



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)

Twenty-Ninth Sunday in Ordinary Time - 22nd October 2023

Monday 23rd October

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

Tuesday 24th October

8:15am Morning Prayer
8.30am **Mass**
9.30am Bible Study
6.30pm ALPHA
7.00pm Adoration

Wednesday 25th October

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

Thursday 26th October

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

Friday 27th October

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

Saturday 28th October

Sts Simon & Jude

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

Sunday 29th October

30th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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



The Tribute Money by Jacob Adriaensz Backer, c. 1630s. Nationalmuseum, Sweden

Dear Parishioners,

On this 2023 **World Mission Sunday**, we are reminded of our Baptismal and **Christian Vocation to be, to go and to give to the Mission**. Christ establishes the Mission, invites us to the Mission and brings to completion the goal of our Mission. Reflecting on the theme “**Hearts on fire, feet on the move**”, **Pope Francis wishes to inspire us with the story of the disciples on the way to Emmaus**. On that seemingly lonely road, Jesus joined these disoriented disciples, set their hearts on fire and their feet on the move to where they will recognise him. Like these disciples, we may sometimes feel the seeming futility of our mission and would like to walk away from our goal. **The state of the Church today may be shrouded in fear but in the words of Fr Timothy Radcliffe, let us keep hoping against hope.**



Jesus walks beside us, with us and among us even today. Referencing his earlier Apostolic Exhortation *Evangelii Gaudium*, Pope Francis admonishes, “**let us not allow ourselves to be robbed of hope!**” Let us acknowledge those in our lives who have shown their faith in action, worked for love and persevered through hope as missionary disciples of Jesus. One of such people is Sr Carolina and her Salesian Sisters whose hearts are on fire and feet on the move in Venilale in Timor Leste. **Our mission appeal this year will support the missionary works of the Salesian Sister in Timor Leste. For details on how to be a mission partner go to www.catholicmission.org.au/timor or scan the QR code on page 3.**

Welcome to the Student Mission Ambassadors from St Thomas More College and Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School. These Mission Ambassadors will be speaking at our weekend masses as part of their own commitment to promoting the universal mission of the church. **We appreciate both schools for their Catholic Mission activities** such as fundraising through the Socktober Competition.

Our Candidates for the **High School Sacramental Program** will be completing their **preliminary faith formation** next week. **We thank especially Kathleen Ashton and Abbey O’Toole** who have been on this journey with our candidates. **The 9 of them will be receiving their Confirmation and First Holy Communion at the Youth Mass on Sunday 29th October.** Let us keep them and their families in our prayer as they continue to grow and to witness to their Christian Vocation.

Once every month, we publish the names of the continuing sick who would like us to keep them in our personal and common prayer. We would like to update this list by November. **If you know anyone who would like to remain on the continuing sick list, please contact the parish office.**

As we approach the month of November, we are encouraged to remember and to pray for our departed relatives and friends. The **Memorial Book of Life** and special **November Mass Envelopes** will be available at the foyer for you to write the names of your deceased relatives. Personal and liturgical prayers will be said for the souls of the faithful departed throughout November.

Fr Francisco will be on leave after this weekend until 23rd November. During his holidays, Fr Francisco will be visiting his family in Brazil and we wish him a wonderful time as we wait for his return. **Fr Harry Chan and Fr Pan Jordan have accepted to assist us** with some weekend and daily Masses while Fr Francisco is away.

God Bless, Fr Enoch Iheme

28th Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year A)

First Reading: Isaiah 45:1, 4-6 In this reading, God's anointed is not the promised Messiah, but Cyrus, the Persian king. God's plan of salvation can be worked out through human intervention – even the most unlikely i.e. a foreign king.

Second Reading: Thessalonians 1:1-5 The First Letter to the Thessalonians is the earliest Christian writing, being written no more than twenty years after the resurrection. The introduction which we read today assures the audience of God's love and selection of them through the Holy Spirit.

Gospel: Matthew 22:15-21 This episode is the first in four further and final disputes between Jesus and the religious leaders. Starting with flattering words, they attempt to trap Jesus. Rather than falling for their trap, the enigmatic answer of Jesus amazes them and sends them away.

Doran, Anthony. "29th Sunday in Ordinary Time - 22 October 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

III. DIALOGUE AND TRANSPARENCY IN DECISION-MAKING

184. In the face of possible risks to the environment which may affect the common good now and in the future, decisions must be made "based on a comparison of the risks and benefits foreseen for the various possible alternatives".

[131] This is especially the case when a project may lead to a greater use of natural resources, higher levels of emission or discharge, an increase of refuse, or significant changes to the landscape, the habitats of protected species or public spaces. Some projects, if insufficiently studied, can profoundly affect the quality of life of an area due to very different factors such as unforeseen noise pollution, the shrinking of visual horizons, the loss of cultural values, or the effects of nuclear energy use. The culture of consumerism, which prioritizes short-term gain and private interest, can make it easy to rubber-stamp authorizations or to conceal information.

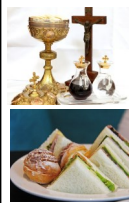
ALL SOULS MASS TIMES

Thursday 2nd November

6:30am **Mass**
8.45am Morning Prayer
9.00am **Mass**
6:00pm **Mass**



FIRST FRIDAY MASS & MORNING TEA



First Friday Mass will be held on **Friday 3 November at 10am.**

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

Hope to see you all there!

NOVEMBER: MONTH OF REMEMBRANCE

November is the month of remembrance of our near and dear ones who have gone to God before us.



We will have a "Book of Life" on display in the church throughout the month with the names of our deceased relatives and friends. November Mass envelopes are available at the foyer of the Church. Those names will then be added to the book each week.

The **MEMORIAL MASS** to remember those who have passed away will be held in Our Lady of Lourdes Church on **Saturday 11 November at 11am**

If you have lost a family member or a friend in the last 12 months and would like to attend this Mass, please contact the Parish Office and **RSVP by Monday 30 October with the number of people attending.**

For those with family who have passed away in the last 12 months, a rose will be provided. A family member will have the opportunity to present the rose in front of the altar at Mass in memory of your loved one.

Light refreshments will be served following the Mass.

Please inform your friends and relatives of the Mass and invite them to contact the Parish Office: 3345 3766.



2023 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank Sacramental Preparation for Teens & High Schoolers

Formation Sessions, OLOL Media Room:
Sunday 22 October

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.

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS - OCTOBER 2023

For the Synod

*We pray for the Church,
that she may adopt listening and dialogue
as a lifestyle at every level,
and allow herself to be guided
by the Holy Spirit towards the
peripheries of the world.*



Your Prayers Are Asked For:

recently deceased: **Edgard Encinares, Marina Rosales de Mena**, Kris Rowlands, Vicki Tolman, Peter Nally, Raphael Smith, Evita Smith, Philomena Smith, Michael Marsden

those with anniversaries & others who have died: **Romeo Perilli, Adan Hernandez, Ruben Salonga, Maria Trinh Nga, Agatha Trinh The, Rita Pobar, Dr. Hugh Cecil Deas**, Alfredo Pomar Jr, Alfredo Pomar, Keith Elford, Margaret Carroll, Denis & Bridget Carroll, Gerard & Noreen Carroll, Eileen McKenzie, Dan McKenzie, Dick Douglas, Josee Douglas, Frank Carroll, James Carroll, John Carroll, John O'Rourke, Patrick & Nora Noonan, Baby Noonan, Maureen & Patrick O'Donnell, Patrick Joseph Noonan, George Vaivarinsh, Alex Kosiek, Peter Wallace

those who are unwell: **Mario Minera, Fredy Noyolo, Antua Cardona, Alfonso Hernandez, Malcolm Carroll**, Antua Cardona, Francine Walker & family, Margit Takac

SUNNYBANK PARISH FRIENDSHIP GROUP NEWS:

The Friendship Group's annual general meeting to select a new committee for 2024 will be held on Wednesday 25 October.

Bookings will be open for the Christmas Lunch at the Sunnybank Community & Sports Club which will be held on 6 December, 11:30am - 2pm. Cost is \$30.

Inquiries to Haji Kelly at 0438 734 706 or 3273 1802.



VOLUNTEERS NEEDED: Church Cleaning

Do you have a Friday afternoon or Saturday morning to spare? We are currently looking for parish volunteers to join the rostered groups that clean the church once every 5 weeks. Please contact the parish office if you are interested.

ART & CRAFT WORKSHOPS

When: Tuesdays & Wednesdays, 1pm - 2:30pm

Where: The Media Room

Cost: \$90 (Seniors/Disability/Pension: \$81)

Pay on the day: Cash only

Bookings and Enquiries: cd.hmcreations@gmail.com

Chat Time and Refreshments – Free

Cathie Donovan

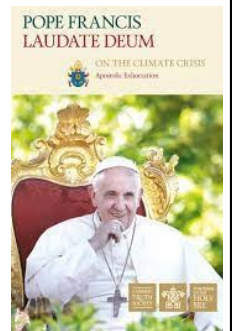
HM CREATIONS

The family of **Eileen Talty** wish to thank the many members of the OLOL Parish community especially Fr Enoch who supported them in any way over the loss of their Mother.
God Bless.

NEW RELEASE FROM POPE FRANCIS: *Laudate Deum*

On October 4, Pope Francis released a new Apostolic Exhortation to all people of good will on the climate crisis. If you are interested in reading it, there is a copy available on the Vatican website here:

www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_exhortations/documents/20231004-laudate-deum.html



RELIGIOUS INSTRUCTORS NEEDED



Primary school students urgently need more people to share with them the Good News of Jesus and the Bible. This is a volunteer position, with free training and resources. Most local primary schools have RI for 1 hour, with 2 half sessions spent in classrooms.

Please consider joining, don't let our children grow up never hearing about Jesus!

Interested Persons please contact Beverley Nelson on **3345 1331** or **0406 111 667**



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Freecall: 1800 257 296
catholicmission.org.au/timor

This week Catholic Mission will offer the opportunity to be part of a life-changing program which aims to address gaps in medical care, and provide families with essential health care and knowledge, equipping them with the confidence to act and autonomy over their health and well-being.

The Maria Auxiliadora Clinic is a vital project for the Salesian Sisters and the Church in Venilale. Since its establishment, the clinic has provided life-saving treatment for families in need, like Petrolina's, whose daughter Vitoria was found to have tuberculosis. But, with an increase in the demand for treatment, the Sisters resources can only carry them so far.

Please give generously today to help continue this life-giving program by using the appeal envelope, going online at catholicmission.org.au/timor, or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also help many other similar Church-run mission programs around the world.



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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Unite Teens

→ **TERM 4** **2023**

- 22-21 Oct **Teens Retreat**
- 3/11 Fri **Teens Night**
- 17/11 Fri **Teens Night**
- 1/11 Tue **Teens Christmas Party**
- TBD **Youth Choir Rehearsal**
- 24/12 **Youth Christmas Mass**

MORE INFORMATION
Unite Youth Website via

Young Adults

→ **TERM 4** **2023**

- 5/11 Sun **Games Night**
- 7/11 Tue **Reclaim**
- 19/11 Fri **Escape Room Hang out**
- 3/12 Sun **Christmas Dinner**
- TBD **Choir Rehearsal for Christmas Eve Mass**
- 24/12 **Christmas Eve Mass**

More Information
Unite Youth Website via

With so many upcoming events for our Unite Teens and Unite Young Adults, please look to our Facebook page **Unite Youth - Sunnybank**, and our new website, <https://uniteyouthsunnybank.wixsite.com/uniteyouth> for important dates and information.



ARCHBISHOP MARK: STATEMENT ON THE VOTE

Now that the referendum result is known, it's time to look forward rather than look back. There will be a time for looking back, but a cooling off period may be needed if we are to see more clearly. Now is the time to ask not how we got here but where this result leaves us as a nation, where we need to go from here and how we might get there.

One thing is clear: the nation is more divided than ever and in many ways. It's ironic that a process supposed to unite the nation has done just the opposite. There's an urgent need now to create a new kind of national unity, and that can't be left to the politicians, because there's more to this than politics. The task belongs to all of us.

A second thing is still clearer and more urgent: the search for reconciliation based on truth and justice must continue, even if the referendum process and result have made that more difficult. This too is something that can't be left to the politicians, because again there's more to it than politics.

After this result at Federal level, the focus will have to move to the States. But it will also have to move to non-government organisations like the Churches. The Australian Catholic bishops have spoken of the need for a new engagement with Indigenous peoples, and that now becomes more pressing. In the Archdiocese of Brisbane we will commit ourselves more resolutely to our Reconciliation Action Plan and keep asking what else we can do. Fine words and symbolic gestures are not enough.

The process leading to this vote has been a highly politicised slog that has changed Australia, and not for the better. Now the real work begins. It's up to all of us to ensure that what we do from here serves national unity and racial justice, because we'll never have the first unless we have the second.

The Most Reverend Mark Coleridge
Archbishop of Brisbane