



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank

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

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Monday 17th April

8.15am Morning Prayer
8.30am **Mass**

Tuesday 18th April

8.15am Morning Prayer
8.30am **Mass**
9.30am Bible Study
7.00pm Adoration

Wednesday 19th April

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

Thursday 20th April

8.45am Morning Prayer
9.00am **Mass**

Friday 21st April

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

Saturday 22nd April

10.00am Rosary & Novena
11.00am Reconciliation
2.30pm Charismatic Prayer (English)
5.00pm Reconciliation
6.00pm **Mass**

Sunday 23rd April

3rd Sunday of Easter

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



Christ and the Doubting Thomas by Luca Signorelli c. 1477-1482 (Fresco), Pontifical Basilica of the Holy House of Loreto

Second Sunday of Easter (Divine Mercy Sunday) - 16th April 2023

Dear parishioners,

This weekend, the Gospel presents us with the two apparitions of Jesus to his disciples: one on the afternoon of the day of the Resurrection and the other eight days later. **The disciples gathered around Jesus, because he is the centre. The place where everyone goes to get the necessary strength to overcome the “fear” and hostility of the world.** To these disciples Jesus conveyed peace. Peace that has a sense of harmony, serenity, tranquillity, and confidence. Jesus overcame what scared him, that is death and oppression; and so henceforth the disciples had no reason to be afraid. **Jesus had already told them many times: “Do not be afraid”.**



Next, we saw that Jesus “breathed” on the disciples gathered around him. **By breathing on the Apostles, Jesus gives them the new life that will make them new men. With this, they become bearers of the Holy Spirit,** the life of God, so that they can like Jesus, also give themselves to others.

At each Eucharistic Celebration we encounter the Risen Lord, who makes himself really present in the midst of the community, speaks to us in Sacred Scripture, and breaks for us the Bread of Eternal Life. **Through these signs we live the same experience as the apostles,** that is, seeing Jesus and at the same time not recognizing him; to touch his body and be in communion with him.

May we all have this same experience as Thomas and, with him, **let us also place our hands on the pierced side of Jesus and profess: “My Lord and my God”.** May we recognize our Lord and our God in the Risen Christ, as did many saints who knew how to build up the Church with their witness of faith, love and courage, and who proclaimed Jesus Christ with their teachings and with their witness of life. May they intercede for us, so that we may also, without ceasing, **seek holiness and continue our pilgrimage towards the heavenly homeland.**

Many thanks to all those who volunteered their time, energy and efforts over our Easter weekend Liturgies. We especially express our gratitude to our **Youth and Young Adults** for the heart touching dramatization of the Passion of the Lord Jesus Christ on Good Friday. A big thanks to our **Hospitality and Welcoming Committee** who organised cake and cuppa after the Easter Vigil Mass, and the **Musicians** who performed beautiful music at all of our Liturgies. We also express our sincere thanks to our **Liturgy Committee, Readers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, Sacristans, Mass Coordinators, Altar Servers, Counters, Collectors and Cleaners.** These days and nights just do not happen without everyone’s help.

The Parent Information Session for the Sacrament of Confirmation will be held on next **Sunday (23rd April) at 1.00pm in the Our Lady of Lourdes School Auditorium, Sunnybank.** Parents whose children are going to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation this year are requested to attend this meeting.

On Tuesday 25th April we celebrate ANZAC Day. We remember with gratitude all those who fought courageously and laid their life for our freedom. We have our Morning **Mass at 9am** on ANZAC Day and a cuppa and ANZAC biscuits will be shared after the Mass.

To all, a holy and blessed Easter,

Fr Francisco Evangelista

Next Sunday: Third Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14, 22-33

1 Peter 1:17-21

Luke 24:13-35

Second Sunday of Easter (Year A)

First Reading: Acts 2:42-47 Each of today's readings has an underlying theme of joy. In the first reading Luke describes a certain euphoria as the whole community of the early Christian faithful prayed and lived together in harmony. 'They shared their food gladly and generously; they praised God and were looked up to by everyone.'

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9 Peter praises the faith of the early Christians which has persisted despite being 'plagued by all sorts of trials.' Even though they had not seen the risen Jesus face to face, Peter rejoices in their faith and love of God which has filled them with indescribable joy.

Gospel: John 20:19-31 The disciples were filled with joy when they saw the Lord.

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

158. In the present condition of global society, where injustices abound and growing numbers of people are deprived of basic human rights and considered expendable, the principle of the common good immediately becomes, logically and inevitably, a summons to solidarity and a preferential option for the poorest of our brothers and sisters. This option entails recognizing the implications of the universal destination of the world's goods, but, as I mentioned in the Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium*, it demands before all else an appreciation of the immense dignity of the poor in the light of our deepest convictions as believers. We need only look around us to see that, today, this option is in fact an ethical imperative essential for effectively attaining the common good.



2023 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank

Sacrament of Confirmation

Any child who is in Grade 3 (should be at least 8y/o on the day of the celebration) and was baptised in the Catholic Church is eligible to enrol and participate in the Sacrament of Confirmation program. All activities will be done at either the Our Lady of Lourdes church or the School Auditorium.

Parent Information Session (School Auditorium):
Sunday 23 April, 1pm

Formation Session 1: Sunday 7 May 1pm

Enrolment Mass (Church): Saturday 13 May 6pm or
Sunday 14 May 9:15am, 10:30am or 6pm

Formation Session 2: Sunday 21 May 1pm

Formation Session 3: Sunday 28 May 1pm

Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation:
Thursday 1 June 5pm & 7:30pm

Please contact Mr Noel Arceo
(OLOL Parish Pastoral Ministry Coordinator)
at 07 3345 3766 or pa.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au

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/>



**Are you looking to
explore the big
questions of
life, faith and
meaning?**

Invite your friends you don't connect with faith to explore the possibility of ALPHA in a friendly, open and informal environment!

The first session will be in the Avocado Room on Tuesday 2 May, 6:15pm for a 6:30pm start.

To find out more or to register, please contact the parish office on 3345 3766. Please note: **Numbers are limited**

RCIA:

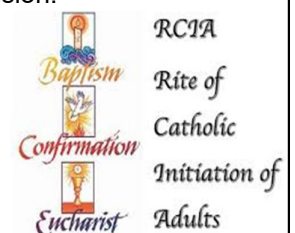
A Journey Into Faith For Adults

RCIA is a program of 12 sessions over 6 months for those looking to become a full member of the Catholic Church. You can be from another faith, or someone who has just felt a call to follow the Catholic Faith.

It is run in small groups to suit the particular needs of the participants and explores topics such as; The Life of Faith, the Sacraments and Ministry & Mission.

The program will commence on Sunday 23 April at 10:30am in the Parish Media Room.

If you would like more information or to book into the next session, please contact the parish office.



LEGION OF MARY

Inviting you to join the Legion of Mary on Friday at 10am in the Media Room. Let's serve God through Mary! For more information call 0413 565 050



Your Prayers Are Asked For:

recently deceased: **Frances McKenzie**, Teresa Wan, Bernado Cas Nopre, Russell Davies, Timothy Harris

those with anniversaries & others who have died: **Mabel Nair, Mary Anne Larcher, Fidelia Henriquez, Juana Romero**, Joan Torbey, Romeo Perilli, Pius Anthony Anandappa, Errol Anandappa, Eddy Hartono, Dodofredo Maicle, Alfredo Pomar, Kathleen Barrett, Madeline Honan

those who are unwell: **Damian Gambley, Hernan Montalva**, Peter Morandini, Sheila Daley, Juan Duke, Adonai Rodriguez, Danilo del Rosario



for those resting in our Columbarium: Fredrick Aisthorpe, Harold Aisthorpe, Minnie Aisthorpe, Dawn Angus, Helen Bailey, Francesco Bonasia, Wilma Bowman, Edward Allen Briggs, Patricia Briggs, Brian Burgess, Christina Burras, Avelino Calilung, Geoffrey Chapman, Patricia Edwards, Pedro Gallibu, Fay Garner, Eric Glennon, Iris Glennon, Brian Hammerton, Anne Harman, Eddy Hartono, Antonio Henriquez, Mary Hughes, Gerard Kennedy, Bruno Klaser, Stephen King, Lucia Yeen Lim, Maria Lopez, Dino Lorensen, Noemi Lorensen, Maureen McDonald, Peter McSweeney, Harry Mohr, Eusebia Morao, Gerard Murphy, Cuong Nguyen, Quy Thi Nguyen, Nghia Bao Nguyen, Michael Ogle, Rita Pobar, Dr Roberto Rabuya Jr, Graham Shipstone, Bill Small, Iris Small, Claribel Tungol, Anthony Van der Togt, Lily Rose Villas, Rosario Villas, Romeo Villas, Ron Vine, Elizabeth Wilson, Monica Wong, Grant Wordon, Nola Wright

the continuing sick: Rosamaria Abbate, Christine Beattie, Denise Burgess, Anne Carroll, Lyn Catchlove, Lawrence Chua, Elizabeth Cho, Hilary Collins, Alan Cooke, Margo Couldrey, Mary Dixon, Jamie Edwards, Margaret Emerson, Jan Fooks, Ros Furber, Carol Ann Grace, Mary Goode, Jean Hamilton, Marie Harrison, Cynthia Hayden, John Hickey, Norma Ives, Gloria Ives, Stephen Ives, Geoff Ives, Mel Jones, Istvan Kovacs, Malcolm Lilley, Denise Mann, Rod McDonald, Bob McKenzie, Traves McKenzie, Carolyn Miller, Sr Stella Noskoff, Mark O'Brien, Barbara O'Neill, Jean Perram, Katie Ryan, Madonna Ryan, Julio Santana, Jim Scriha, James Scriha, Brian Strangman, June Sultana, Maria Turner, Nick Vakanas, Margaret Yap, Carole Young

Funeral Notice: FRANCES MCKENZIE

Relatives & friends of Frances McKenzie are respectfully invited to attend her funeral service at **Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Monday 24 April at 11:30am.**

The link to the funeral live stream will be available in next week's newsletter.

SUNNYBANK PARISH FRIENDSHIP GROUP NEWS

Reminder:

The bus trip to the Llama Farm is on Wednesday 26 April. Please be at the bus stop by 8:30am. The bus leaves at 9am sharp.

Enquiries to Haji Kelly on 3273 1802 or 0438734706.



POSITION VACANT:

Maintenance Supervisor (Sunnybank Parish)

Applications are open for a **part time Maintenance Supervisor**, working 8 hours per fortnight. It will involve regular routine inspections as well as the oversight of construction, maintenance and repairs on parish facilities.

The position reports to the Parish Priest and would suit a retired/semi-retired tradesman. For a position description or to apply, email sec.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au.



PARISH NEWSLETTER

If you would like to start receiving the parish newsletter via email, please email the parish office at sec.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au

SUNNYBANK SOCIAL JUSTICE COMMUNITY:

With Lamps Ablaze

Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane from 2023

The document was written by Archbishop Mark Coleridge whilst on his annual New Year retreat and has 7 priorities

1. Teaching prayer
2. Reshaping parish communities
3. Brining cultural communities to the centre
4. Responding to abuse and the abused
5. Engaging anew with First Nations Peoples
6. Implementing Integral Ecology
7. Embedding Synodal Governance

Pope Francis has offered the Church and the world a prophetic vision and programme in his two closely related texts *Laudato Si* and *Fratelli Tutti*.

Laudato Si presents a vision of the interconnectedness of all things in the world both natural and human. Natural and human ecology interact in mysterious and unmistakable ways. To interfere with one is to interfere with the other; to promote the good of one is to promote the good of the other.

Fratelli Tutti focuses more upon human ecology in speaking of the radical interconnectedness of all human beings at a moment when alienation and polarisation are making disconnectedness seem the norm. The Church is called in such a moment to be a sign of contradiction, speaking in a way that rises above politics and economics so that a genuinely biblical and Christian voice can be heard. The question is how we do this in the Archdiocese – not just in word but in action.

The document can be accessed at: [lamps-ablaze-a4-doc-e.pdf \(evangelisationbrisbane.org.au\)](https://www.evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/lamps-ablaze-a4-doc-e.pdf)



Archdiocese of Brisbane Safeguarding Commitment

The Archdiocese has **zero tolerance** for all forms of abuse and is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries and services.

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





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S U N N Y B A N K



Hello parishioners!

Good Friday Passion Play

A huge thank you is deserved for all the youth and young adults involved in this years performance of the Passion of the Lord. Also, a very big thank you to Kristen Roe for her unwavering guidance and support in directing the passion play. If you missed the performance, you can watch it on-demand via the Unite Youth Facebook page.



Ignite Launch 23

Ignite Launch 23 is coming up soon on Saturday, 13th May at Dreamworld! Tickets are selling fast and we have spaces left. Please contact youth.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au for more information.

God bless,
Zac Hare | Youth Coordinator

QUO VADIS FOR WOMEN: *Where Is God Calling You?*

Quo Vadis is a retreat day for women aged 18-35, hosted by Vocation Brisbane, who are discerning their vocation to hear from those who are already joyfully living religious life. Morning tea and lunch included, and the day will finish with Mass together.



When: 9am-5pm, Saturday 29 April 2023

Where: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre
(267 Wellington St, Ormiston)

Cost: \$55 per person (includes morning tea & lunch)

Registrations open: <https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/QV4W2023>



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.

NOTE: The parish will be subsidising half the cost for the first 10 people who register via the office.



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