

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 8 August – St Mary of the Cross

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 9 August - Ordinary Time 19

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 10 August - St Lawrence

9.00am Mass - Miami

Tuesday 11 August - St Clare

7.30am Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

Wednesday 12 August - St Jane Frances de Chantal

5.30pm Mass - Palm Beach

Thursday 13 August - Sts Pontian & Hippolytus

5.00-5.15pm Reconciliation - Mudgeeraba

5.30pm Mass - Mudgeeraba

Friday 14 August - St Maximilian Mary Kolbe

10.00am Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

Saturday 15 August – The Assumption of the BVM

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 16 August - Ordinary Time 20

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)

19TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

9 AUGUST 2026

Year A/2

This Week's Readings: 1 Kgs 19:9, 11-13; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

Next Week's Readings: Is 56:1, 6-7; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32 Mt 15:21-28

In the readings this week, we witness the full range of the earth's natural order:

the mountains, the wind, the sea, an earthquake and fire. Through all the upheaval and suffering that life may bring, we are reminded of God's ever-loving presence.



In the First Reading, a solitary Elijah is invited to go to the mountain to pray. God reveals himself to Elijah not in the dramatic events he witnesses, but in a gentle, low whisper. The Psalm reminds us that God will always provide for us, if only we open our hearts and ears to him. Guided by God's values of mercy, peace, justice, righteousness and faith we will stay on the right path.

St Paul (Second Reading) reaches out to his fellow Jews with a great yearning that they should see and accept the abundant gifts offered by Christ their Lord.

The Gospel retells another dramatic encounter with the earth's elements: this time the disciples are caught aboard their boat in a storm. Consumed by fear, it takes some time for them to recognise Jesus and accept his saving help.

May we be confident of the enduring presence of our Lord as we navigate our own stormy waters. We need only reach out to him.

GOSPEL Matthew 14: 22–33 REFLECTION

As I read this familiar Gospel, I may want to place myself in the scene. Am I one of the crowd, satisfied after being fed, or am I wanting for more? Perhaps I am one of the disciples, encouraged by Jesus to go out into the boat? To what extent am I aware of Jesus's presence as I go about my daily tasks?

Perhaps I wish to accompany him up the mountain to pray. As I approach the top, I take in the peace and space that the mountain offers and sit quietly with him. What happens?

In time, I hear the cry of help from the disciples. Perhaps loved ones, other people or situations who are overwhelmed with fear or doubt come to mind.

I share my prayer with the Lord. I hear him saying: 'Take heart; it is I. Do not be afraid'. He might repeat this a few times to me. How do I want to respond? I bring this time of prayer to an end, thanking the Lord for whatever he has revealed to me. I ask that I more readily reach out for his healing hand in my daily life.

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



22-23 August 2026

Care for retired and elderly priests

Your gift to The Priests Foundation ensures that priests who have spent their lives in service to God and our community are themselves supported with care and dignity when they retire or become unwell.



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PARISH READING ROOM NEWS

Born in Melbourne in 1842, Mary Helen MacKillop, co-founder of the Sisters of Saint Joseph of the Sacred Heart, pioneered free secular and religious education for children living in poverty and remote areas. Always guided by her personal motto "Never see a need without doing something about it," she left a legacy of a large network of schools, hospitals and welfare institutions across Australia and New Zealand. Despite the many challenges, even being excluded from the formal Church for a period, Mary remained faithful to her calling from God. Mary died in Sydney on the 8 August 1909 as Mother Mary of the Cross and was canonized by Pope Benedict XVI on 17 October 2010 becoming Australia's first saint. As we celebrate her feast this weekend, we also acknowledge her as Patron of the Brisbane Archdiocese. For further reading on the life of our first saint, you can locate the following publications in our library: "**Mary MacKillop, Made in Australia**", by Daniel Lyne, "**Mary MacKillop, an Extraordinary Australian**", by Paul Gardiner SJ.



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



Last weekend, **Archbishop Shane Mackinlay** celebrated Mass at the Holy Spirit Seminary Queensland Quo Vadis Retreat with 16 men discerning the priesthood. During National Vocation Awareness Week, we offered prayers for all who were discerning God's call to marriage, single life, priesthood, the diaconate, or religious life, and supported them with our encouragement.



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OZANAM VILLA AGED CARE BURLEIGH HEADS

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Ozanam Villa holds liturgies every Wednesday in its Chapel. They are seeking to grow their dedicated group of parish volunteers who bring wheelchaired residents from their rooms each week to the Chapel.

Please contact the Parish Office ph: 555 80120 if you would like to assist the residents in this way.

TRAINING
AUGUST

LITURGIES
EVERY WEDNESDAY



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. Due to limited seating, please confirm your attendance with Val Litchfield on **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, Heath Smith, Geraldine Dyer, Bryce Caughey, Kerry Mumby-Faulkner 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, Timoteo Borromeo Jr, Renato Borromeo, Frances Gauci, Milan Cohilj, Miranda Cohilj.

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



NEWS AROUND THE PARISH

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.



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2026

On **Sunday, 24 August**, a number of children from our parish will celebrate the **Sacrament of Reconciliation** for the first time.

We ask all parishioners to keep these children and their families in your prayers during the coming weeks. May they come to know God's loving mercy, forgiveness, and peace, and grow ever closer to Jesus through this beautiful sacrament.

"Lord, help these children to trust in Your love and to experience the joy of Your forgiveness."

Thank you for supporting our young parishioners with your prayers and encouragement.



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(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.

GOANNAS FAMILY GROUP MONTHLY LUNCHEON

Date: Sunday 16th August 2026
Time: 11.30am for 12 noon start
Venue: Palm Beach Soccer Club
 81 Nineteenth Ave, Palm Beach
Contact: Margaret 0402 834 362



ALL WELCOME

GATHERING

**Blest be the Lord; blest be the Lord,
the God of mercy, the God who saves.
I shall not fear the dark of night,
nor the arrow that flies by day.**

He will release me from the nets of all my foes.
He will protect me from their wicked hands.
Beneath the shadow of his wings I will rejoice
to find a dwelling place secure.

Although a thousand strong have fallen at my side. I'll
not be shaken with the Lord at hand.
His faithful love is all the armor that I need
to wage my battle with the foe.

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

SPOKEN:

***Lord, show us your mercy and love,
and grant us your salvation.***

SUNG:

***Let us see, O Lord, your mercy and give us
your saving help.***

COMMUNION

***We remember how you loved us to your death,
and still we celebrate, for you are with us here;
and we believe that we will see you
when you come, in your glory, Lord,
we remember, we celebrate, we believe.***

Here, a million wounded souls
are yearning just to touch you and be healed.
Gather all your people,
and hold them to your heart. **(Refrain)**

Now we recreate your love,
we bring the bread and wine to share a meal.
Sign of grace and mercy,
the Presence of the Lord. **(Refrain)**

Christ, the Father's great "Amen"
to all the hopes and dreams of ev'ry heart;
Peace beyond all telling,
and freedom from all fear. **(Refrain)**

See the Face of Christ revealed
in ev'ry person standing by your side,
gift to one another,
and temples of your love. **(Refrain)**

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RECESSIONAL

***All the ends of the earth,
all you creatures of the sea,
lift up your eyes to the wonders of the Lord.
For the Lord of the earth,
the master of the sea,
has come with justice for the world.***

Break in to song at the deeds of the Lord,
the wonders he has done in ev'ry age. **(Refrain)**

Heaven and earth shall rejoice in his might;
ev'ry heart, ev'ry nation call him Lord. **(Refrain)**

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Jesus will save us

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Try to find
these words:

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faith
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pray
sink
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**Safeguarding is
everyone's
responsibility.**

Respect & Protect.



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Zero tolerance.
No excuse for abuse.