

BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH

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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 11 July - St Benedict

8.00am Mass – Burleigh Heads

4.15-4.45pm Reconciliation - Miami

5.00pm Mass - Miami

5.15-5.45pm Reconciliation – Palm Beach

6.00pm Mass - Palm Beach

Sunday 12 July - 15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

7.00am Mass - Burleigh Heads

7.00am Mass - Palm Beach

8.30am Mass - Miami

8.30am Mass - Mudgeeraba

10.00am Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

5.00-5.15pm Reconciliation - Burleigh Waters

5.30pm Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

Monday 13 July - St Henry

9.00am Mass - Miami

Tuesday 14 July - St Camillus de Lellis

7.30am Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

Wednesday 15 July - St Bonaventure

5.30pm Mass - Palm Beach

Thursday 16 July - Our Lady of Mount Carmel

5.00-5.15pm Reconciliation - Mudgeeraba

5.30pm Mass - Mudgeeraba

Friday 17 July

9.00-9.50am Adoration, Morning Prayer & Reconciliation - Burleigh Waters

10.00am Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

Saturday 18 July

8.00am Mass – Burleigh Heads

4.15-4.45pm Reconciliation - Miami

5.00pm Mass - Miami

5.15-5.45pm Reconciliation – Palm Beach

6.00pm Mass - Palm Beach

Sunday 19 July - 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

5.00-5.15pm Reconciliation - Burleigh Waters

5.30pm Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

15TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year A/2

12 July 2026

SEAFARERS SUNDAY

This Week's Readings: Is 55:10-11; Rom 8:18-23; Mt 13:1-23

Next Week's Readings: Wis 12:13, 16-19; Rom 8:26-27; Mt 13:24-43

The prophet Isaiah (today's First Reading) reminds us that God's great desire, revealed through his word, has always been to prepare his chosen people for their full inheritance. God's word does not return empty-handed.

The **Second Reading** shows that suffering, though part of the Christian life, will come to an end with the glory of God. St Paul is trying to encourage us not to lose hope in the promise of the Lord's risen life. In the **Gospel**, Jesus asks us a question, as he asked it of those of his own day: are you truly hearing and accepting my word, that it might grow in you and produce much fruit? The Responsorial Psalm creates a wonderful scene of how God's word falling on the fertile ground of creation produces bountiful and abundant riches, ever-flowing and brimming over.

Let us pray, this week, that we might be that fertile ground, ready to receive God's word with open, generous, willing arms.

GOSPEL Matthew 13: 1-23 REFLECTION

As before, I give some time to entering into the sacredness of this prayer. Then, having become still, I read the Gospel twice. As I read, I might ask myself, how is God presented in the Gospel? Am I consoled by the image of God as a generous sower, unworried that some seed might be lost, and 'determined to hold on to nothing . . . who gives everything away' (in the words of Irish poet Brendan Kennelly)?

I pause with this God who is also prodigious with me. Perhaps I then move away from thoughts of seed wasted or lost, to those seeds bearing much fruit, revealing a world alive with God's gracious presence. It is a world 'charged with the grandeur of God' (Gerard Manley Hopkins). In the daily events of my own life, where do I perceive that 'charged grandeur'?

How am I to attend to the seeds of God in my daily decisions? In what ways can I cultivate the soil of my own and others' lives? I ponder . . . I end with a slow sign of the cross.

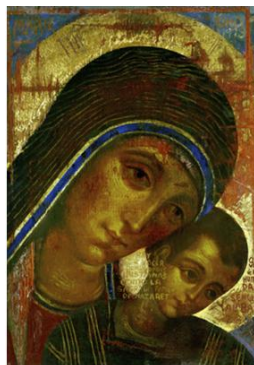
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THE NEOCATECHUMENAL WAY

Dear brothers and sister, Christ is risen! He is truly risen. My name is Carlo, and I am originally from Italy. I am married to Lucia and we have eight children. I was raised in the Catholic church and did all my sacraments. However, at the age of 14 God was a question mark for me. I did not have an answer to the sufferings present in my life. If God exists and really loves me, why is it that I suffer? When confronted with this question, I could not provide a concrete answer. Instead, I went through my adolescence looking for life where there was no life. Looking for an answer where there was no answer. I could not see who I really was. The picture I had of myself was that of a 'good boy' who could not do any harm to anyone. Looking back, I know this was not true. I was living my life without any real meaning, with a deep sadness inside myself. Yet, through all of this God was present in my life, even if I could not see Him. One day I was on a youth pilgrimage, and I received a word, an announcement that God loves me the way I am, and that he was my Father. The Holy Spirit sealed this announcement, giving me the certainty that God exists and that He loves me with all my sins. This helped me little by little to reconcile with my history, asking my father for forgiveness and to see that behind all of the events of my life God was present. God allowed this time of suffering, of dryness, which was an experience of the desert, to show me that I can only find true lasting happiness in Him. God was able to enter into my life by means of a gradual initiation to faith, a catechumenate lived in a Christian community. This experience is possible also for you.

Young and old, COME AND LISTEN! God loves you. Let him speak to you! He is making all things new. We invite you to hear our experience of the Neocatechumenal Way which has been enriching the lives of many for the last 50 years and was described by St John Paul II as 'an itinerary of Catholic formation valid for our society and our times'. May the Virgin Mary who inspired this Way intercede for us, that humility, simplicity and praise may appear among us. Let us all pray that this gift to the parish may bear fruit, fruit that will last!



Catechesis for the Youth and Adults

Mary, Mother of Mercy Church
Mondays and Thursdays 7-8 PM
Starting on the 13th of July in the Church Hall
For more information call Carlo on 0478 727 769

bit.ly/SeaSunday2026

Sea Sunday APPEAL

12 JULY 2026

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This weekend we celebrate **Sea Sunday**, when we pray for seafarers and their families and give thanks for the vital role they play in bringing us over 90% of the goods we use every day. The annual Sea Sunday Appeal supports the work of Stella Maris, the Catholic Church's maritime ministry, which provides practical, pastoral and spiritual care to seafarers and fishers around the world, regardless of nationality, race or creed.

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Brisbane Archbishop receives pallium from Pope Leo in Rome



BRISBANE Archbishop Shane Mackinlay has been invested with the pallium from Pope Leo XIV during a Mass at St Peter's Basilica on June 29.

"I was deeply honoured to receive a pallium from Pope Leo XIV during the annual Mass for Saints Peter and Paul, the patron saints of the city of Rome," Archbishop Mackinlay said.

He was one of 35 metropolitan archbishops from countries around the world, including Brazil, the Philippines, United States, South Africa, United Kingdom, India and Pakistan.

The pallium is a narrow band of white wool marked with six black crosses that is worn by metropolitan archbishops over the chasuble during liturgical celebrations.

Saints Peter and Paul were martyred in Rome and the city marks the feast of its patron saints with fireworks, flowers and celebration.

The pallium is presented each year on this feast day to archbishops appointed to a metropolitan see in the preceding 12 months.

Archbishop Mackinlay was appointed the seventh Archbishop of Brisbane by Pope Leo in June 2025 and was installed at St Stephen's Cathedral in September 2025.



Symbolic: Prelates process after Pope Leo XIV celebrated Mass with the blessing and imposition of the pallium in St Peter's Basilica. Photo: OSV News/Simone Risoluti, Vatican Media

Safeguarding is everyone's responsibility.

Respect & Protect.



Zero tolerance.
No excuse for abuse.

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.

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, Roy Goodger, Audrey Griffin, Joan Elsie, Tom Pritchard, John Love, Lyn Hundt, Pat Dunlop, Leah Bolland, Sue McKinnon, Patricia Cruzado, Suzanne Fullarton, Marnia Ryan Raison, Tony Calleja, Nikki Valdez Castillo, Luka Gabriel, Matthew Crook, Frank Giarrusso, Margaret Wilson, Wendy Riley, Rita Cruice, Dick Cruice, 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, Hale Azucera, Renato Borromeo, Joseph Penny 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, Marie Hunt, Julia Grioli, Necita Hickman, Noel Sandstrom, Merrill Taylor.

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



FUNERAL MASS for Merrill Taylor will be held on Tuesday 14 July 2026 at 11.00am at Our Lady of the Way, Palm Beach.

rest in peace

NEWS AROUND THE PARISH

Mass Schedule Change – No MASS Wednesday 22nd and Thursday 23 July

Please note there will be no Mass on **Wednesday 22nd July** at **Palm Beach** and **Thursday 23rd July** at **Mudgeeraba**. Fr Joseph and Fr Sijo will be attending the **Clergy Convocation**, joining their fellow priests for a time of prayer, reflection, and renewal in their ministry. We appreciate your understanding during this time.

ADDITIONAL MONTHLY RECONCILIATION TIME

Due to the increasing number of parishioners for the Sacrament of Reconciliation, we are pleased to announce an additional regular time for Confession.



Reconciliation will now also be available every 3rd Friday of the month, following Adoration and Morning Prayer until 9.45am.

We invite everyone who would like to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation to make use of this additional opportunity.

We look forward to welcoming you.



RCIA ENQUIRY NIGHT

DATE: Wednesday 15th July 2026

TIME: 7.00pm – 8.00pm

VENUE: Mary Mother of Mercy Church,
Liturgy Room, 3 Sunlight
Drive, Burleigh Waters

The RCIA (*Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults*), also called the Catechumenate, is the process by which adult persons are brought into membership of the Roman Catholic Church.

An invitation for anyone to attend who would like to know more about the Catholic Faith, for people who have not been baptised and for those baptised in other Faith Traditions and for Baptised Catholics who have been taken time out and wish to reconnect.

When people decide, they would like to know more about the Catholic Faith, we invite them to COME AND SEE by joining the RCIA Group.

The **RCIA journey** gently forms hearts in faith, guiding candidates through prayer, community, and learning as they prepare to receive the Sacraments of Initiation. It strengthens their relationship with Christ and helps them become fully part of the Church's life.



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 so that our Parish Priest can reach out to you with a formal welcome.

GATHERING

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet your tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
who like me his praise should sing?
Praise him! Praise him! Alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King!

Praise him for his grace and favour
to our fathers in distress;
praise him still the same for ever,
slow to chide and swift to bless:
Praise him! Praise him! Alleluia!
Glorious in his faithfulness!

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

***The seed that falls on good ground
will yield a fruitful harvest.***

COMMUNION

Lord, to whom can I go?
You alone speak the words of life.
You alone on the earth or in heaven above
are my saviour and my Lord. **(Refrain)**

***I found the treasure in a field,
that neither time nor death can steal.
I will sell what I have,
give all that I am,
to hold this treasure as my own.***

Jesus, Lord of my life,
I can ask for nothing more
than to see and believe that my life lies in You,
in the kingdom of my Lord. **(Refrain)**

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**RECESSIONAL**

***The heavens are telling the glory of God,
and all creation is shouting for joy.
Come, dance in the forest,
come, play in the field,
and sing, sing to the glory of the Lord.***

Sing to the sun, the bringer of day,
he carries the light of the Lord in his rays,
the moon and the stars, who light up the way
unto your throne. **(Refrain)**

Praise to the fire, who gives us his light,
the warmth of the sun to brighten our night,
he dances with joy, his spirit so bright,
he sings of you. **(Refrain)**

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The seed fell on good ground

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Try to find these words:

birds	road
boat	shore
crowd	soil
farmer	stories
Galilee	sun
Lake	teach

GOANNA'S FAMILY GROUP - MONTHLY LUNCHEON

DATE: Sunday 19 July 2026
TIME: 11.30am for 12 noon start
VENUE: Burleigh Town Hotel,
Tsipura Dr, Burleigh Heads
Seniors Menu
ALL WELCOME
CONTACT: Margaret 0402 834 362.

