

KEDRON BROOK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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Good Samaritan & St John the Baptist

Joined in joyfully praising and worshipping God



12th November 2023—32nd Sunday Ordinary Time—Year A



St John the Baptist

131 South Pine Road,
ENOGGERA

Our Lady of the Immaculate Conception

18 Halle Street,
EVERTON PARK

St Carthage's

115 Beaconsfield Tce
GORDON PARK

St Columba's

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WILSTON

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Dear Brothers and Sisters,

The theme of vigilance connects the three readings of the 32nd Sunday in ordinary Time Year A. Jesus with the use of a parable teaches us that we need to be always ready, waiting and prepared to receive Him. The first reading could be likened to a commentary on the gospel. Here Wisdom is described as a woman for whom one ought to seek and wait with vigilance. While the second reading tells us how the community of St Paul in Thessalonica was encouraged to keep doing everything good in Christ Jesus as they await the resurrection and meeting of the Lord when he comes. We too are waiting for the Lord's coming, but are we prepared?

The Parable of the Ten Virgins serves as a cautionary tale about being vigilant and making wise choices, especially when it comes to your own spiritual journey. It emphasises that waiting for a last-minute "fix" in matters of faith might lead to disappointment. Even outside faith, it leads to undesirable outcomes. Just as the five wise women couldn't share their extra lamp oil, there are aspects of spirituality and everyday life that can't be borrowed from others. Being prepared is one of them. It must come from us individually.

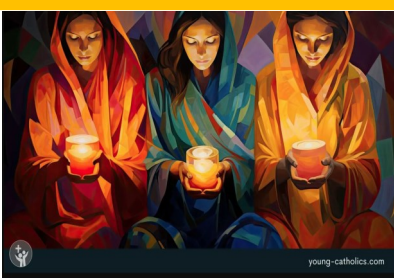
Jesus with the story in the gospel is just being upfront with us on the need to be prepared for the coming of the Son of man. Because God wants all of us to be saved, He has given us the Holy Spirit, the word and sacrament, to accompany, nourish and strength us.

My dear friends, Wisdom is the inner light given to us by God to help us to be prepared, to connect with God and to live rightly with people. Being prepared, vigilant and waiting as the gospel tells us today is a form of wisdom. In life and spirituality, a lack of preparation can result in missed opportunities to make a difference in others and society. Part of being prepared for the coming of the Lord is to long and thirst and search for Him every day with our lamp light glowing. We need to be wise enough to remain ever prepared and to put the commandments of love into practice. We have to be among the wise Christians of our time and find Jesus in the most ordinary experiences of daily living. We are called today to find Jesus in the people we meet, the events and situations of our life, and therefore make intentional and careful choices for God and for our salvation.

Again, to be ready for the Lord involves intentional habits and spiritual disciplines. The gospel inspired habits and spiritual disciplines that are our oil or spiritual fuel. They are oil of compassion and mercy, oil of patience, hospitality, faith driven morality, sympathy and forgiveness and oil of prayer, of reading God's Word, mutual encouragement and participating in the sacramental life of the church.

Have a beautiful week!

Fr. Ihemelandu Uzuegbu



12th November 2023 — Year A — Thirty Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading	Wisdom 6:12-16 Wisdom is found by those who look for it.
Responsorial Psalm	Ps 62:2-8 My soul is thirsting for you O Lord my God.
2nd Reading	1 Thessalonians 4:13-18 Those who died as Christians, God will bring to life with Jesus.
Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia! Be watchful and ready: you know not when the Son of Man is coming. Alleluia!
Gospel	Matthew 25:1-13 Look, the bridegroom comes. Go out to meet him.

19th November 2023 — Year A — Thirty Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

First Reading	Proverbs 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31 Give her a share in what she has worked for.
Responsorial Psalm	Ps 127:1-5 Happy are those who fear the Lord.
2nd Reading	1 Thessalonians 5:1-6 The day of the Lord is going to come like a thief in the night.
Gospel Acclamation	Alleluia, alleluia! Live in me and let me live in you, says the Lord; my branches bear much fruit. Alleluia!
Gospel	Matthew 25:14-30 Because you have been faithful over a few things, enter into the joy of the Lord.

MASS INFORMATION

MONDAY <i>Immaculate Conception</i> 9:00am Mass
TUESDAY <i>Immaculate Conception</i> 8:30am Rosary followed by 9:00am Mass
WEDNESDAY <i>St John the Baptist</i> 9:00am Mass followed by adoration
THURSDAY <i>St Columba's</i> 8:30am Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 8:40am Rosary 9:00am Mass
FRIDAY <i>St Columba's</i> 6:30am Mass

KBCC Collections 5th November 2023

	Direct Debit	Credit Card	Envelopes	Cash
Enoggera	\$252	\$194	\$ 91	\$508
Everton Park	<i>inc w Enoggera</i>		\$ 390	\$241
Wilston	\$1015	\$275	\$ 327	\$349
Gordon Park	<i>inc w Wilston</i>		\$ 230	\$98



Christmas 2023— Mass Times

**Tuesday 19th December 6:00pm 2nd Rite of Reconciliation
St Columba's Church, Wilston**

Sunday 24th December

Carols:	Mass:	Church:
5:00pm	5:30pm	St Columba's (<i>Family Mass</i>)
5:00pm	5:30pm	St John the Baptist (<i>Family Mass</i>)
7:00pm	7:30pm	Our Lady of Immaculate Conception
11:30pm	Midnight	St Columba's

Monday 25th December

Mass:	Church:
7:30am	Our Lady of Immaculate Conception
8:00am	St Carthage's
9:00am	St John the Baptist
9:30am	St Columba's

WEEKEND MASS TIMES

St Columba's 5:00pm Vigil Mass 9:30am Mass (Sun)	St John the Baptist 9:00 am Mass (Sun) 5:30pm Mass (Sun)
Immaculate Conception 7:30am Mass (Sun) <i>Followed by 24 hr Perpetual Adoration until Mon 8:30am</i> Friday after 6:30am Mass	St Carthage's 8:00am Mass (Sun)

RECONCILIATION

Saturday 4:30pm	St Columba's
Sunday 5:00pm or by appointment	St John the Baptist

Feast Day this week;

Friday 17th St Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious (white)

Parish Notices

- ◇ Volunteers needed: We wish to appeal to parishioners who can help in running St John the Baptist Children's Liturgy during 9:00am mass in the Enoggera Hall. Please contact the parish office if it is what God is calling you to do for our community and children.
- ◇ Volunteers required to assist adoration at Everton Park Church. Please contact Fiona and Roy on 0412 802 122 'You will see the change for the better in your lives'.
- ◇ Verse for Vinnies final concert 2023. Sunday Nov. 26 1:30pm Cost \$15 Cash Only St Williams School 67 Dawson Parade Grovely. Book using noel@noelstallard.com
- ◇ We are searching for the next leader of our Wilston Church, Morning Tea group. Please call the Parish Office for more information.



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CATHOLIC MISSION 2023 APPRECIATION OF THANKS

You are invited to a celebration of music from Brisbane Catholic schools, parishes and communities.

2 PM TO 4 PM
SATURDAY 18 NOV 2023
CHURCH OF THE TWELVE APOSTLES - 111 YALLAMBEE ROAD, JINDALEE

Get tickets at trybooking below here: <https://www.trybooking.com/CKZIE>

Attention all Volunteers of the KBCC Parish.

Our annual Volunteers "Thankyou" Dinner will be held this year on Tuesday 5th December in Kedron-Wavell Club at 6:30pm. Please register your attendance and any dietary requirements ASAP, to the Parish Office.



Wilston Mega Christmas Raffle is on again!

The Wilston Social Committee is looking for any donations that would be suitable for prizes. Please leave at Parish Office. Many Thanks. All proceeds of the raffle to go to a charity of Fr IHEME'S choosing.



2023 Knox Public Lecture
Tuesday 28th November at 7:30pm
Live **videostream** via Zoom

"Truth and Peace: Timeless Twins"

Presented by Dr Susan Connelly RSJ



To book scan the QR code or go to trybooking.com/CMYVM
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SENIORS' GET TOGETHER and MASS THURSDAY 30 NOVEMBER 2023 AT 11:00AM

OUR LADY OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH
EVERTON PARK with morning tea to follow in church hall.
Good Samaritan Parishioners wishing to attend please
phone the office. Transport will be provided if required

Communing with the God who Comes to Us

This quiet weekend is an opportunity to reflect upon the God who constantly chooses to come to us in loving relationship.

Hosted and Facilitated by: Grace Harwood of Dragonfly Ministries

When: Friday 15 December 2023 at 6pm – Sunday 17 December 2023 at 3pm
OR

Friday 12 January 2024 at 6pm – Sunday 14 January 2024 at 3pm

Where: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Wellington Street, Ormiston

Cost: \$400 (\$380 for concessions) includes all accommodation, meals (an additional fee for complex special diets), resources, spiritual direction and facilitation.

To register or enquire: grace@dragonflyministries.net.au or 0409 524 283

Claim the Date: Bradley Davis' Diaconate Ordination & Thanksgiving Mass

This is to inform the St John the Baptist Parish Enoggera parishioners of the Ordination of our son, Bradley Davis to the diaconate ministry. A deacon is one who serves the people of God just like Stephen, one of the first seven deacons. Deacons are members of the clergy along with priests and bishops. The ministry of deacons (Acts 6:1-7) has three focal points: service and liturgy of the word. At the liturgy, he assists the bishop and priests. At the Mass, the deacon proclaims the Gospel, may be invited to preach the homily by the priest, and assists at the altar.

Date: Friday 17th November Time: 10:00am

Venue: Holy Spirit Chapel, ACU (by invitation only)
After the Ordination, we will receive him in the Parish

for a Thanksgiving Mass on
Sunday 19th November 2023 Time: 9:00am.

Morning Tea will follow after mass.



Our parish has implemented the Archdiocesan Safeguarding Children and Vulnerable Adults policy. For any matters relating to Safeguarding issues, please contact our Safeguarding representatives at lsr.kbcc@bne.catholic.net.au or by contacting STOP line AOB@stoline.com.au or 1300 304 550 (for anonymous reports)

From the KBCC Music Ministry

Fr. Ihome has planned to have KBCC Lessons and Carols on Wednesday, the **20th of December** of this year. The KBCC Music Ministry supports Fr Ihome in this wonderful Christmas event.

Apart from the second yearly Multicultural celebration, this Christmas event promises to gather and engage all four church communities. We're inviting you and your loved ones and friends to come together and sing Christmas Carols at what is sure to be a memorable occasion for everyone in the KBCC community.

The carols will be held at St John the Baptist Catholic Church. The time will be announced soon.

We are still looking for enthusiastic parishioners who love to sing or play instruments. Let us meet you and enjoy singing the Christmas Carols together! Our next practice sessions are on the following dates:

Friday November 17th at 6:30pm, Wednesday November 22nd at 6:30pm, Wednesday November 29th at 6:30pm,
Wednesday December 6th at 6:30pm, Tuesday December 12th at 6:30pm, Friday December 15th at 6:30pm.

We practise at St John the Baptist Catholic Church (133 South Pine Rd, Enoggera).

Thank you and we hope to see you soon! Yholie

Parish Advent Preparation

WOULD YOU LIKE TO JOIN A PREPARATION DISCUSSION GROUP DURING ADVENT?

From the beginning of Advent, we will have a weekly preparation and discussion group here at the Parish Office in Wilston every Thursday morning from 10:30-11:30 am or at St John The Baptist Hall, Enoggera every Wednesday at 10:00-11:00am. It is a 22-day reflection for Advent during the 2023-2024 liturgical year.

IT WILL BE ACCOMPANIED BY THE ADVENT RESOURCE " WITH EXPECTANT HEARTS."

Please let us know AS SOON AS POSSIBLE if you would like to attend any of the Discussion Groups and we will put your name down and get a Resource book for you. They cost \$6.00 each. Last year we had very enjoyable and successful groups, prayerful, peaceful and very powerful. If you can't join us but would like to prepare on your own, we can get you a book so you can prepare at home.

November Liturgy of the Word

You are invited to a 30-minute liturgy to be held at St Carthage's Church at **5:00pm on Friday 17 November**.

During November, there is an increased focus on prayer in the Catholic tradition, particularly for the souls of those who have died. Consequently, we would like to take this time to remember our communion in the Body of Christ, and pray into all the emotions we experience as those who mourn the loss of loved ones – including grief, regret, letting go. We hope this will be a refreshing and blessed time for all. The Liturgy of the Word will conclude by 5:30pm, but the church will be open for a further half-an-hour for personal prayer. All are welcome; feel free to invite friends.

RCIA Invitation to a Meet & Greet.

Please come, meet and say hello to the RCIA team. Join us for morning tea or coffee at 11:00am Sunday 26th November 2023 (after the 9:30am Mass at St Columba's Church, Wilston) in the Parish Office, 23 Lovedale St Wilston. Meanwhile, if there is anything about which you would like to have a short chat before the meeting in November, please feel free to ring the office. God bless.

Marie-Louise Singson (Pastoral Coordinator)

We pray for those who are unwell

Donn Anderson, Yvonne Boyle, Christine Bunn, Kelly Burton, Wilma Burton, June Crimmen, Baby Amelia Cross, Emma Datoc, Sheila de Zilva, Bidy Dwyer, Lyn Groessler, Beryl Grunwald, Varun Gupta, Gabrielle Harris, Sherry Henricksen, Mary Hewitt, Kathleen Hicks, Colleen Jackson, Gordon Jackson, Pietro Jacuzzo, Fran Johnson, Bevan Johnson, Lesley Keleher, Troy Kemp, Raechel Mansfield, Ann Mansfield, Dawn Marano, Joy McGowan, Michael McGowan, K McCarthy, Cristina Neroni, Moira O'Sullivan, William & Oliver Peuril-Crew, Joshua Price, Carmel Ryan, Guiseppe Santoro, Irene Savage, Thomas Savage, Bridget Simpson, Eric Spaid, Brad Tennant, Fay Tynan, Jeanette Wharton, Lynne Wilson Taylor, Kerryn Whiteside, Sr Carmel, Sr Dorothy & Zaiden, Sr Margaret Mary Birgan (OLN)

We extend our sympathy to all families who have recently lost a loved one

Thomas Healy, Janet Quirk.

We remember those whose anniversaries of death occur about this time

Maud Ellis