



## Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank

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

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### Monday 22nd January

8.15am Morning Prayer  
8.30am **Mass**

### Tuesday 23rd January

8.15am Morning Prayer  
8.30am **Mass**  
7.00pm Adoration

### Wednesday 24th January

*St Francis de Sales*

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

### Thursday 25th January

*The Conversion of St Paul*

7.50am Christian Meditation  
8.45am Morning Prayer  
9.00am **Mass**

### Friday 26th January

*Australia Day*

8.45am Morning Prayer  
9.00am **Mass**  
10.00am Adoration  
10.00am Legion of Mary

### Saturday 27th January

11.00am Reconciliation  
5.00pm Reconciliation  
6.00pm **Mass**

### Sunday 28th January

*4th Sunday in Ordinary Time*

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



*The Calling of the Sons of Zebedee* by Arnould de Vuez, c. 1680s. National Gallery of Ireland

### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - Sunday 21st January 2024

Dear Parishioners,

The Gospel (Mark 1:14-20) given to us this Sunday is about **the call** of the first four disciples of Jesus. In the passage we see Jesus on the move, on a journey, on a pilgrimage if you like. Verse 14 says, "he came into Galilee," and verse 16 says "and passed along by the side of Galilee" indicating that he walked along the shores of the Sea of Galilee.



And while on the move on the shores of the Sea of Galilee, he sees Simon and Andrew casting their nets. (Jesus must have enjoyed watching them fishing for he himself was a carpenter's son. But he came to the shore for an entirely different purpose. He came to 'catch' not fish, but men). **Jesus was intentional about the Invitation, the Call.** Jesus said to them, "Follow me and I'll make you fishers of men" (verse 17). Simon and Andrew immediately left their nets and followed Jesus.

Jesus then **continues his mission to invite**; again, by being on the move, implied by the words "and going on a little farther". As he went a little farther, he saw the Sons of Zebedee - James and John, who were not fishing but mending their nets in order that they can launch later into the sea. Jesus calls them too and they followed Jesus leaving behind not only their nets but even their father Zebedee.

In the **Call**, with both pairs of disciples, Simon and Andrew, James and John – **their response was radical** (the word 'radical' comes from the Latin word 'radix' meaning root). The first pair of disciples left their fishing nets (something very vital to their life) and followed Jesus. The next pair of disciples, James and John, left behind not only their nets but even their father Zebedee. Their response thus was even more radical in that they not only said goodbye to their livelihood but to their closest human relationship – a parent.

Through Jesus' words and actions, we are reminded that our God disrupts, interrupts, and **breaks into our ordinary lives in extraordinary ways to call us to deeper love and more committed discipleship.**

Jesus' call includes repentance (*metanoia*), an invitation to take on a new mindset. Sometimes when we hear the word 'repentance' we may think of judging or moralising. It is more about how can we be better in the way we live, think, act, and feel? It is about changing our minds, changing our directions, and changing our hearts to be better versions of ourselves. It is a continual **intentional decision to respond to Jesus' call to love.**

Jesus' call to love invites us especially as we celebrate Christian Unity Week (18-25 Jan), to pray for unity of all Christians. This year a focus for prayers is, "You shall love the Lord your God ... and your neighbour as yourself" (Lk 10: 27).

As most of us will be returning from holidays and commencing work and school, let's us ask God for the needed graces to **respond with love to the Jesus' Call.** I would particularly like to wish all students and educators returning to school this coming week, all the very best in your endeavours. This coming week, we will also be celebrating Australia Day. I invite you all to join in the 9am mass on Friday, 26 January as we give thanks to God for this great land of the Southern Cross.

**God bless you all,** fr Francis Arackal, OP

**Next Sunday: 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Deuteronomy 18:15-20**

**1 Corinthians 7:32-35**

**Mark 1:21-28**

### Third Sunday in Ordinary Time (Year B)

**First Reading: Jonah 3:1-5, 10** Jonah is called by God to go to Nineveh and preach repentance to them. At once, Jonah responds in obedience to the call of God and sets out as he has been called to do. The Ninevites repent and God relents.

**Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7:29-31** Paul and his audience in Corinth lived in expectation of the imminent second coming of the Lord. In this light, Paul counsels the Corinthians to live new lives as a consequence of their life in Christ.

**Gospel: Mark 1:14-20** This Sunday, we read Mark's version of the call of the first four disciples: Simon (Peter) and his brother Andrew, together with James and John, the sons of Zebedee. 'At once' they leave their nets and follow Jesus. Do we follow 'at once' when we hear God's call?

Doran, Anthony. "Third Sunday in Ordinary Time - 21 January 2024." Pastoral Liturgy 54, no. 1 (2023): 1-6.

#### LOLO MEN'S BBQ BREAKFAST

An invitation is extended to all the men of our Parish to come along and enjoy breakfast on the first Saturday of each month, established in 2012.

Our next breakfast will be held on **Saturday 3rd February 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 would like to attend, please contact Ronnie (0400 738 811) or Bob (0467 341 604) to register. Our usual email advice will be sent to members.



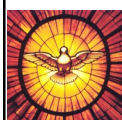
#### SUNNYBANK CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

The Charismatic Prayer Group will be meeting:

Saturday 3 February - 3pm, OLOL Church:  
Opening & Commissioning Mass  
Saturday 10 February - Spanish Prayer Meeting  
Saturday 17 February - English Prayer Meeting  
Saturday 24 February - Spanish Prayer Meeting

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

All Welcome! Contact the parish office for more info.



#### SAVE THE DATE:

#### OUR LADY OF LOURDES FEAST DAY

This year the feast day of Our Lady of Lourdes will be on **Sunday 11 February**. To celebrate, **Bishop Tim Norton will be joining us for the Sunday 10:30am Mass** and the monthly cuppa tea weekend will be held on 10 & 11 February.

**All parishioners are invited to stay after Mass and chat over a cuppa.**

All are Welcome!

#### 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 21st January or Sunday 18th February**

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



#### AUSTRALIA DAY MASS TIME

##### Friday 26th January

8.45am Morning Prayer  
9.00am **Mass**  
10.00am Adoration



#### AUSTRALIA DAY PRAYER

O God,  
you gave us the dreaming.  
May we grow in appreciation and reverence  
for your gift of this great land under the Southern Cross.  
May we value our fauna and flora, and above all,  
learn to value each other.  
May we experience forgiveness from each other,  
and reach out in friendship and peace.  
May we learn to forgive ourselves  
for the prejudices of the past,  
and work towards a nation of welcome for all.  
We ask this in Jesus' Name,  
Amen

#### COLUMBARIUM

Friends, as you are aware the Parish has a Columbarium which is located along the southern side of Our Lady of Lourdes Church, a quiet location surrounded with gardens and seating. There are three granite walls at present, with other walls to be erected in the future, for the resting place of the mortal remains of our loved ones.

The Columbarium garden is a peaceful prayer filled garden, and offers a special area for prayer and reflection.

For further information please contact the Parish Office by emailing [sec.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sec.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au)



#### POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS - JANUARY 2024

##### For The Gift of Diversity In The Church

*Let us pray that the Holy Spirit helps us recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community, and to discover the richness of different ritual traditions in the heart of the Catholic Church.*



### Your Prayers Are Asked For:

recently deceased: Kerry Manings, Patricia Beck, Salvacion Escador, Hugyik Laszlo, Ester Martinez, Marcella Wockner, Patrick Scriha

those with anniversaries & others who have died: Marie Coley, Georgie Martyn, Elpidio Yator, Margaret McHugh, André Vishaal Das, Panattu Chacko Urmise, Celine Urmise, Elenawati Tanudiredja, Ana Klaser, Bosko Malinovic, Eliseo F. Primacio, Benito & Rosario Alarcon, Ricardo Salonga, Jessica Smith, Michael Ogle

those who are unwell: Marco Berrios, Melissa Guerra, Cristina Fernandez, Santa Escosura, Carla Taraborrelli, Michael Jung, Mario Minero, Joshua Hyland, Kate Rodriguez, Christopher Riley

for those resting in our Columbarium: Fredrick Aisthorpe, Harold Aisthorpe, Minnie Aisthorpe, Allan Alvis, Dawn Angus, Helen Bailey, Harold "Gordon" Barker, 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 Lorenson, Noemi Lorenson, George Martyn, Maureen McDonald, Frances McKenzie, Peter McSweeney, Harry Mohr, Eusebia Morao, Gerard Murphy, Cuong Nguyen, Quy Thi Nguyen, Nghia Bao Nguyen, Michael Ogle, Marie Therese Ong, 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: Anne Carroll, Lyn Catchlove, Margo Couldrey, Cathy & Mick Crust, Mary Dixon, Marie Hutchinson, Cynthia Impey, Baby Malakai, Carolyn Miller, Christopher Riley, Jim Scriha, James Scriha

### ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT...

...is held every Tuesday at 7pm in the church. Everyone is welcome to spend a few minutes or the whole Holy Hour in the presence of the Lord.



### TWO MINUTE HOMILIES & REFLECTIONS

This week, **Fr Joseph Vu** from the Inala parish gives the homily for the 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time.

*"The theme of this Sunday's Gospel is the nature of a calling or vocation. How are we called to follow Christ?"*

Two Minute Homilies and Reflections can be viewed on the Archdiocese of Brisbane YouTube channel or go to:

[brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/two-minute-homilies-and-reflections/](https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/two-minute-homilies-and-reflections/)

### A VOCATION VIEW:

#### 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time



Even a great person like Jonah turned away, at first, from what God called him to do. It is never too late to hear the Lord say, 'Come, follow me.'

Is God calling you to vocation? To find out more call 1300 133 544 or go to [www.vocationbrisbane.com](http://www.vocationbrisbane.com)

### LEGION OF MARY



You are invited to join the Legion of Mary on Fridays at 10am in the Media Room.

Let's serve God through Mary!

If you would like to start receiving the parish newsletter via email, please contact the parish office at [sec.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:sec.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au)

### 2024 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

*Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank*

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation (concluding the 2023 Program)



For those who received their First Communion last year, the Sacramental Program will conclude with the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Emails with more information will be sent out to parents next week.

#### Parent Info Session:

Sunday 25th February, 1pm  
OLOL School Auditorium

#### Rite of Enrolment Masses: (during weekend Mass)

Saturday 2nd March, 6pm  
Sunday 3rd March, 9:15am, 10:30am & 6pm

#### Key Formation Session 1:

Sunday 10th March, 1pm  
OLOL Primary School Auditorium

#### Key Formation Session 2:

Sunday 17th March, 1pm  
OLOL Primary School Auditorium

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Tuesday 19th March, 5pm  
Our Lady of Lourdes Church

If you have any questions, please email the parish office at:

[pa.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:pa.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au)

### 2024 Sacramental Program

Children aged 8 to 10 are eligible for this year's Sacramental Program, which begins with Confirmation. Registration opens after Easter, and the Parent Information Session will be on Sunday 19 May.



### 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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# Welcome Back!

We hope you all had a restful break and are ready for another fantastic year! Unite Youth is back and we look forward to seeing you around and at our events.  
Abbey and Gabby



## Dates

9 February

23 February

8 March

22 March

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# UNITE TEENS

FUN, FAITH, FRIENDS



Unite Youth- Sunnybank  
@uniteyouth.sunnybank



7pm -9pm



Avocado Room, OLOL Parish Church

## Young Adults Events

**FEBRUARY**

Reclaim Tuesday 6th (Run by EB)

Welcome Party Sunday 18th

Young Adults Night Sunday 25th

**TIMES**

7-9pm

After Mass

After Mass

**COME HANG OUT AND GROW WITH OTHER YOUNG ADULTS**

Avocado Room  
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