

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

ST TERESA'S COMMUNITY

Springbrook

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PARISH WEEKLY DIARY

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)

Monday 20 July - St Apollinaris

9.00am Mass - Miami

Tuesday 21 July - St Lawrence of Brindisi

7.30am Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

Wednesday 22 July - St Mary Magdalene

** No Mass at Palm Beach – Clergy Convocation **

Thursday 23 July - St Bridget

** No Mass at Mudgeeraba – Clergy Convocation **

Friday 24 July - St Sharbel Makhluif

10.00am Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

Saturday 25 July - St James

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 26 July - 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly

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)

5.00-5.15pm Reconciliation - Burleigh Waters

5.30pm Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year A/2

19 July 2026

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

Next Week's Readings: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12; Rom 8:28-30; Mt 13:44-52

Our readings this Sunday reveal a God who is merciful and compassionate; who is lenient in judgment. He cares for us with love and forgiveness.

In our **First Reading** the author of Wisdom reflects on how God's power is revealed in the mildness of his judgment. His compassion teaches us to be kind in our turn towards others. The **Psalms** is a song of praise enumerating the qualities of God. The Lord is good and forgiving, compassionate and gracious. We can surely appeal to him in all our troubles. In the **Second Reading**, St Paul teaches us to pray in the Spirit. The Spirit prays within us and expresses the mind of God.



The **Gospel** presents us with three parables, all concerned with growth. The main one, about the weeds growing amidst the wheat, can be applied to our own lives, to the world around us and to the Church. God is patient, slow to judge. We can count on his mercy.

This week, may we ask the Lord to help us to be less judgmental and to look on others with kindness, as we would wish them to treat us.

GOSPEL Matthew 13: 24–30 REFLECTION

I settle to pray, giving myself time to relax my body, to become aware of how I'm feeling. I breathe in God's goodness and place myself before his loving gaze. I rest here for some time. I take up the Gospel and read it a couple of times. This is another parable Jesus is giving me. I accept it as a gift that has special meaning for me personally.

With whom and with which part of the story do I identify? . . . the person who sowed the seed and whose enemy planted the weeds? . . . the person who trusted enough to let wheat and weeds to grow together? . . . the servants who wanted to pull up the weeds and maybe damage the wheat? . . . the enemy who sabotaged someone else's plans?

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Perhaps I remember past events where this applied, or maybe I find it relevant to my life today. I ponder my reactions and speak to the Lord of this. What graces do I wish to ask for? . . . whether with regard to myself, or as I contemplate the world around me? Maybe I seek greater tolerance, or patience, or trust, or compassion for others and myself . . . ? I place all of this in the Lord's hands, trusting in him. I end my prayer with a 'Glory be . . .'

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

TRANSFIGURATION

Praying for Vocations into the Future

THURSDAY
6 AUGUST 2026

5:30PM START

CATHEDRAL
OF ST STEPHEN

Evening Prayer and Eucharistic Adoration
with Archbishop Shane Mackinlay, featuring
music, vocations expo and refreshments.



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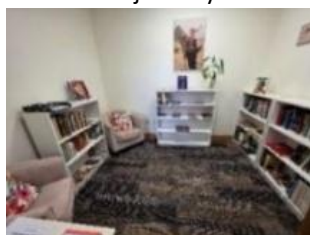


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PARISH READING ROOM NEWS

Fr Richard Rohr is a Franciscan priest and is widely recognized as an ecumenical teacher and best-selling author. In *Adam's Return*, Rohr seeks to awaken men to their own masculinity, their deep spirituality and their potential for leadership, thus inspiring a new generation of men to reassess what it means to be a man in today's society. He provides five essential truths to support men in their journey toward masculinity, maturity and a deeper experience of the divine. **Now available to borrow from our Parish Library.**

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



PIETY STALL ASSISTANT (Sunday Mornings)

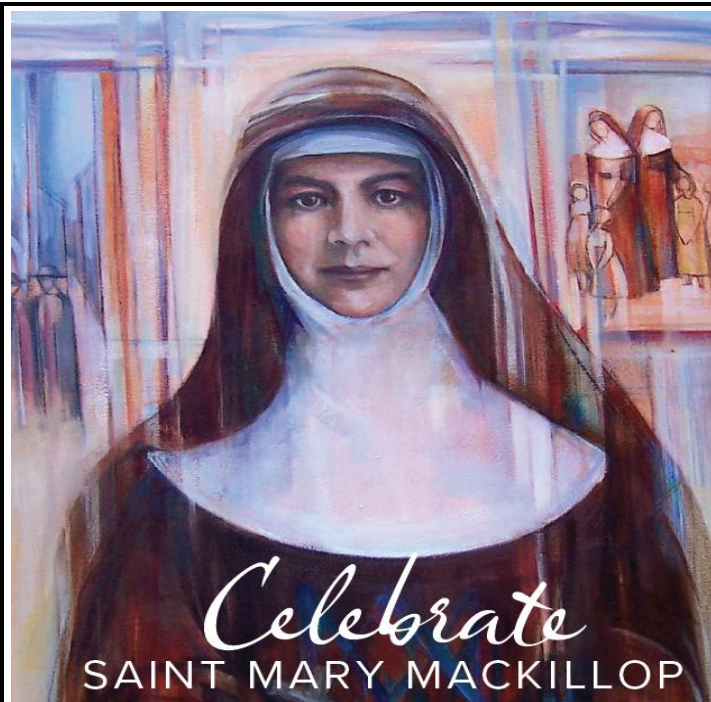
We are looking for a volunteer to assist at the piety stall on Sunday mornings at Mary Mother of Mercy.



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.



Celebrate
SAINT MARY MACKILLOP



A ripple of courage.
A life of service. A legacy of hope.

On **Saturday 8 August**,
let us come together from across the
Archdiocese to honour the courage, service and
life of Saint Mary of the Cross MacKillop.

Celebrations will begin with Mass at the Cathedral of St Stephen,
presided by Archbishop Shane Mackinlay, followed by a
community celebration in the Cathedral precinct.

**Bring your family,
friends and community to enjoy:**

- family-friendly activities, including face painting, craft projects and a petting zoo
- opportunities to learn about St Mary of the Cross MacKillop and her enduring impact
- a range of food options and refreshments
- live entertainment and performances.

Inspired by St Mary's call to "never see a need without doing something about it", this celebration invites us to reflect on the ripple effect of her life — how courage grounded in faith and service to those in need can create hope and lasting impact for generations.

**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 Roynance, Pat Stagliano, Jo Litchfield, Pam Provost, John Flaherty, Miguel Macasaet, Hale Azucera, Renato Borromeo, Joseph Penny, Philip (PC) Wilson, Allan Watkins 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 Andrew Sargent, Coral Wilkie.

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



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.



BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults)

An Invitation for anyone who would like to know more about the Catholic Faith.

RCIA is for:

- Those who have never been baptised.
- Those who have been baptised in another Christian tradition and are interested in becoming Catholic.
- Baptised Catholics who have been away from the Church and would like to reconnect with their faith.

If you are curious about the Catholic faith or are considering becoming part of the Catholic Church, we warmly invite you to Come and See by joining our RCIA group. **Everyone is welcome.**

Fortnightly meetings are held on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays of each month, beginning in August, at the Mary Mother of Mercy Community Centre. For further information, please telephone the Parish Office on 5558 0120.

PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES



Planned Giving envelopes are now available at the entrances of all our parish churches. If you cannot find your envelope, please check with the

Parish Office, as it may have been placed at another church within the parish. If you no longer wish to receive Planned Giving envelopes, please let us know.

We also encourage parishioners to consider direct debit or direct credit as a convenient and reliable way of supporting the parish through regular contributions.

Thank you to all our parishioners for your support over the years through Planned Giving, whether by envelopes, direct debit or credit card. Your faithful generosity enables our parish to continue serving our community, nurturing faith, and building a strong foundation for future generations.

Blessings Parish Finance Council.

GATHERING

I, the Lord of sea and sky
I have heard my people cry.
All who dwell in dark and sin
my hand will save.
I, who made the stars of night
I will make their darkness bright.
Who will bear my light to them?
Whom shall I send?

***Here I am, Lord. Is it I, Lord?
I have heard you calling in the night.
I will go, Lord, if you lead me.
I will hold your people in my heart.***

I, the Lord of wind and flame,
I will tend the poor and lame.
I will set a feast for them.
My hand will save.
Finest bread I will provide
till their hearts be satisfied.
I will give my life to them.
Whom shall I send? **(Refrain)**

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

Lord, you are good and forgiving.

COMMUNION

Take of my bread and eat, drink my new wine.
Take of my life and live, branch of my vine.
Let me befriend you now; eat, take your fill.
Don't be afraid to dream; love has its will.

Take up your burden now, walk 'til you find
just what the journey means; walk while there's time.
Food for the journey will answer your need.
Don't be afraid to walk; love, my love will lead.

Take of my bread and eat, drink my new wine.
Be a sweet nourishment to good friends of mine.
Let me befriend you now; eat, take your fill.
Share with your people, that love has its will.

Take of my bread and eat, drink my new wine.
Take of my life and live, branch of my vine.

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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)**

Sing to the earth, who makes life to grow,
the creatures you made to let your life show,
the flowers and trees that help us to know
the Heart of Love. **(Refrain)**

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Take care of the harvest

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ripe
sleeping
weed
wheat

**HAVE-A-CHATS FAMILY
GROUP LUNCHEON**

DATE: Sunday 26 July 2026
TIME: 11.30am for 12.00 noon start
VENUE: Treetops Tavern,
7 Executive Drive, Burleigh Waters
CONTACT: Tricia 5535 7616

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