

# 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

Springbrook

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Caroline Mulquiny | Parish Playgroup Coordinator

## PARISH WEEKLY DIARY

### Saturday 9 May

8.00am Mass - Burleigh Heads

4.15pm Reconciliation - Miami

5.00pm Mass - Miami

5.15pm *No Reconciliation - Palm Beach*

6.00pm Lay-Led Liturgy & Communion (No Mass) - Palm Beach

### Sunday 10 May – Sixth 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*)

### Monday 11 May

9.00am Mass - Miami

### Tuesday 12 May – Sts Nereus and Archilleus

7.30am Mass - Burleigh Waters (*Livestreamed*)

### Wednesday 13 May – Our Lady of Fatima

5.30pm Mass - Palm Beach

### Thursday 14 May – St Matthias, apostle

5.00-5.15pm Reconciliation - Mudgeeraba

5.30pm Mass - Mudgeeraba

### Friday 15 May

9am-9.50am Adoration & Morning Prayer - Burleigh Waters

10.00am Mass - Burleigh Waters (*Livestreamed*)

### Saturday 16 May

8.00am Mass - Burleigh Heads

4.15pm Reconciliation - Miami

5.00pm Mass - Miami

5.15pm *No Reconciliation - Palm Beach*

6.00pm Lay-Led Liturgy & Communion (No Mass) - Palm Beach

### Sunday 17 May – The Ascension of the Lord

7.00am Lay-Led Liturgy & Communion (No 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*)

## SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Year A/2

10 May 2026

**This Week's Readings:** Acts 8:5-8; 14-17; 1 Pet 3:15-18; Jn 14:15-21

**Next Week's Readings:** Acts 1:1-11; Eph 1:17-23; Mt 28:16-20



## HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

*On this special day, we thank all the mums and mother-figures in our community for the love and care you give to children and those in need. May God bless you always, with the help of Mary, our Blessed Mother.*

The readings for this sixth week of Eastertide are full of joy! They celebrate the light and grace of the Holy Spirit who reveals God's love to all of us. In the **First Reading**, the apostles' ministry to the Samaritans signals a new phase in the early Church where the **Gospel** message is not just for the Jews but extended to everyone. Joyful celebration is the theme of the **Psalms** too. We are reminded of the many wondrous works of God, his boundless mercy, and his responsiveness to our prayers.

Peter teaches the community what it means to be a Christian in the **Second Reading**: to honour the Christian message with gentleness and respect, even in the face of criticism and rebuke. The Gospel reminds us of the unbreakable bond between us and Christ, expressed through love for God and for each other, and through obedience to his commandments.

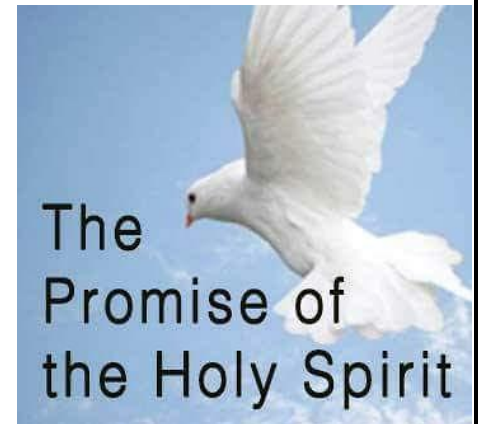
During this special Easter period, may we be strengthened, comforted and inspired by the Holy Spirit to know what it is to be called children of God.

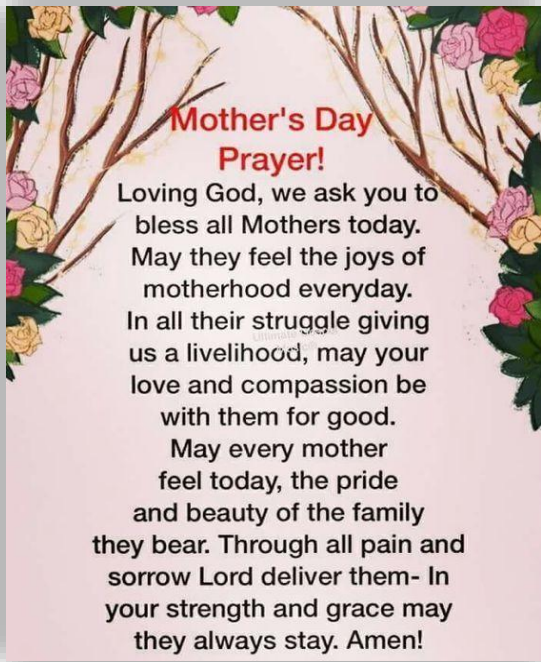
As I enter into prayer, I note how I am feeling today. I take time to be still and become aware of the Lord who loves and knows me through and through. I read the psalm slowly, perhaps a couple of times. How do I respond to this invitation to show joy today? I reflect on the things in my life that make me 'cry out with joy to God'. Where do I encounter his 'wondrous deeds'? I might focus on the beauty of nature around me; the love of my family; or a kind act of a friend or stranger. I share the joy of these experiences with the Lord.

Perhaps I am facing particular challenges and struggling to see the way forward, or that is true for someone I know. I stay with the feeling of wonder for the Lord who never rejects my prayer, and ask that he may create a dry path through these stormy waters.

I end my prayer with the intention to hold joy in my heart for the days ahead.

*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.



**INVITATION**



Care & Concern is hosting **Australia's Biggest Morning Tea** on **Friday June 5<sup>th</sup> at 10:45am** (following the Anointing Mass), in Mary Mother of Mercy Community Centre, 3 Sunlight Drive Burleigh Waters. Please bring your friends and help support vital Cancer Research and Patient Care. Lucky door prizes and raffle. **Entry: Gold Coin Donation.**

To assist with catering, please email [care.concern.burleigh@gmail.com](mailto:care.concern.burleigh@gmail.com) or phone Parish Office to register numbers attending - 55580120 by **Tuesday 2nd June, 2026.**



On 27 April 2026 members of the Infant Saviour Burleigh Heads St Vincent de Paul Conference acknowledged and farewelled 6 of our members. Their varying years of service to our conference is very much appreciated by us all, and we enjoyed a farewell afternoon tea in conjunction with our meeting.

All were presented with a Certificate of Appreciation and a small gift. So, thank you Dot, Joan, Kay, Roger, Ken, & Andrew we have valued your service and friendship to us and our parish, and you will be missed, though not forgotten. Every Blessing to you all.

Anyone wishing to join our conference will be most welcome.



**From left to right:** Dot Farley, Kay Harding, Ken Evans, Elsa Ward (President), Roger Munsie, Joan Kennedy, Andrew Carr.

**PARISH READING ROOM NEWS**

"New arrivals this week include copies of **"The Francis Effect"** Books 1, 2, & 3, each addressing a different theme: *Living the Joy of the Gospel; Praised be You, on care for our common home; Mission of Love and Mercy.* Also, a publication on the Venerable Pauline Jaricot, founder of the Propagation of the Faith.



We are grateful to Catholic Mission for the donation of these books and acknowledge the work of Catholic Mission in providing vital practical support in over 160 countries worldwide in the areas of working with children in health and education, supporting Church Leaders and propagation of faith."

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



Our parish's Filipino community would like to invite everyone to this important annual celebration of Our Lady – the Flowers of May. Please join us in this beautiful celebration on **Saturday 30 May at 10:00am** at **Mary Mother of Mercy, Burleigh Waters**, followed by lunch in the Community Centre. (There is no 8.00am Mass at Infant Saviour that morning).

## 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, Jose Antonio, Chris Grioli, Mary Ann Rogers, Roy Goodger, Audrey Griffin, Joan Elsie, Tom Pritchard, John Love, Lyn Hundt, Pat Dunlop, Leah Bolland, Sue McKinnon, Patricia Cruzado, 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, Tonia Desanti, Rosemary Roylance, Pat Stagliano, Jo Litchfield, Pam Provost, John Flaherty. 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.*

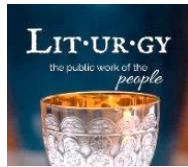
### PRAYERS FOR RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

Masses have been requested for the recently deceased and for those anniversaries occurring at this time, Isabel Little, John Meekin, Maureen Meekin, Natalia Abarquez, Ignatius Abarquez, Patricia Harvey, Doreen Coup, Evelyn North, John Gavaghan, Julia Grioli.



*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>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>

### SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM - CONFIRMATION



A friendly reminder that our children commence preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation with the Parent Information Evening on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> May** at either **3:30pm** or **5pm** at **Mary Mother of Mercy Church**.

We ask our parishioners to pray for these children and their families as they journey through the Sacramental Program.



### 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 17 May, 2026  
**TIME:** 11.30am for 12 noon start  
**VENUE:** Dog & Parrot Tavern  
 2 Scottsdale Dr, Robina -  
*Seniors Menu available*  
**CONTACT:** Margaret 0402 834 362 - *All Welcome*



**GATHERING**

Easter glory fills the sky, Alleluia!  
 Christ now lives no more to die, Alleluia!  
 Darkness has been put to flight, Alleluia!  
 By the living Lord of light, Alleluia!

Though we see his face no more, Alleluia!  
 He is with us as before! Alleluia!  
 Glory veiled, he is our priest, Alleluia!  
 His true flesh and blood our feast! Alleluia!

Christ, the victor over death, Alleluia!  
 Breathes on us the Spirit's breathe! Alleluia!  
 Paradise is our reward, Alleluia!  
 Endless Easter with our Lord! Alleluia!

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**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*Let all the earth cry out to God with joy.*

**COMMUNION**

Lord, we come to your table.  
 Lord, we hear your Word.  
 Lord, you are our Bread of Life  
 and we, the Body of Christ.

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**THANKSGIVING**

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with you.  
 Blessed are you among women,  
 and blest is the fruit of your womb, Jesus.  
 Holy Mary, Mother of God,  
 pray for us sinners now and at the hour of death.  
 Amen

***Gentle woman, quiet light,  
 morning star, so strong and bright,  
 gentle Mother, peaceful dove,  
 teach us wisdom; teach us love.***

You were chosen by the Father;  
 you were chosen for the Son.  
 You were chosen from all women  
 and for woman, shining one. **(Refrain)**

Blessed are you among women.  
 Blest in turn all women, too.  
 Blessed they with peaceful spirits.  
 Blessed they with gentle hearts. **(Refrain)**

**RECESSIONAL**

Go to the world! Go struggle, bless and pray;  
 the nights of tears give way to joyous day,  
 as servant Church, you follow Christ's own way.  
**Alleluia. Alleluia!**

Go to the world! Go as the ones I send,  
 for I am with you 'til the age shall end,  
 when all the hosts of glory cry "Amen!"  
**Alleluia. Alleluia!**

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The Spirit will keep on living in you

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| accept      | love    |
| come back   | one     |
| command     | orphans |
| Father      | people  |
| help        | see     |
| Holy Spirit | true    |

**Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.**  
 Respect & Protect.

ARCHDIOCESE OF BRISBANE  
 Zero tolerance. No excuse for abuse.