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5th Sunday of Lent Year A 26th March 2023

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Pastor's Message

It seems a bit strange to have this Gospel passage about the Monday 27th March raising of Lazarus on the Fifth Sunday of Lent. It seems to be clearly about the resurrection and yet we are still plodding through Lent and have to get through Good Friday before we get to Easter. What's going on; have the Church's liturgical experts got it all wrong? Can I suggest that this text is more about death than resurrection? After all, Lazarus isn't walking around today; he had to undergo another death. This text is more about our life and death here and now rather than about the resurrection. We Wednesday 29th March will have time enough to consider the resurrection when we get to Easter Sunday and the weeks of celebration afterwards during Eastertime.

In his Spiritual Exercises, St Ignatius Loyola suggests that when reading a particular Gospel passage, we should put ourselves in the place of each character in turn and use our imagination to see how we would feel in those circumstances. This can be a most revealing exercise. How about putting myself in the place of Lazarus? I am dead to everything and then I hear a voice: 'Come out, Lazarus.' There I am, lying in a tomb swathed in bandages and surrounded by darkness. If we wonder how we would feel in this situation, the answer would be different for everyone but I think many might say: Thanks Lord, but I'd prefer to stay where I am.

While attempting to put ourselves in Lazarus's place we might become aware of how tomb-like our present way of life is, and rekindle a longing for freedom which has perhaps been buried for years. Putting ourselves into the place of a character from scripture can awake all kinds of thoughts within us and lead us to turn to God in prayer with new words on our lips. Yet it is something so simple that we are surprised that we never thought about it ourselves. This Gospel features here in Lent to help us come to live life to the full; for often it is only in the face of death that we are shocked into this realisation. This can happen to us in all sorts of ways on the occasion of a loss or bereavement. It is amazing how often it takes overcoming a negative experience to make us realise afresh how much there is that is truly positive God Bless, Fr Mark and makes life worth living.

Lost Property - OLR Kenmore

We regularly find property which has been left behind in the church. If you have misplaced any items, please be aware there is a lost property tray in the display cabinet at the back of the church where you may find any property you have left behind.

1st Reading Ezek 37:12-14

9:15am Bridge Group, St Catherine's, Moggill 1:00pm Mahjong, St Catherine's, Moggill Confirmation Interviews (until 6:00pm), 3:00pm **OLR Meeting Room**

Parish Diary

P&F Meeting, OLR School 7:00pm

Tuesday 28th March

7:00pm **OLR School Board Meeting**

8:30am Our Little Rosie's Club, Multi-Function

Centre, OLR School

9:15am Mass, OLR, Kenmore

9:15am Craft Group, St Catherine's, Moggill Safeguarding Audit, OLR Parish 11:00am

Confirmation Interviews (until 6:00pm), 3:00pm **OLR Meeting Room**

7:00pm Stations of the Cross, OLR, Kenmore

Thursday 30th March

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

7:00pm Maranatha Prayer Group, OLR, Kenmore 7:00pm Chrism Mass, St Stephen's Cathedral

Friday 31st March

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 1st April

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

Sunday 2nd April - Palm Sunday

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

9:45am Mass, OLR, Kenmore

5:30pm Mass, OLR, Kenmore

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Sunday Readings

2nd Reading Rom 8:8-11

Gospel Jn 11:1-45

Readings at Home Liturgy and Prayer resources for 5th Sunday of Lent: https://universalis.com/australia.brisbane/20230326/mass.htm

Vision: To be a welcoming and inclusive community, sharing God's kingdom with all.

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 Nelly Meonchi, Chahine Meonchi, Yousef Kiriakos, Marie Kiriakos, Michael McMahon and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Sick: Please pray for Nouphanh Phanthavong, Domenico Petroni, Denis Moretto, Robyn Nicholson, 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, 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.

Project Compassion

5th Sunday of Lent – 25th/26th March

Please donate to Project Compassion 2023. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow *For All Future Generations*. You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion/donate, or by calling 1800 024 413.

Archbishop's Dinner for Men

The Archbishop's Dinner for Men is an evening event that provides a space for men who are discerning their vocation to gather and connect with each other. Archbishop Mark Coleridge (Archbishop of Brisbane) will share his personal journey to the priesthood to help you gain insight and wisdom into your own discernment and the questions you're currently facing.

When: Thursday 13 April 2023, 6:00pm

Where: Archbishop's Residence, Wynberg, New Farm

RSVP: To express interest in attending, email vocation@bne.catholic.net.au

Safeguarding

I am pleased to advise that Mrs Kate Richards has accepted my invitation to fill the volunteer role of Local Safeguarding Representative for the Parish. Whilst all safeguarding administrative functions are performed by the Parish office staff, the role of Local Safeguarding Representative is a very important part of our safeguarding practices. This role assists the parish and its ministries in creating safe environments and activities by implementing safeguarding measures and practices, identifying areas of improvement and as a contact point for those wishing to raise concerns, make disclosures or report incidents. I thank Kate for taking on this important role, she can be contacted via email at lsr.kenmore@bne.catholic.net.au

Yours in Christ, Fr Mark

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.

If you're new and keen to come along to the Primary School Launch Pad Group or the High School Magnify Group, please contact John at youth.kenmore@bne.catholic.net.au.

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. Closing – 31st March.

Holy Week Service Times

1st - 2nd April Palm/ Passion Masses

- Saturday 5:00pm Vigil OLR, Kenmore.
- Sunday 8:00am Moggill, 9:45am Kenmore, 5:30pm Kenmore

Monday 3rd April

 6:00pm – 7:00pm Confessions & Prayer Hour – OLR, Kenmore

Tuesday 4th April

- 5:15pm 6:15pm Confessions St Catherine's, Moggill
- 6:45pm Mass for the Forgiveness of Sins St Catherine's, Moggill

Wednesday 5th April

- 9:15am Mass for Forgiveness of Sins & Confessions OLR, Kenmore
- 6:00pm 9:00pm Holy Week Adoration OLR Kenmore

6th April - HOLY THURSDAY

7:00pm Mass – OLR, Kenmore

7th April - GOOD FRIDAY

- 9:00am Stations of the Cross OLR, Kenmore
- 11:00am Way of the Cross (open air) St Catherine's Moggill
- 3:00pm Passion and Veneration OLR, Kenmore

8th April (Saturday) - EASTER VIGIL

6:00pm Mass – OLR, Kenmore

9th April (Sunday) - EASTER SUNDAY

- 8:00am Mass St Catherine's, Moggill
- 9.45am Mass OLR, Kenmore
- No 5:30pm Mass

Stations of the Cross

During Lent the Parish will walk the way of the Cross on Wednesday's, concluding 29th March – 7:00pm at Our Lady of the Rosary Church Kenmore.

All Welcome to pray the Way of the Cross as a community.

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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