



## Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank

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### Monday 24th April

8.15am Morning Prayer  
8.30am **Mass**

### Tuesday 25th April

ANZAC Day

8.45am Morning Prayer  
9.00am **Mass**  
9.30am Bible Study  
7.00pm Adoration

### Wednesday 26th April

St Mark

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

### Thursday 27th April

7:50am Christian Meditation  
8.45am Morning Prayer  
9.00am **Mass**

### Friday 28th April

St Peter Chanel

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

### Saturday 29th April

St Catherine of Siena

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

### Sunday 30th April

4th Sunday of Easter

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



Supper at Emmaus by Rembrandt c. 1648. Louvre Museum

### Third Sunday of Easter - 23rd April 2023

Dear Parishioners,

The story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus, whose names were not mentioned, reminds us that **as disciples on the journey, we are not alone.** We are on the road with others, and we are on the road with Jesus of Nazareth. Like these disciples, **"Did not our hearts burn within us as he (Jesus) talked to us on the road and explained the scriptures to us?"** Surely, we too have had our moments of **recognising that Jesus has been with us all the while even when we fail to notice his presence.** According to Pope Francis, **"The two pilgrims had been nurturing a uniquely human hope which was now falling to pieces" until their encounter with Jesus.** The entire destiny of the Church is contained within this encounter. Since his time as the Pope, Francis has been calling the Church to listen and to dialogue with everyone in order to recognise the grace of one another's company.



In the spirit synodality that led to the Plenary Council in Australia, **Archbishop Mark has called the entire Archdiocese of Brisbane to participate in Summit 23.** In the lead up to the Archdiocesan Summit, Archbishop Mark has published a document entitled **"Lamps Ablaze: Apostolic Priorities for the Archdiocese of Brisbane from 2023"**, which outlines seven priorities for our local Church. The first among the seven is **Teaching Prayer.** Hence, **"We must first find our way into a new and deeper experience of prayer not just as one of many elements in a busy life but as a way of life for all the baptised. Often we urge people to pray but do not really teach them how to pray in a way that moves beyond the prayers of childhood and youth."** The second Priority is what the Archbishop called **'Reshaping Parish Communities'** and I would think that this one will interest some of us. In most places, **"Our current structures are based upon the facts of an earlier time** and our current mode of provision is unsustainable". For us, there has been a discussion on forming intentional disciples as both pastoral and missionary focus in the present Sunnybank Parish. How can the structures we have here provide the range of services, which a missionary Church requires? **I would like you to register for the Summit 23 and if you contact the Parish Office earlier next week, you could get a half price-booking rate.**

We have been getting requests for weddings and I have been excited to journey with some of these couples. **It is a thing of joy to see people appreciating the grace of the Sacrament of Marriage and wanting to celebrate it in our church.** I would like you to **keep them and our young families in your prayers.**

**Thank you to all the parents of our 2023 Confirmation Sacramental Program** who came for the Parent Information Session and please contact the office and **see page 2 of this newsletter for updates on the remaining sessions.**

Our **ALPHA** team is ready to roll, and I trust that you are **praying for all the participants.** There is still room for you in the group if you or someone you know is interested. **Contact the parish office to register.**

**ANZAC Day Mass on Tuesday 25th April will be at 9.00am** and as a community we remember and thank God for the services of all those who worked to secure our peace and freedom. **Please bring Anzac Biscuits to share after Mass.**

**May our hearts always burn with love and joy in the Risen Lord.**

Fr Enoch

Next Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Easter

Acts 2:14, 36-41

1 Peter 2:20-25

John 10:1-10

## Third Sunday of Easter (Year A)

**First Reading: Acts 2:14, 22-23** God's Providence was operative in the violent death of Jesus no less than in his resurrection, both of them foreseen and foretold by the prophets. Those directly or indirectly responsible for his death are summoned to repentance with the promise of divine forgiveness and a new life as followers of the Crucified and Risen One.

**Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:17-21** John writes to stop people from sinning. But if they do sin, whether from human weakness or human malice, they nevertheless have an advocate with the Father, Jesus Christ the Just One.

**Gospel: Luke 24:13-35** The disciples who returned from Emmaus have told the mistrustful disciples of their meeting with the risen Jesus. And now he appears in their midst to give them a similar experience, a first-rate lesson in scripture and what it says about his suffering and rising from the dead.

### 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

#### IIV. JUSTICE BETWEEN THE GENERATIONS

159. The notion of the common good also extends to future generations. The global economic crises have made painfully obvious the detrimental effects of disregarding our common destiny, which cannot exclude those who come after us. We can no longer speak of sustainable development apart from intergenerational solidarity. Once we start to think about the kind of world we are leaving to future generations, we look at things differently; we realize that the world is a gift which we have freely received and must share with others. Since the world has been given to us, we can no longer view reality in a purely utilitarian way, in which efficiency and productivity are entirely geared to our individual benefit. Intergenerational solidarity is not optional, but rather a basic question of justice, since the world we have received also belongs to those who will follow us. The Portuguese bishops have called upon us to acknowledge this obligation of justice: "The environment is part of a logic of receptivity. It is on loan to each generation, which must then hand it on to the next". An integral ecology is marked by this broader vision.

#### 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.



#### **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

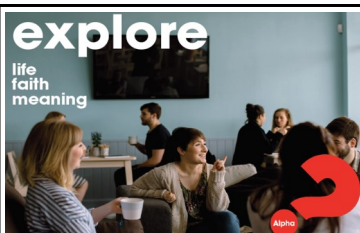
**Enrolment Mass (Church):** Saturday 13 May 6pm or  
Sunday 14 May 9:15am, 10:30am or 6pm

**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)  
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**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**



#### **CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD**

**Let the little children come to Church every Sunday at 9.15am Resumes Sunday 23 April.**

### Your Prayers Are Asked For:

*recently deceased:* **Adolphus Ogbonna, Glicerio Mendoza, Arturo Mason, Geronimo Corpuz Jr, Frances McKenzie**

*those with anniversaries & others who have died:* **Francis Vincent, Harry Mohr, Godofredo P. Maicle, Alfredo G. Pomar, Maria Khugen Vu, Phanixco Xavie Thien Nguyen, Mrs L. S. Pinto, Cyril Lawrence, Mabel Nair, Mary Anne Larcher, Fidelia Henriquez, Juana Romero**

*those who are unwell:* **Rosario Rodriguez, Vick Noronha, Sergio Mandujanu, Damian Gambley, Hernan Montalva**

### 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.**

To watch the funeral live, go to:

<https://youtube.com/live/G9MvE4oWLgc?feature=share>

### ANZAC DAY 2023

The parish will be celebrating **ANZAC Day Mass at 9am on Tuesday 25 April.**

Following Mass, the Welcoming & Hospitality Committee will be serving a cuppa with ANZAC biscuits to share.



### 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.

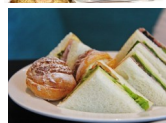
Enquiries to Haji Kelly on 3273 1802 or 0438734706.



### FIRST FRIDAY MASS & MORNING TEA



First Friday Mass will be held on **Friday 5 May at 10am.**



This will be followed by Morning Tea in the Avocado Room.

Hope to see you all there!

### OLOL & OLOF MEN'S BBQ BREAKFAST: MAY 2023

We invite men of all ages to come together in fellowship and enjoy a full BBQ breakfast on the first Saturday morning of each month.



The next breakfast will be held on **Saturday 6 May from 7am to 9am** in the **Avocado Room** of the Paloma Centre. Bacon, sausages, eggs, tomatoes, baked beans, toast, jams, juices, tea and coffee are all available for the same cost as previous years at \$10 per person.

Our guest speaker will be an interesting representative of SVDP.

If you would like to attend, please contact Lindsay on 0480 494 627 or [fom.sunnybank@gmail.com](mailto:fom.sunnybank@gmail.com) by Thursday 4 May 2023 for catering purposes. Please let us know if you would like to be placed on our email invitation list.



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.**

### 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.*



### A VOCATION VIEW: 3rd Sunday of Easter

We can feel the Lord's call at the strangest places and times. The call can haunt us and pursue us until we say, "Lord, what will you have me do?"

Is God calling you to vocation? To find out more call 1300 133 544 or go to [www.vocationbrisbane.com](http://www.vocationbrisbane.com)

### TWO MINUTE HOMILIES AND REFLECTIONS

This week **Deacon Gary Stone** gives the homily for the Third Sunday of Easter:

*"May we give our lives, to offering people in the world around us, a better and more hopeful future."*

Two Minute Homilies and Reflections can be viewed on the Archdiocese of Brisbane YouTube channel or go to: [brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/two-minute-homilies-and-reflections/](http://brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/two-minute-homilies-and-reflections/)

### 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.



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S U N N Y B A N K



Hello parishioners!

I hope everyone is having a holy time during this season of Easter.

I would like to inform our parishioners that I have made the decision to step-down from my role as Youth Coordinator at Our Lady of Lourdes Parish. I have wanted to start my studies at university for a while now, and with my current position in Brisbane Catholic Education it will further support me.

I sincerely want to thank, each and every parishioner, youth member, volunteer and staff for their immense support and guidance in my role over the past 9 months. Your unwavering kindness has allowed me to grow in this role and better lead the youth at Sunnybank.

I will officially finish in my role at the end of April (Sunday, 30th). I will still be volunteering in and around the parish, so this won't be goodbye forever. :)

God bless,

Zac Hare | Youth Coordinator



In these 10 sessions, clergy and laity will learn side-by-side as we explore contemporary leadership practices integrated with scripture and the example set by Jesus and His followers. This year, there is a special discounted pricing for 18-35 year olds to encourage young leaders to participate and engage.

**When:** 7-9pm Mondays, 29 May—14 August

**Where:** Xavier Hall, Holy Spirit Seminary Banyo

Contact the parish office for more information.

**FIRST NATIONS VOICE TO PARLIAMENT?**

**Information Session Facilitated by Br Jim Darcy**

Topics Covered:

1. What is the background to the 1967 Referendum?
2. What is the Uluru Statement?
3. How did the Voice to Parliament come about?
4. What powers would it have?
5. How does the Referendum Work?
6. How much detail is needed ?

This is not a 'Yes' vote campaign to suggest to people that they must vote yes. It is information on what the referendum is about to ensure people can make an informed decision once it comes time to vote. This is a great opportunity for those that are unclear of what it is all about and to ask questions.

For the last 2 years, Br Jim's main focus has been on promoting the Uluru Statement From The Heart and the Voice to Parliament by compiling resources for schools and communities including the Easter to Pentecost reflection discussion series in collaboration with the Brisbane Catholic archdiocese as well as serving on the Reconciliation Action Programme committees for 2 Brisbane Catholic schools.

**When:** Thursday 27 April, 1:30pm

**Where:** Jacaranda Room at Our Lady of Lourdes 121 Mains Rd, Sunnybank