



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank

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

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Monday 1st May

8.45am Morning Prayer
9.00am **Mass**

Tuesday 2nd May

St Athanasius

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

Wednesday 3rd May

Sts Philip & James

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

Thursday 4th May

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

Friday 5th May

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

Saturday 6th May

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

Sunday 7th May

5th Sunday of Easter

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



Fourth Sunday of Easter - 30th April 2023

Dear Parishioners,

On this World Day of Prayer for Vocations, **I would like to thank and congratulate you for sharing and spreading our one common and universal Vocation: The Call to be Christians.** This call was made to "The whole house of Israel" and "the promise made for... children, and for all those who are far away" has continued to be relevant, thanks to you.



You have followed the good shepherd and the author of our vocation to wherever he leads you. Even though like sheep we sometimes go astray, by grace we always come back to the shepherd and guardian of our souls.

Here in Australia and keeping to our National Anthem, for those who have come across the seas, we not only have boundless plains to share but have faith to profess. The diversity of opinions, worldviews and cultures, which is sometimes seen as obstacle to the thriving of our faith has become in our days an opportunity for the witnessing of the power of the Holy Spirit. In the words of Archbishop Mark Coleridge, **"The face of the Church around the world is changing as the centre of gravity shifts from places like Europe and North America (and Australia) to Africa, Asia and Latin America...** Certainly in the Archdiocese of Brisbane the presence of people who have come from overseas is growing stronger... **These large and growing communities have gifts for the whole Church, and increasingly the centre of gravity in the Church here is moving in their direction.** Therefore, they have to be brought more to the centre-stage in the life and mission of the Archdiocese, since much of the real spiritual energy in the Church here is found among them." What do we make of this strong statement and how do we engage in this type of conversation? I would suggest we pray to the Holy Spirit who unites all tongues and leads us to the complete truth of our faith.

As the Parish Priest of one of the multicultural parishes in the world and without fear of contradiction, the most multicultural parish in the Archdiocese of Brisbane, **I feel that the above statement from Archbishop Mark cut to the heart** and invites us to dialogue with Archbishop Mark on how to sustain 'this real spiritual energy in the church as well as use this energy to bring full life in the world'. **You may have to consider coming to the Archdiocesan Summit on Thursday 18th to Saturday 20th May 2023.**

This year, the Northern Territory and Queensland's Labour Day coincides with the International Labour Day. Let us celebrate and commemorate the achievements of organised labour as we continue to advocate for the dignity of labour. **As many struggle through the high cost of living, inflation and economic crunch more than usual, let us learn to work to live and respect those who work for us.** Our Parish Mass on Monday 1st May will be at 9am and offered for the intention of exploited workers around the world. May God bless the work of our hands and may we find fulfilment in work we do.

The month of May is popular in the Catholic Church for May Devotion prayers in groups and private. As the Parish of Our Lady of Lourdes, we will be true to our name if we can increase our devotional prayers through this month especially praying the Rosary of the Blessed Virgin Mary. If you can, please include me, our parish Youth, Alpha Program, Sacramental Program, Parish Pastoral Council, Parish Finance Council, our Parish Ministries, our schools, our State and Federal Governments, the poor, homeless, jobless, your colleague and your neighbour in your May Devotion prayer intentions.

Happy Vocation Sunday and God bless your vocation.

Fr Enoch

Next Sunday: Fifth Sunday of Easter

Acts 6:1-7

1 Peter 2:4-9

John 14:1-12

Fourth Sunday of Easter (Year A)

First Reading: Acts 2:14, 36-41 In the first reading Peter himself becomes a gateway to new life for the crowd of believers who asked him, 'What must we do?'

Second Reading: 1 Peter 2:20-25 Peter's letter was written sometime between 70-90 C.E. It was specifically addressed to the Christian communities who had been enduring constant harassment for refusing to take part in the worship of local gods. They were advised to persevere with their faith and not to react with abuse and threats.

Gospel: John 10:1-10 I am the Gate of the Sheepfold.

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

IV. JUSTICE BETWEEN THE GENERATIONS

160. What kind of world do we want to leave to those who come after us, to children who are now growing up? This question not only concerns the environment in isolation; the issue cannot be approached piecemeal. When we ask ourselves what kind of world we want to leave behind, we think in the first place of its general direction, its meaning and its values. Unless we struggle with these deeper issues, I do not believe that our concern for ecology will produce significant results. But if these issues are courageously faced, we are led inexorably to ask other pointed questions: What is the purpose of our life in this world? Why are we here? What is the goal of our work and all our efforts? What need does the earth have of us? It is no longer enough, then, simply to state that we should be concerned for future generations. We need to see that what is at stake is our own dignity. Leaving an inhabitable planet to future generations is, first and foremost, up to us. The issue is one which dramatically affects us, for it has to do with the ultimate meaning of our earthly sojourn.

TWO MINUTE HOMILIES AND REFLECTIONS

This week **Deacon Russ Nelson** gives the homily for the Fourth Sunday of Easter:

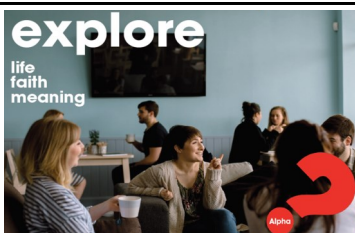
"Founded on faith, enriched by a good prayer life, we need to understand what Jesus is saying and act on it."

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/



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

Let the little children come to Church every Sunday at 9.15am



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**



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 23rd April, 1pm

Formation Session 1: Sunday 7th May 1pm (OLOL school auditorium)

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

Formation Session 2: Sunday 21st May 1pm (OLOL school auditorium)

Review & Practice Session (Confirmation): Sun 18th June 1pm (OLOL church)

Celebration of the Sacrament of Confirmation:

Thursday 22nd June 5pm & 7:30pm **(OLOL Church)**

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

Your Prayers Are Asked For:

recently deceased: **Jorge Mena, Wilfred Orpilla Jr., Tom Vester**, Adolphus Ogbonna, Glicerio Mendoza, Arturo Mason, Geronimo Corpuz Jr.

those with anniversaries & others who have died: **Daniel Beatson, Jairo Cifuentes**, Francis Vincent, Harry Mohr, Godofredo P. Maicle, Alfredo G. Pomar, Maria Khuyen Vu, Phanixco Xavie Thien Nguyen, Mrs L. S. Pinto, Cyril Lawrence.

those who are unwell: **Graham Small, Esmeralda Berrios, Joshua Coral, Marcella Wockner**, Rosario Rodriguez, Vick Noronha, Sergio Mandujanu, Damian Gambley.

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 Lorenson, Noemi Lorenson, 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

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.



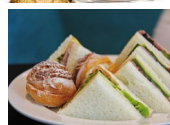
Summit 2023 is a 3 day event for all who belong to the faith community of the Archdiocese: parishioners, educators, parents, support staff, catechists, lay leaders, religious and clergy - this event is for everyone. It is a key step in the implementation phase of the Plenary Council and where Archbishop 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. You can be the luck last three.

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 form.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.



A VOCATION VIEW: 4th Sunday of Easter

(World Day of Prayer for Vocations)

"The harvest is great, but the labourers are few. Pray to the Lord of the harvest to send more labourers into the Harvest."

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

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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& CONTACTS**

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St Stephen's Concert Series
presents
Gioachino Rossini
Petite Messe Solennelle
SUNDAY 7 MAY @ 3:00PM

Cathedral Schola
Conductor: Christopher Trikalis
Harmonium: Dominic Perissinotto
Piano: Mark Connors

Tickets available through 4MBS
or scan the QR code



Cathedral of St Stephen
249 Elizabeth Street
Brisbane
The Cathedral car park will be available



2023 Catholic Leadership Intensive
Equipping today's leaders for tomorrow's Church

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.

PARISH MESSAGES

- Start your May Devotion Prayer in private or as a group
- There will be Mass count through the month of May
- Come to our First Friday Mass and Morning Tea on 5th May
- Parish Men will have Men's BBQ Breakfast on Saturday 6th May
- Sacrament of Confirmation 1st Key Formation session on 7th May at 1pm
- Parish Community Weekend 6th/7th May
- Sacrament of Baptism for infants on Sunday 14th May at 12.00pm
- Mother's Day on Sunday 14th May

ARCHBISHOP'S DINNER FOR WOMEN

The Archbishop's Dinner for Women is an evening event that provides a space for women who are discerning their vocation to gather and connect with each other.

Archbishop Mark Coleridge (Archbishop of Brisbane) will share his personal journey of vocation to help you gain insight and wisdom into your own discernment and the questions you're currently facing. This event is a great opportunity for women to be inspired, ask questions, and continue your discernment journey.

When: Thursday 1st June 2023, 6.00pm
Where: Archbishop's Residence, New Farm

RSVP: To express interest in attending, email vocation@bne.catholic.net.au