

# 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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## PARISH WEEKLY DIARY

### Saturday 23 May

8.00am Mass - Burleigh Heads  
4.15-4.45pm Reconciliation - Miami  
5.00pm Mass - Miami  
5.15-5.45pm *No Reconciliation – Palm Beach*  
6.00pm Lay-Led Liturgy & Communion (No Mass) - Palm Beach

### Sunday 24 May - Pentecost Sunday

7.00am Mass - Burleigh Heads  
7.00am Mass - Palm Beach  
8.30am Mass - Miami  
8.30am Lay-Led Liturgy & Communion (No Mass) - Mudgeeraba  
10.00am Children's Family Mass - Burleigh Waters (*Livestreamed*)  
5.00-5.15pm Reconciliation - Burleigh Waters  
5.30pm Mass (RCIT – Confirmation and Communion) - Burleigh Waters (*Livestreamed*)

### Monday 25 May - Our Lady, Help of Christians

9.00am Mass - Miami

### Tuesday 26 May - St Philip Neri

7.30am Mass - Burleigh Waters (*Livestreamed*)

### Wednesday 27 May - St Augustine of Canterbury

5.30pm Mass - Palm Beach

### Thursday 28 May

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

### Friday 29 May- St Paul VI, pope

10.00am Mass - Burleigh Waters (*Livestreamed*)

### Saturday 30 May

**\*\*No 8.00am Mass at Infant Saviour\*\***

9.00am Flores De Mayo - Rosary Procession  
10.00am Mass - Burleigh Waters (*Livestreamed*)  
4.15-4.45pm Reconciliation - Miami  
5.00pm Mass - Miami  
5.15-5.45pm Reconciliation - Palm Beach  
6.00pm Mass - Palm Beach

### Sunday 31 May - The Most Holy Trinity

7.00am Mass - Burleigh Heads  
7.00am Lay-Led Liturgy & Communion (No Mass) - Palm Beach  
8.30am Mass - Miami  
8.30am Lay-Led Liturgy & Communion (No Mass) - Mudgeeraba  
10.00am Mass - Burleigh Waters (*Livestreamed*)  
5.00-5.15pm Reconciliation - Burleigh Waters  
5.30pm Mass - Burleigh Waters (*Livestreamed*)

## PENTECOST SUNDAY

24 May 2026

Year A/2

**This Week's Readings:** Act 2:1-11; 1 Cor 12:3-7; 12-13; Jn 20:19-23  
**Next Week's Readings:** Ex 34:4-6, 8-9; 2 Cor 13:11-13; Jn 3:16-18



**On this great celebration of the descent of the Holy Spirit, today's readings tell of the gifts of consolation and peace, and of the commissioning of the disciples.**

The **First Reading** describes how the Holy Spirit arrives as tongues of fire, with the gift of communication. The **Psalms** implores the Lord to send his Spirit for the renewal of the whole earth. St Paul, writing to the church at Corinth (**Second Reading**), focuses on the unity of the Spirit through a diversity of gifts. Finally, St John (**Gospel**) recalls the appearance of the Risen Christ to the disciples in the Upper Room. Christ's gift of consoling peace empowers them for mission.

Let us pray, this week, that we, like them, might receive what the Lord wants to give us and so respond in like manner.

## GOSPEL John 20: 19–23 – REFLECTION

Again, I give some time to become still. I don't rush this important step. Then I read the gospel twice. Christ spends the days between his Resurrection and Ascension consoling people. In the spirituality of St Ignatius, the work of the Risen Christ is that of the bringer of consolation.

Christ the consoler continues to be active here and now, so perhaps I could imagine Jesus standing close by, maybe with one of my fears or some area of my life in which I feel locked. He breathes on me and gives me his Spirit of consolation, who, in the words of Pope Francis, 'loosens even the most complex knots of human affairs with infinite creativity' (*Laudato Si'* #80).

Jesus says to me, 'peace'. We look at each other as I wonder at his gift of consoling peace. What will I do with this gift? How does this encounter with Christ encourage me? How will I collaborate in the ministry of Christ's consolation, choosing it for myself, and helping others to choose this pathway to hope, joy and deep peace? I end by pondering this line from St Ignatius and, perhaps, asking for the grace to begin practising it in my daily life . . .

'Let's consider the office of the consoler which Christ our Lord carries out, and compare it with the way friends console one another.' (Spiritual Exercises #224).

*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.**

### VOLUNTEER NEEDED

#### Storage Shelf Repairs

**Rosies Outreach** are seeking a Volunteer to help with the repair work to their storage shelves at Burleigh.

If you have the skills to assist, can you phone Colm on 0490 533 353.



### SVDP WINTER APPEAL

Appeal envelopes are available at Parish Churches for our Winter Appeal. Please return donations (appeal envelopes) via the collection plates at the various masses.

Help Us Help those in need.

We appreciate the assistance provided by the Burleigh Heads Parish Community.

God Bless,  
**SVDP BURLEIGH HEADS INFANT SAVIOUR CONFERENCE**



### PARISH READING ROOM NEWS



**At Home with God's People** is an excellent resource for learning more about our faith. Whether you are a catechumen beginning your journey to baptism or just wanting to deepen your faith, you will find this a valuable resource. This book covers 25

topics and provides prayers, reflections and scripture references. A copy of this publication is now available in our Parish Library/Reading Room.

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The **Multifaith Music Harmony Festival** will be held on **Saturday, 6th June 10:00am-**



**2:00pm** at the Croatian Club, 181 Nerang Broadbeach Road, Carrara. A welcoming atmosphere where faiths come together to share music, dance and storytelling, that takes you on a journey where you can listen, reflect and celebrate. Come and support our 6 parish representatives. Light refreshments provided.

Admission is free but bookings are required for catering purposes on the following link: <https://www.trybooking.com/DLLNQ>



### UPDATE



The Parish is currently updating its Service Directory.

If you are involved in any parish group or activity and would like to be included in the directory, please contact the Parish Office.

## 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, Miguel Macasaet, 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

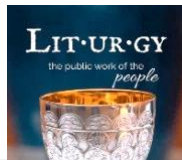
Masses have been requested for the recently deceased and for those anniversaries occurring at this time, Isabel Little, Tim Wright, Lyn McDonald, Scott Snodgrass.

*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 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>

The parish's Filipino community warmly invites everyone to the annual celebration in honour of **Our Lady – Flores de Mayo**. Please join us for this special celebration on **Saturday, 30 May** at **Mary Mother of Mercy Church**. The celebration will begin with a **Rosary Procession** at **9:00am**, followed by **Mass** at **10:00am**. Lunch will then be shared in the Community Centre. *(Please note: there will be no 8:00am Mass at Infant Saviour that morning.)*



On Sunday **24 May 2026** at 5.30pm Mass at Mary Mother of Mercy Church, the teenagers in the RCIT (*Rite of Christian Initiation of Teenagers*) program will receive the Sacraments of Confirmation and Holy Communion. We congratulate them on this special milestone in their faith journey.

We also sincerely thank Bev Tronc for her dedication and support in guiding the RCIT program.

The children enrolled in this year's **Sacramental Program** will also commence their journey towards receiving the Sacraments, an important step in deepening their faith.



Please keep all these young people and their families in your prayers as they continue to grow in faith and in the life of the Church.

### HAVE A CHATS FAMILY GROUP - MONTHLY LUNCHEON



**DATE:** Sunday 24 May 2026  
**TIME:** 11.30am for 12 noon start  
**VENUE:** Treetops Tavern, 7 Executive Drive, Burleigh Waters  
Seniors Menu – **ALL WELCOME**  
**CONTACT:** Joan 018 502 886 – RSVP 20 May 2026.

Everyone is warmly welcome to join us for **Morning Tea** every Sunday following the **Mary Mother of Mercy 10:00am Mass** in the **Community Centre**. Enjoy a cup of tea or coffee, refreshments, and the opportunity to share friendship, fellowship, and conversation with fellow parishioners and visitors.

*We look forward to seeing you there*



**GATHERING**

Holy Spirit, Lord of love,  
wisdom coming from above,  
gifts of blessing to bestow  
on your waiting Church below.

Once again in love draw near  
to your people gathered here;  
since our great baptismal day,  
you have led us on our way.

You have been our constant guide,  
ever watching by our side.  
May we now till life shall end,  
choose and know you as our friend.

Give us life to live for you;  
give us love, for ever new;  
come, then Holy Spirit, come;  
make each heart your happy home.

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**RESPONSORIAL PSALM**

*Spoken:*

***Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.***

*Sung:*

***Send forth your Spirit O Lord and renew the face of the earth.***

**COMMUNION**

***One bread, one body, one Lord of all,  
one cup of blessing which we bless.  
And we, though many, throughout the earth,  
we are one body in this one Lord.***

Gentile or Jew, servant or free,  
woman or man, no more. ***(Refrain)***

Many the gifts, many the works,  
one in the Lord of all. ***(Refrain)***

Grain for the fields, scattered and grown,  
gathered to one, for all. ***(Refrain)***

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**THANKSGIVING**

O God, you search me and you know me.  
All my thoughts lie open to your gaze.  
When I walk or lie down you are before me:  
ever the maker and keeper of my days.

Although your Spirit is upon me,  
still I search for shelter from your light.  
There is nowhere on earth I can escape you:  
even the darkness is radiant in your sight.

For you created me and shaped me,  
gave me life within my mother's womb.  
For the wonders of who I am I praise you:  
safe in your hands, all creation is made new.

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**RECESSIONAL**

***Send down the fire of your justice,  
send down the rains of your love;  
Come, send down the Spirit,  
breathe life in your people, and we shall be people of God.***


Call us to be your compassion,  
teach us the song of your love;  
give us hearts that sing,  
give us deeds that ring,  
make us ring with song of your love. ***(Refrain)***


Call us to witness your Kingdom,  
give us the presence of Christ;  
may your holy light keep us shining bright,  
ever shine with the presence of Christ.


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**The Spirit Brings** I can show love by \_\_\_\_\_  
 **LOVE** \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.

**The Spirit Brings** I can be a peacemaker by \_\_\_\_\_  
 **PEACE** \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.

**The Spirit Brings** I can show joy by \_\_\_\_\_  
 **JOY** \_\_\_\_\_  
 \_\_\_\_\_ because I am filled with the Holy Spirit.



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