

BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH

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MARY MOTHER OF MERCY CHURCH

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INFANT SAVIOUR CHURCH

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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

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PARISH WEEKLY DIARY

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)

Monday 27 April – St Louis Grignon de Montfort

9.00am Mass - Miami

Tuesday 28 April – St Peter Chanel, priest

7.30am Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

Wednesday 29 April – St Catherine of Siena

5.30pm Mass - Palm Beach

Thursday 30 April – St Pius, pope

5.00-5.15pm Reconciliation - Mudgeeraba

5.30pm Mass - Mudgeeraba

Friday 1 May – St Joseph the Worker

10.00am Anointing Mass - Burleigh Waters
(Livestreamed)

Saturday 2 May – St Athanasius, 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 3 May – Fifth 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)

5.00pm Reconciliation - Burleigh Waters

5.30pm Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Year A/2

26 APRIL 2026

GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

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

Next Week's Readings: Acts 6:1-7; 1 Pet 2:4-9; Jn 14:1-12

ALMIGHTY EVER-LIVING GOD, LEAD US TO A SHARE IN THE JOYS OF HEAVEN, SO THAT THE HUMBLE FLOCK MAY REACH WHERE THE BRAVE SHEPHERD HAS GONE BEFORE.



Today's readings invite us to contemplate the tender image of Christ as the Good Shepherd, who leads, protects, and cares for his flock. His relationship with the sheep is one of trust, recognition, and belonging, where the sheep follow only their shepherd, the one who knows them personally and calls them by name.

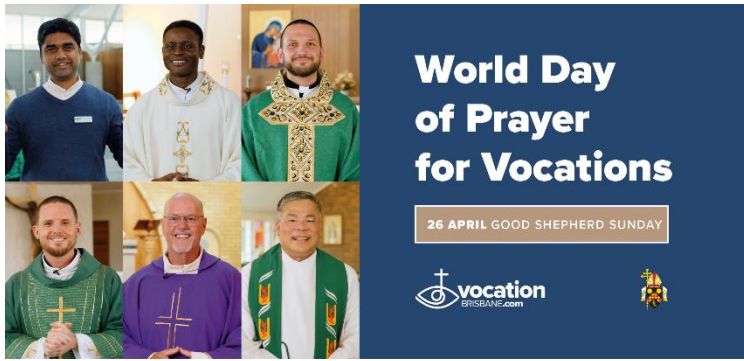
REFLECTION

As I get ready for my prayer, I notice how I am. What's going on in my life just now? Perhaps I feel weary or anxious due to my own situation, or the conflicts and tensions in the wider world. But for now, I try to set this aside and empty my mind of any chatter. I settle myself before the Lord, who is always eager to welcome me.

In time, I turn to this beautiful psalm of trust, and read it slowly, aloud if I can. I pause after each verse, allowing the words to deepen within me. I may picture Jesus leading me to green pasture, sitting with me. Perhaps we read the psalm together, as he may have read it with his mother. I stay with any line, word or image that resonates for me. Perhaps a word like repose . . . revives . . . guides . . . comfort . . . anointed . . . overflowing . . . mercy . . . unending . . . seems important? Or maybe the shadow of death or the sight of my foes has particular meaning for me today?

I speak to the Lord as one friend to another. However I feel, I entrust this to the One who loves me deeply. Giving thanks, I slowly close my prayer, perhaps repeating the first stanza.

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



On Good Shepherd Sunday, the Church also celebrates the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

This is a day when we ask God to guide people to serve in the Church, especially as priests, sisters, and brothers. We pray that they will listen to God's call and follow it with courage.

We also pray for those already serving, that they will be strong and faithful in their Ministry.



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.



FLOCKNOTE – PARISH DATABASE

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.**

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!



BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH
FACEBOOK PAGE

Visit our parish Facebook page! Stay up to date with parish news, inspiring religious content, and other items of interest. Don't forget to 'Like' our page—this way, you'll receive notifications about new posts and help us reach a wider audience.



A TIME TO REMEMBER

On April 25, we remember the courage and sacrifice of all who have served our country. ANZAC Day marks the landing at Gallipoli in 1915 and has become a day to honour all Australians and New Zealanders who have served in wars and peacekeeping.

In our parish, we give thanks for their service, remember those who have died, and pray for peace in our world. May we live with kindness and respect in honour of their sacrifice.

Lest we forget

PARISH READING ROOM NEWS

The April edition of *The Catholic Leader* is now available in the Reading Room. Lots of interesting reading including an article on the mural of Our Lady on the new Marian Centre at Marymount Primary School. Sydney couple, Danny and Leila Abdullah, who lost their three children together with a cousin when they were struck by a vehicle in 2020, share their message of forgiveness and love. Pope Leo decries war's toll on innocent life".



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



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.

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.

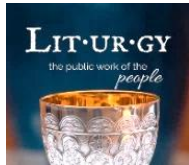
BRAZILIAN MASS (Portuguese language) – First Tuesday of each month, 7.00pm in Calvary Church Miami, Third Sunday of each month, 11.00am in Calvary Church Miami.

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.

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

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

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 Roynance. 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, Joe Tea Gabriel.

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



HAVE A CHAT FAMILY GROUP LUNCH

DATE: Sunday 26 April 2026
TIME: 11.30am for 12 noon start
VENUE: Treetops Tavern
 7 Executive Drive, Burleigh Waters
 Seniors Menu – **ALL WELCOME**
CONTACT: Rosemary Hanley 0412 606 492



4TH SUNDAY OF EASTER, YEAR A

Jn 10:1-10
My name is:

I am the gate for the sheep

Jesus is the Good Shepherd who knows each of his sheep by name. Draw a flock of sheep in the sheep pen and write your name in the speech bubble so Jesus can call out your name.

Follow me,

The thief comes only to steal and destroy... I came that they may have life

Can you spot the 7 differences between these two pictures of the thief?

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GATHERING

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,
'I am this dark world's light;
look unto me, your morn shall rise,
and all your day be bright'.

I looked to Jesus, and I found
in him my star, my sun;
and in that light of life I'll walk
till trav'ling days are done.

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord is my shepherd, and I want to follow,
wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.
Over the mountains, the waters and by-ways,
valleys and highways, he's waiting for me.

***I want to go to meet him there,
to lay myself down in his love.
The Lord is my shepherd and I want to follow,
wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.***

And while on the journey to where we are going,
he promised to be there to help us along.
And over the mountains we'll walk on together,
to know all the wonders he's given to me. **(Refrain)**

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COMMUNION

***Eat this bread, drink this cup,
come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup,
trust in me and you will not thirst.***

I am the bread of life,
the true bread sent from the Father. **(Refrain)**

Your ancestors ate manna in the desert,
but this is the bread come down from heaven. **(Refrain)**

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THANKSGIVING

As the Deer pants for the water,
so my soul longs after You.
You alone are my heart's desire,
and I long to worship You.

***You alone are my strength, my shield,
to You alone may my spirit yield.
You alone are my heart's desire
and I long to worship You.***

You're my friend and You are my brother,
even though you are a King.
I love You more than any other,
so much more than anything. **(refrain)**

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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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