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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A

19th July

Pastor's Message

As any gardener knows, weeding can be the greatest threat of all to the life of the young seedling. At first, the problem is one of identifying which is which. The weeds must be left until the seedling can be clearly recognised. Even then, removing the weeds may pose an even greater threat. It might sever the seedling's root system. Often the weed brings the seedling away with it.

In the case of human beings it is an even more risky business. "Weeding-out" has no history of success which doesn't seem to curb people's passion for it. Decades after Hitler's final solution, the horrendous weeding out of six million Jews in concentration camps, other nations and Governments are attempting the brutal policy of "ethnic cleansing." Race, religion, colour, sex, politics are still considered ready-reckoners for identifying society's weeds.

Increasing power over nature provides new and sinister instruments for weeding out. The unborn child, the seed of life is threatened with abortion. At the other end of life, euthanasia is proposed as the final solution for the new Jews, the old, the maimed, the incurables and the burdensome. Right through life, the weeding-out continues remorselessly. The handicapped are institutionalised, the delinquent are penalised, the deviant are ostracised and the poor are patronised.

Weeding out is not confined to faceless bureaucracy. We're all tempted to try our hand at it. We are sharp at spotting the undesirables, the troublemakers, the misfits. One shudders to think of the people who might have been weeded out if God had not chosen to intervene.

Probably most of the saints in the calendar. Peter, after his triple denial in the crucifixion crisis should have been weeded out for failing the leadership test. Strange isn't it, that Christ never weeded out Judas? The church did not always show her master's tolerance. Galileo could testify to that. The spirit of the Inquisition lives on. Excommunications may be out of fashion, but old habits die hard.

The parable of the weeds is starkly simple and yet widely ignored. To the question "Do you want us to go and weed it out?" the answer of Jesus is a categorical "No." And the reason is self-evident. Only God has eyes sufficiently discerning and fingers sufficiently gentle for this job. Weeding out is God's prerogative. Life would be so much better for everybody, if only we would leave it to him. **God Bless, Fr Mark.**

Parish Diary

Monday 20th July

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

Tuesday 21st July

- 4:00pm 1st Communion parent/child Information Meeting, OLR Church Kenmore

Wednesday 22nd July - St Mary Magdalen

Clergy Convocation Day 1, Holy Spirit Seminary Banyo

- 9:15am Communion Service, OLR Church Kenmore
- 9:15am Craft Group, St Catherine's Moggill
- 6:30pm YA Adoration, OLR Chapel Kenmore
- 7:00pm Bible Study, OLR Church Meeting Room

Thursday 23rd July - Clergy Convocation Day 2, Banyo

- No 9:15am Mass** at St Catherine's Today, due to Clergy Convocation.

Friday 24th July

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

Saturday 25th July - St James, apostle

- 11:45am Baptism, OLR Church Kenmore
- 4:30pm Confessions, OLR Church Kenmore
- 5:00pm Vigil Mass & 1st Communion Welcome, OLR Church Kenmore

Sunday 26th July - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

World Day for Grandparents & the Elderly

First Communion Welcome Sunday

- 8:00am Mass, St Catherine's Moggill
- 9:45am Mass, RCIA 2nd Blessing & Morning Tea, OLR Church Kenmore
- 5:30pm Youth Mass, Youth Coordinator Commissioning, RCIA 2nd Blessing & Sausage Sizzle, OLR Church Kenmore

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1st Reading: **Wisdom 12:13,16-19**

Sunday Readings

2nd Reading: **Romans 8:26-27**

Gospel: **Matthew 13:24-43**

Readings at Home

Liturgy and Prayer resources for 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time: <https://universalis.com/australia.brisbane/20260719/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 **Norman Barnes** and all those who have died recently.

Anniversaries: Please remember **Calistus Perera, Elizabeth Paul, Kenneth Barber** and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Repose of the Soul: Please remember **Leonardo Antonio, Andres de Jesus & Giovanna Salvatore**.

Sick: Please pray for **Freda Kanowski, James Venables, Coral Dick, TeKan Khoo, Hilda Birmingham, Liam MacCormick, David & Christine Blakeney, John Tangeman, Jonathan Stekhoven, Ursula Abercrombie, Terry Hunter, Susan Miller, Mary Kent, Bronwyn Tingley, Joyce Gough, Rick Dela Cruz, Margaret Kerwick, Bruce Leggat, Veda Francoise Cateaux, Kay Shannon, Sandia Ryan, Edwing Ling, Olivia Pinwill, Camilla Cowley, Eric Olsen, Deanna McNamara, Doris Fern, Ian Turner, Sandra Dickson, Sian Fitzpatrick, Pat Dryden, Stewart Behan, Alicea Longford, Pat Nelson, Eli Bartlett, Krystyna Kazimierzczuk, Stephen Jones, Elizabeth Shand, Hayley Shatkovsky, Mario Garza, Juliet Quiterio, James McGrath, Graham Jackson, Leonard Cox, Prida Dibbayawan, Clint Quinlivan, Rosemary Foxon, Judy Kocho, Pat Clohessy, Matthew Gilroy, Maria Langenberg, Nina Smart, Evelyn Gardner, John Green, Cherry Austin, Denise Reeves, Chris Morris, and all the sick.**

Change to Next Week's Daily Masses

For the week of the 20th to 24th July Only

Due to Fr Mark's absence during the week as he attends the Archbishop's Clergy Convocation at Holy Spirit Seminary Banyo please see changes to Daily Mass times.

Wed 22nd July 9:15am, Communion Service, OLR Kenmore

Thursday 23rd July – NO MASS – St Catherine's Moggill

Friday 24th July 9:15am, Usual Mass, OLR Kenmore

RCIA

Congratulations to Sivana Nielsen and Jesse Ashburn who receive the Lord's Prayer and 2nd Blessing this weekend as part of their journey towards full communion with the Church.

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms by appointment. One Baptism per family Saturdays 11:00am or 11:45am at OLR Church Kenmore. Contact the Parish office via email or phone to enquire.

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. Children from prep to year six all welcome.

Parish Update – Electronic Newsletter

To subscribe to our full electronic newsletter, go to:

<https://OLRKM.flocknote.com/ParishUpdates>

OLR Youth Groups Resume

High School Youth Group Magnify (Yr.7-12) Resumes Friday 17th July and runs Friday's during school term 6:30pm – 8:30pm @ the CCC Hall, OLR Primary School.

Primary School Youth Group Launch Pad (Yr.3-6) Resumes Friday 24th July and runs Friday's during school term 3:00pm – 4:30pm @ the CCC Hall, OLR Primary School.

To register for OLR Youth Groups please go to <https://forms.cloud.microsoft/r/XGzw5fjDgu?origin=lpLink>

For more information please contact our youth coordinator, Matthew Arendse, phone 3324 3630 or email youth.kenmore@bne.catholic.net.au

Youth Mass & Youth Leader Commissioning

DATE CLAIMER: At the 5:30pm Mass on Sunday 26th July at OLR Church Kenmore we will be thanking our outgoing Youth Coordinator, Caleb, and commissioning his successor Matthew and our volunteer youth leaders. Youth band playing and a free sausage sizzle after Mass. All welcome.

Containers For Change

Donate your bagged or loose cans & bottles in the specially marked bins at either Kenmore or Moggill churches **in support of youth ministry in the parish**. If returning containers elsewhere please use **scheme ID C11723117** to support our youth ministry. Thank you for your generosity.

Hospitality at OLR & St Catherine's

Morning Tea at OLR Kenmore is held on the 2nd & 4th Sunday of each month, after 9:45am Mass and at St Catherine's Moggill on the 1st, 2nd & 3rd Sunday of each month, after 8:00am Mass. Please bring a plate to share. All welcome.

Maranatha Prayer Group

You are personally invited to join the Maranatha Prayer Group for Praise & Worship, Spiritual Enrichment & Prayer, followed by a cuppa and fellowship.

Held on the 1st, 3rd, & 5th Thursdays of each month at 7:00pm at St Catherine's Moggill.

Your Parish Offering

Your financial support of the Parish is important.

Your giving enables the provision of Mass, sacraments, ministries, evangelisation, outreach, property upkeep and administration services which support our vision:

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

We have various methods available to make your financial gift, including regular bank deduction, electronic funds transfer, Mass collections, giving boxes and electronic tap devices at our churches. Contact the office for more info.

EFT Giving: OLR Parish Bank Details

BSB 064 786 – Account Number 100001192

Reference – Name & Giving or Purpose of Gift

Our Lady of the Rosary Education Ministry

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish education services, please contact these for further information.

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