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6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

12th February 2023

Pastor's Message

As Ecclesiasticus says in the first reading this Sunday, each person must choose between life and death ... and whichever one chooses will be given. The choices we make every day have a life or death quality. Every day we are choosing in one direction or the other. We all have reasons for the choices we make. Sometimes we are seeking approval and acceptance, wanting to fit in and be liked. We choose based upon the costs, benefits and risks involved. Sometimes we may just give up and refuse to choose. Sometimes we choose power, control, or security. Often our choices are about self-protection or making ourselves feel happier. Or we might choose to make another feel bad, and attempt to get back at him or her; or more positively, we may choose to make amends and make up. Our experience of making choices brings us back to our 1st reading. There is one fundamental choice to be made — the choice between life and death. Where will I spend eternity? The choice that really matters in the end is between life and death. This ultimate criterion should affect all other choices. What good does it profit a person to gain the whole world, and lose ones soul? (cf Mark 8:36) Bringing this to an everyday level: could our daily lifestyle be described as life-giving? Do we choose to help sustain and nurture life for ourselves and others? Or do we choose to diminish or ignore the good of others? Do we try to make our world a better place? While Jesus sets us a very high standard, the 1st reading states that we can keep the commandments if we really want to. Both readings call us to evaluate our habitual ways of choosing. The Sermon on the Mount offers high moral ideals, not a set of firm commandments. Jesus forbids not merely murder but also lesser forms of injuring others. The importance of forgiveness is so great that it comes before strictly religious duties. He tells us "leave your gift there before the altar and go; first be reconciled to your neighbour." We must respect not simply people's right to life but also their right to dignity and self-respect. Jesus promoted an atmosphere of openness and trust. What he offers as a supplement to the Law of Moses is a morality of values held from the heart.

God Bless, Fr Mark

Parish Diary

Monday 13th February

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

Tuesday 14th February – *Sts Cyril and Methodius*

Wednesday 15th February

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

Thursday 16th February

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

Friday 17th February

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

Saturday 18th February

- 11:00am Baptism, OLR, Kenmore.
- 4:30pm Confessions, OLR, Kenmore
- 5:00pm Vigil Mass, OLR, Kenmore

Sunday 19th February – *7th Sunday in OT*

- 8:00am Mass, St Catherine's, Moggill
- 9:45am Mass, OLR, Kenmore (Children's Liturgy of the Word)
- 10:00am Alpha Course, St Catherine's, Moggill
- 5:30pm Mass, OLR, Kenmore

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<http://bit.ly/olrflock>

To request assistance from St Vincent de Paul, call the Helpline on 1800 846 643

Sunday Readings

1st Reading Sir 15:15-20

2nd Reading 1 Cor 2:6-10

Gospel Mt 5:17-37

Readings at Home

Liturgy and Prayer resources for 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time: <https://universalis.com/australia.brisbane/20230212/mass.htm>

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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 **Ben van Kaathoven, Breda Murphy, Christopher Jason Chua, Nelly Meanchi, Chaline Meanchi, Beryl Rienecker** and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Sick: Please pray for Robyn Nicholson, Suresh Pathak, Elizabeth Shand, Christine Nolan, Hayley Shatkovsky, Gabriel Ruddy, Glenda Dowd, Lex Ross, Mario Garza, Amy Deans, Carol Green, Juliet Quiterio, Ellen Farkas, Harry Deans, Denise Venables, Brenda Carlos, James McGrath, Graham Jackson, 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.

Sacrament of Confirmation 2023

If your child has received the sacrament of Baptism and is in year 3 and above, you can register for the Sacrament of Confirmation. Please email the Parish office on kenmore@bne.catholic.net.au for details and dates of the program.

Ash Wednesday (22nd February)

- Mass 9:15am OLR Kenmore
- School Liturgy of Distribution of Ashes 11:30am years 3,4,5,6 OLR Church
- School Liturgy of Distribution of Ashes 2:00pm years prep, 1, 2 OLR Church
- Mass 6:45pm St Catherine's Moggill

World Day of Prayer 2023 – Taiwan

Hosted by Our Lady of the Rosary Parish on Friday 3 March at 10:00am at OLR Kenmore. As we will be providing morning tea after the service, any contributions would be appreciated. Even if you can't attend, you might like to leave something at the Parish Office on the Friday by 9:00am. This year's service has been prepared by the women of Taiwan and focuses on the theme 'I have heard your faith' from Ephesians 1:15. The service provides an opportunity to discover how the women of Taiwan understand and express their faith. We hear their concerns and needs and stand in solidarity with them as we pray with, and for, them. It also strengthens our local ecumenical relationships as churches of different denominations worship and fellowship together. If you have any Taiwanese items for a cultural display, including a flag, please label and leave at the Parish Office by Friday 24 February. They can be picked up from Monday 6th March. Contact the Parish Office on 3324 3630 for more information. Please join us! All welcome.

Alpha Course

Alpha course for adults commenced on Sunday 5th February 2023 at St Catherine's Church, Moggill and will be running for the next 7 weeks. All Welcome! Please contact Leanne Chappell - 0431 830 991 leannemc66@gmail.com Or Quentin Sherratt - 0426 837 572 gjs@sherratt.co.za Please use the following link to enquire/register: <https://www.alpha.org.au/try>

'From Ashes to Hope' Lenten Resource Books

Now available at both churches - \$5.00 each

From Ashes to Hope provides each of us with the opportunity to spend a few minutes a day calling out to God from our hearts. Based on the readings for each day of Lent, Holy Week and the Easter Octave, this prayer and reflection resource provides an opportunity for each of us to turn the eyes of our hearts to God as God leads us beyond ashes to hope. This resource has been written by Shane Dwyer, Associate Director for Adult Formation at Evangelisation Brisbane- an experienced speaker, faith resource writer, course provider and Janiene Wilson, a clinical psychologist who has worked in private practice and in the Church context for many years.

OLR Youth Ministry

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

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

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 24th February 2023 at 9:15am** at Our Lady of the Rosary Church Kenmore.

Your Parish Offering

You are most welcome to make your parish offering through electronic means.

For electronic funds transfer our bank details are:

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Reserve Account

BSB Number: 064 786

Account Number: 100001192

(Please include your name, planned giving number if applicable, or purpose, such as "Parish Giving")

You're also welcome to place your offering in the collection boxes as you arrive at Mass or on the collection plate during Mass. If you prefer cashless giving when at Mass, then we also have Pay Wave devices at the entries of both churches to give \$10 per tap with eftpos or credit card. Your financial support of the Parish is essential in our vision to be a welcoming and inclusive community, sharing God's kingdom with all. As we head into 2023, we thank you for your financial support. To review your level or method of giving please feel free to contact the parish manager

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 – Rebecca Handasyde	07 3720 1777	kenmorekindy@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au
Outside School Hours Care	Coordinator - Alex Mallon	07 3378 8943	kenmoreoshc@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au

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