

BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH

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PARISH WEEKLY DIARY

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)

Monday 10 November, St Leo the Great, pope

9.00am Mass - Miami

Tuesday 11 November – St Martin of Tours, bishop

7.30am Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

Wednesday 12 November – St Josaphat, bishop

5.30pm Mass - Palm Beach

Thursday 13 November – St Frances Cabrini

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

Friday 14 November – St Laurence O'Toole

10.00pm Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

Saturday 15 November – St Albert the Great, Bishop

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

Sunday 16 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)
5.00pm Reconciliation - Burleigh Waters
5.30pm Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

THE DEDICATION OF THE LATERAN BASILICA

9 November 2025

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

Next Week's Readings: Mal 3:19-20; 2 Thess 3:7-12; Lk 21:5-19



The Parish Year of Jubilee Pilgrimage outside the Lateran Basilica. We prayed at this Mother Church for all the Parish and its ongoing mission.

This Sunday we celebrate a beautiful and often-overlooked feast, the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome, the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome, also known as the Archbasilica of the Most Holy Saviour and of Saints John the Baptist and John the Evangelist at the Lateran. Yet this feast reaches deep into the heart of who we are as Catholics, uniting us spiritually with the Church of Rome and reminding us that the Church is not just a building of stone, but a living temple of God's presence among His people.

The Lateran Basilica is the oldest and highest-ranking church in the world. Consecrated in the year 324 by Pope Sylvester I, it was the first church built after the Roman Emperor Constantine's conversion to Christianity. Before St. Peter's Basilica ever stood on the Vatican Hill, the Lateran Basilica was the seat of the Popes, their cathedral, their home, and the mother church of all Christian faithful. Its official title, "Omnium urbis et orbis ecclesiarum mater et caput", "The Mother and Head of all the churches of the city and the world", expresses its universal importance.

But why does the Church invite us to celebrate the dedication of a specific building in Rome? Because this feast is not about architecture, it's about communion. The basilica stands as a visible symbol of the unity of all Catholics around the world with the successor of St. Peter, the Pope. It reminds us that every local parish, whether large or small, in bustling cities or quiet country towns, is connected to this mother church through the bond of faith, sacraments, and apostolic unity. When we honour the Lateran Basilica, we honour our own parish community as a living temple of God.

In the Gospel for this feast (John 2:13–22), Jesus enters the Temple and drives out those who had turned His Father's house into a marketplace. His words echo through the centuries: "Destroy this temple, and in three days I will raise it up." He was speaking not of the stone temple, but of His own Body, which would be raised from the dead. From that moment, Christ Himself became the new and everlasting Temple, the place where humanity meets God. And through baptism, we too become

His dwelling place. St. Paul reminds us, "You are God's temple, and God's Spirit dwells in you." (1 Cor 3:16).

This truth gives this feast its deep spiritual meaning: every church building, no matter how grand or humble, is holy because it shelters the living Body of Christ, His people. When we gather in our parish church to celebrate the Eucharist, we are not simply occupying a space; we are standing within the mystery of God's dwelling among us. The walls, the altar, the sanctuary lamp, all point to a greater reality: we are the living stones of the temple that God is building through faith, love, and service.

As we celebrate this feast, we might ask ourselves: What kind of temple am I? Do I keep my inner temple clean, open, and welcoming to God's Spirit, or have I allowed clutter, distraction, and sin to take over? The feast calls us to a spiritual renovation, a cleansing of the heart so that Christ may dwell more fully within us.

This celebration also invites us to renew our love for our parish church, which is our own "Lateran." It is here that we are baptized, forgiven, nourished, married, and blessed for eternal life. Every Mass, every sacrament, every prayer offered in our parish church joins in the unbroken praise that rises from all the churches of the world.

May this feast remind us that the true beauty of the Church is not in marble or gold, but in hearts united in faith and love. As the Lateran Basilica stands as a witness to centuries of faith, may our parish also stand as a living sign of God's presence in our community, a place of welcome, prayer, and healing for all.

Let us pray that, like the stones of that ancient basilica, we too may be bound together firmly in Christ, the cornerstone. May our lives shine with the beauty of holiness, so that others may see in us the living temple of the Holy Spirit.

Happy feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica, the mother and head of all churches and may our parish, too, reflect the glory of God dwelling among His 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.



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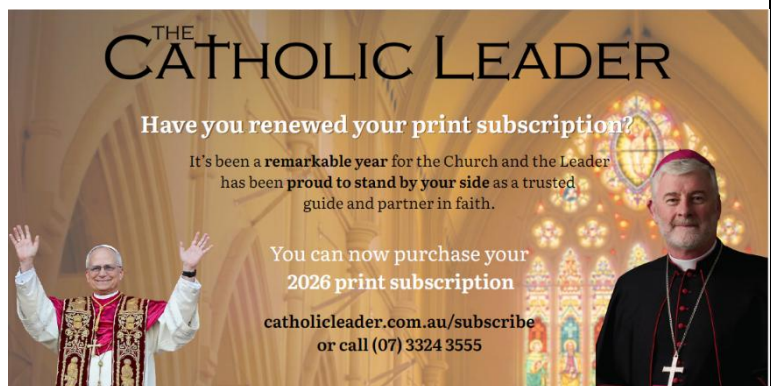
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DON'T FORGET!



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

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CONCERTS Nov-Dec '25

Sat Nov 22
Coolangatta at St Augustine's
cnr McLean & Tweed St.

Sat Nov 29
Burleigh at Village Church
2 Burleigh St.

Sat Dec 6
Mudgeeraba, Good Shepherd
4 Tarrant Dr. | 2:30 Qld time |

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NEWS AROUND THE PARISH

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.



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

PARISH ADVENT REFLECTION GROUP

Meet Mary Mother of Mercy Liturgy Room
10:30am (after Mass) to 11am on
Fridays 5, 12 & 19 December

Archdiocesan Resource Book available \$5.00

MARYMOUNT PRIMARY P&F PRESENTS

CAROLS ON THE GREEN 2025

AN EVENING OF MUSIC, MAGIC AND CHRISTMAS CHEER!

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JOIN US FOR AN UNFORGETTABLE EVENING WITH **MORE FOOD TRUCKS, MORE MUSIC, AND MORE FUN!**

- STUDENTS WILL SING THEIR FAVOURITE CHRISTMAS CAROLS
- A SPECIAL VISIT FROM SANTA, WHO WILL PERFORM
- MEGA CHRISTMAS RAFFLE DRAWN
- THE NIGHT WILL FINISH WITH A SPECTACULAR 3D LIGHT SHOW



DATE: THURSDAY 27TH OF NOVEMBER

TIME: 4:00PM TO 7:30PM

LOCATION: THE GREEN BETWEEN THE POOL AND THE DOYLE

MEGA CHRISTMAS RAFFLE TICKETS ON SALE NOW!



Parish CHRISTMAS RAFFLE

We are taking donations for the upcoming Christmas raffle - please see Val Litchfield for further details

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 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.

GATHERING

We walk by faith, and not by sight:
no gracious words we hear
of him who spoke as none e'er spoke
but we believe him near.

Help then, O Lord, our unbelief,
and may our faith abound;
to call on you when you are near,
and seek where you are found.

That when our life of faith is done
in realms of clearer light
we may behold you as you are
in full and endless sight.

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, when your glory appears, my joy will be Full.

COMMUNION HYMN

I am the Bread of life.
You who come to me shall not hunger;
and who believe in me shall not thirst.
No one can come to me
unless the Father beckons.

***And I will raise you up, and I will raise you up,
and I will raise you up on the last day.***

The bread that I will give
is my flesh for the life of the world,
and if you eat of this bread,
you shall live for ever,
you shall live for ever. **(Refrain)**

Unless you eat of the flesh of the Son of Man
and drink of his blood, and drink of his blood,
you shall not have life within you. **(Refrain)**

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RECESSIONAL

Go to the world! Go into all the earth.
Go preach the cross where Christ renews life's worth,
baptising as the sign of our rebirth.

Alleluia. Alleluia!

Go to the world! Go into ev'ry place.
Go live the Word of God's redeeming grace.
Go seek God's presence in each time and space.

Alleluia. Alleluia!

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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'Keeffe 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, Pat Freebody, Naomi Freebody, Roland Cramer, Paul Gersbach. 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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Historical Context

The Lateran Basilica

Today we celebrate the feast of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica. The Lateran Basilica is the cathedral church of the Pope, who also holds the position of Bishop of Rome. It is considered the most important Catholic church because it contains the Cathedra Romana, the symbol of the teaching authority of the Bishop of Rome. The basilica was first dedicated in 324 after the property was donated to the Church by Emperor Constantine, the first Roman emperor to accept Christianity. Whilst we celebrate the dedication of this most important church, at the same time we celebrate all churches throughout the world.