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14th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

7th July 2024

Pastor's Message

In Sunday's gospel, Jesus returns to his home town of Nazareth, having left there some time previously. He had spent the best part of thirty years in Nazareth. During that time he was known by all as the carpenter, the son of Mary. However, since leaving Nazareth, Jesus' life had taken a new direction. He had thrown himself into the work that God had given him to do. He had left Nazareth as a carpenter; he returned as a teacher and a healer. There was in fact much more to Jesus than his own townspeople had ever suspected while he was living among them. The gospel suggests that they could not accept this 'more'; they rejected him. They wanted him to be the person they had always known; they would not allow him to move on from that. Jesus' homecoming turned out to be more painful than his leaving home. God's unique Son who proclaimed the presence of God's kingdom was experienced by the people of Nazareth as a thorn in the flesh, to use an image from Sunday's second reading.

The people of Nazareth thought they knew Jesus. The image they had of him, which they held on to with great tenacity, became a block to their learning more about him. We too can easily assume that we know someone, when, in reality, we only know one side to them. We can form strong opinions about people on the basis of past experiences. We can become so attached to these opinions that even when the evidence is there to challenge them, we are completely unmoved. There was more to Jesus than the people of Nazareth were aware of. Indeed, there is always more to every human being than we are aware of. That is true even of those we would claim to know well, such as family members and good friends. We are each made in God's image. There is a profound mystery to each one of us. We can never fully probe the mystery of another person's life. We each need to approach everyone with the awareness that there is more here than I can see. It was Jesus' very ordinariness that made it difficult for the people of Nazareth to see him as he really was, in all his mystery. God was powerfully present to them in and through someone who was as ordinary, in many respects, as they themselves. God continues to come to us today in and through the ordinary, in and through those who are most familiar to us. In the religious sphere there can be a certain fascination with the extraordinary and the unusual. The gospels suggest that the primary way the Lord comes to us is in and through the everyday. This is what we mean by the incarnation. The Word became flesh and dwelt among us. The ordinary is shot through with God's presence.

God Bless, Fr Mark Franklin

Parish Diary

Monday 8th July – **School Returns (Term 3)**

- 9:15am Bridge Group, St Catherine's Moggill
- 10:00am SVDP Executive Meeting
- 3:00pm Communion/Penance Interviews (until 6:00pm), OLR Church Meeting Room

Tuesday 9th July

- 7:00pm Parish Finance Council Meeting

Wednesday 10th July

- 9:15am Mass, OLR Church Kenmore
- 11:00am Funeral Mass (**Terrence Rutherford**), OLR Church Kenmore
- 3:00pm Communion/Penance Interviews (until 6:00pm), OLR Church Meeting Room

Thursday 11th July – **St Benedict**

- 9:15am Mass, St Catherine's Moggill
- 3:00pm Communion/Penance Interviews (until 6:00pm), OLR Church Meeting Room

Friday 12th July

- 9:15am Mass, OLR Church Kenmore

Saturday 13th July

- 8:30am Communion/Penance Interviews (until 10:30am), OLR Church Meeting Room
- 4:30pm Confessions, OLR Church Kenmore
- 5:00pm Vigil Mass, OLR Church Kenmore

Sunday 14th July – **15th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- 8:00am Mass, St Catherine's Moggill
- 9:45am Mass, OLR Church Kenmore (Morning Tea & John Foxon Farewell)
- 5:30pm Mass, OLR Church Kenmore

Thank You Morning Tea for the outgoing Youth Coordinator – John Foxon

DATE CLAIMER: Next Sunday (14th July) after the 9:45am Mass, the Parish will be holding a Morning Tea to thank our outgoing Youth Coordinator, John Foxon.

Please bring along a plate to share – All Welcome.

St Vincent de Paul Helpline Phone 1800 846 643
Email helpline.bne@svdqpqld.org.au

Our full electronic Parish newsletter is emailed each week by subscribing at <http://bit.ly/olrflock>

Sunday Readings

1st Reading: **Ezek 2:2-5**

2nd Reading: **2 Cor 12:7-10**

Gospel: **Mk 6:1-6**

Readings at Home

Liturgy and Prayer resources for the 14th Sunday in Ordinary Time: <https://universalis.com/australia.brisbane/20240707/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 **Terrence Rutherford, Gordon Yee, Giuseppe Menegaldo** and all those who have died recently.

Anniversaries: Please remember **Earle Denning** and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Sick: Please pray for Olivia Williams, Isabella Williams, Pan Leggat, Margaret Nolan, Kathy O'Sullivan, Kitty Foxon, Pat Dryden, Felicity McPhee, Carlos Leyden, Joan Halvorson, Stewart Behan, Alicea Longford, Kay Bernoth, Pat Nelson, Eli Bartlett, Krystyna Kazimierczuk, Stephen Jones, Noupahn Phanthavong, Elizabeth Shand, Hayley Shatkovsky, Mario Garza, Amy Deans, Juliet Quiterio, Ellen Farkas, Harry Deans, James McGrath, Graham Jackson, Leonard Cox, Prida Dibbayawan, Clint Quinlivan, Rosemary Foxon, Anna Stewart, Judy Kocho, Pat Clohessy, Matthew Gilroy, Maria Langenberg, Nina Smart, Evelyn Gardner, John Green, Cherry Austin, Denise Reeves, Benjamin Stekhoven, Chris Morris, Noelene Casey, and all those who are sick

Baptism Notice

This weekend we celebrate the Baptism of **Fraser Edward Jones**. Let us pray for him and may he be guided in faith with the help of his parents, godparents, and this parish community.

Funeral Notice

A Funeral Mass for **Terrence Rutherford** will be celebrated on Wednesday 10th July at 11:00am at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Kenmore. May he rest in peace.

Vinnies Winter Appeal – Thank You

On behalf of the Our Lady of the Rosary Kenmore St Vincent de Paul Conference I would like to thank everyone who contributed to the Winter Appeal last month. Your donations will assist us to provide support to those companions who reach out to us.

I would also like to let Parishioners know the conference will on Saturday 7 December 2024 be holding a Christmas Community lunch in the Carroll Community Centre. Many Parishioners will recall prior to Covid the Kenmore Combined Churches used to hold a free community lunch in the Carroll Community Centre on Christmas Day. However, since then and partly due to the age of those involved, the lunch has never re-commenced. However, our conference realizes that at Christmas time there are people in our community facing challenges like financial pressure and a feeling of loneliness and we would like to deliver some festive cheer where it is most needed. In a few months' time we will reach out to the community in the Chapel Hill, Fig Tree Pocket, Kenmore, Brookfield, Pullenvale, Bellbowrie and Moggill areas asking them to assist us identify companions living in those areas that might be appropriate for us to invite.

President – Our Lady of the Rosary Kenmore Conference, St Vincent de Paul Society QLD

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday

This weekend we celebrate Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday. On this day, we gather as one community to honour and celebrate the rich cultural heritage and contributions of our First Nations Peoples to our Australian Catholic Church. The Gospel Reading for 7th July, from Mark 6:1-6, tells the story of Jesus returning to His hometown, only to be met with scepticism and disbelief. Despite His teachings and miracles, those who knew Him best failed to recognise His divine wisdom and power. This passage resonates deeply with the experiences of First Australians, who can often find that our voices go unheard and contributions not embraced. Our prayer is that we can deepen our understanding and appreciation of the diverse cultures and histories of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Peoples. As Pope Francis reminds us, we are called to be a Church that goes forth, embracing all cultures and peoples. Let us open our hearts to the wisdom and spirituality of our First Nations Peoples, recognising the presence of Christ in our stories and traditions. May this celebration be a moment of grace, healing, and transformation for all of us.

A video from the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council can be viewed at:

<https://vimeo.com/567005450/5caffd9ebf>

For more information, go to:

<https://www.natsicc.org.au/index.html>

Synod24

DATE CLAIMER: A Presentation on Synodality for the Western Deanery, featuring Paul Jensen, will be held at OLR Church Kenmore on Wednesday 14th August at 7:00pm - All Welcome. In preparation for *SYNOD24: I Am Making All Things New*, a short video has been created, which includes a pastoral message from Archbishop Mark Coleridge on his vision for the synod and a short FAQ discussion with Bishop Tim Norton SVD as Synod Chair and Steph Unger the Synod Executive Officer. The video can be viewed at: <https://vimeo.com/957389678>

Your Parish Offering

Your financial support of the Parish is important. Your giving provides for our Clergy, Mass, sacraments, ministries, evangelisation, outreach, properties, and administration which supports 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; bank deduction, electronic funds transfer, Mass collections, giving boxes and electronic tap devices at our churches. We thank you for your financial support. For more information or to review your level or method of giving please feel free to contact the parish manager on finchm@bne.catholic.net.au

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")

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.

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