

BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH

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CALVARY CHURCH
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Wallaby Dr, Mudgeeraba

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PARISH WEEKLY DIARY

<u>Saturday</u>	<u>20 April</u>
8.00am	Mass - Burleigh Heads
4.15pm	Reconciliation - Miami
5.00pm	Mass - Miami
5.15pm	Reconciliation - Palm Beach
6.00pm	Mass - Palm Beach
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>21 April – 4th Sunday of Easter</u>
7.00am	Mass - Burleigh Heads
7.00am	Mass - Palm Beach
8.30am	Mass - Miami
8.30am	Mass - Mudgeeraba
10.00am	Mass - Burleigh Waters (<i>Livestreamed</i>)
11.00am	Mass (Portuguese) - Miami
5.00pm	Reconciliation - Burleigh Waters
5.30pm	Mass - Burleigh Waters (<i>Livestreamed</i>)
<u>Monday</u>	<u>22 April</u>
9.00am	Mass - Miami
<u>Tuesday</u>	<u>23 April – St Adalbert</u>
7.30am	Mass - Burleigh Waters (<i>Livestreamed</i>)
<u>Wednesday</u>	<u>24 April St Fidelis of Sigmaringen</u>
5.30PM	Mass - Palm Beach
<u>Thursday</u>	<u>25 April – Anzac Day</u>
7.00am	Mass - Burleigh Heads
5.15pm	Reconciliation - Mudgeeraba
5.30pm	Mass - Mudgeeraba
<u>Friday</u>	<u>26 April – St Mark</u>
10.00am	Mass - Burleigh Waters (<i>Livestreamed</i>)
<u>Saturday</u>	<u>27 April – St Louis Grignon de Montfort</u>
8.00am	Mass - Burleigh Heads
4.15pm	Reconciliation - Miami
5.00pm	Mass - Miami
5.15pm	Reconciliation - Palm Beach
6.00pm	Mass - Palm Beach
<u>Sunday</u>	<u>28 April – 5th Sunday of Easter</u>
7.00am	Mass - Burleigh Heads
7.00am	Mass - Palm Beach
8.30am	Mass - Miami
8.30am	Mass - Mudgeeraba
10.00am	Mass - Burleigh Waters (<i>Livestreamed</i>)
5.00pm	Reconciliation - Burleigh Waters
5.30pm	Mass - Burleigh Waters (<i>Livestreamed</i>)

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

21 April 2024

Year B/2

This Week's Readings: Acts 4:8-12; 1 Jn 3:1-2; Jn 10:11-18
Next Week's Readings: Acts 9:26-31; 1 Jn 3:18-24; Jn 15:1-8

Have you noticed how often we pray the psalms...at least some of us? Nuns, monks, priests, deacons pray the psalms, many psalms, every day. (It's called the Divine Office. The prayer book they carry with those Psalms is called a Breviary.) But what about the rest of us Catholics? Some pray the psalms when we make retreats, others pick up their Bible daily to pray a psalm or two as part of their prayer. Does that describe us, is that what we do?



When asked, "How many Scripture readings are there at your Eucharistic celebrations?" we tend to say: "Two at daily mass, three on Sundays." Notice we usually do not count the psalm response ("Responsorial Psalm") to the first readings. I would suggest, for some, psalms are treated like a second-class form of scriptures, not as important as the rest of the biblical books.

As an overview: there are 150 poem prayers we call "The Psalms." They are divided into five books (Psalms 1-41; 42-72; 73-89; 90-106; 107-150). The particular numbering might vary. The fivefold division is an imitation of the Pentateuch, the first five books of the Hebrew Scriptures. They were used in liturgical settings and for personal prayers -- and still are. Jesus' parents would have taught him the psalms. The psalms we call "Responsorial Psalms," are frequently put to musical settings for our liturgical celebrations.

Every time we come to Mass, Sundays and weekdays, as well as for baptisms, funerals, and weddings, there is at least one psalm at each service. There are Psalms of praise, thanksgiving, petition, confession of sin, and lament. They are poetic prayers and so fit many human moods, needs, and hungers. You can find a psalm to express your mood and need for the day.

Did you notice the Responsorial Psalm after the first reading today? It was taken from Psalm 118 and is a thanksgiving psalm. It can express, or even stir us, to thanksgiving and, if needed, make us aware of our all-loving God and the gifts God gives us daily. Psalm 118 has 29 verses. Nine have been chosen as a response to our first reading from the Acts of the Apostles. We will focus on the chosen nine, but for a fuller reading why not go to your Bible and pray the full Psalm 118 from the Book of Psalms?

As poetic prayers the psalms can touch us, as poetry does, at a deeper level than ordinary words. They can help us slow down, stir our imagination to play with different words and images. So, for example, to pick a word from today's Psalm 118, where and to whom do we go for "refuge?" How do we do that? How is God our refuge?

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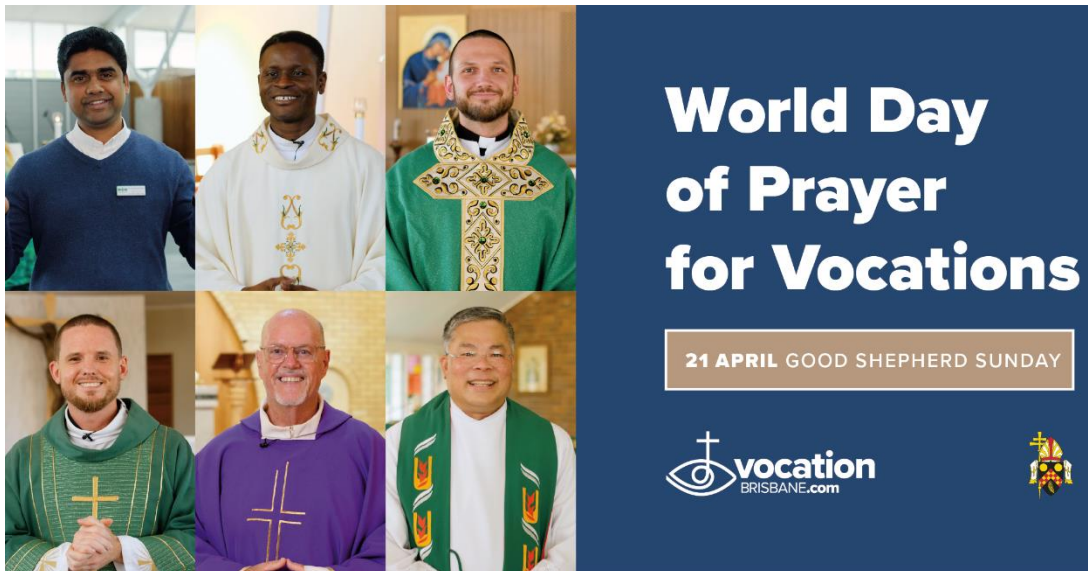
Psalms encourage us to pause over a word, or image; ask questions; explore the feelings the psalmist stirs up; cast a loving gaze on God. We do not just read a psalm and move on to what's next, as when we read historical or informational document. We can approach a psalm from different perspectives. For example, how would a young person, widow, newlywed, infirmed senior, etc. hear and pray this Psalm? Try praying the psalm with one of them in mind.

Psalm 118 is prayed by a thankful person. There are about 20 psalms of thanksgiving; some are personal, others are the grateful prayers of the community. Thanksgiving psalms seem to overflow with joy and receptivity. The person praying a thanksgiving psalm seems surprised by God. We can sense that wonder and surprise when the psalmist prays, "By the Lord has this been done; it is wonderful in our eyes." Thanksgiving psalms build up a relationship of gratitude with God. Doesn't that happen when someone does us a favour, or surprises us with a gift we haven't earned and our singular response is, "Thank you?"

The first reading incorporates a verse from today's psalm: "The stone which the builders rejected has become the cornerstone." (Acts identifies Jesus as the one who suffered, was rejected and then exalted by God.) The psalm encourages us and the community to give thanks for God's marvellous deeds and, when necessary, to seek refuge in God who is trustworthy and will not fail us. "It is better to take refuge in the Lord God...." Notice how the psalm uses repetitions. "Give thanks to the Lord....", addressed to the community (The opening and closing verse), and, "I will give thanks to you for you have answered me.", addressed to God. By repetition the psalmist is doing what we do when we want to stress an important point, we repeat, or use similar words for the same purpose.

Grateful acknowledgment of God's gifts leads us to the Eucharist, our community prayer of thanksgiving. (The Greek word "eucharistes," means to give thanks.) For what, or whom, shall we give thanks in our celebration today? The gifts of creation; our family; church community; sufficient food; good medical care, etc.? And, as we pray our psalm of thanks, we are also aware of those without food; healthcare; safety for their families; employment, etc. The psalm of thanks stirs our awareness of others in our world who are without and challenges us to ask, "How can I help them so they too will give thanks to God?"

This Sunday on World Vocation Sunday we give thanks for those who hear the call of God on their hearts and respond.



The banner features a collage of six photographs of men in various vocations and clerical attire. On the right, the text reads: "World Day of Prayer for Vocations" in large white letters, followed by "21 APRIL GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY" in a smaller white box. At the bottom right, there is a logo for "vocation BRISBANE.com" and a small icon of a person in a blue robe.



The banner has a dark background with the text "TRUTH TELLING" in large white letters, and "Where to from Now?" in smaller white letters below it. To the right, it says "Reconciliation Action Plan Networking Workshop" in white text.

Join us for our **RAP (Reconciliation Action Plan) Networking workshops – Truth telling, Where to, From Now**, for Parishes and Communities across the Archdiocese.

As we navigate post referendum, these workshops will provide an opportunity for Parishes and Communities to recommit to Reconciliation. It is a chance to come together and work on a way forward to chart a path to deliver meaningful results through our RAP by:

- Supporting RAP initiatives that promote truth-telling and reconciliation.
- Engaging in actions that build bridges and true reconciliation, respect and unity.
- Sharing ideas, resources, and tools to engage with parishes and communities to action the RAP deliverables and developing a support network.

With special Guest Speaker, **Cheryl Buchanan – Proud Guwamu Woman** from Southwest Queensland. Cheryl is a renowned publisher, playwright, author, speaker, director, teacher, lecturer and traditional dancer.

Date: Saturday 04th May 202

Time: 8:30am – 3:00pm

Location: Calvary Church Atrium, Burleigh Heads Parish, Cnr Santa Monica and Redondo Drv, Miami.

Cost: Gold coin donation on the day – all proceeds will go towards supporting Cherbourg Catholic Community.

Morning tea, afternoon tea and a light lunch will be provided.

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.

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.

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.

Burleigh Heads Catholic Parish Ethnic Ministry Groups

Brazilian: 6:45pm every Tuesday - Miami Church
Chinese: 3:00pm every 2nd Sunday of the Month - MMM Community Centre
Filipino: As advertised in the parish newsletter



PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & SPECIAL NEEDS

William Korab, Jess Hall, Michael Onn, Jason Hill, Katrina Kerkow-Hill, Geromy Grima, Fred Grioli, Mary Wagner, William & Gladys McCleary, Kai Colless, Peter Flynn, Anthony Metzen, Hannes Rieck, Quetta Mace, Doreen Kennedy, Bernard Clark, Irene Garland, Caitlin Ibbotson, Edward Tudor, Dick O'Halloran, Lynne Nunan, Petrina Stewart, John Christopher, Deirdre Irwin, Linda Ledbrook, Paul Holford, Leah Bolland, Warren Wilson, Doug Tronc, Evelyn North, Margaret Russell, Jose Antonio, Chris Grioli, Des Stuckey, Mary Ann Rogers, Roy Goodger, Audrey Griffin, Joan Elsie the sick of our Parish and all in need of God's healing Spirit.

PRAYERS FOR RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

Masses have been requested for the recently deceased and for those anniversaries occurring at this time, Dorothy Anna Young, Brian Dunlea, Lilia Santos, Barbara Willoughby, Jim Robertson, Maria Pirota, Darryl Towell, Michael Dooley, Peggy Maguire, Christopher Mark Wilson. Also praying for all for whom Masses have been requested. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord. And let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen.

NEWS AROUND THE PARISH



PARISH AGED CARE MINISTRY

We are seeking volunteers to join our parish team to visit nursing homes in our parish – take communion and to visit.

We are running the Aged Care Ministry Course on the 3rd May at 10.30am – 12pm at the Parish Office. Please let the parish office know if you can spare a few hours per week and share in this wonderful ministry.

CONTEMPLATIVE WOMEN'S GROUP *SINKING INTO THE FEMININE DIVINE*

This month we are walking with **Joyce Rupp**, a Servite sister, author, spiritual guide, and retreat facilitator. Joyce Rupp's reflective writings on prayer, spirituality, ritual, and poetry are invitations to go deeper into who we are called to be as followers of Christ. We will be exploring some of Joyce Rupp's reflections for the season of Easter. Come, join us, as we walk the path. Mary Mother of Mercy Church, 1.30pm – 3.30pm Saturday 27th April. Simple afternoon tea supplied. Contact Sue sue@suethomas.net.au if you'd like more information – or just turn up. Joyce Rupp's work can be further explored on her website <https://joycerupp.com>

WORLD LABYRINTH DAY "WALK AS ONE AT 1PM" Every year on the first Saturday in May thousands of people around the globe participate in World Labyrinth Day as a moving meditation for world peace and celebration of the labyrinth experience. Many "Walk as One at 1" local time to create a rolling wave of peace passing from one time zone to the next. **Mary Mother of Mercy Church, Saturday 4th May.** A morning offering of labyrinth focussed craft activities 10am – 12.30pm (registration necessary in order to supply enough resources). Then from 1pm – 3pm a labyrinth will be open for contemplative communal labyrinth walking. Come for the day, or just for labyrinth walking sometime in the afternoon. For further information, and to register for morning activities, contact Sue sue@suethomas.net.au



AN INVITATION TO MEN AND WOMEN DISCERNING A VOCATION TO THE PRIESTHOOD OR CONSECRATED LIFE.

The promotion of vocations to the ministerial priesthood and to religious life is essential for the Church's present and future. To offer some encouragement to young men and women on their journey of discernment, the

Archbishop is hosting dinner on two evenings in April and May.

Any single men and women in our Parish who would be open to an invitation, please contact Padre at the Parish Office.

Catholic Mission invites World Mission May Rosary Prayers sessions

Join Catholic Mission online to honour Mother Mary during the month of May through praying the Rosary.

THE WORLD MISSION ROSARY
One rosary unites | Our prayer unites

World Mission May Rosary Prayers

Mon - Fri
Time: 2pm Brisbane / Melbourne time
12pm Perth time
Join Zoom Meeting:
<https://tinyurl.com/cmprayer>
Meeting ID:
893 8798 2280
Password:
876574

GO AND INVITE EVERYONE to the banquet

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GATHERING

*Sing a new song unto the Lord;
let your song be sung from mountains high.
Sing a new song unto the Lord,
singing alleluia.*

Shout with gladness, dance for joy!
O come before the Lord.
And play for God on glad tambourines,
and let your trumpet sound. **(Refrain)**

Rise, O children, from your sleep;
your Saviour now has come.
He has turned your sorrow to joy,
and filled your soul with song. **(Refrain)**

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

*Alleluia, alleluia, give thanks to the risen Lord.
Alleluia, alleluia, give praise to his name.*

COMMUNION HYMN

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.

You know my resting and my rising,
you discern my purpose from afar,
and with love everlasting you besiege me:
in ev'ry moment of life or death, you are.

Before a word is on my tongue, Lord,
you have known its meaning through and through.
You are with me beyond my understanding:
God of my present, my past and future too.

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 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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THANKSGIVING

The Lord is my shepherd, and I want to follow,
wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.
Over the mountains, the waters and by-ways,
valleys and highways, he's waiting for me.

*I want to go to meet him there,
to lay myself down in his love.
The Lord is my shepherd and I want to follow,
wherever he leads me, wherever he goes.*

And while on the journey to where we are going,
he promised to be there to help us along.
And over the mountains we'll walk on together,
to know all the wonders he's given to me.

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RECESSIONAL

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!

Magd'len, wipe away your tears! Alleluia!
He has come who calms all fears! Alleluia!
Hear the master speak your name; Alleluia!
Turn to him with heart aflame! 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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Jesus is the good shepherd

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A Q G T L M L X P I Q O X K
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B E G A R A S I E A Q R B O
T K V S C A T T E R B G O O
R M T K S H E P H E R D I G

Try to find these words:

- flock
- hear
- know
- life
- one
- run
- scatter
- sheep
- shepherd
- together
- voice
- wolf

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