



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

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 25th September

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

Tuesday 26th September

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

Wednesday 27th September

St Vincent de Paul

8:15am Morning Prayer
8.30am **Mass**
9.00am Rosary

Thursday 28th September

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

Friday 29th September

Sts Michael, Gabriel & Raphael

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

Saturday 30th September

St Jerome

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

Sunday 1st October

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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



Parable of the Workers in the Vineyard by Christian Wilhelm Ernst Dietrich, c. 1750s. Łazienki Palace, Warsaw, Poland

Twenty-Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 24th September 2023

Dear Parishioners,



This Sunday, Jesus tells his disciples the parable of a vineyard owner who went out to hire workers at various times of the day for fair pay. Jesus shows how God acts: he offers everyone a space in his Kingdom of salvation. This Kingdom is a gift offered by God to everyone, without any exception.

The owner of a vineyard left home at different times of the day to call workers for his vineyard. He didn't just come out once. He went out at least five times. There was such a need for workers in his vineyard that he spent almost all his time looking for workers. We can say that this boss represents God and it is He who also comes to meet us and invites us to work in his vineyard, the Church. But this must also be our mission, tirelessly reaching out to those who do not yet know the Lord's vineyard. It is also up to us to invite more people to be part of this vineyard.

Jesus shows the gratuitousness and universality of salvation because God is good and generous. In the parable, the payment offered by the boss to his workers represents eternal life, a gift that God reserves for everyone.

Christians of the first or last hour are beloved children of the same Father. God's gift is intended for everyone, equally. Jesus invites us to realize that God freely offers salvation to everyone, the first and the last. The last are the sinners that Jesus came to seek and who, invited by Him, enter the mystery of God's mercy.

Let us ask for the intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary, so that we know how to respond with dignity and joy to the invitation of the Lord who at all times calls us to follow; and may we be among the good and faithful workers of God's vineyard.

God Bless,

Fr Francisco Evangelista



DIocese of Broome: Kimberley Catholic Volunteer Service Needed Urgently - Volunteer Workers

The Diocese of Broome, WA, urgently requires volunteers to assist in working with the local Church in various locations.



There are a variety of important voluntary tasks in **administration, building and vehicle maintenance, gardening, hospitality, general cleaning etc.** Placements are preferred for a period of 6 months plus. In return for being part of the team, we offer accommodation, living expenses and a small weekly allowance.

If you would be interested to offer your skills and learn more about the local culture, please see the contact details below (couples or singles welcome):

The Diocese of Broome Office: 08 9192 1060
Email: volunteers@broomedioocese.org
Website: www.broomedioocese.org



Next Sunday: 26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ezekiel 18:25-28

Philippians 2:1-11

Matthew 21:28-32

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

First Reading: Isaiah 55:6-9 Isaiah allows us to wonder at the greatness of God, and how the love and mercy of God call us to rethink continually how we understand the divine.

Second Reading: Philippians 1:20-24, 27 Perhaps it can be said no more clearly, we are to conduct ourselves in a way worthy of the Gospel.

Gospel: Matthew 20:1-16 Through parable, Jesus invites us to reflect on the abundance of God's graciousness.
Moore, Gerard. "24th Sunday in Ordinary Time." Pastoral Liturgy 50, no. 3 (2020): 1-6.

ENCYCLICAL LETTER

LAUDATO SI'

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

II. DIALOGUE FOR NEW NATIONAL AND LOCAL POLICIES

181. Here, continuity is essential, because policies related to climate change and environmental protection cannot be altered with every change of government. Results take time and demand immediate outlays which may not produce tangible effects within any one government's term. That is why, in the absence of pressure from the public and from civic institutions, political authorities will always be reluctant to intervene, all the more when urgent needs must be met. To take up these responsibilities and the costs they entail, politicians will inevitably clash with the mindset of short-term gain and results which dominates present-day economics and politics. But if they are courageous, they will attest to their God-given dignity and leave behind a testimony of selfless responsibility. A healthy politics is sorely needed, capable of reforming and coordinating institutions, promoting best practices and overcoming undue pressure and bureaucratic inertia. It should be added, though, that even the best mechanisms can break down when there are no worthy goals and values, or a genuine and profound humanism to serve as the basis of a noble and generous society.



Let Justice and Peace Flow

Season of Creation 2023

In this Season of Creation, we are being called to recognize the global climate emergency in which we are living. The planet is warming dangerously because of our use of fossil fuels and our systems of production and consumption. The ways our economies function and the values they serve are violently depleting and wasting Earth's resources, creating great inequalities, suffering and injustice, feeding brutal conflicts, and exceeding Earth's regenerative capacity.

Earth is crying out, the poor are crying out. The existence and wellbeing of future generations is threatened. Climate experts continue to warn of devastating, severe and destructive changes to all dimensions of life becoming unpreventable within less than a decade unless the global community makes dramatic changes urgently.

In this Season of Creation, we are being called to take up our prophetic responsibility in love to spread the word and to transform the ways we are living upon Earth. We must acknowledge our failures to care for creation and embrace God's ways.

When you come to Mass each weekend take a ribbon from the basket at the foot of the tree and tie it on the tree remembering an act of kindness and appreciation you did this week for the earth and its waterways. Hopefully by the end of the Season of Creation we will see the many actions we have taken for the earth and its rivers.



2023 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank
Sacramental Preparation for
Teens & High Schoolers

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

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

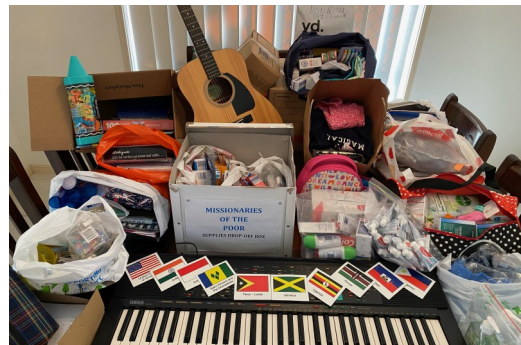
Retreat & Rehearsal, OLOL Media Room:
Sunday 29 October, 4pm

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

Ongoing Formation: Sunday 12 & 19 November, 7pm

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

MISSIONARIES OF THE POOR (MOP)



With grateful hearts we thank Our Lady of Lourdes, Sunnybank for supporting, praying and donating towards the works of the MOP. Especially by answering to our recent call-out for in-kind donations towards the mission in Timor-Leste. As well as supplies, we received \$658 which will be used to purchase needed items.

Your Prayers Are Asked For:

recently deceased: **Fe Chua, Dr. Becky Arellano, Lincon Hoad, J. McVey, Dolores Primacio, Steven Townsend, Elza Liberona**

those with anniversaries & others who have died: **Coralie Purcell, Marjorie Jacobson, Ruth Evangelista, Leo Hayes, Pat Hayes, Jose Carlos Moran, Eric Glennon, Thomas Ky Hoang, Teresa Hao Nguyen, John Browning, Naila Softic, Bruno Klaser, Emil Klaser, Shafik Torbey, Teopista P. Maicle, Ramon Maicle**

those who are unwell: **Eileen Talty, Olga Iocco, Michahel Marsden, Antonio Duke, Yennifer Urrutia, William Chua, Josephine Dinglasan, Marco Berrios John Mcready, Delfina Melendez, Cheryl Barrientos, Christopher Riley, Marie Brink**



LOL 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 7 October 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**.



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.

PARISH NAME BADGES

The parish office will soon be placing another order for name badges.



If you don't have a name badge but would like one, please visit or call the parish office to place your order **before Friday 12 October**. Badges cost \$15 each.

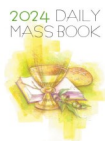
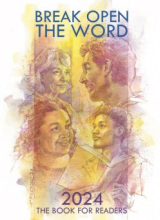
PARISH COMMUNITY WEEKEND

Come celebrate with us on the weekend of **7 & 8 October** 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!



BREAK OPEN THE WORD & DAILY MASS BOOK 2024

Orders next year's Break Open The Word (\$22) and Daily Mass Book (\$22) are now open. To order, contact the parish office at sec.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au or call 3345 3766.



Please place your order by **Thursday 5 October**. It is estimated that the books will arrive in early November.



Do you have questions about life, faith, meaning, or God? Would you like to explore what the Christian faith is all about in a relaxed and fun environment? Then come along and try the ALPHA course!

The first session will be in the Avocado Room on **Tuesday 10 October, 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**

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 8 October 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.



OUR LADY OF LOURDES PRIMARY SCHOOL

RETIREMENT/FAREWELL MASS & MORNING TEA

CELEBRATING THE SERVICE OF
JO BOWMAN, MICHELLE GILLIES, SUE FRANKLIN, PENNI CUSKELLY AND PAULA SHARPE

9AM, THURSDAY, OCTOBER 12 2023
OUR LADY OF LOURDES CATHOLIC CHURCH,
121 MAINS ROAD, SUNNYBANK



LOL ANNUAL WEDDING ANNIVERSARY MASS & CELEBRATION



Will be held on **Friday 13 October 2023, 7pm** at Our Lady of Lourdes Church.

If you are celebrating a significant wedding anniversary this year, ending in a '0' or '5', you are welcome to attend this celebration as well as any family or friends who would like to celebrate with you. A light supper and cake will be served after Mass.

Please advise the Parish Office on 3345 3766 by **Friday 6 October** of your attendance along with the number of guests who will be coming.



**PARISH STAFF
& CONTACTS**

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Sr Bridgid

Centacare
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Term 4 Teens Dates

**6 October Jacaranda Room
21st-22nd October Day Time
Retreat at Passionist Retreat
Centre**

**3 November Avocado Room
17 November Avocado Room
1 December Avocado Room
Christmas Party**

**Youth & Young Adult
Ministry**



SAVE THE DATE

Unite Youth have teamed up with the Passionist Retreat Team to offer a fun filled weekend for our young people in our parish and beyond.

This will be a great opportunity to meet others in the parish as well as surrounding parishes and schools. There will also be some great talks, fun games and activities as well as some prayer and reflection.

**When: Saturday 21st October and Sunday
22 October**

**Saturday 1pm-9pm and Sunday 10am - 7pm
(finish with sunnybank Youth Mass)**

Who: Everyone in Year 6 - Year 12

**Where: Passionist Retreat Center Oxley
(travel to and from sunnybank provided)**

**Cost: FREE (due to a grant provided by
our Archdiocese)**

***Transport and Meals included**

**For more information and to register please email
youth.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au or see Abbey and Gabby after Mass.**



**CALL TO "ART"
ASSISTANCE NEEDED**



Is there anyone in our parish (or knows of anyone) who has knowledge of art valuation, preparing for art sales etc. who could help us prepare for an art sale?

The parish has a number of artworks that have been stored for many years and it is now time to offer these for sale to the parishioners and their family and friends. This sale will take place in late October. Further information to follow soon.

In the meantime, if you are able to offer your knowledge and assistance, please contact Lyn Smith by email smithlyn49@hotmail.com as soon as possible.

**THE
CATHOLIC LEADER**

From January 2024, the Catholic Leader will be moving to a subscriber only model. This means that the newspaper will be printed and distributed on tighter margins with less excess and **no longer be available from the church. Subscribers will receive the newspaper at the front door of their homes.**



Journey is a monthly gathering for single women (18-40 years) discerning life's big decisions.

Scan the QR code to find out more and to register for the next gathering on Saturday 7 October from 8:30am at Marian Valley.



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.

