

# BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH

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## PARISH WEEKLY DIARY

Saturday 9 November - Ded of the Lateran Basilica

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

Sunday 10 November – Ordinary Time 32

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*)

Monday 11 November – St Martin of Tours, bishop

9.00am Mass – Miami  
*Remembrance Day*

Tuesday 12 November – St Josaphat, martyr

7.30am Mass - Burleigh Waters (*Livestreamed*)

Wednesday 13 November – St Frances Cabrini

5.30pm Mass - Palm Beach

Thursday 14 November – All Carmelite Saints

5.00pm Reconciliation - Mudgeeraba  
5.30pm Mass – Mudgeeraba

Friday 15 November - St Albert the Great, bishop

9.00am Adoration & Morning Prayer- Burleigh Waters  
10.00am Mass - Burleigh Waters (*Livestreamed*)

Saturday 16 November – St Margaret of Scotland

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

Sunday 17 November – Ordinary Time 33

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*)

## 32<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

10 November 2024

Year B/2

**This Week's Readings:** 1 Kg 17:10-16; Heb 9:24-28; Mk 12:38-44

**Next Week's Readings:** Dan 12:1-3; Heb 10:11-14, Mk 13:24-32

### There was a drought in Israel.

All people suffered its consequences, not only the Jews, but their pagan neighbours as well. God sent Elijah to the widow of Zarephath, a Gentile. That is a consistent theme in the Hebrew Scriptures: God's concern for the powerless. The widow and her child would be the most vulnerable; she has no husband to help and protect her and her son. God does what God always does: sees those most in need and responds.



Initially, Elijah does not make a good first impression on the needy widow. She was gathering wood for a fire to cook her last meal for herself and her son. Elijah did not immediately help her. In fact, he added to the burden she was already bearing by asking for water, in a time of drought and for bread from her diminished supplies! He seems demanding. But Elijah is inviting her to faith: if she makes him the bread he asked for, God will miraculously provide for her and her son throughout the famine. The widow does not have much, but if she gives up what little she has, God will provide for her. She has no visible proof this is so, but she puts faith in Elijah's assurance of God's care for her.

We may not have much to offer in service to God. But are we willing to give what little we have to experience God working with us, through our resources, as little as they may be? Can we think of a time when we did just as the widow did, gave not from our surplus, but from what was essential for us. In doing so we might have even ignored our own needs.

Did we give generously, not only from our money, but from our gifts of time and talent, because we saw a greater need. For example: in our marriage, a friendship, our local community, our church family? It is hard to give with the kind of generosity we see in the widow in the Temple whom Jesus says gave, "... all she had, her whole livelihood." It is very hard to give with the generosity the widow showed. Her generosity is striking. I tend to want to hold back something, "just in case." On the other hand, the widow gave the very last of what they had.

In the gospel scene Jesus is watching people come and go. He is at the women's court where there were 13 trumpet-shaped containers into which people dropped their offerings. Imagine the sound the widow's two small coins made. While the clanging of the wealthy's money would certainly have drawn attention. The sound difference would have been a marker that the widow's offering was puny. Don't you think that she felt self-conscious and humbled before others?

Jesus has been in controversies with the religious elite, who held power among the people. He rebukes them for building their power and wealth, even the Temple itself, on the backs of the poor. "They devour the houses of widows...." The widow's gift will go for the upkeep of the Temple. Ironically, at the time of the gospel of Mark, the temple had been, or was about to be, destroyed.

Jesus took his disciples aside criticizing the source of the offerings. The rich contributed from their surplus, while the widow gave from all she had, "...her whole livelihood." The woman's giving was heroic. It also reflected Christ's heroic gift of himself for our sins. She was not looking for a reward. She just placed all she had into God's hands. It is clear from Jesus' words the God noticed. Soon Jesus will make his total offering to God as well, and God will notice. Jesus is like the widow in the gospel, giving all in faith to God.

Jesus praised the widow who, in her community, would have been insignificant. But her small gift is recognized by Jesus and, in effect, is blessed. We are about to bring our own gifts to the altar – bread, wine and the fruits of the collection from the community. They are gifts in themselves, but they also represent the gift of ourselves. Along with the bread and wine, we place ourselves on the altar and pray that the Spirit, who changes them into the body and blood of Christ, will also receive and change our lives into Christ's presence in the world. Like Christ, through the Spirit, we make a generous gift of ourselves in service to others in Christ's name.

The Pharisees sought the esteem of others by wearing in public the same garments they wore in the synagogues. They wanted people to admire them as prayerful and hoped to be treated special. This show of piety would earn them front seats in the synagogues. It would also draw attention to themselves at banquets and where they would receive seats of honour. They may have been vain, but that was not immoral in Jesus' eyes? No, what Jesus condemns is that they swindled money from widows. (Today's scam artists do that through phone calls and the Internet.) To make matters worse they took possession of widow's property in the name of religion.

We began November with the celebration of All Saints and the Commemoration of All Souls. They remind us that, at some date, near or far off in the future, we will be asked not to hold anything back, but to give at the moment of our death all we have to the Lord. These are joyful and sobering feasts that remind us to celebrate the goodness of our lives and to offer our lives back to God who gave them to us. In the light of these festivals we do our best to hold nothing back in our service to God. In order to make a total gift of ourselves to God at our ending, we practice now growing in generosity in how we love God and serve one another.

So now, what is holding us back and what shall we let go of? We are grateful for the Word of God and the Eucharist we are celebrating, for they can do for us what we cannot do on our own: transform us into self-giving vessels, overflowing with God's grace and love for all people.

### 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, 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, Robert Breckell, Magdalena Gitau 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, Olive Querruell, Joe & Lalotea Gabriel, Charlie and Teresa Borg, Paul Tonna, Bakoivana Bako Petar, John Gauci, Lewis Pirootta, Paul Bonner, Des Stuckey, Fred & Daisy Simons, Beryl, Frank & Ross Gaudry. 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*



**DON'T FORGET!**



**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



**LEBANON CRISIS APPEAL**

You will have seen the escalation of the conflict in the Middle East is now having a devastating impact in Lebanon, compounding the struggles of a country already in a severe economic crisis. The situation is dire, and we need your help.



If you would like to donate to the Caritas Lebanon Appeal, please scan the QR Code and make your donation through the Burleigh Heads Catholic Parish fundraiser.

**Q: WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE A VOLUNTEER FOR BURLEIGH HEADS PARISH?**

A: YES 😊

Please contact the Parish Office by phone or email [Burleighcompliance@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:Burleighcompliance@bne.catholic.net.au) and we can assist you with fulfilling the necessary volunteer safeguarding accreditation requirements and introduce you to a rewarding and satisfying pastoral experience. Thank you.

**GOANNA'S FAMILY GROUP - MONTHLY LUNCHEON**

**DATE:** Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November

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

**VENUE:** Burleigh Town Hotel, Tsipura Drive, Burleigh Heads

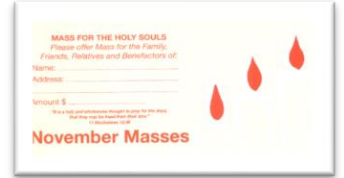


**ALL WELCOME**, Seniors Menu, any enquiries, please contact Margaret 0402 834 362.

**NEWS AROUND THE PARISH**

**MASS FOR THE HOLY SOULS**

There will be envelopes available in the churches for you to use if you wish to offer a Mass for any deceased persons.



Simply fill out the envelope and leave it in the collection basket and the priests will schedule these Masses.

*Marymount Primary School* **CAROLS ON THE GREEN**

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**GATHERING**

*Save us, O Lord; carry us back.  
Rouse your power and come.  
Rescue your people; show us your face.  
Bring us back.*

O Shepherd of Israel, hear us.  
Return and we shall be saved.  
Arise, O Lord; hear our cries, O Lord:  
Bring us back! **(Refrain)**

How long will you hide from your people?  
We long to see your face.  
Give ear to us. Draw near to us,  
Lord God of hosts! **(Refrain)**

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**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*Praise the Lord, my soul,  
Praise the Lord my soul.*

**COMMUNION HYMN**

Make me a channel of your peace.  
Where there is hatred, let me bring your love,  
where there is injury, your pardon, Lord,  
and where there's doubt, true faith in you.

Make me a channel of your peace:  
where there's despair in life, let me bring hope,  
where there is darkness, only light,  
and where there's sadness ever joy.

Oh Master, grant that I may never seek  
so much to be consoled as to console,  
to be understood as to understand,  
to be loved, as to love, with all my soul.

Make me a channel of your peace.  
It is in pardoning that we are pardoned,  
in giving of ourselves that we receive,  
and in dying that we're born to eternal life.

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**Spot the difference** Can you spot the seven differences between these two pictures?



**RECESSIONAL**

*Go make a diff'rence.  
We can make a diff'rence.  
Go make a diff'rence in the world.  
Go make a diff'rence.  
We can make a diff'rence.  
Go make a diff'rence in the world.*

We are the salt of the earth,  
called to let the people see  
the love of God for you and me.  
We are the light of the world,  
not to be hidden but be seen.  
Go make a diff'rence in the world. **(Refrain)**

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**Show your generosity and faith**

W K Q S G P A N Q Y E J L I Z O C  
V R K T W N W Z R K K G V K V N M  
W W B W C T S E W L U Z S D O A A  
C X V S U V E P T E M P L E H P G  
B K H V I O P V Q A C Y K D S C N  
P Y J Z G B H J W F M Q S E O P I  
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Try to find these words:

- coins
- gave
- money
- more
- offering
- pennies
- people
- poor
- rich
- sitting
- temple
- widow



Jesus praised the widow for her generosity because she gave everything she had even though she was poor. What are some ways we can be generous like the poor widow?

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