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Palm Sunday Year B 24th March 2024

Youth Coordinator

Pastor's Message

There is great hostility in the story of the Passion from Mark's Gospel we hear this weekend on Passion Sunday, all of it directed against Jesus. There is the hostility of the chief priests, of the Roman soldiers, of those who passed by and jeered as he hung from the cross. Alongside the hostility of those who rejected Jesus, there is the failure of those who had been closest to him. His disciples all deserted him and fled; Judas betrayed him and Peter denied him publicly. Yet, there were a few people who responded to Jesus in that dark hour faithfully and nobly. There was the anonymous woman who in an extravagant gesture of love and respect anointed the head of Jesus. Then there was the Roman centurion, who looked on as Jesus died and exclaimed, 'this man was son of God'. Joseph of Arimathea took the bold step of going to Pilate to ensure Jesus had a dignified burial. The women disciples who looked on from a distance noted where Jesus was buried and went away to prepare spices to anoint his body at the earliest opportunity. All of these people men and women saw Jesus with eyes of faith and love. The Passion story invites us to identify with those who saw Jesus with the eyes of faith and love, who recognis ed the light of God in the darkness of Jesus' passion and death. When we look upon the passion and death of Jesus with such eyes, we see a divine love that is stronger than sin, a divine light that shines in all our darkness', a divine power that brings new life out of all our deaths, a divine poverty that enriches us at the deepest level of our being. We have heard the story of Jesus' last journey told in the space of ten minutes. This Holy Week, the church invites us to travel that journey at a much slower pace, day by day as it were. We are invited to enter into that journey with the eyes of the anointing woman, the centurion, Joseph of Arimathea and the group of faithful women. We look beneath the surface of what is happening, we listen deeply to all that is taking place, so as to recognise the good Shepherd who laid down his life for us all, so that we might have life and have it to the full. God Bless, Fr Mark

1st Reading: Is 50:4-7

Parish Diary

Monday 25th March 9:15am Bridge Group, St Catherine's Moggill

1:00pm Mah-jong Group, St Catherine's Moggill

6:00pm Confessions & Adoration, OLR Church Kenmore

Tuesday 26th March

Confessions, St Catherine's Moggill 5:15pm

6:45pm Mass, St Catherine's Moggill

Wednesday 27th March

9:15am Mass, OLR Church Kenmore

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

Funeral Mass (Sue Sherman), OLR 11:00am

Church Kenmore

6:00pm Confessions & Adoration, OLR Church

Kenmore

Easter Music Practice, OLR Church 7:00pm

Kenmore

Thursday 28th March - Holy Thursday

NO MASS, St Catherine's Moggill 9:15am

7:00pm Mass, OLR Church Kenmore

Friday 29th March - Good Friday

9:00am Stations of the Cross, OLR Church

Kenmore

11:00am Way of the Cross (open air), St

Catherine's Moggill

Passion & Veneration, OLR Church 3:00pm

Kenmore

Saturday 30th March - Holy Saturday

6:00pm Easter Vigil Mass, OLR Church

Kenmore

Sunday 31st March - Easter Sunday

8:00am Mass, St Catherine's Moggill

9:45am Mass, OLR Church Kenmore

NO MASS, OLR Church Kenmore 5:30pm

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Gospel: Mk 14:1 - 15:47

Sunday Readings

2nd Reading: Phil 2:6-11

Readings at Home Liturgy and Prayer resources for the Palm Sunday: https://universalis.com/australia.brisbane/20240324/mass.htm

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

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 **Sue Sherman** and all those who have died recently.

Anniversaries: Please remember **Michael John McMahon** and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Sick: Please pray for John Wells, Pat Dryden, Robert Loseby, Felicity McPhee, Carlos Leyden, Joan Halvorson, Francis Ribeiro, Stewart Behan, Alicea Longford, Mary Logan, Kay Bernoth, Pat Nelson, Eli Bartlett, Krystyna Kazimierczuk, Stephen Jones, Nouphanh Phanthavong, Elizabeth Shand, Hayley Shatkovsky, Lex Ross, Mario Garza, Amy Deans, 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, Nina Smart, Evelyn Gardner, John Green, Jackie Rutter, Cherry Austin, Denise Reeves, Brian West, Benjamin Stekhoven, Chris Morris, Noelene Casey, and all those who are sick.

Funeral Notice

A Funeral Mass for **Sue Sherman** will be celebrated on Wednesday 27th March at 11:00am at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Kenmore. May she rest in peace.

Project Compassion 2024 – Week Six

This year, we shared with you the story of three inspiring women from across the globe, who overcame challenges to complete their education, access water and find secure employment. With the support of compassionate people like you, they are now forging a path to a better future for their families and their communities.

Ronita from the Philippines has now graduated high school and secured a job at a call centre. This job was only possible because of a certificate she gained from completing her studies.

Leaia and her family now have a water tank at their home in Samoa. She and her family now have a steady supply of clean drinking water. Next year, they will also have a toilet built, with the support of Caritas Samoa, which will further improve their health and living conditions.

Memory completed her vocational training course in carpentry and joinery. After completing a work contract at one of the largest electrical companies in Malawi, Memory now plans to return to her village and provide carpentry services to people in her community. It's through the generosity of people like you that we can continue to support people like Ronita, Leaia and Memory.

There is still time to donate! 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 at the churches, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion/donate, or by calling 1800 024 413. We thank you for your generosity.

Easter Triduum

This weekend, the Catholic Church gathers to commence Holy Week with the Masses for Passion Sunday, with the Blessing of Palms, recreating the entry into Jerusalem and the Reading of the Passion of our Lord Jesus Christ. During Holy Week the Parish will have time of Prayer and Penance before we gather for the Sacred Paschal Triduum of the Passion and Resurrection of the Lord. This is the high point of the entire liturgical year. This Triduum begins with the evening Mass of the Lord's Supper on Thursday evening 7:00pm at Kenmore Church. At this Mass, we as a community gather in one church to remind ourselves of the Eucharistic gift given to us by Jesus. The washing of feet ritual occurs after the homily which is a sign of service that each one of us has been called through Christ, to live out in our lives. Following the Mass, we spend 30 minutes in the Church in prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament before the procession to the Altar of Repose where we wait and pray with the Lord as we remember his agony in The Garden before his arrest. At this Mass, you are encouraged to return your Project Compassion envelopes and boxes by placing them in the Baskets provided as we assist those in developing places in our world. On Good Friday, we gather for the Stations of the Cross at 9:00am at Kenmore Church and then we walk the Way of the Cross (Open Air) at 11:00am at Moggill Church. We return at 3:00pm for the Veneration of the Cross with Communion as we retell the story of the Passion of Jesus Christ. The ancient tradition of receiving communion on Good Friday links the celebration with the Mass of the Lord's Supper and looks forward to the Eucharist of the Easter Vigil. A collection will be taken up to assist Emmanuel City Mission for the Homeless to help in sustaining this important outreach to the most poor of our community. The Easter Vigil this year starts at 6:00pm at Kenmore Church. We gather outside the church around the Easter Fire and we light our candles from the Easter Candle. We then process into the darkened Church lighting our way with the light of Christ. In scripture we listen to the salvation story of humankind and we joyfully sing our Gloria as we celebrate the Christ Risen. We leave this Mass knowing that Christ has risen from death and that we rise with him to eternal life. On Easter Sunday at 8:00am Moggill and 9:45am Kenmore we gather to celebrate of Masses of the resurrection.

Registering for Confirmation, Penance and 1st Communion in 2024

Families who wish to register for Confirmation (children in year 3 and above), Penance, and First Communion (children in year 4 and above). Please contact the Parish Office via email and provide the following information:

- Name of Parents
- Name of Child/ren
- Class level
- Sacrament registering for

We will respond to your email with further information regarding this years' Sacramental programme.

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 - Paul Rees	07 3378 2412	prees@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