morally good thing, providing protection for the person vaccinated and the wider community. Some COVID-19 vaccines are associated with ethically questionable production and research practices, but Pope Francis and the Australian Bishops have advised that it is morally permissible to receive any vaccine made available.

More information is available at: <https://www.catholic.org.au/coronavirus>

Maranatha Prayer Group

We invite everyone to join us on Thursday 29th April at 7.30 in the Church at Kenmore.

Sister Melissa Dwyer the Superior for the Canossian Sisters in Brisbane, is joining us on this feast day of St Catherine of Sienna to speak about living our vocation. She is an amazing speaker who has truly listened to the voice of God in her life and followed it. She has made many sacrifices and faced many challenges. Her story is very inspiring and entertaining so please join us. We will have a retiring collection for her mission work in Africa.

Any enquiries call Margaret Kerwick: 0414725093

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 you Bank Account
- Regular Deduction from your Credit Card
- Direct Deposit to Parish Bank Account

To discuss your options please phone or email the Parish manager on 3324 3630 or finchm@bne.catholic.net.au

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Reserve Account

Please Note New EFT Details

BSB: 064 786

Account: 100001192

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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