

# BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH

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## MARY MOTHER OF MERCY CHURCH

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## INFANT SAVIOUR CHURCH

4 Park Ave, Burleigh Heads

## OUR LADY OF THE WAY CHURCH

14 Eleventh Ave, Palm Beach

## CALVARY CHURCH

50 Redondo Ave, Miami

## ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH

2 Wallaby Dr, Mudgeeraba

## ST TERESA'S COMMUNITY

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## PARISH WEEKLY DIARY

### Saturday 18 April

8.00am Mass - Burleigh Heads

4.15pm Reconciliation - Miami

5.00pm Mass - Miami

5.15pm Reconciliation - Palm Beach

6.00pm Mass - Palm Beach

### Sunday 19 April – Third Sunday of Easter

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)

### Monday 20 April

9.00am Mass - Miami

### Tuesday 21 April - St Anselm, bishop

7.30am Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

### Wednesday 22 April

5.30pm Mass - Palm Beach

### Thursday 23 April – St Adalbert, bishop

5.00-5.15pm Reconciliation - Mudgeeraba

5.30pm Mass - Mudgeeraba

### Friday 24 April – St Fidelis of Sigmaringen, priest

10.00am Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

### Saturday 25 April – Anzac Day

8.00am Mass - Burleigh Heads

4.15pm Reconciliation - Miami

5.00pm Mass - Miami

5.15pm Reconciliation - Palm Beach

6.00pm Mass - Palm Beach

### Sunday 26 April – Fourth Sunday of Easter

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)

## THIRD SUNDAY OF EASTER

Year A/2

19 APRIL 2026

This Week's Readings: Acts 2:14, 22-33; 1 Pet 1:17-21; Lk 24:13-35

Next Week's Readings: Acts 2:14, 36-41; 1 Pet 2:20-25; Jn10:1-10



The readings for this week are full of reminders of what Jesus' Resurrection has brought for us. Joy, wonder, glory, praise, and hope are all woven through each reading, inviting us to share again in the Eastertide celebration.

In the **First Reading**, Peter reminds the crowd that, in spite of the terrible injustice done to Jesus, God has shown victory over death and raised Jesus to glory. With this comes the power of the Holy Spirit, now outpoured for us all. The **Psalmist** rejoices in the God who stands by and protects us from all dangers, and will show us the path to everlasting happiness. In the **Second Reading** we hear Peter again, speaking of how Jesus gave his life as a 'ransom' for our sins. Because of this, all who believe can have faith and hope in God.

We join two of Jesus's disciples in the **Gospel** on their journey to Emmaus, blind to the identity of the risen Lord as he walks with them. When Jesus reveals himself to them in the breaking of bread, they finally recognise him, just as he disappears from their sight.

Unlike the disciples, we have never seen Jesus himself – but because of the faith we have been given, we can see and recognise him in the people and situations around us. This week let's pray for the wisdom and courage to respond wherever we see Jesus in the needs of others.

**REFLECTION**

I come to the place where I will pray today, and take a few moments to settle my body. If I can, I set aside any cares or concerns I am carrying, and let the joy of simply being in the Lord’s presence enfold me. When I am ready I read the words of the psalm, reciting them out loud if I can, and making them my own.

What does it mean to me to ‘take refuge’ in the Lord? Where am I called to ‘not be moved’? I ponder the ways in which I experience the Lord’s presence with me in these areas of my life.

The psalmist speaks of his closeness to God. Maybe I can share the joy, the happiness, the gladness he describes. Or perhaps I recall times in my life when I’ve felt unable to rejoice, times when I felt I’d lost sight of God’s presence. I talk to the Lord about whatever is in my heart.

As my time of prayer comes to a close, I might like to adapt the psalm response and repeat it as a mantra: ‘Show me, Lord, the path of life.’ Using my own words, I ask the Lord to bless me with the gifts and graces I need to follow the path he desires for me.

*Courtesy of St Beuno’s Outreach in the Diocese of Wrexham, UK*



**NATIONAL COUNT OF ATTENDANCE**  
3 May, 10 May, 17 May & 24 May 2026



Annual Mass attendance will be counted across the Archdiocese of Brisbane this May. Every five years, additional data is collected with the Australian Catholic Bishops Conference alongside the national Census. This helps track community engagement across the whole Archdiocese.

We kindly ask for your patience during this period, as on some weekends additional information may be requested (such as age groups and gender). This is collected purely for statistical purposes, and we ask that no offence be taken. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.



Have you joined **Flocknote**, our parish communication platform?

Flocknote is how we share important parish news, updates about Masses and events, volunteer opportunities, and spiritual resources—directly to your email or phone.

We want to make sure **everyone who wants updates is signed up.**

**Check if you’re registered:**

- If you’ve already signed up, thank you! You’re all set.
- If not, it only takes a minute to register: Simply enter your name and email or phone number, and you’ll start receiving updates from our parish family.

To Sign up scan the QR Code or use the URL <https://burleighheads.flocknote.com/register>



If you do not have access to a phone or computer, a Parish Registration Form will be available in all the churches. Please return the completed form by placing it on the collection plate or directly to the Parish Office.

Staying connected has never been easier—don’t miss out!



**THANK YOU!**

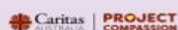
Caritas Australia would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the parish community of **Burleigh Heads** for your generous support of Project Compassion 2026.

Your support is helping to bring hope, uphold dignity and create lasting change to communities facing poverty and injustice around the world. Together, your community raised an incredible **\$7,951** helping to bring clean water, education, nutritious food, healthcare and support for those living with disability - showing what’s possible when we come together as a Church to live out the Gospel message of love and justice.

Thank you for uniting with us this Lent to build a more just and compassionate world.



**Thank you** ❤️  
for uniting Against Poverty this Lent



**I love you, Lord, my strength**

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

Try to find these words:

- angels
- apostles
- bread
- cross
- disappear
- eat
- Emmaus
- miracles
- Peter
- raised
- Scriptures
- sent

## 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, Third Sunday of each month, 11.00am 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, Andrew 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, Warren Wilson, Dianne Wilson Evelyn North, Jose Antonio, Chris Grioli, Mary Ann Rogers, Roy Goodger, Audrey Griffin, Joan Elsie, Doreen Coop, Tom Pritchard, John Love, Lyn Hundt, Pat Dunlop, Leah Bolland, Sue McKinnon, Patricia Cruzado, Trish Harvey, Peter Gannon, Suzanne Fullarton, Marnia Ryan Raison, Tony Calleja, Nikki Valdez Castillo, Luka Gabriel, Matthew Crook, Frank Giarrusso, Margaret Wilson, Wendy Riley, Rita Cruice, Dick Cruice, Jason Hill, Ian McGuire, Matthew Englis, Brenda Ring, Patricia Humphreys, Chris Hacking, Deb Rasmussen, Irene Cooper, Tonia Desanti, Rosemary Roylance. 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.*

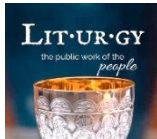
### PRAYERS FOR RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

Masses have been requested for the recently deceased and for those anniversaries occurring at this time, Isabel Little, Deirdre Irwin, Anne Callaghan, Jeanette Carraghen, Peggy Maguire, Christine Dowell.

*Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen*



## NEWS AROUND THE PARISH



### UPCOMING LAY-LED SUNDAY LITURGIES

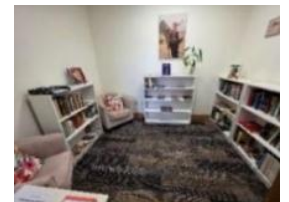
Please note that due to Fr Joseph's absence in May and early June, some upcoming weekend Masses will be replaced by a Lay-Led Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion. While this is not a Mass, it provides an opportunity for our community to gather in prayer during this time. Other Masses within the parish will continue as scheduled.

*Please note: There will be no reconciliation at Palm Beach during lay-led liturgies*

<b>Saturday 9 May</b>	<b>6.00pm – Palm Beach</b>
<b>Sunday 10 May</b>	<b>8.30am – Mudgeeraba</b>
<b>Saturday 16 May</b>	<b>6.00pm – Palm Beach</b>
<b>Sunday 17 May</b>	<b>7.00am – Burleigh Heads</b>
<b>Saturday 23 May</b>	<b>6.00pm – Palm Beach</b>
<b>Sunday 24 May</b>	<b>8.30am – Mudgeeraba</b>
<b>Sunday 31 May</b>	<b>7.00am – Palm Beach</b>
<b>Sunday 31 May</b>	<b>8.30am – Mudgeeraba</b>
<b>Saturday 6 June</b>	<b>6.00pm – Palm Beach</b>
<b>Sunday 7 June</b>	<b>8.30am – Mudgeeraba</b>

### PARISH READING ROOM NEWS

"Vince O'Rourke's book, *"I Wish I Were A Leper"*, speaks to carers of loved ones suffering long term terminal diseases, in particular, dementia. Vince was the first lay person to be appointed as Director of Catholic Education in the Brisbane Archdiocese in 1983. In 2000, Vince retired and became the full-time carer for his beloved wife, Margaret. This book shares their personal journey, a story of faith and enduring love."



The Library/Reading Room is open during Parish Office hours M-F 8:00am to 4:00pm.

### VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

#### PIETY STALL ASSISTANT (Sunday Mornings)

We are looking for a volunteer to assist at the piety stall on Sunday mornings at Mary Mother of Mercy.

#### ASSIST WITH BAPTISM PREPARATION (Sunday Mornings)

We are seeking volunteers to assist with preparing the church for Baptisms each Sunday before and after the 10:00am Mass at Mary Mother of Mercy Church.

If you're interested in volunteering for either of these roles, please contact the parish office to apply.

### GOANNAS FAMILY GROUP – MONTHLY LUNCHEON

**Date:** Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2026  
**Time:** 11.30am for 12 noon start  
**Venue:** Palm Beach Soccer Club  
81 Nineteenth Ave, Palm Beach  
New Lunch Menu - **ALL WELCOME**  
**Contact:** Margaret 0402 834 362



**GATHERING**

*Sing a new song unto the Lord;  
let your song be sung from mountains high.  
Sing a new song unto the Lord,  
singing alleluia.*

Shout with gladness, dance for joy.  
O come before the Lord.  
And play for him on glad tambourines,  
and let your trumpet sound. **(Refrain)**

Rise, O children, from your sleep;  
your Saviour now has come.  
He has turned your sorrow to joy,  
and filled your soul with song. **(Refrain)**

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**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*Lord, you will show us the path of life.*

**COMMUNION**

This is my body, take now and share!  
Deep in the memory of my own prayer.

This is my blood, come drink and live!  
In all completeness this power I give.

You are my people, my chosen friends,  
come share the Spirit my Father sends.

And hold within you, in constant hope,  
my peaceful presence, gift of my heart!

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**THANKSGIVING**

Give thanks with a grateful heart.  
Give thanks to the Holy one.  
Give thanks because he's given  
Jesus Christ, his Son.

And now, let the weak say, 'I am strong',  
let the poor say, 'I am rich',  
because of what the Lord has done for us.

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because of what the Lord has done for us.

Give Thanks!

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**RECESSIONAL**

I danced in the morning when the world was begun,  
and I danced in the moon and the stars and the sun,  
and I came down from heaven and I danced on the earth,  
at Bethlehem I had my birth.

*Dance, then, wherever you may be.  
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he.  
I'll lead you all wherever you may be,  
I will lead you all in the dance, said he.*

They cut me down and I leap up high,  
I am the life that'll never, never die,  
I'll live in you if you'll live in me,  
I am the Lord of the Dance, said he. **(Refrain)**

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**IF YOU ARE NEW TO THE PARISH  
OR VISITING - WELCOME!**

We are glad you have come to share Eucharist with us today.

Please leave your details with the Parish Office on 07 5558 0120 or email [burleigh@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:burleigh@bne.catholic.net.au) so that our Parish Priest can reach out to you with a formal welcome.



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FOURTH SUNDAY OF THE MONTH

**Children's Family Mass**

Would your child like to participate in our next Children's Family Mass? All are welcome!

**Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> April at 10am**

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**Mary Mother of Mercy Church, Burleigh Waters**

*We are inviting children to perform the following:*

- READINGS
- OFFERTORY PROCESSION
- ALTAR SERVING
- PRAYERS OF THE FAITHFUL
- WELCOME CREW
- CHOIR/MUSICIANS

Please contact:

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