

URLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH

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MARY MOTHER OF MERCY CHURCH

3 Sunlight Dr, Burleigh Waters

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

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>19 July</u>
8.00am	Mass - Burleigh Heads
4.15pm	Reconciliation - Miami
5.00pm	Mass - Miami
5.15pm	Reconciliation - Palm Beach
6.00pm	Mass - Palm Beach
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>20 July - Ordinary Time 16</u>
7.00am	Mass - Burleigh Heads
7.00am	Mass - Palm Beach
8.30am	Mass - Miami
8.30am	Mass - Mudgeeraba
10.00am	Mass - Burleigh Waters (<i>Livestreamed</i>)
11.00am	Mass (Portuguese) - Miami
5.00pm	Reconciliation - Burleigh Waters
5.30pm	Mass - Burleigh Waters (<i>Livestreamed</i>)
<u>Monday</u>	<u>21 July - St Lawrence of Brindisi, priest</u>
9.00am	Mass - Miami
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>22 July - St Mary Magdalene</u>
7.30am	Mass - Burleigh Waters (<i>Livestreamed</i>)
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>23 July – St Bridget</u>
5.30pm	Mass - Palm Beach
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>24 July – St Sharbel Makhlu, priest</u>
5.00-5.15pm	Reconciliation - Mudgeeraba
5.30pm	Mass - Mudgeeraba
<u>Friday</u>	<u>25 July - St James, apostle</u>
10.00am	Mass - Burleigh Waters (<i>Livestreamed</i>)
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>26 July - Sts Joachim and Anne, parents of BVM</u>
8.00am	Mass - Burleigh Heads
4.15pm	Reconciliation - Miami
5.00pm	Mass - Miami
6.00pm	Mass - Palm Beach
6.45pm	Reconciliation - Palm Beach
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>27 July - Ordinary Time 17</u>
7.00am	Lay-Led Liturgy & Communion (no Mass) - Burleigh Heads
7.00am	Mass - Palm Beach
8.30am	Mass - Miami
8.30am	Lay-Led Liturgy & Communion (no Mass) - Mudgeeraba
10.00am	Mass - Burleigh Waters (<i>Livestreamed</i>)
5.00pm	Reconciliation - Burleigh Waters
5.30pm	Mass - Burleigh Waters (<i>Livestreamed</i>)

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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20 July 2025

This Week's Readings: Gen 18:1-10; Col 1:24-28; Lk 10:38-42

Next Week's Readings: Gen 18:20-32; Col 2:12-14; Lk 11:1-13

As we enjoy the gentle beauty of life here on the Gold Coast—our breezes, beaches, and vibrant community—we're reminded this Sunday of another kind of beauty: the quiet beauty of being still with God.

The readings of Sunday call us to reflect on what it means to truly welcome the presence of Christ—not only in our homes and churches, but deep within our hearts. We are reminded that there is a kind of hospitality far greater than preparing meals or busying ourselves with service. It is the hospitality of attention, listening, and love.

In Genesis, Abraham welcomes three visitors under the oak trees of Mamre. He offers them food, shade, and rest. What seems like ordinary hospitality becomes something extraordinary: the Lord Himself is among them, and it is in this moment of welcome that the promise of new life—Sarah's son—is spoken.

Fast forward to the Gospel: Martha, full of love and good intentions, busies herself serving Jesus. But Mary chooses something different. She sits at Jesus' feet, listening. Martha grows frustrated—understandably! But Jesus says something gently surprising: "Martha, Martha, you are worried and distracted by many things. Only one thing is necessary. Mary has chosen the better part."

Here, Jesus isn't condemning service. In fact, our parish and ministries thrive thanks to those who, like Martha, offer their time and talents. But Jesus is calling us to something deeper: to realise that activity without contemplation can become anxious toil. The heart of discipleship begins not with doing, but with being present to Him.

St. Paul, writing to the Colossians, gives us the key: "Christ in you, the hope of glory." God is not simply visiting from afar—He wants to make His home within us. That's a stunning reality. The same Christ who sat in Martha and Mary's home now sits at the centre of our lives, if only we make room for Him.

The Church teaches that through prayer, silence, and the sacraments, our hearts become dwelling places for the Lord. As St. Teresa of Avila said, "Settle yourself in solitude, and you will come upon Him in yourself."



This week, I invite you to:

*Spend 10 minutes a day in silence, simply listening to God's voice.

*Ask yourself: Am I choosing the better part?

*Welcome Christ not only at Sunday Mass but in your weekday moments—in your home, your community, your conversations.

Whether we're serving others like Martha or sitting quietly like Mary, we are called to be people who make room for Christ—not only in the busyness of life, but in the stillness of the soul.

May we become, as Psalm 15 says, those who dwell in the Lord's tent—not only as guests, but as friends who sit and listen with hearts wide open. God bless you all,

Fr. Ravi



FIRST NATIONS RAISING AWARENESS - Parish Gathering

DATE: Tuesday 5 August 2025

TIME: 6.30pm

VENUE: Mary Mother of Mercy Community Centre

Before Padre headed off, he requested that a gathering be organised for the parish community and First Nations Peoples. The aim is to build upon the relationships and work that already exists in the parish, in our schools and the wider community. This image is from the 2013 colour painting by Aboriginal artist Aunty Joyce Summers in Calvary War Memorial Church in Miami. It tells the story of the Miami church built on an actual midden site, a traditional Aboriginal place of festive sharing. May we continue to build together a community of cultural understanding and reconciliation. Ravina Waldren, the Murri Ministry Coordinator for our Archdiocese, and Joni McCourt, the Archbishop's Reconciliation Action Plan Manager will also join us on the night for shared cultural input. More details in next week's parish newsletter. Looking forward to your presence. *Fr Gerry*

BURLEIGH 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 or
use QR code



Come, Rest and Reflect - a Retreat Day for you

Come and taste Ignatian prayer, contemplation, listening, and discernment.

A retreat day for you, a time to rest and pray, experience God's love, contemplate your gifts and talents, and begin to discover your path.

We invite you to come with an open heart to be spiritually refreshed and rejuvenated, to listen to the Spirit within, and for an opportunity to converse with others.

We will also explore how this deeper listening, conversing and discerning is renewing our way of being Church together in the world today.

Come as you are. We warmly welcome you.

Saturday 2 August 2025

9am to 3pm

at JISA Faber, 111 Sir Samuel Griffith Drive, Bardon

Cost: \$35 including a welcome cuppa, bring your own lunch.

To book visit www.jisa.org.au/retreats

**Any Enquiries, please contact Chris Kennedy on
0412 270 828 or email: cbk1957@hotmail.com**

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 – 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.

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. Enquiries, please contact Val Litchfield 0423 650 062.

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

BE THE HANDS OF CHRIST: VISIT THE SICK IN HOSPITAL

Do you feel called to bring comfort, hope, and companionship to those who are ill and to the dying? Join Centacare's hospital pastoral carers community and share Christ's love through this simple, yet powerful Ministry of Presence.

We are looking for compassionate individuals to visit Catholic patients in hospital — offering prayer, a kind word, and giving your undivided attention to another person in difficult times, which is *the purest form of generosity (Simone Weil)*.

Training and support and ongoing formation provided. Available placements at The Prince Charles, RBWH and The Wesley
"I was sick and you visited me." – Matthew 25:36.

To find out more please contact Centacare
 Phone: Director of Pastoral Ministries, 33243193
 Email: judy.norris@bne.centacare.net.au

Working with Children and a police check required along with Archdiocesan Safeguarding and Mandatory Training requirements.

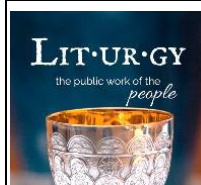
HAVE-A-CHATS FAMILY GROUP LUNCH



Date: Sunday 27 July, 2025
Time: 11.45am for a 12.00 noon start
Venue: Treetops Tavern,
 7 Executive Drive Burleigh Waters
Enquiries: Dot 0475 851 989 - **ALL WELCOME**

NEWS AROUND THE PARISH

HOPE HALL – the new education resource centre for the parish has been installed. We are seeking to outfit the building with chairs, tables, white boards etc the cost is \$10,000.00 if any parishioner would like to donate this to the parish, we will acknowledge your contribution with a "plaque of thanks" inside Hope Hall. Please let Padre know.



UPCOMING LAY-LED SUNDAY LITURGIES

Please note due to the availability of the priests, the following upcoming weekend Masses will be replaced by a Lay-Led Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion. This is not a Mass but a way to help our local communities to still come together to pray in the absence of a priest. Other Masses are still celebrated in the parish.

Sunday 27 July 7.00am – Burleigh Heads

Sunday 27 July 8.30am – Mudgeeraba

The Multifaith Advisory Action Group (MAAG)

Our Parish is hosting the July meeting, **Thursday 24th July at 6pm.** Venue is the new Hope Hall (next to Parish Community Centre). Topic: "Faith in Focus" a photographic/audio depiction of the diverse faiths practised on the Gold Coast.



RSVP Tom and Jocelyn 0407140229 for catering numbers



Feast of St. Benedict celebrated at Mudgeeraba with joy, prayer and community spirit.



THE PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES are now available at the entrances of all parish churches. If you can't find your envelope, it may have been placed at a different church within the parish. If you no longer wish to

continue your Planned Giving via envelopes, please contact the Parish Office.

Receipts are only issued for donations that are made in the Second Collection envelopes. No receipts are issued for donations made in the First Collection envelopes.

We also encourage parishioners to consider setting up direct debit or direct credit for their contributions.

Thank you for your ongoing support.

Blessings Parish Finance Council

GOANNAS MONTHLY FAMILY LUNCHEON

DATE: Sunday 20 July 2025

TIME: 11.30am for 12.00 noon start

VENUE: Tuk Tuk Tai

11/514 Christine Ave, Robina (Easy T Centre)

Contact: Margaret 0402 834 362 - **ALL WELCOME**



GATHERING

***Praise to you, O Christ our Saviour,
Word of the Father, calling us to life;
Son of God who leads us to freedom:
glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ!***

You are the Word who calls us out of darkness;
you are the Word who leads us into light;
you are the Word who brings us through the desert;
glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ! **(Refrain)**

You are the Word who binds us and unites us;
you are the Word who calls us to be one;
you are the Word who teaches us forgiveness:
glory to you, Lord Jesus Christ! **(Refrain)**

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

***The just will live in the presence of the Lord,
the just will live in his presence.***

COMMUNION HYMN

O how blessed are the poor in spirit,
the kingdom of God is theirs.
O how blessed those who dwell in sorrow,
they surely will be consoled.

***Rejoice and be glad, beloved of the Lord,
the kingdom of heaven is yours.
The first shall be last, the last shall be first,
for such is the wisdom of God.***

O how blessed are the meek and lowly,
for they shall possess the earth.
O how blessed those who thirst for justice,
they surely will have their fill. **(Refrain)**

O how blessed are the pure of heart,
for they shall be-hold God's face.
O how blessed those who mend with mercy,
forgiveness is their reward. **(Refrain)**

O how blessed those who fight for peace,
the children of God are they.
O how blessed those despised and hated,
who bear it because of me. **(Refrain)**

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I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Come unto me and rest;
lay down, O weary one, lay down
your head upon my breast'.

I came to Jesus as I was,
so weary, worn and sad;
I found in him a resting place,
and he has made me glad.

I heard the voice of Jesus say,
'Behold, I freely give
the living water; thirsty one,
stoop down and drink and live'.
I came to Jesus, and I drank
of that life-giving stream;
my thirst was quenched, my soul revived,
and now I live in him.

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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, Pat Dunlop, Leah Bolland, Sue McKinnon, Patricia Cruzado, Trish Harvey, Robert Breckell, Peter Gannon, Suzanne Fullarton, Marnia Ryan Raison, Tony Calleja, Nikki Valdez Castillo, Luka Gabriel, Matthew Crook, Dianne Wilson, Frank Giarrusso, Margaret Wilson, Godfrey Bull, Wendy Riley, Rita Cruice, Dick Cruice, Jason Hill, Ian McGuire, Matthew English, Shivy Shiva the sick of our Parish and all in need of God's healing Spirit.

Please make sure to obtain permission before adding a name to the prayer list. If a name no longer needs to remain on the list, please contact the Parish Office.

PRAYERS FOR RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

Masses have been requested for the recently deceased and for those anniversaries occurring at this time, Lea Dunlea, Isabel Little, Des Bolster, Peter Briggs, Violet Crasto, Patricia Stewart, Fr Michael Brady, Kevin Healy, John Lionel Gibbs, Violet Crasto, David Zemek, Elaine Downs. 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





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