

BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH

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MARY MOTHER OF MERCY CHURCH

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INFANT SAVIOUR CHURCH

4 Park Ave, Burleigh Heads

OUR LADY OF THE WAY CHURCH

Eleventh Ave, Palm Beach

CALVARY CHURCH

Redondo Ave, Miami

ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH

Wallaby Dr, Mudgeeraba

ST TERESA'S COMMUNITY

Springbrook

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PARISH WEEKLY DIARY

Saturday 17 August
8.00am Mass - Burleigh Heads
4.15pm Reconciliation - Miami
5.00pm Mass - Miami
5.15pm Reconciliation - Palm Beach
6.00pm Mass - Palm Beach

Sunday 18 August – Ordinary Time 20
7.00am Mass - Burleigh Heads
7.00am Mass - Palm Beach
8.30am Mass - Miami
8.30am Mass - Mudgeeraba
10.00am Mass - Burleigh Waters (*Livestreamed*)
11.00am Mass (Portuguese) - Miami
5.00pm Reconciliation - Burleigh Waters
5.30pm Mass - Burleigh Waters (*Livestreamed*)

Monday 19 August – St John Eudes
9.00am Mass - Miami

Tuesday 20 August – St Bernard
7.30am Mass - Burleigh Waters (*Livestreamed*)

Wednesday 21 August – St Pius X, pope
5.30pm Mass - Palm Beach

Thursday 22 August – The Queenship of the BVM
5.00pm Reconciliation - Mudgeeraba
5.30pm Mass - Mudgeeraba

Friday 23 August – St Rose of Lime
10.00am Mass - Burleigh Waters (*Livestreamed*)

Saturday 24 August – St Bartholomew, apostle
8.00am Mass - Burleigh Heads
4.15pm Reconciliation - Miami
5.00pm Mass - Miami
5.15pm Reconciliation - Palm Beach
6.00pm Mass - Palm Beach

Sunday 25 August – Ordinary Time 21
7.00am Mass - Burleigh Heads
7.00am Mass - Palm Beach
8.30am Mass - Miami
8.30am Mass - Mudgeeraba
10.00am Children's Family Mass - Burleigh Waters (*Livestreamed*)
5.00pm Reconciliation - Burleigh Waters
5.30pm Mass - Burleigh Waters (*Livestreamed*)

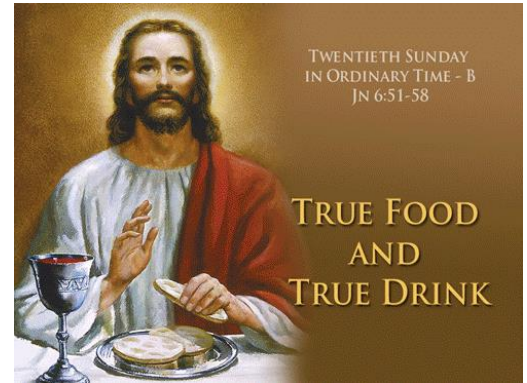
20th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

18 AUGUST 2024

Year B/2

This Week's Readings: Prov 9:1-6; Eph 5:15-20; Jn 6:51-58
Next Week's Readings: Josh 24:1-2,15-18; Eph 5:21-32; Jn 6:60-69

What do you think of when you hear the word "wisdom?" Does it evoke images of the East? Do you imagine a robed monk or nun sitting cross legged on a mountaintop with seekers climbing the steep paths to them? The devotees sit around their guru anxiously waiting for him/her to utter something profound and esoteric, understood only by the initiated. These few have learned secret knowledge from their teacher.



Then there are the rest of us ordinary, everyday, hard-working folk with little time or resources to drop everything and go on a wisdom quest. From that perspective the achievement of wisdom seems reserved for the few.

Well, not for the Israelites. They would fit in the category named "the rest of us" – ordinary hard-pressed people with little time to ponder profound secrets. There are fields to be planted, sheep to lead to water and grapes to prune. For them, their sages gave practical knowledge about daily living applicable to each and all. That was how they and the Bible understood wisdom.

Proverbs depicts Wisdom as a very active female figure. She has built her house, set her table and invites her guests to a special banquet. "Come, eat of my food and drink the wine I have mixed!" Like specially prepared food, Wisdom serves practical knowledge to her guests, teaching them to discern what is good. She guides them in right living.

Wisdom's banquet and gifts are not reserved for a few elite; nor are they just for the community's hierarchy. All are invited. (This classic passage gives prominence to women, no man is in the scene giving orders to the "housekeeper.") Servants have been sent out to the guests. She invites those who are "simple" to come to her feast; those eager to learn. The food she offers provides understanding for right living, she makes us "friends of God and prophets" (Wisdom 7: 27).

Last Sunday, our gospel passage (Jn 6: 41-51) focused on the first part of the Bread of Life Discourse. There Jesus is presented as the bread from heaven. He told his opponents that those drawn by God would be taught by God and then will come to Jesus. He compared the manna the Jews ate in the desert with himself, the living, life-giving bread. That part of the discourse ended with a Eucharistic theme as Jesus identified the bread from heaven as his flesh. Today the discourse continues with a more Eucharistic interpretation. Jesus says he is the bread from heaven and, "The bread that I will give is my flesh for the life of the world."

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Jesus declares that his flesh is food and his blood drink for us. In his language “flesh and blood” represents the human being. Applied to Jesus the term has several meanings. It refers to his taking on flesh and blood in the Incarnation. It also stirs up images of the sacrificial animals slaughtered and eaten in the Temple. Thus, he is both a victim and our food and drink.

Previously the reference to the bread from heaven had to do with believing in Jesus, the one sent by God. Now, in today’s section from the discourse, eternal life comes to us by our feeding on Jesus. Those who “feed on me will have life because of me.” Feeding on Jesus already gives us a share in eternal life and a promise of fullness of life when we will be raised from the dead on the last day. Jesus shares eternal life with his Father and we get to share in that life because we feed on the him, the bread of life.

In the Synoptic Gospels we read about the institution of the Eucharist. But in John the Eucharist and its effects are explained for us. From the two parts of the Bread of Life Discourse we can say that Christ is present and gives himself to us in a twofold way: in the Word we hear at our celebration and in his presence in the sacrament of the Eucharist. Our church continues this twofold structure of Word and Sacrament in our worship. It is the basic structure of our Mass.

Receiving the flesh and blood of Christ is not a magical rite. The discourse directs us to see the life Jesus gives us by both “believing” and “eating,” i.e. a believing reception of the sacrament. For the Christian who receives the Eucharist Jesus remains in us and we remain in him. The bread and wine don’t last forever, but the life we receive in the meal is eternal.

In the beginning of the Bread Discourse (v.4) John told us that it was Passover. This stirs up memory as we connect the discourse with Jesus’ death, his Passover. He is our Passover meal and when we eat and drink at the table of the Lord we abide in the life and death of the Lord. We don’t demand “signs” as his opponents did. We have a sign enough for our faith in the broken bread and cup poured out for us.

As we heard in our first reading, Wisdom has spread a table of choice food and drink. She has invited the “simple” to dine. At Eucharist we have accepted the invitation. We come seeking a wisdom we don’t have for ourselves, but need for our daily living – a food that will give us life and “advance [us] in the way of understanding.”

Eucharist is not a meal for a few and it is not just about our salvation. It is meant to empower all Christians to go into the world with the life of Christ we have received. What we celebrate here at table we are to put into practice. We ask for the gift of wisdom to know how to do that in our specific circumstances. The Eucharist unites us to Christ and, with him and the wisdom he gives us, we will find ways to feed the hungers of God’s people.



2024 ANNUAL

CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN

Our Church • Our Mission • Our Community

This year has brought its own set of challenges and rewards, reminding us of the strength and resilience found through our faith. Despite the obstacles, we have much to be thankful for, and the continued support from our community makes a significant impact on the good works of the Church.

There are many who need our care, and this campaign reaches out to those who need our support most. I encourage you to support it this year. The Annual Catholic Campaign reminds us that we are part of the larger Church. Our parishes work together to support vital ministries and services. Funds raised will support ministries that directly impact this parish, such as:

- training future priests,
- caring for elderly priests when they become frail and unwell,
- helping struggling families access a Catholic education and
- caring for those suffering physically and emotionally in our local community.
- There is also the option to make a non-tax-deductible gift to help fund grassroots ministry, and a place for prayer in our Archdiocese.

When making your gift, please put your donation inside the envelope provided so it remains separate from the parish collection. If you add your details to the envelope you will receive a tax receipt in the mail. Over the past years, our parish has given generously and together we have made a lasting impact on the lives of so many people in our community.

Thank you for your generosity and for making sure our Church is here to help in times of need.



ANOINTING MASS – First Friday of each month, 10 am Mary, Mother of Mercy Church. All Welcome. Care and Concern will be providing morning tea in the Community Centre.

YOUTH MASS – 1st and 3rd Sunday of each month at 5:30pm, Mary Mother of Mercy Church. We invite you to be involved with reading or altar serving, please contact the Parish Office or see the priest before Mass.



ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT – 3rd Friday of each month from 9:00am till 9:50am in Mary Mother of Mercy Church. Please join us in spending some time with Jesus, truly present in the Blessed Sacrament.

CHILDREN'S FAMILY MASS – Fourth Sunday of each Month, 10am, Mary, Mother of Mercy, Burleigh Waters the Mass will be specifically dedicated to a Children’s Mass and Liturgy. The Readings and Homily will be for the children.

PARISH LUNCHEON – First Thursday of each month at 11.30am, Burleigh Heads Sports Club. Please bring a friend and join us for fellowship, cake and celebrating birthdays.

PLANNED GIVING – Thank you for the generosity and support of all who contribute to the Parish Planned Giving. Details for electronic banking are as follows: BSB: 064 786; A/C No: 100010144. Reference: PG/Surname

Burleigh Heads Catholic Parish Ethnic Ministry Groups

Brazilian: 6:45pm every Tuesday - Miami Church
 Chinese: 3:00pm every 2nd Sunday of the Month - MMM Community Centre
 Filipino: As advertised in the parish newsletter

2024 RECONCILIATION DINNER

You are warmly invited to a remarkable and inspiring evening as we come together for the 2024 Archdiocese of Brisbane Reconciliation Dinner. As we move forward on the shared journey of reconciliation and unity, this will be an opportunity to engage in meaningful conversations and to listen and learn from a powerful social justice advocate who has dedicated her life to nurturing understanding and compassion between Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander People and Non-Indigenous Australians.

When: Friday 6 September 2024 at 6pm
Where: Hotel Grand Chancellor, Brisbane

To find out more and register your attendance, visit tinyurl.com/RecDin2024.

Please note, seating for this event is limited.

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM
 FIRST RECONCILIATION AND HOLY COMMUNION
 EVENING**



Families in our Sacramental Programme are reminded that the Parent Information Evening for First Reconciliation and Holy Communion will be held on **Tuesday 20th August 2024** at the **Mary Mother of Mercy Church**.

You are required to attend one of the following sessions **3.30pm** or **5.00pm**. It is important to note that unless the First Reconciliation has been received, the child will not be able to proceed with Holy Communion.

RCIA ENQUIRY NIGHT

DATE: Wednesday 21 August 2024
TIME: 7.00pm – 8.00pm
VENUE: Parish Office Boardroom
 3 Sunlight Drive Burleigh Waters



An invitation for anyone to attend who would like to know more about the Catholic Faith, for people who have not been baptised and for those baptised in other Faith Traditions and for Baptised Catholics who have been taken time out and wish to reconnect.

When people decide they would like to know more about the Catholic Faith, we invite them to COME AND SEE by joining the RCIA Group.

The RCIA (*Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*), also called the Catechumenate, is the process by which adult persons are brought into membership of the Roman Catholic Church.

CONTEMPLATIVE WOMEN'S GROUP “Mary: Shadow of Grace”. In *John’s gospel, Mary is the church, and the mother of the church, the woman who is in relationship to the Word of God made flesh and dwelling among us... In the life of the church Mary becomes contemplative, mystic, the one who prays for wisdom and throws her cloak, her mantle of justice, over all those in need...* (Megan McKenna, author).

Come join us as we walk a sacred path in the footsteps of Mary... 1.30pm–3.30pm Saturday 24th August, Mary Mother of Mercy Church, Burleigh Waters.

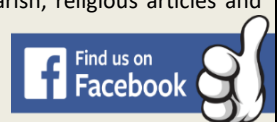


GOANNA'S MONTHLY LUNCHEON –
Date: Sunday 18th August
Time: 11.30am for a 12.00pm start
Venue: Palm Beach Soccer Club,
 81 Nineteenth Ave, Palm Beach.

ALL WELCOME come along, enjoy the Sunday Roast, reasonable prices. Enquiries, please contact Margaret 0402 834 362.

BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH FACEBOOK PAGE

Visit the Burleigh Heads Catholic Parish Facebook page! You will receive updates on what’s happening within the parish, religious articles and content of interest. ‘Like’ our Facebook page will keep you notified of new posts and help to promote the Parish page to more viewers.



GATHERING

*Taste and see, O taste and see,
taste and see the goodness of God*

Glory, glory to God most high,
glory, blessing ad praise.
With one voice, O people
rejoice in our God,
Who hears the cry
of all in need. **(Refrain)**

Who has fashioned the earth and sky,
who created the deep,
who exalts the lowly
and sets captives free,
who opens the door
to all those who seek. **(Refrain)**

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Taste and see the goodness of the Lord;
taste and see the goodness of the Lord.

COMMUNION HYMN

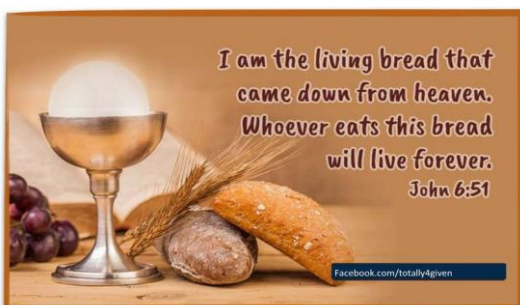
*You satisfy the hungry heart
with gift of finest wheat;
come give to us, O saving Lord,
the bread of life to eat.*

As when the shepherd calls his sheep,
they know and heed his voice;
so when you call your fam'ly, Lord,
we follow and rejoice. **(Refrain)**

With joyful lips we sing to you
our praise and gratitude,
that you should count us worthy, Lord,
to share this heav'nly food. **(Refrain)**

Is not the cup we bless and share
the blood of Christ out poured?
Do not one cup, one loaf, declare
our oneness in the Lord? **(Refrain)**

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RECESSIONAL

Go make a diff' rence.
We can make a diff' rence.
Go make a diff' rence in the world.
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PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & SPECIAL NEEDS

William Korab, Jess Hall, Michael Onn, Jason Hill, Fred Grioli, Mary Wagner, William & Gladys McCleary, Peter Flynn, Anthony Metzen, Hannes Rieck, Quetta Mace, Doreen Kennedy, Bernard Clark, Irene Garland, Caitlin Ibbotson, Edward Tudor, Dick O'Halloran, Lynne Nunan, Petrina Stewart, John Christopher, Deirdre Irwin, Linda Ledbrook, Paul Holford, Warren Wilson, Doug Tronc, Evelyn North, Margaret Russell, Jose Antonio, Chris Grioli, Des Stuckey, Mary Ann Rogers, Roy Goodger, Audrey Griffin, Joan Elsie, Doreen Coop, Tom Pritchard, Lee Capri, John Love, Brenda Carr, Noah Page, Graeme Delaney, Suzanne Fullarton, Neville Fullarton, Lyn Hundt, Joseph Penny, Therese Baggaley, Sister Eleanor Marie the sick of our Parish and all in need of God's healing Spirit.

Please ensure you receive permission before placing a name in the prayers list. Contact the Parish Office if the name is no longer required to remain on the list.

PRAYERS FOR RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

Masses have been requested for the recently deceased and for those anniversaries occurring at this time, Margaret Kennedy, Alice & Patrick Shannon, Miranda Grgich, Kevin McCarthy, Philomena Bugeja, Erlinda Tablan Cruz, Aurora Tablan. Also praying for all for whom Masses have been requested.



Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

Whoever eats this bread will live forever

F T N E U N Y X O T R L L F U B	V C X Z J P H A N E V F R E Q C E R T A I N S P J H I D	I R O W A R G U I N G H Q X M W L P K V I F F C H A R Z H R J L O R M X U W E V E R Y O N E F D R I N K G O N V L D R T M Z W G T K E V E R E R B S O C S V E X U G B G T X H A Y V Z S A C Y I N S P J H I D O O Q J O R D N X A B R E A D S M N E	Try to find these words: arguing blood bread certain crowd day drink everyone flesh forever last true
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