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32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year B

10th November 2024

Pastor's Message

Today's Scriptures we see the good life manages to blend gracious taking with cheerful giving, and the value is in the giving. It's our giving that is recorded in the Book of Life. Jesus is the Great Giver: that we may have life, and have it to the full [Jn 10:10.] As a fine example of this kind of mutual help, we have heard how Elijah and the widow of Zarephath helped each other to survive. During the famine she shares the last of her food with the starving prophet. She gives without hesitation, and is blessed in return. In the Gospel Jesus says, in effect, "Give from the heart." The widow's offering to the Temple might seem small in the eyes of other donors, but it was whole-hearted and therefore priceless in value. Generosity is not the exclusive prerogative of the rich. The poor have great gifts to share too, and when they do so, others should respond with appreciation.

Gifts from ordinary people support many projects and causes in the Catholic Church, just as they kept the Jerusalem temple going in Jesus' day. It is a strange, sometimes generosity is more widespread among those who have little to spare than among those who have lots of money and property. But let's recall today that all donations made for the glory of God share in Jesus warm praise of the woman who "gave all she could." This story of the Widow's Mite invites us to examine the quality of giving in our lives — not just to Church collections, but to whatever worthy cause attracts our attention and our sympathy. More than once, Jesus spoke about this subject. Not only should the gift be made with a generous heart, but so far as possible in an anonymous, non-fussy way, so that "the left hand does not know what the right hand is doing." The thing should be done because it is right, with the intention of pleasing God rather than winning credit or praise from others. And the more it costs us in personal terms — giving up some of our time, or our comfort, for something worthwhile — the more it is part of the one great sacrifice of Christ, who gave himself totally for us.

Saint Paul coined the phrase "God loves a cheerful giver" (2 Cor 9:6-7.) And there can be no doubt that the cheerful gift is more acceptable even among people on an everyday level. The hospitality shown to the famished prophet Elijah by the poor widow in the town of Sidon, was all the more precious in that it was given with loving respect, and not as a grudging duty. Here was a man of God, clearly in need of help. There was no need for long, involved argument about how he had gotten into this position, or whether he had drawn up a wiser plan for his future. She did what she could for him, and was blessed in the process.

"Charity brings its own reward," says the proverb. There is a glow of satisfaction in giving for a good cause. It is also, in a Gospel sense, the best possible investment for our eternal future — that "treasure in heaven" of which Jesus spoke, when he invited people to "sell what you have and give to the poor." And it has been well said that, from the perspective of our death-bed, we will be happier to think of what we have freely given away during our life-time than of what we have simply stored away for the rainy day.

God Bless, Fr Mark Franklin

Parish Diary

Monday 11th November – *St Martin of Tours Remembrance Day*

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

Tuesday 12th November – *St Josaphat*

- 7:00pm School Board Meeting, OLR School

Wednesday 13th November

- 9:15am Mass, OLR Church Kenmore
- 9:15am Craft Group, St Catherine's Moggill

Thursday 14th November

- 9:00am OLR School Open Day
- 9:15am Mass, St Catherine's Moggill

Friday 15th November

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

Saturday 16th November

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

Sunday 17th November – *33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

- 8:00am Mass, St Catherine's Moggill (Morning Tea)
- 9:45am Mass, OLR Church Kenmore (Children's Liturgy)
- 11:00am Alpha Program, St Catherine's Moggill
- 5:30pm Mass, OLR Church Kenmore

SVDP Christmas Hamper Appeal

This year, our local OLR St Vincent de Paul Conference resumes management of this important appeal in support of individuals and families in our local area, as well as the SVDP Homeless Support Project and SVDP Conferences of Toowoomba, Roma, Inala and Emmanuel City Mission. We invite you to share your generosity to help those in need, bringing joy to children, young people and adults who face financial and family challenges during this holiday season. Together, we can be a light for those who may not experience the gifts of Christmas. Hamper Donation Boxes will be at both churches from this weekend. Donation Guides will also be at both churches. For more info see the Parish Update newsletter on Flocknote or email olr4069@svdpqld.org.au

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

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

1st Reading: 1 Kg 17:10-16

2nd Reading: Heb 9:24-28

Gospel: Mk 12:38-44

Readings at Home

Liturgy and Prayer resources for the 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time: <https://universalis.com/australia.brisbane/20241110/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 **Charles Pinwill, Susannah Lyons** and all those who have died recently.

Anniversaries: Please remember all those whose anniversaries occur at this time.

Sick: Please pray for Br Ralph Arnell, Don Holcombe, Cara-Leigh Hurdial, Sian Fitzpatrick, Felicity McPhee, Olivia Williams, Pan Leggat, 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, 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, Benjamin Stekhoven, Chris Morris, Noelene Casey, and all those who are sick.

Rite of Christian Initiation

This Sunday, Roy, Neil and Catherine will receive the Lord's Prayer from the community of faith and also receive their second Blessing as they prepare to be received into the Church on Sunday 24th November. Please pray for them as they continue their initiation into the Church.

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. **Next CLOW Sunday 17th November.**

Parish Giving via Tap Devices

With the recent closing of the 3G network you will notice the original Quest tap devices have been removed from Our Lady of the Rosary Church. Fortunately, we have already transitioned to the new CBA tap devices which provide a range of giving amounts of \$10, \$20 & \$30 and the option to choose your own giving amount. If you haven't used the new devices, they can be found at OLR Kenmore Church, in the entries from the carpark side, and at St Catherine's, inside on your right in front of the kitchen servery. This method of financially supporting the Parish and our Priest has become a very popular means of giving, for which we are very appreciative.

Thank you, Michael Finch, Parish Manager

Annual Catholic Campaign 2024 – Thank You

We can't thank you enough for the support and kindness you offer throughout the Annual Catholic Campaign. The campaign plays a vital role in funding ministry that support those in need in our local communities. With times being hard for so many, our agencies have seen an increasing number of individuals and families experiencing severe hardship. With your support, and with funds raised through the Campaign, we can continue reaching out to serve those in need and giving hope as we are called to do.

This year, OLR Kenmore–Moggill Parish raised \$5,351 to support the campaign – a tremendous contribution, received with absolute gratitude.

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.

No Primary School Youth on Friday 15th November.

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

OLR Parish Planning Meeting for 2025

All interested Parishioners are invited to attend the Parish Planning meeting to gather pastoral and missionary ideas for 2025.

When: Sunday 24th November 11:30am – 1:00pm

Where: Kenmore Church Meeting Room (below the Church)
If your intention is to attend, please complete the registration form <https://forms.office.com/r/ahedre68AG>, or contact the Parish Office.

Pre-Christmas Community Lunch

Join St Vincent de Paul OLR Kenmore Conference for a Free Community Lunch, no cost to you. If you are an individual or a family, maybe, feeling lonely, have no one to share Christmas this year with, or unable to prepare your own Christmas meal, you are invited. Together we will celebrate an early Christmas with decorations, music, a delicious meal and great conversations.

When: Saturday 7 December from 12:00pm till 3:00pm

Where: CCC Hall, OLR School, Kenmore

Please RSVP via olr4069@svdpqld.org.au or telephone the Parish office on 3324 3630 by advising your Name, Contact Number, any dietary requirements and if you require transport to attend and return home from the event.

If you are struggling to make ends meet, or you will be alone at Christmas, come and be a part of our community of kindness. St Vincent de Paul, OLR Kenmore Conference.

Piety Shop Items

The following items are now available for purchase from both churches:

- **Advent Devotion Book - \$5.00 each**
- **Columban Art Calendar - \$10.00 each**
- **Christmas Cards - \$5.00 per pack**

Sacrament of Baptism

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

Flocknote Sign Up – Our Parish Census

Please complete our online Parish census at <https://OLRKM.flocknote.com/register> and provide or update your information. A paper census form is also available at the churches.



This information will allow us to serve you better. Thank you.

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	pkenmore@bne.catholic.edu.au
Parish Kindergarten	Director – Gillian Hanlon	07 3720 1777	kenmorekindy@catholicearlyedcare.qld.edu.au
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