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25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year C

18th September 2022

Pastor's Message

"The love of money is the root of all evil" says St Paul. He did not call money itself the root of all evil, but rather the love of money. Of course money is needed as a means of exchanging goods in every organised society. But a person can become its slave through excessive love of money. It can become a substitute for God in one's life. In George Bernard Shaw's play, Major Barbara, when the rich industrialist was asked what was his religion he answered, "Why, I'm a millionaire. That's my religion!" but life is far more precious than the money we have, the food we eat or the clothes we wear. Possessions are only on loan to us, and in time we must leave them all behind. "Naked I came from my mother's womb," (Job 1:21), "and naked shall I return; the Lord gave, and the Lord has taken away."

The story about the Unjust Steward is about the fair and just use of money. Great personal wealth is rarely acquired without some sharp practice, and so Jesus regards money as somehow tainted. The laws and structures of society still seem to cater not so much to the common good but to the benefit of the wealthy and the privileged few. We need to keep in mind the words of Jesus, "Blessed are the poor in spirit, blessed are the merciful, blessed are those who strive for justice." This brings true fulfilment and the greatest reward of all, the friendship of God for all eternity.

Deep down, we know that there are no pockets in a shroud.

Fr Mark Franklin

Funeral Notice

Please keep in your prayers Barbara Ross who passed away last weekend.

Barbara's Funeral Mass will be on Monday 19th September at 11:00am at Our Lady of the Rosary Church Kenmore.

May she rest in peace.

Sacrament of Penance on Saturday Returns

From the Saturday 17th September the Saturday Afternoon Confession will recommence at Kenmore Church from 4:30pm – 4:50pm.

Anointing Masses Return

For those who are unwell and wish to receive the sacrament of anointing, you are invited to attend the Anointing Mass on **Friday morning 28th October at 9.15am** at Our Lady of the Rosary Church Kenmore.

Parish Diary

No Weekday Masses from 19th – 23rd September due to Fr Mark being on leave.

Daily Mass is celebrated at the following churches:

12 Apostles Church (11 Yallabee Rd, Jindalee):

- Monday 7:00am Mass
- Tuesday 9:00am Mass

Holy Family Church (37 Ward St, Indooroopilly):

- Wednesday 6:00pm
- Friday 9:00am

St Ignatius Loyola Church (30 Kensington Tce, Toowong):

- Thursday 9:15am

Monday 19th September

- 9:15am Bridge Group, St Catherine's, Moggill
- 11:00am Funeral Mass, Barbara Ross, OLR, Kenmore
- 1:00pm Mahjong Group, St Catherine's, Moggill

Tuesday 20th September – Sts Andrew Kim Tae-gon, Paul Chong Ha-sang & companions

- 9:15am **No Mass**

Wednesday 21st September – St Matthew

- 9:15am Craft Group, St Catherine's, Moggill

Thursday 22nd September – National Day of Mourning (Parish Office Closed)

- 9:15am **No Mass**

Friday 23rd September – St Pius of Pietrelcina

- 9:15am **No Mass**

Saturday 24th September

- 4:30pm Confessions, OLR, Kenmore
- 5:00pm Vigil Mass, OLR, Kenmore

Sunday 25th September – 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

To receive the electronic Parish newsletter emailed each week, subscribe at: <http://bit.ly/olrflock>

Sunday Readings

1st Reading Amos 8:4-7

2nd Reading 1 Tim 2:1-8

Gospel Lk 16:1-13

Readings at Home

Liturgy and Prayer resources for the 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time: <https://universalis.com/20220911/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 **Lara Dunn, Barbara Ross** and all those who have died recently.

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

Sick: Please pray for **Gabriel Ruddy, Vincent Cirillo, Glenda Dowd, Lyn Crowley, Lex Ross, Mario Garza, Amy Deans, Carol Green, Danielle Keymer, Juliet Quiterio, Terry Selva, Mary Matthews, Ellen Farkas, Harry Deans, Denise Venables, Brenda Carlos, James McGrath, Graham Jackson, Madeleine Brown, Leonard Cox, Prida Dibbayawan, Nicole Dyer, Clint Quinlivan, Krystyna Kazimierczuk, Rosemary Foxon, Anna Stewart, Judy Kocho, Pat Clohessy, Matthew Gilroy, Maria Langenberg, Nadine Jones, Clare Hickey, Nina Smart, Evelyn Gardner, Paul Cherian, John Green, Jackie Rutter, Cherry Austin, Denise Reeves, Brian West, Benjamin Stekhoven, Chris Morris, Annette Boyle, Noelene Casey, and all those who are sick.**

Youth News

Primary School (Yr. 4-6) - Launch Pad Youth Group resumes on Friday 7th October.

High School (Yr. 7-12) – Magnify Youth Group resumes on Friday 7th October.

Young Adults – YA Holy Hour is held on the last Thursday of each month from 6:00pm – 7:00pm @ OLR Church, Kenmore (No Sept

Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children's Liturgy is held on the 3rd Sunday of each month, during the 9:45am Mass at Kenmore. The next Children's Liturgy is this Sunday the 18th September. **Children from prep to year 6 all welcome.**

Sacramental Program – Notice of Thanks

Dear families, thank you for assisting in your child's preparation for Penance and Holy Communion this year.

I would like to thank the Sacramental Prep team, Tracey Cheesman, Anthony Vassallo and Tracey Foxon for leading the programme. Also thanks to the Parish staff, Natali, Michael, and Fabian, for all the administration work for the programme.

Over the two weekends of First Communion masses, we had a number of people who assisted with the celebrations. Thanks to Barry Maher, Miriam Holmes, Nicole Doyle, Tina Miranda for helping with the Masses, to Thien Pham, James Scott and Michelle Lee for leading the Music and to Ian Holmes who took the photographs for the celebrations.

Thank you again for your commitment to the Sacramental Programme this year.

NOW AVAILABLE

- Daily Mass Book & Break Open the Word for 2023 now available for order – \$20 each
- Living Faith (Daily Catholic Devotions) Book now available from Church Piety Stall – \$5 each
- The Spring 2022 Issue of *The Swag* magazine is available at both churches this weekend

Report to Parishes & Communities of the Archdiocese of Brisbane Annual Mass Count

Last week I received a summary of the Mass count held in the Parish and across the Archdiocese last May.

It provides some very relevant observations of current and historic Mass attendance levels, the impact of decreasing attendances due to Covid, and a snapshot of how our Parish has fared within that context.

I commend this report to our parish community as we continue to look at ways to re-engage with Catholics and the wider community here in Our Lady of the Rosary Parish, Kenmore -Moggill.

Fr Mark Franklin PP

As you are aware, the Archdiocese of Brisbane annually conducts a Mass count in the month of May. We have now finalised the data gathered from parishes and communities in May 2022. The results indicate that from 2021 to 2022 we have seen a decrease in Mass attendance in the Archdiocese of Brisbane by 2%, from around 38,998 to 38,283. These numbers include both parishes and communities. This decrease follows the pattern of the last 10 years of a slight decrease each year. The exception to this being when COVID-19 acted as a catalyst for the dramatic decrease in Mass attendance across the parishes of the Archdiocese between 2019 and 2021 (33%).

Evangelisation Brisbane is writing to every parish and community in the Archdiocese to share your Mass count numbers in light of the broader context. We have categorised parishes and communities into four groupings. These are: those that have significantly increased attendance in the last year (10 – 64%), those that slightly increased (1 – 9%), those that have slightly decreased (1 – 9%), and those that significantly decreased (10 – 40%).

I write to confirm that your parish/community was one that fit in the first category, your Mass attendance increased significantly between 2021 and 2022. This is a heartening figure and speaks to your response to Pope Francis' invitation to parishes to exercise "openness and missionary creativity" (Evangelii Gaudium, 28). Here are your statistics.

Kenmore Parish

- **2016 Mass count – 563**
- **2019 Mass count – 710**
- **2021 Mass count – 340**
- **2022 Mass count – 390**

2016-2019 variation: +26%

2019-2021 variation: -52%

2021-2022 variation: +15%

The challenges in "making disciples of all nations" (Mt 28:19) are real, but as Pope Francis exhorts us "challenges exist to be overcome! Let us be realists, but without losing our joy, our boldness and our hope-filled commitment. Let us not allow ourselves to be robbed of missionary vigour!" (Evangelii Gaudium, 109).

The growth in your parish is something to be celebrated and I hope it continues to fuel your missionary vigour. Thank you for your ongoing commitment to the mission of the Church in Brisbane.

In Christ

Deacon Peter Pellican PhD

Executive Director – Evangelisation Brisbane

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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