

Fr. Christopher Shorrock, OFM Conv., Parish Priest
Deacon N Tan

Dear Parishioners,
Now that we have commenced the Lenten season let us focus on the Cross and Jesus' journey to Calvary and ultimately his death and glorious Resurrection. There are still some copies of the "Pieta" Lenten meditation booklets (suggested donation is \$9 to cover the cost of the booklet - this can be left in the box at the back of the Church) We are continuing our search for some extra Altar servers (so that we can have at least 2 at every weekend Mass and perhaps even create a roster so it might become alternate weeks). Please contact one of the Friars or the parish office to enrol. Let us continue to pray for one another and our parish.

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For those who continue to ask how to connect to **Shalom World TV**, simply visit [here](https://www.shalomworld.org/) or <https://www.shalomworld.org/> and for fast connection, use the QR code on the right.



Things to add to your day for Lent

- 30 minute silence w/God
- Daily walk
- Daily Rosary
- Praying for enemies
- The Angelus @6, 12, 6
- Weekly Adoration
- Sing to God
- Pray before grabbing phone
- Daily Holy hour
- 3pm prayer/DMC
- Catholic only podcast
- Say sorry
- Give \$5 to a beggar
- First
- Forgive
- Pray while driving
- Daily Mass
- Read only Catholic books

Come enjoy a 'date with our Lord'? Join the all-night Vigil Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at the Shrine of the Holy Innocents. There you will enjoy the intimacy of having one-on-one time with our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament at an hour of your choosing. Adoration begins after 7pm Mass at the Shrine on Friday night (23 Feb..) and continues to 11am Mass on Saturday morning (24 Feb.). Call or text Cecille: 0415 253 771.

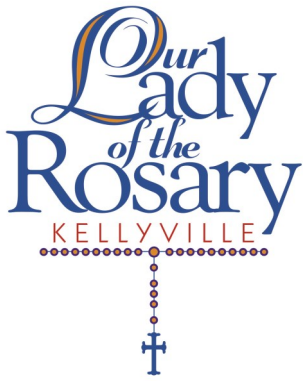
FRANCISCAN SHRINE OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS

Come visit and pray in quiet beauty.
The Chapel is open every day from 6am - 6pm.

Br. Bernard Fonkalsrud OFM Conv., *Director*

For booking inquiries please visit our website [here](https://franciscanfriarsaustralia.org/shrineoftheholynnoccents) (franciscanfriarsaustralia.org/shrineoftheholynnoccents)

Our Lady of the Rosary Parish Office Tel.: 9629-2595
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Br. Bernard Fonkalsrud, OFM Conv., Shrine director
Fr. David Blowey OFM Conv., Delegate to Australia

Message from Br. Louis Schmid Dear parishioners, I have been transferred to our Friary in Springvale in Melbourne so I wish to thank you all for the kindness shown to me and to the friars and your dedication to the holy faith. I entrust all of you to the Hearts of Jesus and Mary. May Our Lord and His holy Mother keep you.
Br. Louis.

Our Lenten Journey towards Easter

See our regular Mass Schedule in the green box below.

Each Friday during Lent (until 22 March incl.) there will be 7pm Stations of the Cross and Reconciliation

Youth Group will be exploring the importance of interior reflection during Lent, especially for giving and receiving Confession. All high school students are welcome to join us following 6pm Mass in the old hall until 8:45pm! To join our mailing list, email youthgroupolor@gmail.com or follow @olorkellyvilleyouth on Facebook and Instagram.

Youth Band returns to serve on Sunday 3 March with practice at 4pm before 6pm Mass. All young people of any musical ability are welcome to join!

Mass, Mercy and Maccas: A new monthly initiative! All young adults aged 18-35 are invited to join us every **third Monday** of the month to attend 7pm Mass together, participate in Divine Mercy devotions or attend Confession, followed by fellowship at McDonald's North Kellyville. Join us for the inaugural #MMM this Monday, 19 February.

Attending a Safeguarding Training course in our diocese is compulsory if you serve in the Parish as a reader, extra-ordinary minister of the Eucharist or Acolyte. Face-to-face opportunities exist and are taking place at the Bishop Bede Heather Centre Blacktown on Monday 12 February (10am - 1.30pm) - Modules 4-5: Renewal Safeguarding Training is for those in Parish Ministry who commenced Cycle 1 Training two years ago. Please register directly for this training or for other convenient dates and locations by clicking on the training event at: <https://parracatholic.org/connect/events/?series=safeguarding-training> To complete sessions online visit parracatholic.org/safeguarding/training/

Let's Pray for the Sick - John, Romeo Susi, Eugene, Maureen, Aureen, Helen, Frankie Fernandez, Pravani, Janice Larsen, Teodora Postaski, Michelle Nickols, Andrew Lack, Prylani, Franca Masciotra, Lynette Mary Crowley, Michael Sampedro, Michael Bright, Thomas Abrahams Marita Sicat and all those who are suffering illness in our community. Please write to us here. to let us know the name of someone who is ill and we will include their names on our list for Prayer.

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Project Compassion Sunday Have you taken a Project Compassion box or a set of donation envelopes to help support vulnerable people around the world to tackle poverty, food security, education, water and sanitation and disaster risk reduction to build a better future for all? You can donate through donation boxes and envelopes available in the foyer, or by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.

PROJECT COMPASSION



Financial Situation

As I am sure you are aware we have a substantial debt due to the needed renovations of the Church and we struggle to meet these repayments (approx. \$10,500 per month). To improve fundraising for the Church loan, the Finance Council has agreed to upgrade the Parish Hall (Aircon etc.) to make it more attractive for hire. This will cost around \$25,000 (someone has agreed to loan the money interest free) so that we can do this ASAP. We will have a special project collection over the weekends of 24/25 Feb and 2/3 Mar to try and repay this generous offer. This will be of benefit to all the Parish. Please give generously.

Can you help get Rosa to Mass on Sundays? She lives in Minorca Avenue, Kellyville. 9am Mass on Sundays are her preference but her main wish is to get to Mass at all. Please call her on 0413 592 013

Rosary Gem:
The Rosary has proven itself as a friend in the life and work of great men.
Servant of God
(Fr.) Joseph Kentenich

Lenten Activities
at the Shrine
8 Greyfriar Place, Kellyville

Tuesdays
The Holy Rosary
Shrine Grotto
6.30pm

Fridays
The Stations of the Cross
Meeting in front of the Chapel
10.15am

EVERY 4TH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH ALL WOMEN OVER 18 WELCOME

Women of St Clare

25 FEBRUARY 2024
SUNDAY 6:30PM

FRANCISCAN SHRINE OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS
8 GREYFRIAR PLACE, KELLYVILLE NSW
WOMENOFSTCLARE@GMAIL.COM

REGULAR PARISH MASS TIMES

Saturdays: 9:30am and 6pm Sunday Vigil
Sundays: 7am, 9am, 11am and 6pm
Mondays and Tuesdays: 6.45am and 7pm
Wednesdays, Thursdays : 6.45am and 9.30am
Fridays: 6.45am, 9.30am
(and 7pm on First Friday of each month)

CONFESSION TIMES

10am-10.30am on Saturdays and 7.30pm on Mondays

For emergencies only, call 9629-2595 and select 4 to leave a message and a Priest will return your call.

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MASS & MINISTRIES: 17/18 FEBRUARY 2024

6pm Vigil	EM	Ruth Hyland & Natalie Guerlin
7am	EM	Sandra Huber & Norma Evans
9am	EM	Grace Trzcinski & Margaret
11am	EM	Annette Tan & Princy Benny
6pm	EM	Br. Louis & Elvira Tandingam

MASS & MINISTRIES: 24/25 FEBRUARY 2024

6pm Vigil	EM	Ruth Hyland & Natalie Guerlin
7am	EM	Sandra Huber & Tracy Hoey
9am	EM	Grace Trzcinski & Ponciana P.
11am	EM	Annette Tan & Rachel Calisura
6pm	EM	Br. Louis & Princy Benny

We invite you to our **OPEN EVENING**

WEDNESDAY 21 FEBRUARY 2024
4PM OR 6PM

Enrolments for Year 7, 2025 close on Friday 15 March, 2024.
marianenrolment@parra.catholic.edu.au

website: www.mariankenthurst.catholic.edu.au

Thank you for your donation to the parish last week. The sum of \$2,903.45 was collected at Masses and \$1,415 (weekly average) by debit/credit card.

MASS INTENTIONS: 17 - 24 FEB. 2024

Sat.. 17	9.30am	Efren & Arial Torres
	6pm	Felix & Evelyn D'Silva
Sun. 18	7am	Nerida, Carmela & Vincenzo Bombardiere
	9am	Salvatore & Giovanna Maria Frasca, Teresa Crucitti
	11am	Tomaso Manca, Salvatore & Paula
	6pm	PRO POPULO
Mon. 19	6.45am	Castellino family tree
	7pm	Andy Zahra, Wayne Holland & Sam Bugeja
Tues. 20	6.45am	Holy Souls
	7pm	Araceli Lorenzo
Wed. 21	6.45am	Agustine Tan
	9.30am	Salvatore Egiziano
Thurs. 22	6.45am	Joanna Barry
	9.30am	Holy Souls
Fri. 23	6.45am	Castellino family tree
	9.30am	Pamela Nair
Sat.. 24	9.30am	Intention of donor
	6pm	Ivana Belmonte

Shrine of the Holy Innocents

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GOSPEL Mk 1: 12-15
P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.
P. A reading from the holy Gospel according to Mark.
R. Glory to you, O Lord.

He was tempted by Satan, and the angels looked after him.
The Spirit drove Jesus out into the wilderness and he remained there for forty days, and was tempted by Satan. He was with the wild beasts, and the angels looked after him.

After John had been arrested, Jesus went into Galilee. There he proclaimed the Good News from God. ‘The time has come’ he said ‘and the kingdom of God is close at hand. Repent, and believe the Good News.’
The Gospel of the Lord.
R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

HOMILY
PROFESSION OF FAITH APOSTLES’ CREED
Or the Nicene Creed may be said.
I believe in God, / the Father almighty, / Creator of heaven and earth, / and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord, / who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, / born of the Virgin Mary, / suffered under Pontius Pilate, / was crucified, died and was buried; / he descended into hell; / on the third day he rose again from the dead; / he ascended into heaven, / and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty; / from there he will come to judge the living and the dead. / I believe in the Holy Spirit, / the holy catholic Church, / the communion of saints, / the forgiveness of sins, / the resurrection of the body, / and life everlasting. Amen.

PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST
After the priest raises the paten with the bread and prays, and then the chalice, we respond to each prayer:
R. Blessed be God for ever.
P. Pray, brethren (brothers and sisters), that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.
R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

PRAYER OVER THE OFFERINGS
P. Give us the right dispositions, O Lord, we pray, to make these offerings, for with them we celebrate the beginning of this venerable and sacred time. Through Christ our Lord.
R. Amen.

THE EUCHARISTIC PRAYER
P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.
P. Lift up your hearts.
R. We lift them up to the Lord.

P. Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.
R. It is right and just.
PREFACE OF THE 1ST SUNDAY OF LENT
After the Preface, we sing or say:
All: Holy, Holy, Holy Lord God of hosts. Heaven and earth are full of your glory. Hosanna in the highest. Blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord. Hosanna in the highest.

THE MEMORIAL ACCLAMATION
P. The mystery of faith.
All: We proclaim your Death, O Lord, and profess your Resurrection until you come again.

COMMUNION RITE
P. At the Saviour’s command and formed by divine teaching, we dare to say:
All: Our Father, who art in heaven ...
P. Deliver us, Lord, we pray...
All: For the kingdom, the power and the glory are yours now and for ever.
P. Lord Jesus Christ, who said...
R. Amen.
P. The peace of the Lord be with you always.
R. And with your spirit.
P. Let us offer each other the sign of peace.
All exchange a sign of peace

LAMB OF GOD
All: Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us.
Lamb of God, you take away the sins of the world, grant us peace.

INVITATION TO COMMUNION
P. Behold the Lamb of God, behold him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb.
R. Lord, I am not worthy that you should enter under my roof, but only say the word and my soul shall be healed.
COMMUNION ANTIPHON Mt 4: 4
One does not live by bread alone, but by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.

PRAYER AFTER COMMUNION
P. Renewed now with heavenly bread, by which faith is nourished, hope increased, and charity strengthened, we pray, O Lord, that we may learn to hunger for Christ, the true and living Bread, and strive to live by every word which proceeds from your mouth. Through Christ our Lord.
R. Amen.

THE CONCLUDING RITES
P. The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.
P. May almighty God bless you, the Father, and the Son, ✠ and the Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.
P. Go forth, the Mass is ended.
R. Thanks be to God.

BREAKING OPEN THE WORD
LENT: SPRINGTIME FOR ALL GOD’S CREATION
In the southern hemisphere we miss the signs of nature linked in the northern hemisphere to Lent, namely the coming of spring. The word “Lent,” is derived from the Old English “lenctern” meaning spring. This poses a challenge for us in Australia’s autumn, as we seek to unfold the springtime in our soul. In our scriptural journey into Lent, we are greeted with the sign of God’s covenant with Noah: a rainbow. This covenant is not just with Noah and all descendants but with every living creature, everything that lives on the earth. A rainbow may well grace our southern skies in autumn, enabling us to experience ourselves in the embrace of God’s covenant with the whole ecological world in which we live. In the Gospel, the Spirit drives Jesus into the wilderness for forty days along with the wild beasts. Satan the tempter, and the angels who minister to Jesus. These ministering angels, like the rainbow, are a sign of God’s ever-presence. As Jesus emerges from his forty days, we hear him begin his ministry in Galilee with “the time is fulfilled and the kingdom of God has come near.” Evocatively we have entered our forty days of Lent in a wilderness of ecological crisis. Unseasonal extremes of temperature, floods, fires and all manner of tempests call for us to take heed of the earth in which we dwell. In this time, we can reflect, ecologically and spiritually, to change our hearts and believe the Good News, knowing well God’s promise through the rainbow and through the gift of his son.
DR ROSEMARY CANAVAN

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OUR SUNDAY CELEBRATION

FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT / B 18 FEBRUARY 2024

DRIVEN INTO THE WILDERNESS. The Spirit of God, who descended on Jesus at his baptism, drove him into the wilderness. In the Jewish Scriptures the wilderness is both the place where Israel meets God and the place where it is tempted to worship idols made of stone. The season of Lent is a good time to examine whether we are responding to the Spirit of God in our lives or succumbing to the allurements of false idols.

INTRODUCTORY RITES
ENTRANCE ANTIPHON cf. Ps 90: 15-16
When he calls on me, I will answer him; I will deliver him and give him glory, I will grant him length of days.

GREETING
P. In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
R. Amen.
P. The grace of our Lord Jesus Christ, and the love of God, and the communion of the Holy Spirit be with you all.
R. And with your spirit.

PENITENTIAL ACT
P. Brethren (brothers and sisters), let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.
All: I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do, (striking the breast) through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault; therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

P. May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.
R. Amen.
V. Lord, have mercy.
R. Lord, have mercy.
V. Christ, have mercy.
R. Christ, have mercy.
V. Lord, have mercy.
R. Lord, have mercy.

The Gloria is not said during Lent.

COLLECT
P. Grant, almighty God, through the yearly observances of holy Lent, that we may grow in understanding of the riches hidden in Christ and by worthy conduct pursue their effects. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.
R. Amen.

LITURGY OF THE WORD
FIRST READING Gen 9: 8-15
A reading from the book of Genesis.
I will recall the covenant between myself and you ... the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all flesh.
God spoke to Noah and his sons, ‘See, I establish my Covenant with you, and with your descendants after you; also with every living creature to be found with you, birds, cattle and every wild beast with you: everything that came out of the ark, everything that lives on the earth. I establish my Covenant with you: no thing of flesh shall be swept away again by the waters of the flood. There shall be no flood to destroy the earth again.’
God said, ‘Here is the sign of the Covenant I make between myself and you and every living creature with you for all generations: I set my bow in the clouds and it shall be a sign of the Covenant between me and the earth. When I gather the clouds over the earth and the bow appears in the clouds, I will recall the Covenant between myself and you and every living creature of every kind. And so the waters shall never again become a flood to destroy all things of flesh.’

The word of the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God.
RESP PSALM Ps 24: 4-9. R. cf. v. 10
R. Your ways, O Lord, are love and truth to those who keep your covenant.
1. Lord, make me know your ways. / Lord, teach me your paths. / Make me walk in your truth, and teach me: / for you are God my saviour. R.
2. Remember your mercy, Lord, / and the love you have shown from of old. / In your love remember me, / because of your goodness, O Lord. R.
3. The Lord is good and upright. / He shows the path to those who stray, / he guides the humble in the right path; / he teaches his way to the poor. R.
SECOND READING 1 Pet 3: 18-22
A reading from the first letter of St Peter.
The water of the flood is a type of the baptism which saves you now.



Christ himself, innocent though he was, died once for sins, died for the guilty, to lead us to God. In the body he was put to death, in the spirit he was raised to life, and, in the spirit, he went to preach to the spirits in prison. Now it was long ago, when Noah was still building that ark which saved only a small group of eight people ‘by water’, and when God was still waiting patiently, that these spirits refused to believe. That water is a type of the baptism which saves you now, and which is not the washing off of physical dirt but a pledge made to God from a good conscience, through the resurrection of Jesus Christ, who has entered heaven and is at God’s right hand, now that he has made the angels and Dominations and Powers his subjects.

The word of the Lord.
R. Thanks be to God.
GOSPEL ACCLAMATION Mt 4: 4
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!
No one lives on bread alone, but on every word that comes from the mouth of God.
Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ, king of endless glory!