

Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank

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

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Monday 22nd April

8.15am Morning Prayer 8.30am **Mass**

Tuesday 23rd April

- 8.15am Morning Prayer
- 8.30am **Mass**
- 9.30am Bible Study

Wednesday 24th April

8.15am Morning Prayer 8.30am **Mass**

Thursday 25th April

ANZAC DAY

8.45am Morning Prayer

9.00am **Mass**

Friday 26th April

- 8.15am Morning Prayer
- 8.30am **Mass**
- 9.00am Adoration
- 10.00am Legion of Mary

Saturday 27th April

10.00am Rosary & Novena

11.00am Reconciliation

2.30pm Charismatic Prayer (Spanish)

5.00pm Reconciliation

6.00pm Mass

Sunday 28th April

5th Sunday of Easter

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



Jesus' description of himself "I am the <u>Good Shepherd</u>" (from the <u>Gospel of John</u>, chapter 10, verse 11).

Fourth Sunday of Easter - Sunday 21st April 2024

Dear Parishioners,

Over the last week, parishioners who volunteer as Mass Coordinators, Special Eucharistic Ministers, Readers, Commentators, Welcomers, Sacristans and Collectors participated in our Parish Liturgical Refresher and Emergence Evacuation Trainings. We had 4 training sessions with a total of 72 participants and a group of facilitators. At the end of the 1st session, which was in the morning of Saturday 13th April, one of the volunteers said to me "Father, it is good to know that we are in for a very significant role". In the evening of that 1st day, we got the news of the Bondi Junction Stabbing and before the 2nd session on Monday 15th April, we got another scary news of the terrorist attack on Bishop Mar Mari Emmanuel right on the Altar during Mass. Those two incidences are proof that truly our volunteers are in some ways laying down their lives for community.

This Sunday is Good Shepherd Sunday. **Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd has called us take on the role of being good shepherds in the world**. Pope Francis always calls pastors and indeed every evangelising community to take on the "smell of the sheep" and standing by the people of our time at every step of their journey, we bring them hope.

It has been very pastorally refreshing to read some honest suggestions and interventions regarding the possibility of changing our Weekend Mass Times. I acknowledge the receipt of your emails though I have not replied any of them. The aim is not just to change Mass Times. It has been a part of the Archdiocesan and Parish Pastoral Planning to suitably channel our gifts and resources towards evangelisation. For example, until 2020, we used to have 10,588 Catholics, 3 priests and a great pool of volunteers in the parish but now we have less than 9,500 Catholics, 2 priests and a smaller group of very senior volunteers. There will certainly be a Weekend Mass for every parishioner.

We will be retaining all our Weekday Mass Times and have at least 5 Weekend Masses with one hour allowance for every Mass and at least 30 minutes interval between Masses. The plan is for parishioners to give their suggestions from now until Pentecost Sunday 19th May, and then the Parish Pastoral Team will consider these suggestions and will publish the New Weekend Mass Times on Holy Trinity Sunday 26th May. Parishioners will then have time to adjust to whichever Weekend Mass time they will prefer. From the 1st weekend in July 6th /7th, we will trial the New Weekend Mass Times until the 1st Sunday of Advent 1st December. The possible change will happen gradually and trusting the leadership of the Holy Spirit, it will all come out to the Glory of God and the good of our parishioners.

As your Pastor, I would need some of you to help me with the task of listening and responding to the hopes, ideas, needs and concerns of the parishioners of today and tomorrow. So I invite you to pick up a Pastoral Council Nomination Form to nominate a member of the Parish Community to be considered for the role of a Parish Pastoral Council Member. As this is a 'closed nomination', you do not need to check with the nominee if they are happy to be nominated. The current Pastoral Council Members together with me will discern the nomination and will contact the nominee.

Less we forget, "If ye break faith with us who die, We shall not sleep, though poppies grow In Flanders fields." We will join the honouring of the memories of our Anzacs with Mass on Thursday 25th April. Less we forget.

Fr Enoch Iheme

Next Sunday: 5th Sunday of Easter Acts 9:26-31 1 John 3:18-24 John 15:1-8

Fourth Sunday of Easter (Year B)

First Reading: Acts 4:8-12 Peter is before the Temple authorities following the healing of the man-born-lame. Just as they had questioned Jesus, the authorities ask Peter by whose authority has this man been healed. By the name of Jesus Christ the Nazarene...the only name by which we can be saved.

Second Reading: 1 John 3:1-2 Today's second reading would have to be one of the most eloquent meditations on the abundance of God's love for us in all the pages of Sacred Scripture: God's love is lavished upon us, God's children.

Gospel: John 10:11-18 The image of Jesus as the good shepherd is one that resonates with most of us (even if most of us now do not live in rural settings and our experience of sheep is largely second- or third hand). There is something reassuring and comforting about the idea of a Saviour who knows us and would lay down his life for us (he already has, of course).

Doran, Anthony. "Fourth Sunday of Easter - 21 April 2024." *Pastoral Liturgy* 54, no. 2 (2024): 1-6



CATHOLIC KIDS CLUB:

Saturday 4th May: 3pm-5pm Jacaranda 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.

SUNNYBANK PARISH FRIENDSHIP GROUP NEWS:

Our next meeting in on Wednesday 24 April.

Darryl McCormack from Centacare will be giving a talk on services for seniors. Email bookings taken on 24 April 2024 for show "**Keeping Up Appearances**" Cost \$45 Bus leaves Church at 9am. Be at Church by 8.45am on **16**th **May 2024.**

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





Please Note: The next online Safeguarding Training will be held on Wednesday, 8 May 2024 at 10.30am



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2024 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank Sacrament of Confirmation

Children aged 8 to 10 are eligible for this year's Sacramental Program, which begins with Confirmation. Registration are now open.

Parent Info Session:

Sunday 19th May, 1pm OLOL School Auditorium

Rite of Enrolment Masses: (during weekend Mass)
Saturday 25 May, 6pm
Sunday 26 May, 9:15am, 10:30am & 6pm

Key Formation Session 1:

Sunday 2nd June, 1pm OLOL Primary School Auditorium

Key Formation Session 2:

Sunday 9th June, 1pm OLOL Primary School Auditorium

Rehearsal:

Sunday 16th June, 3pm Our Lady of Lourdes Church

Sacrament of Confirmation:

Thursday 20 June, 6pm Our Lady of Lourdes Church

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



Your Prayers Are Asked For:

<u>recently deceased</u>: **Gerardo Fernandez, Fr Nik Zlatunic, Lawrence Augustine,** Fr. Marty Larsen, Thomas Michael Treston, Angelina Verissimo Gomes de Souza, Peter Nicol, Lee Shannon, Suhendro Notowidjojo, Jan Haynen

those with anniversaries & others who have died: Mabel Nair, Zsigmond Hegyi, Lionel James, Francis Mar Fan, Fidelia Henriques, Maria Antonia Barrientos, Eddy Hartono, Carol Ann Wilson, Clare Richter, Colette Gore, Donald Henderling, Harry Mohr,

<u>those who are unwell</u>: Cecilia Morandini, Peter Morandini, Nora Arceo, Dalio Mira, David Hylan, Alexandra Guerra, Esmeralda Berrios, Jean Hamilton, Destiny Uba, Emmanuel Moran, Alejandra Moran. Pandu Atmadia

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, 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: Rosamaria Abbate, Cheryl Barrientos, Jo Bowman, Denise Burgess, Anne Carroll, Lyn Catchlove, Lawrence Chua, Elizabeth Cho, Peter Clark, Hilary Collins, Alan Cooke, Margo Couldrey, Mary Dixon, Jamie Edwards, Jan Fooks, Ros Furber, Carol Ann Grace, Mary Goode, Jean Hamilton, Marie Harrison, Cynthia Hayden, John Hickey, Cynthia Impey, Norma Ives, Gloria Ives, Stephen Ives, Geoff Ives, Mel Jones, P. Karvelis, Istvan Kovacs, Malcolm Lilley, Baby Malakai, Denise Mann, Barbara Martin, Rod McDonald, Bob McKenzie, Carolyn Miller, Sr Stella Noskoff, Mark O'Brien, Barbara O'Neill, Jean Perram, Christopher Riley, Katie Ryan, Madonna Ryan, Julio Santana, Jim Scriha, James Scriha, Brian Strangman, June Sultana, Nick Vakanas, Margaret Yap, Carole Young

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 April or Sunday 19th May

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

OLOL 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.

Our next breakfast will be held on Saturday 4th

May from 7am, in the Avocado Room of
Paloma Centre. A full BBQ breakfast plus tea,
coffee and juices will be available for the
usual \$10 per person. Will also include our
famous Lamb's Fry and Bacon

Our guest speaker this month will be Charles Joseph who will speak on technology.

If you are new and would like to attend, please contact Bob to register (0467 341 04).

POPE'S PRAYER INTENTIONS - APRIL 2024

For The Role Of Women

Let us pray that the dignity and worth of women be recognized in every culture, and for an end to the discrimination



ANZAC DAY 2024

The parish will be celebrating **ANZAC Day Mass** at **9am** on **Thursday 25 April**. As part of our celebration, we would like to put a face to the names of all those our relatives and parishioners who served and died to secure our peace and freedom.

Following Mass, the Welcoming & Hospitality Committee will be serving a cuppa. Please bring a plate of your favourite ANZAC biscuits to share!



When War Becomes Personal

Our attitudes to war change drastically when it becomes personal. The killing of Zomi Frankcom, together with other members of the Charity organisation World Central Kitchen, made the war between Israel and Hamas personal. It has led many people to see the destruction of Gaza and its people as not only regrettable but intolerable.

The recent Popes have said that modern war can never be justified. The destructive power of modern weapons inevitably leads to the denial of the unique value of human being and the consequent destruction of the conditions necessary for living with human dignity. It also corrupts even in those whose cause is just the respect for humanity essential to its justice. That moral corruption was evident in the bombing of Dresden and Hiroshima and in the defences subsequently made for them. Gaza is yet another demonstration of the injustice of war and of its power to corrupt human judgment. It must be met by seeing and feeling the lives of those destroyed in it as personal.

Father Andrew Hamilton SJ



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Centacare

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Community

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



YOUTH BBQ







EVERY IST AND 3RD SUNDAY AFTER YOUTH MASS



ALL DONATIONS SUPPORT OUR PARISH YOUTH **GROUPS (TEENS AND YA) AND THEIR ENDEAVOURS**

We are seeking donations of sausages, bread and soft drinks Please contact the Parish Office for more info.

YOUNG ADULTS APRIL/MAY

COME CHILL, GROW AND EXPLORE WITH US!



YA NIGHT 10 MAY FRIDAY 7PM

YA HANG OUT MAY 26

SUNDAY AFTER MASS

Other Opportunities:

Reclaim: 7 May Ignite Launch: 18 May Women's Retreat: 17 - 19 July Reclaim Retreat: TBC Ignite Conference: 19-22 September

*Please contact the parish office for more information**



17 May

0493 100 177 youth.sunnybank@bne catholic.net.au



3 May

Term 2 2024

31st May

14 June



Avocado and Jacaranda Rooms





World Day of Prayer for Vocations







WE HAVE KEPT A SEAT FOR YOU AT THE TABLE

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Audrey – Alpha 2023

At Alpha you can ask anything! Alpha is a safe space where you can ask questions about life, faith and meaning. A seat at the table has been prepared for you, all you have to do is come.

"Alpha enriched my faith journey by allowing me to participate and learn in a friendly, supportive atmosphere." Keith - Alpha 2023

Please register via the signup sheet in the Church foyer or contact the Parish Office on 3345 3766.

Please join with our Parish Community in praying the *Prayer for Alpha:*

Loving God, we give you thanks and praise for the gift of faith that we have been given through Your grace and mercy.

We pray for Alpha in our Parish, that it may be an opportunity for people to encounter Jesus in a life changing way.

Send the Holy Spirit to lead, guide and protect each member of our Alpha team, so that they would be effective co-workers in your mission.

We pray that many people's lives would be transformed by the message of the Gospel and come to have a deep faith In Jesus Christ.

We ask this in the name of Jesus Christ, our Lord, by the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen