

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank

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

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Monday 3rd April

8.15am Morning Prayer

8.30am **Mass**

7.00pm 2nd Rite of Reconciliation

Tuesday 4th April

8.15am Morning Prayer

8.30am **Mass**

9.30am Bible Study

7.00pm Adoration

Wednesday 5th April

8.15am Morning Prayer

8.30am **Mass**

9.00am Rosary

Thursday 6th April

Holy Thursday

8.30am Morning Prayer 9.00am 1st Rite of

Reconciliation

7.00pm Mass of the Lord's Supper

Friday 7th April

Good Friday

9.00am Morning Prayer 9.30am 1st Rite of

Reconciliation

10.00am Stations of the Cross

2.00pm Passion of the Lord

4.00pm Passion of the Lord

Saturday 8th April

Holy Saturday

10.00am Morning Prayer 11.00am Reconciliation

7.00pm Easter Vigil

Sunday 9th April

Easter Sunday

6.30am Mass 8.00am Mass

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9.15am Mass

10.30am **Mass**

NO 6.00pm/Youth Mass



Christ Riding Into Jerusalem by Aelbert Cuyo, c. 1650 Kelvingrove Art Gallery & Museum

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord - 2nd April 2023

Dear parishioners,

It is Palm Sunday. The celebration of Palm Sunday every year commemorates Jesus' entrance into Jerusalem to commence the last part of his Paschal Mission. The celebration will begin amidst shouts of "Hosanna to the Son of David" which will tune down and even go



silent with louder shoutings from the crowd "Let him be crucified". Touched deeply by these two counterpoints even as we will be waving our own palm branches this weekend, I invite you to reflect on the questions "Whose Voice is louder today?" and "Why is this Voice louder?" On another note, "Whose Voice has been silenced and why is this Voice silent?" With the contemporary means of communication, the crowd does not need to be the majority but the loudest even if it is the minority.

We thank Ben and Claire Andrews for organising the volunteers who weaved the palm leaves into crosses. There is enough palm crosses for every parishioner and you are welcome to take the blessed palms for your keep. During the Passion Narration, which will be rendered according to parts, I invite everyone to join in reading the part for the 'crowd' and this will be projected on the screens in the Church.

As we start the Holy Week, I would like to acknowledge your participation in our common Prayers, Mission, and Charity. I invite you to the celebration of the 2nd Rite of the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Monday 3rd April at 7pm. Three extra Priests will be joining us to assist with individual confessions for those who would like to attend. The Holy Thursday, Good Friday and Holy Saturday are referred to as the Sacred Paschal Triduum, and every Catholic is expected to participate in the ceremonies lined up in these days. On Holy Thursday, the washing of feet will remind us that the Holy Eucharist was instituted as a Sacrament of a new kind of service to one another. After Communion on Holy Thursday, we shall proceed to the Avocado Room for the Parish Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament and I encourage you to spend some time with the Lord. We will end the Adoration at 10pm.

Good Friday: This is a special day in the Church and for the whole world. It is a day of fasting and abstinence. Our youth will be dramatising the Lord's Passion at the 2.00pm and 4.00pm services. Come along with your family and friends to witness the celebration of this ultimate sacrifice of love.

Holy Saturday: Our main celebration on Holy Saturday is the Easter Vigil, which is a beautiful liturgy that highlights the essence of our salvation. Andrea Martin, Genevieve Whittred and Jenny Scognamiglio will be receiving the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation and the Holy Eucharist in this Liturgy as a completion of their full initiation into the Catholic Church. I would like you to pray for everyone who will be attending our Holy Week celebrations and for the universal Church united in this Paschal feast. It is my hope that Easter 2023 will be for us more than just Easter eggs, hot cross buns and holidays but truly our personal encounter with our Risen Lord.

I wish you, your families, friends and visitors to our Parish a very Happy, Blessed and Hope filled Easter.

Fr Enoch

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord (Year A)

Procession Gospel: Matthew 21:1-11 Knowing it is God's will, Jesus comes freely to Jerusalem and is greeted with enthusiasm by the people.

First Reading: Isaiah 50:4–7 The Lord is portrayed as a servant, one who suffers but does not retaliate, one who is shamed but trusts beyond human commendation, who appears thwarted but remains.

Second Reading: Philippians 2:6–11 In the defeat of death, God exalts Christ Jesus, and shows that nothing can stand between creation and the love of God.

Gospel: Matthew 26:14-27:66 Jesus concludes his life on earth with a cry of lament that lifts into thanksgiving.

ENCYCLICAL LETTER

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OF THE HOLY FATHER FRANCIS ON CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME

What is Happening to our Common Home

CHAPTER FOUR: INTEGRAL ECOLOGY

IIV. THE PRINCIPLE OF THE COMMON GOOD

156. An integral ecology is inseparable from the notion of the common good, a central and unifying principle of social ethics. The common good is "the sum of those conditions of social life which allow social groups and their individual members relatively thorough and ready access to their own fulfilment".

2023 EASTER MASS / SERVICE TIMES

Holy Thursday - 6th April

8:30 am - Morning Prayer

9:00 am - 1st Rite of Reconciliation

7:00 pm - Mass of the Lord's Supper

Good Friday - 7th April

9:00 am - Morning Prayer

9:30 am - 1st Rite of Reconciliation

10.00am - Stations of the Cross

2:00 pm - Celebration of the Lord's Passion

4:00 pm - Celebration of the Lord's Passion

Holy Saturday - 8th April

9:00 am - Morning Prayer

11:00 am - 1st Rite of Reconciliation

7:00 pm - Easter Vigil

Easter Sunday - 9th April

6:30 am - Mass

8:00 am - Mass

9:15 am - Mass

10:30 am - Mass

PARISH COMMUNITY WEEKEND

Come celebrate with us next weekend, 1 & 2
April at the usual Masses and share a 'cuppa'
and meet new friends and old. The Welcoming Group
invites you to stay for a while after Mass and get to know
your fellow parishioners. See you there!



There will be no

FIRST FRIDAY MASS & MORNING TEA

in April as it clashes with Easter Celebrations.



Instead, we look forward to seeing you next month, on Friday 5 May.

Special Thank You

- All the APREs, Teachers and Year 3 Students from Our Lady of Lourdes, Our Lady of Fatima and St. Stephen Primary Schools.
- All parishioners who attended the Chrism Mass at St Stephen Cathedral on Thursday 30th March.

EASTER VIGIL CELEBRATION

Community Cuppa & Celebration Cake will be offered following the Easter Vigil Mass. Please join with us and make this a special evening for those who have received the Easter sacraments of initiation and become full members of our parish. A contribution of a plate of finger food to share would be appreciated.

Please join with the community in this celebration!

EASTER RECONICILIATION

The Second Rite of Reconciliation will be held on **Monday 3 April at 7pm**.

The First Rite of Reconciliation will be held on Holy Thursday at 9am, Good Friday at 9:30am and on Holy Saturday at 11am.



SUNNYBANK PARISH FRIENDSHIP GROUP NEWS

We are still taking payments for the bus trip to the llama farm. Cost is \$45

Also, the Mother's Day Morning Tea is on Wednesday 24 May. \$25 for members and \$30 for non members.

Inquiries to Haji Kelly: 3273 1802 or 0438 734 706.





CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Will be in recess during the school holidays and will resume Sunday 23 April

Your Prayers Are Asked For:

<u>recently deceased</u>: Mary Fordham, Russell Davies, Pedro Lemus, Vincent Zoozarti, Elizabeth Locke, Ng Kok Khen, Rita Blade, John Jack McLaughlin, Carlos Burgos

those with anniversaries & others who have died: Dominic Linton, Teodora Salonga, Henry V. Maicle, Cayetana Roldan, Derek Gordon, Patrick Francis Madeira, Lena Kaggelis, Peter Morandini, Odoytoni M. Maicle, Del Whittaker, Francisco Hernandez, Bernardo Cas Nopre

those who are unwell: Graham Small, Eric Tong, Mauricio Flamenco, Sergio Mandujano



Holy Week is just around the corner, marking the most important season of the Christian calendar - when we remember Jesus' death on the cross and celebrate his resurrection. This is an incredibly special week, no matter how old you are.

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has created video resources with some ideas to engage the children in your life in the lead up to Easter: https://tinyurl.com/kidshwvideo

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!

If you are a newcomer, we are honoured to have you celebrate with us, and would like to have the opportunity to welcome you and answer any questions you may have.



If you would like to hear more about our caring faith community, please take a New Parishioner form from the front of the Church and place it on the collection plate.



A VOCATION VIEW: Palm Sunday

Today's world is so filled with suffering, injustice, anger, depression, and loneliness that it cries for people waving palm branches of hope and resurrection, proclaiming new life.

Is God calling you to vocation? To find out more call 1300 133 544 or go to www.vocationbrisbane.com

COLUMBARIUM

Friends, as you are aware the Parish has a Columbarium which is located along the southern side of



Our Lady of Lourdes Church, a quiet location surrounded with gardens and seating. There are three granite walls at present, with other walls to be erected in the future, for the resting place of the mortal remains of our loved ones.

The Columbarium garden is a peaceful prayer filled garden, and offers a special area for prayer and reflection.

For further information please contact the Parish Office by emailing sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au

SUNNYBANK CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

The Charismatic Prayer Group will be meeting:

Saturday 1 April - Spanish Prayer Meeting (Fr Francisco catequesis)



Saturday 8 April - No Meeting (Easter Sunday) Saturday 15 April - Spanish Prayer Meeting Saturday 22 April - English Prayer Meeting (Life in the Spirit)

Saturday 29 April - Spanish Prayer Meeting

Held in the Media Room, 2:30pm to 5pm. All Welcome! Contact the parish office for more info.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS - APRIL 2023 For a Culture of Peace and Non-Violence

We pray for the spread of peace and non-violence, by decreasing use of weapons by States and citizens.



BRISBANE SPIRITUAL DIRECTORS

Are you seeking some spiritual direction or spiritual accompaniment?

A confidential and professional service, "the purpose of spiritual direction is to help turn our wandering into journeying." (Archbishop Mark Coleridge)

For more information and a list of the directors on offer in the Archdiocese of Brisbane, visit the website at https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/life/spiritual-direction/

BE AN ETERNAL GUARDIAN OF YOUR FAITH A Legacy of Gratitude through a gift in your Will

Eternal Guardians is a special recognition program created to honour and acknowledge that a gift in your Will is one of the greatest commitments you could make to sustain the future of our faith. You will be invited to receive a special blessing from the Archbishop of Brisbane at a Thanksgiving Mass and you will be presented with a Certificate of Appreciation and a special lapel pin.

A gift in your Will creates a ripple effect that supports the good works of the Church for generations to come. If you have already remembered the Church in your Will, please let the Catholic Foundation know so they have an opportunity to thank you.

Go to <u>www.catholicfoundation.org.au</u> or contact the parish office for more information.



Archdiocese of Brisbane Safeguarding Commitment







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Youth mass livestream: Unite Sunnybank

YA Facebook group: Unite Young Adults

Hello parishioners!

Good Friday Passion Play

It has always been tradition at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish to run the Good Friday passion play/drama. This play is performed by our Unite Teens and Unite Young Adults at the two services on Good Friday. We call for anyone who is interested in getting involved, whether it be narrating, playing a role, or helping in other ways, get in touch with myself through email or by messaging the Unite Sunnybank Facebook page.







Ignite Launch 23

Ignite Launch is coming up on Saturday, 13th May at Dreamworld, on the Gold Coast! Run by the team at Ignite Youth and Emmanuel, Launch is a full day at one of the Gold Coasts greatest theme parks, with thrilling rides, amazing food, and live worship music after dark.

This year, we have been able to receive a grant to assist in sending our youth to Ignite Launch. So rather than the normal \$120 per person, Unite Youth is offering \$10 per person!

If you are keen for a fun day out with us, you can register by heading to: app.tickets.org.au/iy/Launch23 or by scanning the QR code below.

COUPON CODES:

uniteyouth (under 18) uniteadult (over 18)

God bless. Zac Hare | Youth Coordinator





Summit 2023 is a 3 day event for all who belong to the faith community of the Archdiocese: parishioners, educators, parents, support staff, catechists, lay leaders, religious and

clergy - this event is for everyone. It is a key step in the implementation phase of the Plenary Council and where Archbishop Mark will be sharing his priorities for the years to come.

For more information, please contact the parish office.



PALM SUNDAY: 1 & 2 April

Every day, more than 200 million children miss out on school, around 690 million people go hungry and 2.2 billion people cannot access clean drinking water.



With your generosity, Caritas Australia has been able to help millions of vulnerable people around the world, through the Project Compassion appeal.



Please donate to Project Compassion 2023. Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow For All Future Generations.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by calling 1800 024 413 or by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion.