

# BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH

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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  
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## PARISH WEEKLY DIARY

<b>Saturday</b>	<b>26 April</b>
8.00am	Mass - Burleigh Heads
4.15pm	Reconciliation - Miami
5.00pm	Mass - Miami
5.15pm	Reconciliation - Palm Beach
6.00pm	Mass - Palm Beach
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>27 April – 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy</b>
7.00am	Mass - Burleigh Heads
7.00am	Mass - Palm Beach
8.30am	Mass - Miami
8.30am	Mass - Mudgeeraba
3.00pm	Divine Mercy Devotion - Miami
10.00am	Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)
5.00pm	Reconciliation - Burleigh Waters
5.30pm	Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)
<b>Monday</b>	<b>28 April – St Peter Chanel, priest</b>
9.00am	Mass – Miami (Memorial Mass for Pope Francis)
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>29 April – St Catherine of Siena</b>
7.30am	Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>30 April – St Pius V, pope</b>
5.30pm	Mass - Palm Beach
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>1 May – St Joseph the Worker</b>
5.00-5.15pm	Reconciliation - Mudgeeraba
5.30pm	Mass - Mudgeeraba
<b>Friday</b>	<b>2 May- St Athanasius, bishop</b>
10.00am	Anointing Mass – Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>3 May – Sts Philip and James, apostles</b>
8.00am	Mass - Burleigh Heads
4.15pm	Reconciliation - Miami
5.00pm	Mass - Miami
5.15pm	Reconciliation - Palm Beach
6.00pm	Mass - Palm Beach
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>4 May – 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Easter</b>
7.00am	Mass - Burleigh Heads
7.00am	Mass - Palm Beach
8.30am	Mass - Miami
8.30am	Mass - Mudgeeraba
3.00pm	Divine Mercy Devotion - Miami
10.00am	Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)
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## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

27 APRIL 2025

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This Week's Readings: : Acts 5:12-16; Rev 1:9-13, 17-19; Jn 20:19-31  
Next Week's Readings: Acts 5:27-32, 40-41; Rev 5:11-14; Jn 21:1-19



## WE PRAY FOR AND REMEMBER POPE FRANCIS

**POPE FRANCIS** (Jorge Mario Bergoglio)  
17 December 1936 ♦ 21 April 2025

Pope Francis went to the Father's House on Easter Monday 7:30am (3:30pm our time). We pray with his sister Maria, family, and the Universal Church. A Memorial Mass will be celebrated **9am Monday 28<sup>th</sup> April** at **Calvary Church, Miami**.

We remember Pope Francis, a man of humility. Let us pray that the Church will grow in its ministry to the displaced, the marginalised and disadvantaged. Lord, hear us.

We remember Pope Francis, pilgrim of hope. Let us pray that he may now be caught up in the promise of God's kingdom. Lord, hear us.



**Did you ever have a bad weekend?** Just think what kind of weekend the apostles had on that first Easter weekend. They must have been suffering from a severe dose of depression since Good Friday. Jesus was dead. The crowd that welcomed Jesus with palms as he entered Jerusalem turned against him on Good Friday morning calling for the release of Barabbas and the death of Jesus. The apostles, now afraid of the crowd, had shut themselves in for their own protection as we heard in the Gospel (John 20:19). There were ten of them gathered in this state; Judas was no more, and Thomas was temporarily absent. Jesus came with his healing, "Peace be with you." (John 20:19) And how much peace they must have felt within now! As well as shock and doubts. But this meeting with the risen Jesus certainly brought peace to their troubled minds and hearts. That was Easter Sunday evening, the crisis was over, but what a long three days it had been since Friday morning.

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Thomas came back and they told him Jesus was alive; they had seen him. Jesus came in even though the doors were all locked. Thomas thinks this is adding insult to injury. You can imagine what he would have said to them. "You saw his body when it was taken down from the cross. You know he was not breathing. You know his heart had been pierced with the soldier's lance. You are all raving. It's getting to you. Get a grip on yourselves!" Thomas demanded proof: "Unless I see the holes that the nails made in his hands and can put my finger into the holes they made, and unless I can put my hand into his side, I refuse to believe." (John 20:25)

What has happened now? There is division among the apostles. Ten know Jesus is alive. The eleventh, Thomas, is stubborn and refuses to believe. Thomas does not have faith yet and he is relying on reason alone but when Thomas will see Jesus in a week, he will believe, and faith and reason will be perfectly aligned in Thomas. If Thomas had been more sensitive, he would surely have noticed that the ten have great peace now; they are not the same as when he left earlier. But Thomas, ancient and modern, has no time for what he thinks is silly. He wants a scientific proof for God and fails to realize that there does not have to be any conflict between faith and science, or between faith and reason. Thomas has yet to learn that faith and reason/logic/science are meant to be in harmony. The following Sunday Jesus came again even though the doors were closed. Again, Jesus wished them peace and provided Thomas with the proof that his reason and logic and desire for a scientific answer needed: "Put your finger here: look, here are my hands. Give me your hand; put it into my side. Doubt no longer but believe." (John 20:27) Thomas replied, "My Lord and my God." (John 20:28) Now faith and reason are perfectly aligned in Thomas. Faith and science are in synchronization and Thomas has seen Jesus.

Relying only on reason and logic and science had closed Thomas' mind to Jesus' resurrection. His independence, his pride, his wish to be master of his own life, wanting control of his own destiny instead of allowing faith to be in harmony with reason meant that he wasted a week. He shut Jesus out of his life for one week. All it takes to meet Jesus is to allow our reason/logic to work together with our faith. So, we make that act of faith in God. Surrender into the hands of a loving God. You have nothing to lose but everything to gain. A beautiful chant about trust in God goes like this: "Trust, surrender, believe, receive." The last word is "receive." If you trust, surrender, and believe, you will receive. When Thomas saw the risen Jesus on the Sunday after Easter Sunday, he trusted, surrendered, and believed. Then he received Jesus. It is the same with each of us. Trust in Jesus, surrender, believe, and you will receive a joy that you will not get from anything or anybody else. Thomas wasted a week. We do not want to waste a lifetime. God has adopted you as his son or daughter "Whoever believes that Jesus is the Christ has been begotten by God." (1 John 5:1) It is a most wonderful privilege. Thomas wasted a week. We do not want to waste a lifetime. If you haven't yet met the risen Jesus, roll away the stone and meet Jesus. Allow faith to work together in harmony with your reason and logic. Trust, surrender, believe, receive.

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Artwork by Michael Smither (New Zealand, 1939–), *Doubting Thomas*, early 1970s. Mural, St. Joseph's Church, New Plymouth, New Zealand.



**PROJECT  
COMPASSION**

**THANK YOU**

Caritas Australia would like to express our heartfelt thanks for your incredible support of Project Compassion this Lent.

If you still have your Project Compassion box or donation envelope at home, please return them next week at Mass.

Your generosity is helping to empower the world's most vulnerable communities, enabling them to overcome challenges and lift themselves out of poverty.

Together, we are creating a better tomorrow, helping vulnerable communities build stronger futures for themselves and empowering them to break free from the cycle of poverty. Thank you for standing with us!



**It's not too late to donate.**

You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code above.

Or online at: [caritas.org.au/project-compassion](https://caritas.org.au/project-compassion) Or by calling: 1800 024 413

**PARISH JUBILEE PILGRIMAGE TO ROME**

October 13 – 25, 2025



**Twin Share \$8,570 p/p** including Flights and prepaid Tipping.

**Single Room supplement \$1,020**

**Land Cost \$6,710 p/p twin share** including Tipping.

*Itinerary Brochure available in all the churches*

**Please register at the Parish Office now**

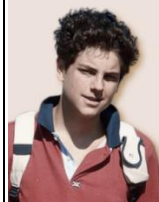
**SAINT**

CARLO ACUTIS

**POSTPONED**

THE CANONISATION OF  
BL CARLO ACUTIS

3PM SUN 27 APR  
ST STEPHENS CATHEDRAL



With the sad news of the passing of Pope Francis, the canonisation of Bl Carlo Acutis has been postponed and will be rescheduled once a new pope is elected.

Therefore, we have postponed our celebration of the young saint's canonisation and will reschedule it once a new date has been announced



**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

**Catholic Engaged Encounter Brisbane 2025 Dates**

WEEKENDS DESIGNED FOR ENGAGED COUPLES WHO ARE PREPARING FOR MARRIAGE IN THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

**JUNE 14&15, 2025**  
**NOVEMBER 15&16, 2025**

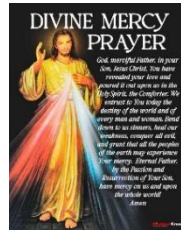
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**NEWS AROUND THE PARISH**



**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**  
**3pm Calvary Church, Miami**  
**Adoration, Chaplet, Rosary & Benediction**

Join our annual Divine Mercy Afternoon to pray for the needs of the world.

Join Catholic Mission online to honour Mother Mary during the month of May through praying the Rosary.

**THE WORLD MISSION ROSARY**  
 One Rosary in Faith, One Family in Mission

**World Mission**  
*May Rosary Prayers*

Mon to Fri via Teams  
 Date: 1st May to 31st May 2025  
 10:00 am to 11:00 am

Meeting LINK:  
<https://tinyurl.com/cmrosary>

**MISSIONARIES OF HOPE**  
*among all peoples*

**catholic mission**  
 Reach out. Give life.

**HAVE A CHAT LUNCHEON**

**DATE:** Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2025  
**TIME:** 12.00pm  
**VENUE:** Treetops Tavern, Burleigh  
 Contact Trisha 55 357 616 - **ALL WELCOME**



**GOANNAS MONTHLY FAMILY LUNCHEON**

**DATE:** Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> April 2025  
**TIME:** 11.30am for 12.00noon start  
**VENUE:** Dog and Parrot, 2 Scottsdale Dr, Robina  
 Seniors Menu available – Contact Margaret 0402 834 362  
**ALL WELCOME**

**PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & SPECIAL NEEDS**

William Korab, Jess Hall, Michael Onn, Fred Grioli, Mary Wagner, William & Gladys McCleary, Peter Flynn, Anthony Metzen, Hannes Rieck, Quetta Mace, Bernard Clark, Irene Garland, Caitlin Ibbotson, Dick O'Halloran, Lynne Nunan, Petrina Stewart, John Christopher, Deirdre Irwin, Paul Holford, Warren Wilson, Evelyn North, Jose Antonio, Chris Grioli, Mary Ann Rogers, Roy Goodger, Audrey Griffin, Joan Elsie, Doreen Coop, Tom Pritchard, John Love, Noah Page, Lyn Hundt, Therese Baggaley, Sister Eleanor Marie, Pat Dunlop, Leah Bolland, Sue McKinnon, Patricia Cruzado, Trish Harvey, Robert Breckell, Magdalena Gitau, Peter Gannon, Suzanne Fullarton, Marnia Ryan Raison, Tony Calleja, Nikki Valdez Castillo, Luka Gabriel, Matthew Crook, Dianne Wilson, 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, Isabel Little, Brian Dunlea, Doug Tronc, Alphonse Gabriel, Hanna Chahine, Peter Nash, Peggy Maguire, Geromy Victor Grima, Humardani Brioso, Timoteo Borromeo Jr, Dorothy Owen, Thomas Hill. 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*



**GATHERING**

Jesus Christ is ris'n today, Alleluia!  
our triumphant holy day, Alleluia!  
who did once, upon the cross, Alleluia!  
suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!  
unto Christ, our heav'nly King, Alleluia!  
who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia!  
sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia!

Easter Hymn, 77.77

**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good,  
his love is everlasting!

**COMMUNION HYMN**

Come and eat this living bread.  
Take and drink this wine.  
Come, be nourished, healed and fed,  
shaped into God's sign.  
Gathered 'round as family  
many are made one.  
Forming love's community  
one we now become.

**THANKSGIVING**

Easter glory fills the sky, Alleluia!  
Christ now lives, no more to die, Alleluia!  
Darkness has been put to flight, Alleluia!  
By the living Lord of light, Alleluia!

Christ the victor over death Alleluia  
Breathes on us the Spirit's breathe Alleluia!  
Paradise is our reward Alleluia!  
Endless Easter with our Lord Alleluia!

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**RECESSIONAL**

***Sing to the mountains, sing to the sea.  
Raise your voices, lift your hearts.  
This is the day the Lord has made.  
Let all the earth rejoice.***

I will give thanks to you, my Lord.  
You have answered my plea.  
You have saved my soul from death.  
You are my strength and my song. **(Refrain)**

This is the day that the Lord has made.  
Let us be glad and rejoice.  
He has turned all death to life.  
Sing of the glory of God. **(Refrain)**

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**Jesus calls us to believe in him**

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

- afraid
- apostles
- doubting
- followers
- greeted
- heal
- miracles
- scars
- shadow
- spear
- Thomas
- troubled



Marymount College  
Burleigh Waters

**Join us for College Tours**

Monday 19<sup>th</sup> and Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> May from 3:30pm

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