



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank

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

† Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 121 Mains Road, Sunnybank

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

Monday 24th July

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

Tuesday 25th July

St James

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

Wednesday 26th July

Sts Joachim & Anne

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

Thursday 27th July

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

Friday 28th July

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

Saturday 29th July

Sts Martha, Mary & Lazarus

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

Sunday 30th July

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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



The Parable of the Weeds by Domenico Fetti, c. 1622. Thyssen-Bornemisza Museum, Madrid

16th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 23rd July 2023

Dear Parishioners,



Congratulations as we celebrate 60 years of our Church! At the start of this month, I proposed that we should gather this weekend to tell and listen to the stories of how we have been “Living Stones” and parts of this household of God. **There will be refreshments after all this weekend’s Masses as an opportunity for us to tell and hear the stories of our lovely parish.** Even as this Sunday is the World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly, I acknowledge that our Church has a unique way of retaining the Mercy of God from age to age. **Thank you to those parishioners who have been “Living Stones” here for 30, 40, 50, 60 and more years.**

I am happy to share with you the reflections of Gerry De Ruyter who has been a part of this Church from 1963 to now:

“On Sunday 21 July 1963, I stood in the driveway of our brand new church when Archbishop James Duhig arrived for the blessing and opening ceremony. I was seven years of age and in awe of both the archbishop in his black outfit and his black car as it came to a halt near me. Little did I know how important this church would be to my family and me over the next 60 years and how much it continues to play a big part in my life today. Virtually every important event in my life has been celebrated in this church. So many baptisms, weddings, funerals and other special gatherings have been held in this building with the community of Our Lady of Lourdes Parish. While the building has had many improvements, changes, refurbishments and an almost total rebuild the most important thing for me has always been the community of people who have shared their talents and supported each other in so many positive ways. We moved away from the Sunnybank area 8 years ago but my wife and I were adamant that we were not leaving Our Lady of Lourdes Parish. Remaining a part of this vibrant parish is very important to both of us and this will continue until the time when we take our place in the church columbarium but hopefully not for many years to come”. - Gerry De Ruyter

We thank God for miracle of last Sunday. A driver lost control around 9.50pm on Sunday 16th July 2023 and crashed through the Testra phone booth on the Mains Road, the fence in front of Paloma, the hedges and landed on our Cross. **Miraculously, no one was killed or had any major injury.** We are in contact with the Police and the driver.

Our four parishioners who will be travelling to Portugal for the World Youth Day will be commissioned this weekend with our prayers, goodwill and financial aid. They have promised to keep us in their prayers as they hope to encounter Jesus in this pilgrimage. Thanks to technology, **we will be sharing some updates with them while they are away.**

To all our Grandparents and the elderly, we love you, we cannot do without your wonderful support and may God bless you all,

Fr Enoch Iheme

Next Sunday: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

1 Kings 3:5, 7-12

Romans 8:28-30

Matthew 13:44-52

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

First Reading: Wisdom 12:13, 16-19 God's power is not directed towards punishment but forgiveness and hope.

Second Reading: Romans 8:26-27 When words are lost to us, the Spirit reads our hearts and present our inward groanings to God.

Gospel: Matthew 13:24-43 In a series of parables we are led to understand the complexity of our world and community, and at the same time how the smallest spark of life can provide shelter for others and infuse the world around.

Moore, Gerard. "16th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 23 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

172. For poor countries, the priorities must be to eliminate extreme poverty and to promote the social development of their people. At the same time, they need to acknowledge the scandalous level of consumption in some privileged sectors of their population and to combat corruption more effectively. They are likewise bound to develop less polluting forms of energy production, but to do so they require the help of countries which have experienced great growth at the cost of the ongoing pollution of the planet. Taking advantage of abundant solar energy will require the establishment of mechanisms and subsidies which allow developing countries access to technology transfer, technical assistance and financial resources, but in a way which respects their concrete situations, since "the compatibility of [infrastructures] with the context for which they have been designed is not always adequately assessed".[128] The costs of this would be low, compared to the risks of climate change. In any event, these are primarily ethical decisions, rooted in solidarity between all peoples.

SUNNYBANK PARISH FRIENDSHIP GROUP NEWS:

Decorating Terracotta Pots

Bunnings Acacia Ridge will be running a workshop for decorating terracotta pots on **Wednesday 26 July** at 9:15am in the Avocado Room. Contact Haji for more info.

Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers

Bookings are open for our bus trip to the Carnival of Flowers on **Wednesday 20 September**. Cost of bus, morning tea and lunch is \$45. The bus will leave the church at 8am sharp so please be at bus stop by 7:45am. Inquiries to Haji Kelly at 0438 734 706 or 3273 1802.



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

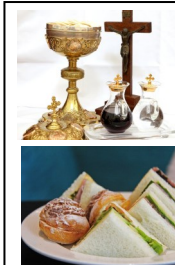
NEW PARISHIONERS: SAVE THE DATE!

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.



FIRST FRIDAY MASS & MORNING TEA

First Friday Mass will be held on **Friday 4 August at 10am**.

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

Hope to see you all there!

CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD



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

MINISTER FORMATION & ONLINE COURSES

Special Ministers of the Word and Eucharistic should have received their code and instructions for Liturgy Brisbane's online formation courses.

If you have not received the code and would like to join a course, please contact the parish office as soon as possible at 3345 4766 or sec.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au



Your Prayers Are Asked For:

recently deceased: **Edwin Clarke, Alicia Calderon, Amanda Webb, Jenifer Rasmussen, David Cairns, Sergio Crespan**

those with anniversaries & others who have died: **Dr Hugh Cecil Dias, Bernarda & Moaria Elena Moran, Julio Dabela, John Morris, Varkey Veliyath, Arthur John Rainold, Tom Jackson, Pedro Antalan, Lucia Antalan, Clarence Dela Serna, Nino Abella Arnold Canda, Socorro & Jovito Malaki, Jose & Magdalena Villanueva**

those who are unwell: **Juana Flores, Jessica Martinez, Camila Flores, Mariana Cañas, Cynthia Impey, Angela Hernandez, Martinez, Terry Emerson, Grace Kelly, Fran Walker, Tobias Walker**



OLOL & OLOF MEN'S BBQ BREAKFAST

An invitation is extended to the men of our parishes to enjoy a full BBQ breakfast on the first Saturday of each month.

The next breakfast will be held on **Saturday 5 August from 7am**, in the Avocado Room of the Paloma Centre. A full BBQ breakfast plus tea, coffee and juices will be available for the usual **\$10 per person**.



Our guest speaker this month is Sgt. Mark Wrangle from Queensland police.

If you are new to the parish and would like to attend, please contact Bob on 0467 341 604.

Our usual email advise will be sent to members.

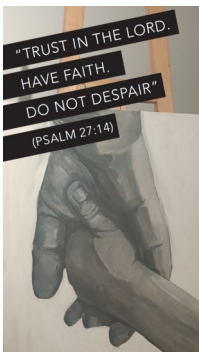
CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: RETREAT

Praise & Worship, Mass, Confession, Teaching, Fellowship
with **Fr Ray Sanchez of the Passionist Community**

When: Saturday 26 August, 9:30am - 5pm

Where: Avocado Room, the Paloma Centre

For more information or to RSVP, please contact the parish office or use the sign up sheet in the church foyer.



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.



CELEBRATING 150 YEARS OF WEDDINGS AT THE CATHEDRAL OF ST STEPHEN

As part of the Cathedral's celebrations in it's 150th year, the Archdiocese will be celebrating marriages that have taken place in the Cathedral/Chapel.

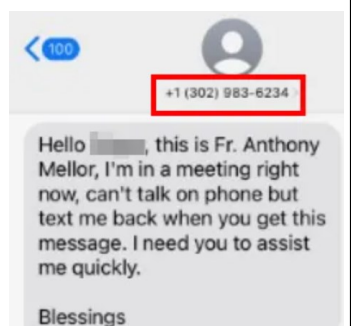
If you or members of your family had their wedding at the Cathedral, they would love to receive your stories and photos by 1 September. Please contact David Todd at toddd@bne.catholic.net.au or 3324 3030.

SCAM ALERT: UPDATE

There have been scam **text messages** circulating claiming to be from Fr Enoch or other Archdiocese priests with an 'urgent message' such as the one to the right.

Following messages attempt to persuade you that the priests' urgent need can only be solved by the purchase of iTunes or Amazon cards or similar. Please be assured that clergy would never approach you in this way or seek help via gift cards.

It is recommended that if you receive a message like this, do not engage with the sender and instead forward the message to 0429 999 888 (Australian Government's spam reporting line).



Pre loved Markets **Saturday 5 August**
10.00am - 3.00pm

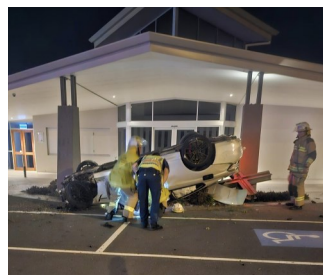
You are invited to attend our **Pre-Loved Markets**, grab a bargain, a hot cuppa and sausage sizzle and support our local parish fundraiser.

Our Lady of Fatima Parish
350 Mortimer Road
Acacia Ridge
www.fatimaacaciariidge.org.au

CHURCH CAR CRASH & CROSS DAMAGE

As you may be aware, last Sunday night a car crashed into the cross at the front of the church. We thank God that nobody was killed or seriously hurt. We are also grateful that there was no damage to the church itself.

Thank you to parish volunteers including Bob Davis, Ross Frassetto and Les Micale who assisted with clean up on Monday morning.



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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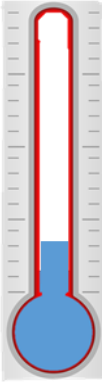
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Help support our Youth to travel **Youth and Young Adult Ministry**
World Youth Day 2023!

Envelopes for donations
are available in the church.

UNITE

You can also 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

Departing for World Youth Day: Tuesday 25th July

"I think it is an excellent opportunity for personal and spiritual development. By experiencing the various events and meeting with fellow Catholics from around the world, I hope to be able to further build upon my understanding of Jesus' teachings and other cultures. Please pray for our safe travel, and that we are able to recognize and take full advantage of opportunities to learn and grow." - **Alex Aclan**

TEENS DATES TERM 3

Come join in
the fun this
Friday

14 JULY | 7PM-9PM

→ 28 JULY | 7PM-9PM

11 AUGUST | 7PM-9PM

25 AUGUST | 7PM-9PM

15 SEPTEMBER |

7PM-9PM

AVOCADO ROOM AND
JACARANDA ROOM

FAITH, FUN AND FRIENDS

SUNNYBANK CHURCH THROUGH THE YEARS:

1963 to Now

