



## Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank

Calamvale, Kuraby, Macgregor, Parkinson, Robertson, Runcorn, Stretton, Sunnybank, Sunnybank Hills

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**Monday 9th January**  
*The Baptism of the Lord*

8.15am Morning Prayer  
 8.30am **Mass**

**Tuesday 10th January**

8.15am Morning Prayer  
 8.30am **Mass**  
 7.00pm Adoration

**Wednesday 11th January**

8.15am Morning Prayer  
 8.30am **Mass**  
 9.00am Rosary

**Thursday 12th January**

8.45am Morning Prayer  
 9.00am **Mass**

**Friday 13th January**

8:15am Morning Prayer  
 8.30am **Mass**  
 9.00am Adoration  
 10.00am Legion of Mary

**Saturday 14th January**

11.00am Reconciliation  
 5.00pm Reconciliation  
 6.00pm **Mass**

**Sunday 15th January**

*2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

6.30am **Mass**  
 8.00am **Mass**  
 9.15am **Mass**  
 10.30am **Mass**  
 6.00pm **Mass (Youth)**



*The Adoration of the Magi* by Giovanni di Paolo, c. 1460. Metropolitan Museum of Art

**The Epiphany of the Lord - 8th January 2023**

Dear Parishioners,

Even as the New Year is still fresh, **I pray that we arise and shine in all we do this year.** It is my desire that as a parish, the Glory of the Lord will rest upon us and through us to all the communities around us. Like the Magi, **may we see the star that will guide us to our destinations according to God's plan for our lives** every day, every week, every month and throughout the year.



With the celebrations of the Epiphany of the Lord this weekend and the Baptism of the Lord on Monday, the **Christmas Time comes to a close and we start the Ordinary Time of the year.** The Christmas lights and trees will be taken down until next Christmas. **Families on holidays will be returning in preparation for the new school year and we are grateful for all the memorable time we had during the break.**

**The Church mourned and celebrated the funeral of Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI on Thursday 5th January.** The passing of Benedict XVI offers us the opportunity to reflect on his legacy as Joseph Ratzinger, Cardinal Prefect of Evangelisation of Peoples, Master of Catechesis and Pope Benedict XVI. I would like to share some **insights from his 2007 Encyclical Letter "Spe Salvi", where he says that the present-day crisis of faith is essentially a crisis of Christian hope.** And for him, until the Gospel goes beyond just "good news" to a message that is life-changing, the dark door of time, of the future, and of human dreams will ever remain elusive. Part of the Christian mission to the world is to instill Christian hope in people's heart. Benedict XVI continues to teach us that **"the one who has hope lives differently; the one who hopes has been granted the gift of a new life."** **May we be inspired by our hope-filled faith as we journey through life.**

Just before the Christmas break, **Noel Villanueva Arceo** was appointed the **Sunnybank Parish Pastoral Ministry Coordinator.** Noel will be coordinating a range of Parish Pastoral and Sacramental programs already in place for 2023. **We are glad to welcome Noel to our parish leadership team especially as Fr Raju leaves our parish for his new role in the Boonah Parish.**

Thank you to those parents who have returned the **Sacramental enrolment forms** to us and we remind other parents that enrolments close **31st January 2023.**

The Parish Pastoral Council is proposing a couple of **Pastoral Initiatives for 2023** and we hope that these programs will benefit our parishioners. We will start with a **day of recollection** for the parish pastoral council on **Saturday 21 January 2023** tagged **"Creating Intentional Disciples – Parish of Our Lady of Lourdes, Sunnybank."** Different parish groups are called to **get ready for Parish Expo 2023** to renew and rejig the popular piety that is essential for our vibrant parish life. This Parish Expo will happen on the weekend of **11/12th February** which is also our **2023 Parish Feast day.** Everyone is urged to mark **2-7 March** for our **Lent 2023 Parish Mission with the Catholic Guy Ministry.**

**God Bless,**

Fr Enoch Iheme

**Next Sunday: Second Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Isaiah 49:3; 5-6**

**1 Corinthians 1:1-3;**

**John 1:29-34**



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**The Epiphany of the Lord (Year A)**

**First Reading: Isaiah 60:1-6** This is a triumphant poem, celebrating a vision of the future Jerusalem under the reign of God.

**Second Reading: Ephesians 3:2-3, 5-6** Paul declares that it is by a revelation that he has received the mission to the Gentiles

**Gospel: Matthew 2:1-12** Who is this infant king of the Jews? Who was he for Herod? Who was he for the wise men from the East? Who is he for us?

**ENCYCLICAL LETTER**

**LAUDATO SI'**

**OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS ON CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME**

What is Happening to our Common Home

**CHAPTER FOUR: INTEGRAL ECOLOGY**

**II. CULTURAL ECOLOGY**

144. A consumerist vision of human beings, encouraged by the mechanisms of today's globalized economy, has a levelling effect on cultures, diminishing the immense variety which is the heritage of all humanity. Attempts to resolve all problems through uniform regulations or technical interventions can lead to overlooking the complexities of local problems which demand the active participation of all members of the community. New processes taking shape cannot always fit into frameworks imported from outside; they need to be based in the local culture itself. As life and the world are dynamic realities, so our care for the world must also be flexible and dynamic. Merely technical solutions run the risk of addressing symptoms and not the more serious underlying problems. There is a need to respect the rights of peoples and cultures, and to appreciate that the development of a social group presupposes an historical process which takes place within a cultural context and demands the constant and active involvement of local people from within their proper culture. Nor can the notion of the quality of life be imposed from without, for quality of life must be understood within the world of symbols and customs proper to each human group.

**Your Prayers Are Asked For:**

*recently deceased:* **Pope Benedict XVI, Josephine Russo, Ernesto Palombo, Mabel Woo, Maria Vu Khuyen, Mark Figueiredo, Jacob Morea, Francisca Avalos, Maria do Rosário Ribeiro, Khoo Tau Guan, Xavie Phanxico Thien Nguyen, Chai Yuk Yin, Denise Schmidt**

*those with anniversaries & others who have died:* **Jessica Smith, Richard Nielsen, Catherine Miller, Michael Woods, Joseph Mbayi, Caesario Paragna, Rosa C. Paragna, Maria Calotti, Felix Alzona Aguto Jr.**

*those who are unwell:* **Maira dos Anjos Martins, Sergio Mandujano, Sheila Daley, Alex Henriquez, Ellen Wanati**

**OUR LADY OF LOURDES  
LENT 2023 PARISH MISSION  
with Bruce Downes, The Catholic Guy  
2 March - 7 March 2023**

Be inspired, Be refreshed, Be renewed!  
It is amazing what God can do when you pause and listen to Him!

Come to this ALL NEW 4 day  
Lenten retreat that will be  
inspirational, prayerful and will help  
you in your spiritual walk this Lent.

Watch this space for more info!



**POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS -  
JANUARY 2023  
For Educators**

*We pray that educators may be credible witnesses, teaching fraternity rather than competition and helping the youngest and most vulnerable above all.*

**SILENT ADORATION OF THE  
BLESSED SACRAMENT**

Tuesday night Adoration resumes next week on January 10 at 7pm in the Church. Everyone is welcome to attend for a minutes in the presence of our Lord or the whole Holy Hour.



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**The safety and wellbeing of children and adults-at-risk is paramount.**

