



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank

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

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Parish Office (adjacent to Church, Sunnybank) **Ph: 3345 3766** **Office Hours** Monday to Thursday, 8.30 am - 4.00 pm; Friday 9.00am - 4.00pm
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Priests: *Fr Enoch Iheme* (Parish Priest) *Fr Francisco Evangelista* (Associate Pastor)

Monday 31st July

St Ignatius of Loyola

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

Tuesday 1st August

St Alphonsus Liguori

8:15am Morning Prayer
8.30am **Mass**
9.30am Bible Study
7.00pm No Adoration

Wednesday 2nd August

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

Thursday 3rd August

St Dominic

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

Friday 4th August

St John Vianney

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

Saturday 5th August

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

Sunday 6th August

Transfiguration of the Lord

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

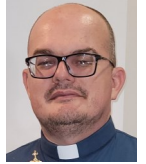


Parable of the Hidden Treasure
by Rembrandt or Gerard Dou, c. 1630.
Museum of Fine Arts, Budapest

17th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 30th July 2023

Dear parishioners.

We continue our journey with Jesus, learning from him how the Kingdom of God manifests itself in our lives. Jesus says that whoever finds the Kingdom, finds the true meaning of life. Those who truly find the Kingdom and experience it, have received the grace to change their existence forever. **This is because to find the Kingdom of God is to find Jesus who is the reason and meaning for our life and existence.**



We are called to be attentive and to have a discerning heart in our search for the kingdom of heaven. Surely there will be an experience of absolute peace, beauty, sweetness and satisfaction when we find the treasures of the Kingdom that is here and now in our midst. **God's will is that everyone may find this Kingdom.** It is necessary to commit to searching for it.

We are aware that there may be **some of our children in High School who do not fall into the standard Archdiocesan Sacramental Program timeline.** Some may have **missed out of either Confirmation, Holy Communion, Reconciliation or all three** of these Sacraments. Parents are **invited to register these children for our 2023 round of the Sacramental Program** for High Schoolers.

After last weekend's 60th anniversary celebration of our church building, it became apparent that there are volunteers who have been ministering in the parish for many years. There has been so much generosity and selfless ministries that have remained the bedrock of our thriving community. The least we can do is to **acknowledge these treasures that we are blessed to have,** so could you please **send your name and time of service to sec.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au** in the next 2 weeks.

It is again time to confirm our commitment to our Parish Planned Giving especially using the **Planned Giving Envelopes.** These giving envelopes will be **available in the church for three week and please feel free to collect your envelopes** for the next round of giving (2023-2024).

In the first week of August, World Youth Day 2023 will take place in Lisbon, Portugal. Thousands of young people from all over the world will have a true encounter with Christ through many experiences of prayer and reflection, with the presence of Pope Francis. **Four young people from our Parish are participating in this great Catholic event.** We pray that they take advantage of all the opportunities that this World Youth Day offers and return to us more committed, as true disciples and missionaries.

We are pleased to announce that our **Youth Ministry will be coordinated by Abbey O'Toole** (Unite Teens) and **Gabby Alamo** (Music and Young Adults Ministry).

This Sunday, July 30, our parish priest Fr. Enoch is celebrating 12 years of priestly ordination. Let us pray to God to bless his priestly ministry with great wisdom, so that he will continue to guide this parish following the example of Jesus the good shepherd.

God Bless you all, Fr Francisco Evangelista

Next Sunday: The Transfiguration of the Lord Daniel 7:9-10, 13-14

2 Peter 1:16-19

Matthew 17:1-9

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

First Reading: 1 Kings 3:5. 7-12 Solomon shows great insight when, even in his dreams, his desire is to live in the world as God wants him to live. Rather than personal glory or the downfall of others, he asks God for discernment and God is pleased to give him unrivalled wisdom.

Second Reading: Romans 8:28-30 St Paul reminds us that Jesus, as Son, is the eldest brother of all God's children, the model we aspire to emulate and reflect.

Gospel: Matthew 13:44-52 Speaking to the crowds in parables, Jesus helps his disciples to understand the mysteries of the kingdom of God. Those who can see, hear and understand are the humble and meek, the children or 'little ones' of God.

Marquis, Angela. "17th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 30 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

173. Enforceable international agreements are urgently needed, since local authorities are not always capable of effective intervention. Relations between states must be respectful of each other's sovereignty, but must also lay down mutually agreed means of averting regional disasters which would eventually affect everyone. Global regulatory norms are needed to impose obligations and prevent unacceptable actions, for example, when powerful companies or countries dump contaminated waste or offshore polluting industries in other countries.

SUNNYBANK CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

The Charismatic Prayer Group will be meeting:



Saturday 5 August - Spanish Prayer Meeting
Saturday 12 August - English Prayer Meeting
Saturday 19 August - Spanish Prayer Meeting
Saturday 26 August - Parish Retreat →

Held in the Media Room, 2:30pm to 5pm.

All Welcome! Contact the parish office for more info.

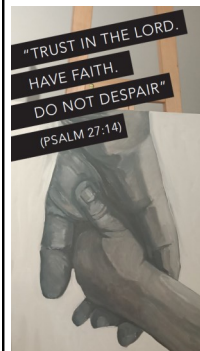
CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP: RETREAT

*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.



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!

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.

PARISH COMMUNITY WEEKEND

Come celebrate with us next weekend, 5 & 6 August at the usual Masses and share a 'cuppa' and meet new friends and old. The Welcoming Group invites you to stay for a while after Mass and get to know your fellow parishioners. See you there!



PARISH VOLUNTEERS: SAVE THE DATE!

In appreciation of our volunteer's commitment and contribution to the parish, we would like to express our thanks by extending an invitation to a special thanksgiving Mass and dinner on **Friday 8 September.**

More information and invitations to follow!

NO ADORATION THIS WEEK

There will be no Adoration on Tuesday 1 August, but will resume on the following Tuesday.



SUNNYBANK PARISH FRIENDSHIP GROUP NEWS: *Toowoomba Carnival of Flowers*

Bookings are open for our bus trip to the Carnival of Flowers on **Wednesday 20 September.** The bus will leave the church at 8am sharp so please be at bus stop by 7:45am.

Cost of bus, morning tea and lunch is \$45.
Inquiries to Haji Kelly at 0438 734 706 or 3273 1802.



Your Prayers Are Asked For:

recently deceased: **Yohannes Angka, Richard James Sanders, Lenore Webberley, Hernan Montalva, Edwin Clarke, Alicia Calderon, Amanda Webb**

those with anniversaries & others who have died: **Aurora Cruz, Victor Oliver, Lillian Oliver, Kevin Graham, Peter Leman, Antonio Henriquez, Anne Lowe, Ronald Nolan, Romeo Perilli, Roberto Camps, Ogemdi IHEME, Dr Hugh Cecil Dias, Julio Dabela, John Morris, Bernarda & Moaria Elena Moran, Varkey Veliyath**

those who are unwell: **Catherine Marshall, Dalio Mira, Delfina Henriquez, Pauline Hickey, Juana Flores, Jessica Martinez, Camila Flores, Mariana Cañas, Cynthia Impey**



PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES

The next batch of Planned Giving Envelopes has arrived and is ready for collection from the tables along the side of the Church.

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



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 advice will be sent to members.



2023 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank

Sacrament of First Holy Communion

Formation Session, OLOL School Auditorium:
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



Sacramental Preparation for Teens & High Schoolers

Sacramental Preparation for the older children in our parish will start at the end of August. If you or someone you know has not received the Sacraments of Confirmation and/or First Communion and would like to, please contact Mr Noel Arceo at 3345 3766 or pa.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au.

Information Meeting, Media Room:
Sunday 27 August, 5pm

Enrolment Mass, OLOL Church:
Sunday 3 September, 6pm (Youth Mass)

Formation Sessions, OLOL Media Room:
Sunday 3 Sept, 10 Sept, 8 Oct, 15 Oct & 22 Oct

Sacrament of Penance, OLOL Church,
Thursday 26 October, 5:30pm

Retreat & Rehearsal, OLOL Media Room:
Sunday 29 October, 4pm

Confirmation & First Communion:
Sunday 29 October, 6pm (Youth Mass)

Ongoing Formation: Sunday 12 & 19 November, 7pm



CATHOLIC KIDS CLUB Catholic Kids Club returns!

Saturday 5th August: 3pm-5pm
Avocado Room - Parish Centre
(Ages 4-11)

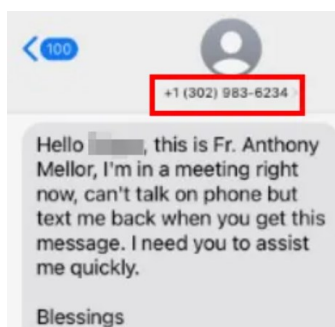
Catholic Kids Club is a group for primary school aged kids that come together to learn about faith in a fun way that they can relate to. We play games, hear stories and make crafts which are centred around a different theme. For more info email catholickidsclub@gmail.com.

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).



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



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.





**PARISH STAFF
& CONTACTS**

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World Youth Day Update!

Please keep our pilgrims

Sam Eastgate, Alysha Gray, Zac Hare & Alex Aclan
in your prayers as they experience 2023 World Youth Day!
They arrived in Paris on Wednesday which is 8 hours
behind us here in Brisbane.

On Friday they took a train through the
countryside to the town of Lourdes and on Saturday
will celebrate Mass at the Grotto of Our Lady of Lourdes.
On Sunday, they will travel from Lourdes to Fatima before
heading to Lisbon on Monday.

Youth and Young Adult Ministry

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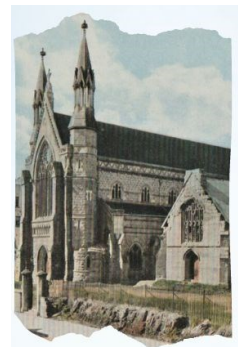
*Brisbane Pilgrims (including those from Sunnybank!) at the Paris Airport.
Photograph from the Archdiocese of Brisbane Facebook Page*

**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.



FROM AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE:

UPCOMING FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES

Reclaim Plus (young parents, professionals & young adults, aged 25-40)

+ Saturday 19 August, 8:30am at Jugar, West End

+ RSVP: 15 August. More information: <https://app.tickets.org.au/eb/Reclaimplus>

Catholic Foundations Module 2 'Understanding, Praying & Living the Scriptures'

+ Monday evenings from 21 August - 13 November, 7pm - 9pm.

+ More information: <https://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/accf/>

+ You do not need to have completed Module 1 before taking Module 2.

Xavier School of Preaching Speak, Deepen, Connect & Understand Scripture

+ Thursday 24 August - Saturday 26 August, Holy Spirit Seminary

+ More information: <https://evangelisationbrisbane.org.au/schoolofpreaching/>

+ RSVP: 8 August

**LOURDES HILL COLLEGE
OPEN MORNING TOUR**

Tuesday 22 August | 9.30am - 11.00am

lhc.qld.edu.au

