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PARISH WEEKLY DIARY

Saturday 1 November - ALL SAINTS

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

Sunday 2 November - ALL SOULS' DAY

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 3 November - St Martin de Porres

9.00am Mass - Miami

Tuesday 4 November - St Charles Borromeo

7.30am Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

Wednesday 5 November

9.30am Mass - Ozanam Villa
5.30pm Mass - Palm Beach

Thursday 6 November - All Saints of Africa

5.00-5.15pm Reconciliation - Mudgeeraba
5.30pm Mass - Mudgeeraba

Friday 7 November

10.00pm Anointing Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

Saturday 8 November

**** No 8.00am Mass Burleigh Heads ****

8.00am Mass Graveside - Tallebudgera
4.15pm Reconciliation - Miami
5.00pm Mass - Miami
5.15pm Reconciliation - Palm Beach
6.00pm Mass - Palm Beach

Sunday 9 November - Ded. of the Lateran Basilica

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)

ALL SOULS' DAY

2 November 2025

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This Week's Readings: 2 Macc 12:43-46; Phil 3:20-21; Lk 7:11-17

Next Week's Readings: Ezek 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; 1 Cor 3:9-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

As the Church celebrates the Solemnity of **All Saints** and then the Commemoration of **All Souls**, we are reminded of the great mystery of the Communion of Saints, the unbroken bond between heaven and earth. On All Saints' Day, we rejoice with the countless men and women who now behold God's glory; on All Souls' Day, we lovingly remember those still journeying toward that vision. Together, these feasts proclaim that we are one family in Christ, pilgrims on earth, purified souls in hope, and saints in glory, all united in God's love.

On this Day, our hearts are drawn to remember with affection those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith. It is a day wrapped in quiet gratitude, tender sorrow, and deep hope. We remember parents, friends, parishioners, and all who once walked beside us and now rest in the Lord.

Scripture reminds us, **"The souls of the righteous are in the hand of God, and no torment shall touch them" (Wisdom 3:1)**. These words assure us that death does not destroy life, it transforms it. **What is sown perishable is raised imperishable (1 Corinthians 15:42)**. In Christ, life is changed, not ended.

From the earliest centuries, the Church has prayed for the departed. The first Christians gathered in catacombs, celebrating the Eucharist among the tombs, proclaiming their faith that the dead live on in Christ. Our prayers, Masses, and acts of love are not mere memories—they are acts of communion. They express our belief in the Communion of Saints, that beautiful truth that the living, the departed, and those being purified are all united in Christ's Body, the Church.

St. Monica, on her deathbed, told her son St. Augustine, "Bury my body wherever you will; let not care of it trouble you. Only this I ask, that you **remember me at the altar of the Lord.**" Her request became the heart of our tradition, to remember, to intercede, and to love beyond the grave.

St. John Chrysostom also encouraged the faithful: "Let us help and commemorate them. If Job's sons were purified by their father's sacrifice, why should we doubt that our offerings for the dead bring them some consolation?"



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'Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility'

Our prayers remind us that purgatory is not a punishment, but a place of hope, a final cleansing in love. The souls there are not forgotten; they are the beloved of God, waiting for the fullness of His light. When we pray for them, we offer them a gift greater than gold, the warmth of God's mercy flowing through our faith.

Jesus Himself comforts us with His promise:

"I am the resurrection and the life; whoever believes in me, though he dies, yet shall he live" (John 11:25).

And again, **"This is the will of my Father, that everyone who sees the Son and believes in him may have eternal life, and I shall raise him on the last day" (John 6:40).**

Dear friends, this day is not about despair but about hopeful remembrance. Every candle we light, every name we whisper in prayer, every Mass we offer proclaims that love is stronger than death. **"God will wipe away every tear from their eyes,"** assures Revelation 21:4, "and there shall be no more death, nor mourning, nor pain."

As a priest, I too carry in my heart the memory of many souls I have known, parishioners, mentors, family, and friends, who now rest in God's peace. When I lift the chalice at Mass, I feel their invisible presence. The altar becomes a meeting place between heaven and earth, where time and eternity touch.

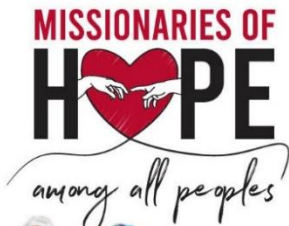
Let us use this day to renew our faith in eternal life, to pray for those who still journey toward God's perfect love, and to live each day ready for that joyful reunion. As St. Augustine said so beautifully, **"We are travellers on the same road; death is not the end, but the doorway to eternal life."**

May our hearts be filled with hope, our prayers be filled with love, and our remembrance be filled with peace.

May the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

Fr.Ravi

APPEAL ENVELOPES ARE AVAILABLE AT ALL THE CHURCHES



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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 an 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.





ANOIDTING 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

PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & SPECIAL NEEDS

William Korab, Jess Hall, Fred Grioli, Mary Wagner, William & Gladys McCleary, Peter Flynn, Hannes Rieck, Quetta Mace, Bernard Clark, Irene Garland, Caitlin Ibbotson, Dick O'Halloran, Lynne Nunan, Petrina Stewart, John Christopher, Deirdre Irwin, 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, Cecilia Robertson, Brenda Ring, Anne Callaghan, Allison O'Keefe 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 Paul Tonna, Marlene Zeller, Patrick John Thomas, Kathleen Simmons, Joseph Caruana, Miranda Cohilj, Milan Cohilj, Ivana Bako, Petar Bako. 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



Month of the Holy Souls

MASS FOR THE HOLY SOULS

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



BLESSING OF MEMORIALS

On **Sunday 2 November** after 8:30am Mass at St Benedict's, Mudgeeraba will be followed by the blessing of the Mudgeeraba Memorial Garden; and after 10.00am Mass at Mary Mother of Mercy Church in Burleigh Waters will be followed by the blessing of the Columbarium. You are invited to come and join us in praying for our deceased family and friends and parishioners.

TALLEBUDGERA GRAVE MASS

All are welcome to our parish outdoor Mass on **Saturday 8th November** at 8.00am at the old parish graveside, 48-60 Trees Rd Tallegudgera. *Please note there will be no mass at Infant Saviour on that day.*



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More information is available at <https://opan.org.au/about-us/> and <https://adaaustralia.com.au/> respectively.

PARISH LUNCHEON

DATE: Thursday 6 November 2025
TIME: 11.30am for 12.00 noon start
VENUE: Burleigh Sports Club
111 Christine Ave, Burleigh Waters
Contact Val Litchfield 0423 650 062

ALL WELCOME



PARISH CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

We are taking donations for the upcoming Christmas Raffle – please see Val Litchfield for further details.

GATHERING

*All the ends of the earth,
all you creatures of the sea,
lift up your eyes to the wonders of the Lord.
For the Lord of the earth,
the master of the sea,
has come with justice for the world.*

Break in to song at the deeds of the Lord,
the wonders he has done in ev'ry age. **(Refrain)**

Heaven and earth shall rejoice in his might;
ev'ry heart, ev'ry nation call him Lord. **(Refrain)**

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

I will bless your name forever, O God my King.

COMMUNION HYMN

Amazing grace! How sweet the sound
that saved a child like me!
I once was lost, but now am found,
was blind, but now I see.

'Twas grace that taught my heart to fear,
and grace my fears relieved;
how precious did that grace appear
the hour I first believed!

The Lord has promised good to me,
His word my hope secures;
He will my shield and portion be
As long as life endures.

Through many dangers, toils, and snares,
I have already come;
'tis grace has brought me safe thus far,
and grace will lead me home.

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Longing for food, many are hungry.
Longing for water, many still thirst.
Make us your bread, broken for others,
shared until all are fed.

*Christ, be our light!
Shine in our hearts.
Shine through the darkness.
Christ, be our light!
Shine in your Church gathered today.*

Longing for shelter, many are homeless.
Longing for warmth, many are cold.
Make us your building, sheltering others,
walls made of living stone. **(Refrain)**

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