

# BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH

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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 19 October – St Paul of the Cross, priest

**\*\*No 8.00am Mass at Burleigh Heads\*\***

11.00am Mass – Marian Valley  
4.15pm Reconciliation - Miami  
5.00pm Mass & Candlelight Procession - Miami  
5.15pm Reconciliation - Palm Beach  
6.00pm Mass - Palm Beach

Sunday 20 October – Ordinary Time 29

7.00am Mass - Burleigh Heads  
7.00am Mass - Palm Beach  
8.30am Mass - Miami  
8.30am Mass - Mudgeeraba  
10.00am Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)  
5.00pm Reconciliation - Burleigh Waters  
5.30pm Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

Monday 21 October – Bld Diego Luis

9.00am Mass - Miami

Tuesday 22 October – St John Paul II, pope

7.30am Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

Wednesday 23 October – St John of Capistrano, priest

5.30pm Mass - Palm Beach

Thursday 24 October – St Anthony Claret, bishop

5.00pm Reconciliation - Mudgeeraba  
5.30pm Mass - Mudgeeraba

Friday 25 October – Fr Galvao

10.00am Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

Saturday 26 October – Sts Chadd & Cedd

8.00am Mass - Burleigh Heads  
4.15pm Reconciliation - Miami  
5.00pm Mass & Candlelight Procession - Miami  
5.15pm Reconciliation - Palm Beach  
6.00pm Mass - Palm Beach

Sunday 27 October – Ordinary Time 30

7.00am Mass - Burleigh Heads  
7.00am Mass - Palm Beach  
8.30am Mass - Miami  
8.30am Mass - Mudgeeraba  
10.00am Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)  
5.00pm Reconciliation - Burleigh Waters  
5.30pm Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

## 29<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B/2

### MISSION SUNDAY

20<sup>th</sup> October 2024

This Week's Readings: Is 53:10-11; Heb 4:14-16; Mk 10:35-45

Next Week's Readings: Jer 31:7-9; Heb 5:1-6; Mk 10:46-52

Although our newspapers and news feeds are full of war and violence today as kids, I loved was movies and shows like Hogan's Heros, Combat and Papillion. I don't mean to sound ancient. More recent films include, "War Horse," "Napoleon," "Da 5 Bloods," etc., Besides the vivid depictions of conflict, what often moved us kids was a scene of personal sacrifice. For example, a soldier who throws himself on a live grenade to save others from the blast but dies in the effort.

But this is not about movies. What moves people to make personal sacrifices, with no material reward, for the sake of others? Pondering that mystery will help us enter today's scriptures.

The reading from Isaiah opens with a harsh statement. "The Lord was pleased to crush him in infirmity." It sounds like what some people conclude when catastrophe befalls them. "Why is God punishing me?" "God is testing my faith." Do we really need a God who presses down on us to test us? What's even worse: do we need a God who is "pleased" to inflict pain on us? Who would want to serve such a God?

Today's text from Isaiah is taken from the fourth "Servant Song." These "songs" present an innocent servant who willingly suffers to do God's will; not in weak resignation, but as a freely chosen way to break the power of evil over humankind. Isaiah tells of a servant who takes on the consequences of sin to set others free. The servant is not defeated by death, but his suffering shall "justify many."

Early Christian writers saw in Isaiah's humble self-sacrificing servant, a clear portrait of Jesus and his example of humble service, forgiveness and death for the well-being of others. And more. As today's gospel tells us, we disciples who follow Jesus must be ready to pay the price of the discipleship for the sake of others. The cost is great and difficult, as we join in our "Responsorial Psalm" praying, "Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you."

The Letter to the Hebrews takes up Isaiah's message. Jesus is presented as our "high priest," who made a once-for all sacrifice on our behalf. In our gospel, James and John ask, "Grant that in your glory, we may sit one at your right and the other at your left."

Hebrews reverses that narrative. Jesus, "who has passed through the heavens" has made a self-sacrifice for us. Thus, in reverse of James and John's request, by becoming one of us, Jesus has sat with us, on our right and left. As a result, he is able "to sympathize with our weakness." For the Jews, whom the Letter to the Hebrews addresses, God was completely separate from our human experience; and completely other. Hebrews states that Jesus breached the separation and became one with humankind, even to the point of suffering and dying for us.



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We are quickly approaching election day here in Queensland. The candidates have been spelling out their agendas and how, they say, they are best qualified to see them to fulfillment. The disciples, James and John, sound a lot like modern politicians seeking high office. They tell Jesus that when he comes into glory, they want seats in high places, at his right and left side.

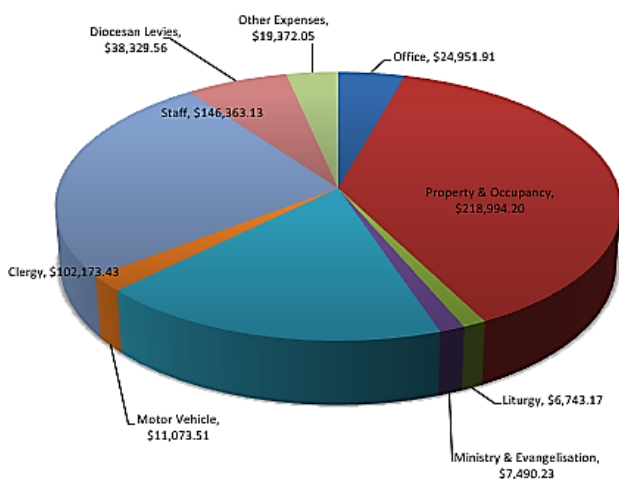
The disciples were children of their age. They anticipated that when Jesus entered Jerusalem, he would assume messianic reign and would raise Israel to world prominence. But that was not what Jesus wanted as the conclusion of his public ministry. In Mark's gospel, Jesus has had to clarify his servant role to his disciples. If they wanted to follow him, they must accept the suffering aspect of his mission. They envision drinking the cup of success (Ps 23:5; 116:13), rather than the cup of suffering Isaiah described. How would they receive glory and honour? By following Christ through suffering and death.

Our history as God' people is filled with stories of those who offered their lives, accepting suffering to follow Jesus' way. We call these models of faith "saints"; some officially named so by an arduous process of ecclesiastical investigation. But these are just a few of the countless disciples who have taken Jesus' words to heart and acted on them. The preacher and those in the pew, may call other exemplary disciples to mind and offer thanks for the examples they are for us. They have fulfilled Jesus' words, "Rather, whoever wishes to be great among you will be your servant; whoever wishes to be first among you will be slave of all."

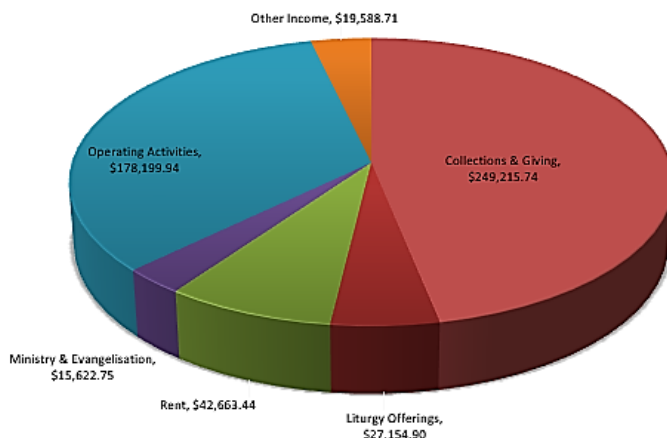
Today, for example, I call to mind lay missionary Jean Donovan, Ursuline Sister Dorothy Kazel, Maryknoll Sisters Ita Ford and Maura Clarke. 40 years ago, they were martyred during El Salvador's civil war that caused widespread bloodshed, especially among poor and rural Catholic communities. Father Manuel Acosta spoke of the women "They left their culture, they left their comfort, and they came here to live the daily life of the poor." Closer to home we remember Sr Irene McCormak (see photo) a Josephite Sister martyred in Peru and so many more examples who lived simply the life of Christ.

Isn't that what Jesus meant about drinking his cup and being baptized with the baptism he was to endure? This Mission Sunday let's be aware of the many who sacrifice for the sake of the Gospel.

**Burleigh Heads Parish Expenditure January-August 2024**  
Total: \$575,491.19



**Burleigh Heads Parish Income January - August 2024**  
Total: \$532,445.48



Dear Parishioners,

I apologise for the lateness of this half-yearly report. As you can see this is representative of the Jan-Aug income and expenditure for 2024. Again, we as a parish manage to hold our own and are able to cover our costs to a certain level. As you know all expenses are increasing always and the big expense this year is the new insurance premium which will come into about \$80k. We are also seeking to build a further hall space at MMM to cater for After School children. Our plans for Palm beach are still moving slowly and I hope to be moving on this in 2025. Our Memorial Garden upgrade at Mudgeeraba is finally complete. The Parish also hopes to start work on the Memorial Gardens at the Historic Tallebudgera Grave Site in 2025. In all we are doing OK but please be conscious that our expenses are increasing by 3% each year.

If anyone wishes to view our books and budgets, please make an appointment at the Parish Office. Padre



This week, you're invited to partner with the Church in Mongolia to help deliver essential services to people who need it most. Lack of access and social stigma mean that some of the most vulnerable people are not getting the support they require.

**The House of Mercy will provide a haven for many people, including those affected by homelessness and domestic violence. Without your partnership, people in need will go without the assistance they require.**

During World Mission Sunday, we are called to "Invite others to the banquet", and we invite you to share the warmth of God's love with our brothers and sisters who need it most in Mongolia. You can support this work by using the appeal envelope, going online at [catholicmission.org.au/mongolia](http://catholicmission.org.au/mongolia), or scanning the QR code. Your gift will also assist many other Church programs around the world.

**GO AND INVITE EVERYONE to the banquet**



Freecall: 1800 257 296  
[catholicmission.org.au/mongolia](http://catholicmission.org.au/mongolia)

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**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** – 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> 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** – 3<sup>rd</sup> 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.

**BRAZILIAN MASS** (Portuguese language) – First Tuesday of each month, 7.00pm in Calvary Church Miami.

**FILIPINO COMMUNITY** – As advertised in the parish newsletter.

**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

#### GOANNA'S FAMILY GROUP - Monthly Luncheon

**Date:** Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> October 2024

**Time:** 11.30am for 12 noon start

**Venue:** Dog and Parrot Tavern  
2 Scottsdale Dr, Robina

**ALL WELCOME**, Seniors Menu available.

Enquiries, please contact Margaret 0402 834 362

#### HAVE A CHAT GROUP - Luncheon

**Date:** Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> October 2024

**Time:** 11.30 am for 12 pm

**Venue:** Treetope Tavern, 7 Executive Drive Burleigh Waters.

**ALL WELECOME**, For enquiries phone Hans – 0410 120 550

### SYNOD24 PRAYER

Creator Spirit, whose breath of life *makes all things new*.

We gather around Your table of communion,  
as many parts of one body,  
*grounded* in the hope, joy and mission of the Risen Christ.

We open our minds and hearts,  
so we can be nourished and enlivened by Your presence,  
ready *to be* the hope, joy and mission of the Risen Christ.

We make space for the many stories of hurt, exclusion and  
silence of those within, and on the very edges of our communities,  
so we may be *in service* of the hope, joy and mission of the Risen Christ.

As your breath of life flows in us and through us,  
may we be a vessel for Your bold creativity  
so we may be the *hands and feet* of the hope, joy  
and mission of the Risen Christ.

We ask this in the name of the Risen Christ,  
Amen.



### THE RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

The RCIA is the process by which adult persons are brought into membership of the Roman Catholic Church. It focuses on the basics of belief - the life, death and resurrection of Jesus Christ. It is an opportunity to come to know Jesus Christ. It is an opportunity to reflect on life. It is a journey of faith and a chance to discover more about who you are as a Son or Daughter of a gracious loving God.



If you would like to know more, we invite you to Come and See by joining the RCIA Group

It is the process by whereby people have not been baptised and those baptised in other faith traditions become full members of the Catholic Church.

If you wish to join our RCIA Group, please phone the Parish Office on (07) 555 80120.

### 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, Noah Page, Graeme Delaney, Neville Fullarton, Lyn Hundt, Therese Baggaley, Sister Eleanor Marie, Pat Dunlop, Leah Bolland, Marcia Tudor, Sue McKinnon, Patricia Cruzado, Trish Harvey 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, Thomas Day, Maria Morris, Barry Zimmerman, Ken Paholski, Kathleen Simmons. 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*

**CONTEMPLATIVE WOMEN'S GROUP:** Due to the "Holding Space for Self" retreat this month, there will be no gathering of the Contemplative Women's Group this month. Our next gathering of the Contemplative Women's Group will be a retreat day at Mary Mother of Mercy Church and Community Centre on Saturday 23rd November 10am - 3.30pm. For information, please contact Sue Thomas [sue@suethomas.net.au](mailto:sue@suethomas.net.au).

**PARISH MUSICANS** - We need singers and instrumental musicians at our Masses in Miami. If you are interested in this ministry, please phone the Parish Office.



**GATHERING**

Praise to the Lord, the Almighty, the King of creation!  
O my soul, praise him for he is your health and salvation.  
All you who hear, now to his altar draw near;  
join in profound adoration.

Praise to the Lord, let us offer our gifts at the altar.  
Let not our sins and transgressions now cause us to falter.  
Christ the high priest bids us all join in his feast,  
victims with him on the altar.

Praise to the Lord, who will prosper our work and defend us;  
surely his goodness and mercy here daily attend us;  
ponder anew what the Almighty can do,  
who with his love will befriend us.

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

***Lord, let your mercy be on us  
as we place our trust in you.***

The word of the Lord is faithfulness and love.  
His love can never be measured.  
His beauty is like nothing we have ever seen,  
so let us place our trust in him. **(Refrain)**

The word of the Lord means a patient, gentle God.  
His love can never grow weary.  
His mercy is as though our sins have never been,  
if we can place our trust in him. **(Refrain)**

The word of the Lord is fire burning strong.  
His love can never grow weary.  
His will seek and save the lost until we all return,  
so let us place our trust in him. **(Refrain)**

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**COMMUNION HYMN**

You who dwell in the shelter of the Lord,  
who abide in his shadow for life,  
say to the Lord: "My refuge, my rock in whom I trust!"

***And he will raise you up on eagle's wings,  
bear you on the breath of dawn,  
make you to shine like the sun,  
and hold you in the palm of his hand.***

The snare of the fowler will never capture you,  
and famine will bring you no fear:  
under his wings your refuge, his faithfulness your shield.  
**(Refrain)**

You need not fear the terror of the night,  
nor the arrow that flies by day;  
though thousands fall about you, near you it shall not come.  
**(Refrain)**

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**RECESSIONAL**

***We are companions on the journey,  
breaking Bread and sharing life;  
and in the love we bear is the hope we share  
for we believe in the love of our God,  
we believe in the love of our God.***

We will seek and we shall find;  
we will knock and the door shall be opened;  
we will ask and it shall be given,  
for we believe in the love of our God,  
we believe in the love of our God. **(Refrain)**

We are made for the glory of our God,  
for service in the name of Jesus;  
to walk side by side with hope in our hearts,  
for we believe in the love of God,  
we believe in the love of our God. **(Refrain)**

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