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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year C

9th October 2022

Pastor's Message

Sometimes we pride ourselves in having such a good democratic Monday 10th October system, a claim which indeed is debatable. We value individual freedom and liberty, the right to choose and decide for ourselves how to live our lives. But the populace can be swayed by pressure groups and allow hardship and curtailment of liberty to be the lot of migrants and asylum-seekers. And while we do not suffer dictators gladly sometimes we seem to want to dictate to God, make God do things our way, and leave us masters of our own destiny. Some even abandon faith and prayer, because God has not granted their requests.

This was the inclination of Naaman the leper, an army commander from Syria, as he bargained with God. Hoping to be cured of leprosy by prophet Elisha, Naaman arrived laden with gifts of silver and gold, to pay for his cure. The prophet did not even come out to meet him, but sent a message telling him to wash seven times in the river Jordan. Naaman was so hurt that he prepared to return to Syria, raging with indignation. Why wash in this particular river, when there were so many bigger and cleaner rivers at home? "Here was I thinking Elisha would cure the leprous part," he fumed.

It was only when his servants pointed out how simple was the Friday 14th October prescription that he was persuaded to try it and so was cured. Come to think of it, how often do we behave like Naaman. "Why do I have to go to church, when I can worship God out in the open air?" "Why does God send me the cross of sickness, when I could do so much good if I were healthy?" We even find such attitudes among the apostles. "Why do you not show us the Father?" Philip said to him. Some complained, "He says intolerable things and how could anyone accept it?" and they walked with him no more. This reaction of unbelief is often found. But it stands to Naaman's credit that he thought again, was cured and then returned to thank Elisha.

The Eucharist is a reminder never to forget God's greatest gift to us, his own Son, our Saviour. If we concentrate too much on asking for things, there is a danger that we may reduce our Mass to the level of magical thinking, a way of turning God to our way of thinking. How much better if we can open our hearts and our lives to whatever God wants for us, which is sure to be the best that can happen to us in the long run. We are meant to pray "thy will be done", not demand to have our own way. When we need a favour, we must ask for it with prayer and thanksgiving, because God answers prayer, even if not precisely in the way we expect. Ultimately, says Jesus, God grants only what is for our good. We need to thank God from the heart, like Naaman after his cure, or like the leper who was grateful to Jesus. What a pity the other nine did not say a word of thanks for the blessing they received. God Bless, Fr Mark

Parish Diary

8:30am Our Little Rosie's Club, OLR School 9:15am Bridge Group, St Catherine's, Moggill

Mahjong Group, St Catherine's, 1:00pm Moggill

7:00pm P&F Meeting, OLR School

Tuesday 11th October

9:15am Mass, OLR, Kenmore

Wednesday 12th October – (Painters, OLR Church)

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

Thursday 13th October – (Builders Fencing Installed at Parish Office)

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

9:15am Mass, OLR, Kenmore

Primary School (Launch Pad) Youth 3:00pm Group, CCC, Kenmore

High School (Magnify) Youth Group, 6:30pm CCC, Kenmore

Saturday 15th October - St Teresa of Jesus

SVDP Meeting, OLR, Kenmore 9:00am Confessions, OLR, Kenmore 4:30pm 5:00pm Vigil Mass, OLR, Kenmore 6:30pm OLR School Trivia Night, CCC

Sunday 16th October – 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00am Mass, St Catherine's, Moggill

9:45am Mass, OLR, Kenmore (Children's Liturgy)

11:15am Baptism, OLR, Kenmore Mass. OLR. Kenmore 5:30pm

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

Sunday Readings

1st Reading 2 Kg 5:14-17 2nd Reading 2 Tim 2:8-13

Gospel Lk 17:11-19

Readings at Home

Liturgy and Prayer resources for the 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time: https://universalis.com/20221009/mass.htm

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 **Noah Smith** and all those who have died recently.

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

Sick: Please pray for Lois Kerwick, Mary Curran, Gabriel Ruddy, 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.

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 will be held on Sunday 16th October.

Children from prep to year six all welcome.

Insurance Repairs to OLR Church & Office

Work on OLR Church commenced this week with the removal of the water damaged carpet and laying of the new vinyl. We are extremely grateful to the builders and their contractors in overcoming a few hurdles to have this part of the repairs done in time for our Feast Day Mass. The stucco bulkhead above the entry foyer will be stain blocked and repainted on Wednesday 12th October which will complete the repairs to the church. The work to replace the Parish office roof and associated internal repairs commence on Thursday the 13th of October with builders fencing being put up around the office and chapel. The builders fencing is an important safety requirements and will be placed to maintain safe access to the front entrance of the office, external meeting rooms and toilets and a pathway for students to continue to use the Church verandah for afternoon pick up. The reroofing and associated works are scheduled to take up to three weeks, all being well, during which time there may be some disruptions to normal office activity and some congestion in the parish car park due to delivery and contractor vehicles. We will endeavour to keep you informed when this occurs. Unfortunately it also means there will be no access to the chapel at any time during these works. As always we thank you for your patience and cooperation as these important repairs are undertaken.

If you have any concerns please don't hesitate to contact me on mobile 0452 618 278 or email finchm@bne.catholic.net.au Michael Finch, Parish Manager.

Youth News

Primary School (Yr. 4-6) - Launch Pad Youth Group is held from 3:00 – 4:30pm @ the CCC, OLR Primary School.

High School (Yr. 7-12) – Magnify Youth Group is held on Friday evenings from 6:30 – 8:30pm @ the CCC, OLR Primary School.

Young Adults – YA Holy Hour is held on the last Thursday of each month from 6:00pm – 7:00pm @ OLR Church, Kenmore (Next Event – 27th October)

Parish Youth Ministry Coordinator Announcement

I would like to announce that Matt Foxon, our Youth Ministry Coordinator, will be finishing his contract at the end of 2022. After three years of delivering an exceptional Youth program, at times under difficult circumstances during Covid restrictions, Matt has decided it is time to hand the baton to someone new. On behalf of the Parish I would like to thank him for his dedication and commitment to the role of Parish Youth Ministry Coordinator during this time.

There will be an opportunity to publicly thank Matt later in the year and we know his energy and faith will continue to shape his future path. As such we will be advertising for the role of Parish Youth Ministry Coordinator for 2023. The recruitment process will be published in coming weeks. Regards, Fr Mark Franklin

Anointing Mass

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

Car Wash Fundraiser

Saturday 29th October, 8:00am - 12:00pm

This year our youth will once again be running a car wash to raise funds for the important work that Emmanuel City Mission are doing for the vulnerable.

The Car Wash will operate between 8:00am and 12:00pm on Saturday the 29th of October. Please put that date in your calendar and bring your dirty car or cars along. There will be a sausage sizzle and soft drinks for sale and tunes while you wait for your shiny car, all for a great cause.

Also putting the call out for any high schoolers who are keen to volunteer their services. The past three years we have run the car wash, it has always been an enjoyable time!

Parents, if your high schooler is willing and able to help please let me know by emailing me at youth.kenmore@bne.catholic.net.au – Peace, Matt Foxon

NOW AVAILABLE

- The Columban Calendars for 2023 are now available at both churches – \$10 each
- Daily Mass Book & Break Open the Word for 2023 now available for order – \$20 each

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
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Outside School Hours Care	Coordinator - Alex Mallon	07 3378 8943	kenmoreoshc@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au