



Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank

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Monday 4th March

8.15am Morning Prayer
8.30am **Mass**

Tuesday 5th March

8.15am Morning Prayer
8.30am **Mass**
9.30am Bible Study
7.00pm Adoration

Wednesday 6th March

8.15am Morning Prayer
8.30am **Mass**

Thursday 7th March

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

Friday 8th March

6.30am **Mass**
8.15am Morning Prayer
8.30am **Mass**
10.00am Legion of Mary
6.00pm **Stations of the Cross**

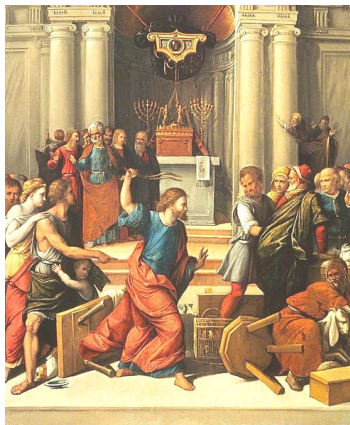
Saturday 9th March

10.30am **Marian Way of the Cross**
11.00am Reconciliation
2.30pm Charismatic Prayer (Spanish)
5.00pm Reconciliation
6.00pm **Mass**

Sunday 10th March

Fourth Sunday of Lent

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



Christ Driving the Money-changers from the Temple by Benvenuto Tisi, c. 1540-50. National Galleries Scotland

Third Sunday of Lent - Sunday 3rd March 2024

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR LENT 2024

Through the Desert God Leads us to Freedom



Dear brothers and sisters!

When our God reveals himself, his message is always one of freedom:

“I am the Lord your God, who brought you out of the land of Egypt, out of the house of slavery” (Ex 20:2). These are the first words of the Decalogue given to Moses on Mount Sinai. Those who heard them were quite familiar with the exodus of which God spoke: the experience of their bondage still weighed heavily upon them. In the desert, they received the “Ten Words” as a thoroughfare to freedom. We call them “commandments”, in order to emphasize the strength of the love by which God shapes his people. The call to freedom is a demanding one. It is not answered straightaway; it has to mature as part of a journey. Just as Israel in the desert still clung to Egypt – often longing for the past and grumbling against the Lord and Moses – today too, God’s people can cling to an oppressive bondage that it is called to leave behind. We realize how true this is at those moments when we feel hopeless, wandering through life like a desert and lacking a promised land as our destination. Lent is the season of grace in which the desert can become once more – in the words of the prophet Hosea – the place of our first love (cf. Hos 2:16-17). *God shapes his people, he enables us to leave our slavery behind and experience a Passover from death to life. Like a bridegroom, the Lord draws us once more to himself, whispering words of love to our hearts.*

The exodus from slavery to freedom is no abstract journey. If our celebration of Lent is to be concrete, the first step is to desire to *open our eyes to reality*. When the Lord calls out to Moses from the burning bush, he immediately shows that he is a God who sees and, above all, hears: “I have observed the misery of my people who are in Egypt; I have heard their cry on account of their taskmasters. Indeed I know their sufferings, and I have come down to deliver them from the Egyptians, and to bring them up out of that land to a good and broad land, a land flowing with milk and honey” (Ex 3:7-8). Today too, the cry of so many of our oppressed brothers and sisters rises to heaven. Let us ask ourselves: Do we hear that cry? Does it trouble us? Does it move us? All too many things keep us apart from each other, denying the fraternity that, from the beginning, binds us to one another.

To continue reading Pope Francis’ Lent message, go to

<https://www.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/messages/len/index.html>

Thank you to all those who have completed and returned the Ministry Forms. The forms are still available in the Church, as attachment to your email and online. You can also help to inform someone to consider serving in any of our ministries.



We ask that both new and continuing volunteers complete and return the form to the office, parish email or drop in the collection box in the church. If you need more information about the Ministry you are considering, contact us....

God bless you.

Next Sunday: Fourth Sunday of Lent

2 Chronicles 36:14-16, 19-23

Ephesians 2:4-10

John 3:14-21

Third Sunday of Lent (Year B)

First Reading: Exodus 20:1-17 This reading gives an account of the Ten Commandments. Though sometimes perceived as a list of harsh prohibitions, rather they express positive values compatible with God's will for creation.

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 1:22-25 Jews demand miracles and Greeks desire wisdom. This captures the universal human desire for power and wisdom, something sought for in all sorts of places. However, true power and wisdom, the power and wisdom of God, is found in Christ.

Gospel: John 2:13-25 Jesus confronts the Temple merchants who had transformed what was supposed to be a place of prayer for all people into a 'marketplace'. The altercation at what Jesus terms his 'Father's house', also anticipates Christ's death and resurrection; an event that will bring God's salvation to all people.

Tedesco, Joe. "Third Sunday of Lent - 3 March 2024." Pastoral Liturgy 54, no. 2 (2024): 1-7

PARISH COMMUNITY WEEKEND

Come celebrate with us on the weekend of **2 & 3 March** 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!



PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES IN LENT

Extra Friday Morning Mass

During Lent, there will be an additional **Friday morning Mass at 6:30am**, starting on Friday 16 February.



Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held weekly, beginning on **Friday 16 February at 6pm**.

Marian Way of the Cross

Instead of Novena, we will be having Marian Way of the Cross on **Saturday mornings from 10am**.

Lent Reconciliation

In preparation for Easter, the 2nd Rite of Reconciliation will be held on **Wednesday 20 March at 6pm**. Individual reconciliation is also held every **Saturday at 11am and 5pm**.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Held every **Tuesday at 7pm** in the church.

Christian Meditation

Meets on **Thursdays at 7:50am** in the media room.

SUNNYBANK CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP

The Charismatic Prayer Group will be meeting:



Saturday 9 March - Spanish Prayer Meeting
Saturday 16 March - English Prayer Meeting
Saturday 23 March - Spanish Prayer Meeting
Saturday 30 March - Easter Vigil, no meeting.

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

All Welcome! Contact the parish office for more info.



OLOL MINISTRY SUNDAY INVITATION

SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER IN A MINISTRY

Come serve in:

- Weekend & Youth Mass
- Evangelisation
- Outreach
- Maintenance
- Care & Concern

It's not too late, volunteer now!

CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME 3RD WEEK OF LENT

Lent is a time of repentance and fasting, of turning away from all that is counter to God's will and purposes for his world and all who live in it. We can focus our Lenten 'acts of love and sacrifice' on our contribution to climate change, and those most impacted by it. Each week with a different focus on actions for care of our common home and its people.

Waste: Reduce waste to landfill through waste management strategies.

3rd March: Does your church recycle? What happens to your church's waste? Do you recycle? Do you know what happens to your waste?

4th March: Gratitude is the attitude - Write down the 20 things you are most grateful for. (Meat Free Monday)

5th March: Compost. Put the nutrients from food waste back into the soil.

6th March: Reduce rubbish! On bin day, look at the size of your rubbish and commit to reducing it by half.

7th March: Clean Green! Create your own green cleaning spray with water and white vinegar solution.

8th March: Plastic Free! Begin your plastic free journey - what can you reduce? (Fish Friday)

9th March: Clear your closet of unused clothes, give them away or host a second-hand sale.

CARITAS AUSTRALIA: PROJECT COMPASSION SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

Not having access to a reliable source of clean water was very difficult for **Leaia** and her family. But with the support of Caritas Australia, a water tank was installed at their home, improving their health and living conditions.

Please donate to Project Compassion.

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.



PROJECT COMPASSION
FOR ALL FUTURE GENERATIONS



Your Prayers Are Asked For:

recently deceased: **Josephine Dinglasan Bhatti, Luciano Ferrari, Irene Garcia Flores, Fumio Shimamoto, Hernan Montalva, Robert Woods, Fr Ian Wren**

those with anniversaries & others who have died: **Queenie Sinclair, Derek Gordon, Arthur & Kathleen Bailey, Amelia Guerrero, Lydia Cruz, Jamie & Jose Alarcon, Gladwyn Catchlove, Rosanna Collins, Peg McKey, Yvonne Stranks, Maria Rietberg, Carol Wilson, Therese Dutton, Bernardo Cas Nopre, Marie Barker**

those who are unwell: **Peter Morandini, Esmeralda Berrios, Robyn S., John Mcready, Mario Minero, Thomas Huey**



PARISH LIBRARY

In the **MEDIA ROOM** next to the Church

OPEN: 7:30am - 12noon, first Sunday of every month

Come and look...find something of interest...
borrow for 1 month!

We have well over 1000 books, and our on-line catalogue can be accessed through Our Lady of Lourdes website:

- ⇒ menu
- ⇒ contacts & links
- ⇒ forms & downloads
- ⇒ parish library listing

or via this link:

<https://www.olol.com.au/uploads/1/0/3/8/103877698/parishlibrarylisting.pdf>



2024 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank

Sacrament of Reconciliation

For those who received their First Communion last year, the Sacramental Program will conclude with the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

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



OUR LADY OF LOURDES SCHOOL TOUR

We are please to welcome prospective students and families to Our Lady of Lourdes Primary School to view our school facilities and learn more about our school.

When: Tuesday 12 March at 9:15am

RSVP: OLOEnrolments@bne.catholic.edu.au 3345 0736

AGEING WISELY: FREE SEMINAR

AGENDA

9:30am	Welcome	Fr Enoch Iheme, <i>Parish Priest</i>	
9:45am	Charitable gifts in Wills	Raushen Perera, <i>Archdiocese of Brisbane</i>	
10:15am	Legal advice and Estate Planning	Vicky Martin, <i>Thynne & McCartney</i>	
10:45am	Morning Tea		
11:15am	Retirement & Financial Planning	Noel Whittaker, <i>QUT Business School</i>	
11:45am	Pre-arranging funerals	Helen Mangano, <i>Holy Cross Funerals</i>	
12:15pm	In-home community support	Joanne Roy, <i>Centacare</i>	
12:45pm	Lunch and Fellowship		
1.30pm	Finish		

PLEASE JOIN US

Date: **Tuesday, 12th March** Time: **9:30am - 1:30pm**

Venue: **Our Lady of Lourdes Parish 121, Mains Road, Sunnybank**

Morning tea and lunch will be provided free of charge. To register your attendance at the event please email sec.sunnybank@bne.catholic.net.au and you will be sent an RSVP form.

Please RSVP on or before Thursday, 7 March.

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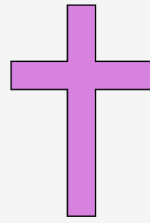
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Community



"Where two or three are gathered in my name, I am there among them"
Matthew 18;20

Dates

~~9 February~~

~~23 February~~

8 March

22 March

THIS WEEK!

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UNITE TEENS

FUN, FAITH, FRIENDS



Unite Youth- Sunnybank
@uniteyouth.sunnybank



7pm -9pm



Avocado Room, OLOL Parish Church

March YA Events

Reclaim

Run by EB

Tuesday 5th March

7-9pm

ECM

Good Friday Drama and Rehearsals

Details below



Good Friday Drama



Grade 7+
(YA included)



2pm and 4pm
Good Friday Liturgies

Rehearsal Times:

17 March After 7 - 8:15pm

24 March 7-8:00pm

29 March 11am - 1:30

* Lunch provided 29 March*



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.

SAFEGUARDING

