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5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

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6<sup>th</sup> April 2025

### Pastor's Message

In John's Gospel we see they brought in a woman they had caught in adultery. Three terms express their sense of dominance: "They caught her." "They brought her." "They made her stand before them all." In their eyes, her fate is sealed: it must be death by stoning, according to the law. No one talks about the adulterous man involved. Their challenge to Jesus is head-on: "In the law, Moses has ordered us to stone women of this kind. What have you got to say?" Jesus opposes such arrogance. No sentence of death comes from God. Jesus brings in truth, justice and compassion to bear on the act of judgment: "Let the one among you who is guiltless be the first to throw a stone at her".

The accusers go away shamefaced. They know that they are guilty of many things themselves. Then Jesus speaks with tender respect to the woman who has just escaped execution: "Neither do I condemn you". He encourages her to make her gift of forgiveness the starting point for a new life: "Go away, and from this moment on, sin no more". That's how Jesus is. Here, finally, is a man not conditioned by any oppressive law or power; but an individual who never hated or condemned, never returned evil for evil. In his defence of this sinner there is more truth and justice than in our resentful demands and name-calling.

We still live in a world where women often cannot move about freely without fear. Abuse and humiliation are common in many parts of our world today.

As a church we are called to stand with all people who are victims of oppression, violence, abuse, humiliation.

*God Bless, Fr Mark Franklin, Parish Priest*

### Palm Sunday

Next weekend, the Church gathers to celebrate Palm Sunday.

Palm Sunday is the final Sunday of Lent, the beginning of Holy Week, and commemorates the triumphant arrival of Christ in Jerusalem, days before he was crucified.

Palm Sunday is known as such because the faithful will often receive palm fronds which they use to participate in the re-enactment of Christ's arrival in Jerusalem. In the Gospels, Jesus entered Jerusalem riding a young donkey, and to the lavish praise of the townspeople who threw clothes, or possibly palms or small branches, in front of him as a sign of homage. This was a customary practice for people of great respect.

Palm branches are a widely recognised symbol of peace and victory, hence their preferred use on Palm Sunday.

The use of a donkey instead of a horse is highly symbolic, it represents the humble arrival of someone in peace, as opposed to arriving on a steed in war.

A week later, Christ would rise from the dead on the first Easter.

At the beginning of the Mass the people gather outside the Church, we listen to the story of Jesus entry into Jerusalem palms are blessed and distributed to parishioners who carry them in a ritual procession into church. The palms are blessed and many people will fashion them into small crosses.

### Parish Diary

#### Monday 7<sup>th</sup> April – Parish Office Closed

- 9:15am Bridge Group, St Catherine's Moggill
- 10:00am SVDP Executive Meeting

#### Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> April

- 9:00am Confirmation Interviews (until 12:00pm), OLR Church Meeting Room

#### Wednesday 9<sup>th</sup> April

- 9:15am Mass, OLR Church Kenmore
- 9:15am Craft Group, St Catherine's Moggill
- 3:00pm Confirmation Interviews (until 6:00pm), OLR Church Meeting Room

#### Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> April

- 9:15am Mass, St Catherine's Moggill
- 7:00pm Chrism Mass, St Stephen's Cathedral

#### Friday 11<sup>th</sup> April

- 9:15am Mass, OLR Church Kenmore

#### Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> April

- 9:00am Stations of the Cross, OLR Kenmore
- 9:30am Confessions, OLR Kenmore
- 10:30am Baptism (**Jemima Quin**), OLR Church Kenmore
- 11:00am Baptism (**Hugh Pullen**), OLR Church Kenmore
- 4:30pm Confessions, OLR Church Kenmore
- 5:00pm Vigil Mass, OLR Church Kenmore

#### Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> April – Palm Sunday

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

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1<sup>st</sup> Reading: *Is 43:16-21*

Sunday Readings

2<sup>nd</sup> Reading: *Phil 3:8-14*

Gospel: *Jn 8:1-11*

Readings at Home

Liturgy and Prayer resources for the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent: <https://universalis.com/australia.brisbane/20250406/mass.htm>

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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 all those who have died recently.

**Anniversaries:** Please remember **Renatus Arendse, Ian Lennie, Peter Collinson** and all those whose anniversaries occur at this time, and for the **Repose of the Soul of France Wiehe, Robert Wylie, and Charles Pinwill.**

**Sick:** Please pray for **Heidi Brouckeart**, Edwing Ling, Yosephine Gumulya, Olivia Pinwill, Robert Burton, Camilla Cowley, Eric Olsen, Chantal-Maree Deveraux, Mary McGuinness, Deanna McNamara, Doris Fern, Ian Turner, Sandra Dickson, Sian Fitzpatrick, Cara-Leigh Hurdial, Olivia Williams, Kitty Foxon, Pat Dryden, Joan Halvorson, Stewart Behan, Alicea Longford, Kay Bernoth, Pat Nelson, Eli Bartlett, Krystyna Kazimierzczuk, Stephen Jones, 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.

### Holy Week Programme Times 2025

#### Palm/Passion Masses – 12<sup>th</sup>/13<sup>th</sup> April

- 5:00pm – Saturday Vigil – OLR Church Kenmore
- 8:00am – Sunday Mass – St Catherine’s Moggill
- 9:45am – Sunday Mass – OLR Church Kenmore
- 5:30pm – Sunday Mass – OLR Church Kenmore

#### Monday – 14<sup>th</sup> April

- 6:00pm – 7:00pm – Confessions & Adoration – OLR Church Kenmore

#### Tuesday – 15<sup>th</sup> April

- 5:15pm – 6:15pm – Confessions – St Catherine’s Moggill
- 6:45pm – Mass for the Forgiveness of Sins – St Catherine’s Moggill

#### Wednesday – 16<sup>th</sup> April

- 9:15am – Mass for the Forgiveness of Sins
- 6:00pm – 7:00pm – Confessions & Adoration, OLR Church Kenmore

#### Holy Thursday – 17<sup>th</sup> April

- 7:00pm – Mass of the Lord’s Supper – OLR Church Kenmore

#### Good Friday – 18<sup>th</sup> April

- 9:00am – Stations of the Cross – OLR Church Kenmore
- 11:00am – Way of the Cross (Open Air) – St Catherine’s Moggill
- 3:00pm – Passion and Veneration of the Cross – OLR Church Kenmore

#### Easter Vigil – Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> April

- 6:00pm – Mass – OLR Church Kenmore

#### Easter Sunday – 20<sup>th</sup> April

- 8:00am – Mass – St Catherine’s Moggill
- 9:45am – Mass – OLR Church Kenmore
- NO 5:30pm Mass – OLR Church Kenmore



### 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

5<sup>th</sup>/6<sup>th</sup> April 2025

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Thank you for standing with us, as we *Unite Against Poverty this Lent.*

### 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. **Resumes in Term 2 (Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May)**

**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. **Last event for Term 1 – Friday 4<sup>th</sup> April. Resumes in Term 2 (Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> May).**

If you have any queries, please email Caleb at: [youth.kenmore@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:youth.kenmore@bne.catholic.net.au)

### Your Parish Offering

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. For information or to review your level or method of giving please feel free to contact the parish manager on [finchm@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto: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”)*

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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.

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