



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank

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

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Priests: Fr Enoch Iheme (Parish Priest) Fr Francisco Evangelista (Associate Pastor)

Monday 17th July

8:15am Morning Prayer
8.30am **Mass**

Tuesday 18th July

8:15am Morning Prayer
8.30am **Mass**
9.30am Bible Study
7.00pm Adoration

Wednesday 19th July

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

Thursday 20th July

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

Friday 21st July

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

Saturday 22nd July

St Mary Magdalene

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

Sunday 23rd July

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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



Das Gleichnis vom Sämner (The Parable of the Sower) by Herrad of Landsberg, c.1167-85. Hortus deliciarum (a medieval manuscript)

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 16th July 2023

Dear Parishioners,

For 60 years, the Word of God has been proclaimed in this church of Our Lady of Lourdes Sunnybank. Our lovely church has been very significant in the life of many of us. **As we honour the 60 years of our Church building, I would like to invite you to acknowledge the Life-giving Word and Sacraments that we have received in this church.** While reflecting on the milestones in the life of this church building, a couple of questions come to mind and one of them is "Can we really say that 'The Word of God' that come to us from this church has not returned empty?"



I tell you solemnly, that the seeds of the Word of God have fallen on the edges of the path, on the patches of rocks, among thongs and surely on rich soil all around Sunnybank and its environs. The fact that the Word of God has continued to produce in thirty, sixty and hundredfold even in the midst of these edges, rocks, thongs and viable soils are clear signs that the Church is not just the brick walls. Once again, let me reiterate, **"We are the living stones in this house of God."** **As we approach Our Church's Foundation Day on Friday 21st July, I salute all the foundation members and all of you who have continued to water the soil of our faith community.** Congratulations to all of us. **Please join the feast on the weekend of 22 & 23 July.**

Thank you for your generous donation to support **Zac Hare, Alysha Gray, Sam Eastgate and Alex Aclan who will be joining thousands of other Catholic Youths from all over the world at the 2023 World Youth Day in Lisbon.** These young parishioners are travelling to Portugal as excited and hopeful pilgrims. They need our prayers, as they will also pray for us especially when they visit Lourdes. **Next weekend, we will be commissioning and sending them forth on this pilgrimage. We would like to have all the appeal envelopes returned and our contributions handed over to them by next weekend before their departure.**

I am beginning to see this particular World Youth Day as a reflection of the parable of the sower. It should be the concern of every contemporary Catholic Christian. Let us begin to appreciate it as a religious and more so a Catholic Christian event that can have impact beyond those who physically attend the event. **It is my hope that the grace of this event will dispose our church for our contemporary mission according to the mind of Jesus Christ.** Can I encourage all of us who will not be attending, to spiritually participate by praying daily for the organisers, those who will be delivering lectures, facilitators of workshops and preachers. **May Lisbon 2023 become a fertile soil for the seed of faith that will bear rich harvest for the kingdom of God in our time.**

Thank you to Bob & Colleen Davies and Trish McSweeney for coordinating the last batch of our Parish Garage sales. We are glad that our cherished Glassware and Paloma Kitchen utensils now have new homes. Thank you also to the buyers.

God Bless,

Fr Enoch Iheme

Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

First Reading: Isaiah 55:10-11 The word of God does not return without accomplishing the divine intent, and even as we hear this reading, we are being transformed by the presence of God in our scriptures proclaimed.

Second Reading: Romans 8:18-23 We cannot but hear in this rich reading the cry of the earth as it groans in waiting for us to repair the degradation inflicted upon it.

Gospel: Matthew 13:1-23 As we hear of the Sower spreading the seed on rich soil and poor soil, we are invited to hear and respond to the word of God as it takes root in the varied depths of soil that comprise our own lives.

Moore, Gerard. "15th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 16 July 2023." Pastoral Liturgy 53, no. 3 (2023): 1-6.

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 FIVE: LINES OF APPROACH AND ACTION

I. DIALOGUE ON THE ENVIRONMENT IN THE INTERNATIONAL COMMUNITY

171. The strategy of buying and selling "carbon credits" can lead to a new form of speculation which would not help reduce the emission of polluting gases worldwide. This system seems to provide a quick and easy solution under the guise of a certain commitment to the environment, but in no way does it allow for the radical change which present circumstances require. Rather, it may simply become a ploy which permits maintaining the excessive consumption of some countries and sectors.

SUNNYBANK PARISH FRIENDSHIP GROUP NEWS:

Decorating Terracotta Pots

Bunnings Acacia Ridge will be running a workshop for decorating terracotta pots.

When: Wednesday 26 July at 9:15am

Where: Avocado Room, Paloma Centre,
121 Mains Rd, Sunnybank

Booking: Contact Haji at 0438 734 706



Please note: Payment for the bus trip to the Carnival of Flowers, Toowoomba on Wednesday 20 September will be \$45. Morning tea and lunch will be included.



CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD

**Resumes Sunday 16 July
at 9:15am Mass**

NEW PARISHIONERS: SAVE THE DATE!

New Parishioners are invited to a Welcome Function on Sunday 27 August. More information to come.



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.



SCAM ALERT: UPDATE

Please be aware that there have been scam text messages circulating claiming to be from Fr Enoch or other priests in the Archdiocese requesting financial aid.

Please disregard and delete any such texts or emails as we will never message you to request gift cards.



2023 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank

Sacrament of First Holy Communion

Formation Session, OLOL School Auditorium:

Sunday 23rd July 1pm

Sunday 30th July 1pm

Rehearsal & Liturgy of God's Mercy, Church:

Tuesday 8th August 4:30pm

Sacrament of First Holy Communion, Church:

Saturday 12th August 6pm

Sunday 13th August 9:15am, 10:30am & 6pm

For more information, please contact Mr Noel Arceo at 07 3345 3766 or pa.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au

MINISTER FORMATION & ONLINE COURSES

Emails were sent out during the week to the Ministers of the Word and Eucharistic Ministers who have expressed interest in Liturgy Brisbane's online formation courses.

If you have not received that email and would like to join the a course, please contact the parish office as soon as possible.



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.



Your Prayers Are Asked For:

recently deceased: Jenifer Rasmussen, David Cairns, Sergio Crespan, Mirta Beatriz Santi, Maria Du Nguyen, Moises Salen Senior

those with anniversaries & others who have died: Tom Jackson, Arthur John Rainold, Pedro Antalan, Lucia Antalan, Clarence Dela Serna, Nino Abella Arnold Canda, Socorro & Jovito Malaki, Jose & Magdalena Villanueva, Vito Messina, Leocia Lizada, Anna Cue Trinh, Agatha Trinh, Francisca Cabrera, Tony Ang, Ashley Doolette, Concepcion P. Emano, Fito Pineda, Maria Khuyen Vu, Phanxico Xavie Theirn Nguyen, Bernarda Moran, Maria Moran

those who are unwell: Angela Hernandez, Martinez, Terry Emerson, Edwin Clarke, Grace Kelly, Fran Walker, Tobias Walker, Leon Weatherill, Mary Beatson, Robert Gowen

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, Frances McKenzie, 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, Jo Bowman, Denise Burgess, Anne Carroll, Lyn Catchlove, Lawrence Chua, Elizabeth Cho, Peter Clark, 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, Barbara Martin, 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

PLANNED GIVING UPDATE

Thank you to everyone who is a part of the Planned Giving Program and all those who contribute in other ways! Your generosity is greatly appreciated.

For those who donate via envelopes, there will be new ones available in mid August.



If you would like to change your method of giving, (envelopes, direct deposit or credit card), please contact the parish office.

BAPTISMS AT OLOL

Interested in having your child baptised at Our Lady of Lourdes? The journey of faith that you are about to embark on with your child is an ongoing life-long journey of commitment to assisting your child to grow to become a disciple of Jesus.

To prepare, you are invited to attend one of the upcoming Baptism Preparation Sessions at **10:30am in the Avocado Room**:

Sunday 16th July 2023 or Sunday 20th August 2023

Baptisms then take place on the 2nd Sunday of the month. For more information contact the parish office.



FOUNDATION DAY CELEBRATION - 22 & 23 JULY

While the parish is older, the Our Lady of Lourdes Church building turns 60 this year! In 1963, the foundation stone was placed for the Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

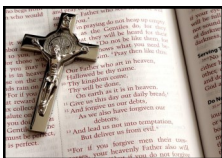
To commemorate and celebrate this occasion, there will be a cuppa after Mass, **so please bring a plate to share!**

BIBLE STUDY - FAITH FORMATION

When: Tuesdays, 9:30am-10.30am

Where: The Media Room

'You study the Scriptures diligently... These are the very Scriptures that testify about Me, yet you refuse to come to Me to have life' John 5:39-40



TOGETHER WE CAN KEEP FAITH ALIVE:



ACN AUSTRALIA NEW ZEALAND

AID TO THE CHURCH IN NEED

Did you know that across the world tens of millions of Christian families are in exile following persecution because of their faith?

The Catholic Charity Aid to the Church in Need has launched their "Nigeria: Young. Faithful. Crucified" global campaign. Did you know that in 2022 a total of 5,014 Christians were killed for their faith in Nigeria?

Next weekend we welcome to our parish an ACN speaker who will share with us the work of Aid to the Church in Need and how we can help our suffering and persecuted brothers and sisters.

THE BROWN SCAPULAR OF OUR BLESSED LADY OF MOUNT CARMEL is...

...an external sign of love for Mary, of the trust her children have in her, and of commitment to live like her.

The Legion of Mary is inviting you to enrol in the Brown Scapular **after 8:30am Mass on Tuesday 18 July.**

Fr Francisco Evangelista will do the blessing and the Legion of Mary will provide the Scapulars for free while the supplies last.



POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS - JULY 2023

For a Eucharistic Life

We pray that Catholics may place the celebration of the Eucharist at the heart of their lives, transforming human relationships in a very deep way and opening to the encounter with God and all their brothers and sisters.





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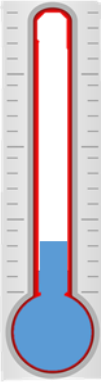
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**Help support our Youth to travel to
World Youth Day 2023!**

**Envelopes for donations
are available in the church.**

In the meantime, you can donate electronically:
ACC: Youth
BSB: 064 786
ACC No: 100024209
Ref: WYD23DON

Sunnybank World Youth Day Pilgrims:



Sam Eastgate



Alysha Gray



Zac Hare



Alex Aclan

"I think it will be awe-inspiring to see so many young people from so many different cultures, experiences and walks of life all connected and united by this special kind of wonder that we share. I hope that this WYD invigorates the Church and it's leadership and sends it on a journey of healing and growth for the better.

"I pray that: All pilgrims from around the world are kept safe on their travels and during the festival. I pray that WYD inspires the next leaders of the Catholic Church to take action as kind, empathetic, safe and inclusive change makers. I pray that WYD invigorates the Church, especially our Australian Church and sends it on a journey of growth, reconciliation and healing." - Alysha Gray

Youth and Young Adult Ministry

UNITE



TEENS DATES TERM 3

14 JULY | 7PM-9PM
28 JULY | 7PM-9PM
11 AUGUST | 7PM-9PM
25 AUGUST | 7PM-9PM

**We welcome back our teens from holidays!
Parents and Caregivers, save these dates.**

AVOCADO ROOM

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When: Saturday 22 July,
9:15am-11am
Where: Hanly Room,
Francis Rush Centre
196 Charlotte St,
Brisbane City
Cost: \$15
RSVP: Monday 17 July

**CATHOLIC
CHILDREN'S
MINISTRY
NETWORK**

**GRAND PLANS FOR
GRANDPARENTS**

**Celebrating world day for
Grandparents and the elderly**



Join with Evangelisation Brisbane for a morning that celebrates your important role in shaping the faith of your grandchildren and children. Grand Plans for Grandparents is a time together created to acknowledge, equip and empower you in this special role.

Don't miss out on this incredible opportunity. Reserve your spot today by registering here: <https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/grandparents>