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20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

18th August 2024

Pastor's Message

When we have moved into a new house or done a refurbishment, often we have a little celebration to which we invite our friends. Once the house is to our satisfaction we open it to others and provide refreshments. We call it a house warmer. It is as if the house needs a good presence of others to be properly launched. Something similar is happening. We have this woman by the name of Wisdom. She builds herself a house, clearly a very elegant home with no less than seven pillars. She throws a feast of fine wine and good meat and sends out her servants into the streets to gather people to her table. In that reading the building of a house, the making of a feast, the invitation to come and eat and drink, is an imaginative way of speaking about God as the wise host who invites all of humanity to learn from his wisdom. It is interesting that God is portrayed as a woman in this reading, Woman-Wisdom.

That image of Woman-Wisdom who says, 'Come and eat of my bread, drink the wine I have prepared' finds an echo in the figure of Jesus in the gospel who declares, 'I am the living bread which has come down from heaven. Anyone who eats this bread will live forever.' Like Woman-Wisdom Jesus invites us to come and eat of his bread, but unlike Woman-Wisdom he declares himself to be that bread. We are to eat of him, to drink of him. More specifically he calls on us to eat his flesh and to drink his blood. This goes far beyond anything Woman-Wisdom calls for in that first reading. Jesus' language of eating his flesh and drinking his blood is shocking in many respects. We can sympathize with those who object, 'How can this man give us his flesh to eat?' We cannot hear this language without thinking of the words of Jesus to his disciples at the last supper when, taking bread, blessing it and breaking it, he gave it to them saying, 'Take, eat, this is my body', and taking and blessing a cup of wine he gave it to them, saying, 'Take, drink, this is the new covenant in my blood.' He gave himself to his disciples, his body and blood, under the form of bread and wine. The last supper became the first Eucharist. We cannot but hear the language of the Eucharist in today's gospel, the Eucharist which we celebrate together each weekend.

We invite people to our home and put food and drink before them and we invite them to eat and drink. Jesus invites us to his table and he puts himself before us as food and drink and invites us to eat and drink. In language that is very daring Jesus declares himself to be our food and drink, the one who can satisfy our deepest hungers and thirsts, our hunger and thirst for life. Jesus declares in that gospel, 'anyone who eats my flesh and drinks my blood has eternal life.' We come to the Eucharist to draw life from the risen Lord to draw God's life from him, God's love. We are then sent from the Eucharist to be channels of that life, of that love, for each other. We come to the Eucharist hungry and thirsting for life, for authentic life, the life of God, the love of God, and we are sent out from the Eucharist as life givers, as agents of God's life and love within our homes, our society, our world.

God Bless, Fr Mark Franklin

Parish Diary

Monday 19th August

Tuesday 20th August – *St Bernard*

- 6:30pm Penance Service, OLR Church Kenmore

Wednesday 21st August – *St Pius X*

- 9:15am Mass, OLR Church Kenmore
- 9:15am Craft Group, St Catherine's Moggill
- 6:30pm Penance Service, OLR Church Kenmore

Thursday 22nd August – *The Queenship of the BVM*

- 9:15am Mass, St Catherine's Moggill
- 6:30pm Penance Service, OLR Church Kenmore

Friday 23rd August

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

Saturday 24th August – *St Bartholomew*

- 11:45am Baptism, OLR Church Kenmore
- 4:30pm Confessions, OLR Church Kenmore
- 5:00pm Vigil Mass, OLR Church Kenmore

Sunday 25th August – *21st Sunday in Ordinary Time*

- 8:00am Mass, St Catherine's Moggill (1st Communion Mass)
- 9:45am Mass, OLR Church Kenmore (Morning Tea)
- 5:30pm Mass, OLR Church Kenmore

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

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

Sunday Readings

1st Reading: *Prov 9:1-6*

2nd Reading: *Eph 5:15-20*

Gospel: *Jn 6:51-58*

Readings at Home

Liturgy and Prayer resources for the 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time: <https://universalis.com/australia.brisbane/20240818/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 **Harry Deans, Yvonne Rademaker, Anna Stewart** and all those who have died recently.

Anniversaries: Please remember **Michael Turner, Nadine Rizgalla, Ian Venables** and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Sick: Please pray for Felicity McPhee, Olivia Williams, Isabella Williams, Pan Leggat, Kathy O'Sullivan, Kitty Foxon, Pat Dryden, Carlos Leyden, Joan Halvorson, Stewart Behan, Alicea Longford, Kay Bernoth, Pat Nelson, Eli Bartlett, Krystyna Kazimierczuk, Stephen Jones, Nouphanh Phanthavong, Elizabeth Shand, Hayley Shatkovsky, Mario Garza, Amy Deans, Juliet Quiterio, Ellen Farkas, 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.

Funeral Service

A Funeral Mass for **Anna Stewart** will be celebrated on Tuesday 27th August at 11:00am at Our Lady of the Rosary Church Kenmore, with the Burial at Brookfield Cemetery. May she rest in peace.

Home Heart & Soul Seminar

The Archdiocese of Brisbane's FREE Home, Heart & Soul seminar provides advice and information on a range of pertinent matters, as a service to older parishioners.

The seminar will feature professional guest speakers and a range of information sessions on estate planning and legal advice, retirement planning and financial advice, charitable gifts in Wills and perpetual endowments, funeral pre-planning and in-home community support services.

Morning tea and lunch will be provided free of charge.

Where – St Catherine's 3356 Moggill Road Moggill

When – Monday, 30 September 2024

Time – 10:00am till 2:00pm

To register your attendance please email or phone the parish office on kenmore@bne.catholic.net.au or 3324 3630 or RSVP names of attendees on or before Tuesday, 24th September by completing the registration form here: <https://catholicfoundation.org.au/event/hhs-seminar/>

Bus Trip to Marian Valley

Monday 28th October – Expressions Of Interest Sought

Fr Mark has proposed an outing for parishioners and friends to the Marian Valley — Shrine of Our Lady Help of Christians, at Canungra in the Gold Coast Hinterland. If you have not yet visited Marian Valley, it is a sacred place developed by the Archdiocese of Brisbane and entrusted to the Pauline Fathers who established the Shrine to honour the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of God. For more information, or to register your interest please contact the Parish Office.

OLR Youth Groups

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 have any queries, please email Caleb at: youth.kenmore@bne.catholic.net.au

Baptisms

This weekend we celebrate the Baptisms of **Stella Grant, Ripley Seaby & Nami Seaby**. Let us pray for them and may they be guided in faith with the help of their parents, godparents and this parish community.

1st Communion & Penance Programme

As the children complete their formal Sacramental Preparation Sessions this Sunday, they now prepare to celebrate the Sacrament of Penance (reconciliation) on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evening this coming week. Please remember them in your prayers as they experience God's Forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

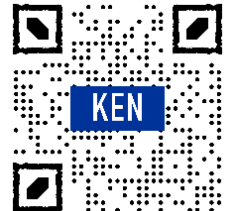
This weekend, **Louisa Meyer**, our RCIA Candidate, will receive her 2nd Blessing and the Lord's Prayer as she journeys towards full communion in the Church. Please keep Louisa in your prayers.

2024 Annual Catholic Campaign

This weekend 17th – 18th August

The Annual Catholic Campaign is the annual Archdiocesan appeal where all of the parishes of the Archdiocese come together to help vital works of our church and the local community. Funds raised support the Archdiocese in training future priests, caring for our elderly and retired priests, helping local families in dire need access a Catholic education and caring for those suffering physically and emotionally in our community.

Appeal envelopes are available in our churches this weekend for you to use and return in the coming weeks.



Your Parish Offering

Your financial support of the Parish is important.

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.

Parish Primary School	Principal - Paul Rees	07 3378 2412	prees@bne.catholic.edu.au
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