

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

Eleventh Ave, Palm Beach

CALVARY CHURCH

Redondo Ave, Miami

ST BENEDICT'S CHURCH

Wallaby Dr, Mudgeeraba

ST TERESA'S COMMUNITY

Springbrook

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PARISH WEEKLY DIARY

Saturday 3 August – St Dominic
8.00am Mass - Burleigh Heads
4.15pm Reconciliation - Miami
5.00pm Mass - Miami
5.15pm Reconciliation - Palm Beach
6.00pm Mass - Palm Beach

Sunday 4 August – Ordinary Time 18
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 - Springbrook
5.00pm Reconciliation - Burleigh Waters
5.30pm Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

Monday 5 August – Mary Major
9.00am Mass - Miami

Tuesday 6 August- The Transfiguration of the Lord
7.30am Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

Wednesday 7 August – St Sixtus II, pope
** No 5.30pm Mass Palm Beach **

Thursday 8 August – St Mary of the Cross
** No 5.30pm Mass Mudgeeraba **

Friday 9 August
10.00am Mass Feast of Mary McKillop –
Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

Saturday 10 August – St Lawrence
8.00am Mass - Burleigh Heads
4.15pm Reconciliation - Miami
5.00pm Mass - Miami
5.15pm Reconciliation - Palm Beach
6.00pm Mass - Palm Beach

Sunday 11 August – Ordinary Time 19
7.00am Mass - Burleigh Heads
7.00am Mass - Palm Beach
8.30am Mass - Miami
8.30am Mass - Mudgeeraba
10.00am Holy Mass of Syro-Malabar Catholic Church -
Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)
5.00pm Reconciliation - Burleigh Waters
5.30pm Mass - Burleigh Waters (Livestreamed)

18th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Year B/2

WORLD YOUTH DAY

4 AUGUST 2024

This Week's Readings: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35

Next Week's Readings: 1 Kg 19:4-8; Eph 4:30-5:2, Jn 6:41-51



Last week we began chapter 6 in John's Gospel. From now until the end of August these Sunday gospel passages will continue to be from that chapter. As we hear the readings each week it will help our understanding if we keep in mind the context and the flow of the story within John 6.

Last week Jesus multiplied the bread and fish for the vast crowd. After he performed the multiplication, Jesus realized that the people wanted to make him king, so he slipped off by himself. The crowd chased after him and, as we hear today, they found him on the other side of the lake, at Capernaum. It is typical in John's Gospel that after Jesus performs a miracle he enters into a dialogue, either with some Pharisees, or as we see today, with the crowds. This is John's way to draw out the deeper meaning of the "sign" Jesus has performed and its meaning for the Christian community for whom John was writing his gospel.

We read these dialogues, not just because we are interested in what happened 2000 years ago. We believe the Lord is risen and that he has something to say to us today, just as he did to the crowds. After tracking him down the people ask him, "Rabbi, when did you get here?" Not exactly a relevant or important question, is it? We do the same, with our limited vision and lack of understanding, we ask the wrong questions. What is encouraging in the story is that Jesus does not rebuke his questioners, or send them away, instead he engages them in conversation. We have a lot to learn from Jesus and, if we stick with the conversation by both speaking and listening to him, we will grow in our understanding of who he is and who we are to become.

We gather again on another Sunday to celebrate Eucharist. Perhaps this was a very busy week, and we did not have much time or thought for Jesus. But we are here with our questions and with open ears to hear what he has to say to us. His comment to the crowd implies a question he is asking them and us as well, "What are you looking for?" Are we praying to Jesus today because we believe he can get us out of a difficulty we've gotten into, or a misfortune that has befallen us?

There is certainly nothing wrong with praying when we are in need. But Jesus has even more to give us, for isn't our greatest hunger the one we have for God? Do we want to experience God's life in us and have a deeper relationship with God? That's the bread that Jesus is offering us. In receiving Jesus today, we receive the very life of God. For, as Jesus tells his disciples later in the gospel, "I am the way...." Realizing what our deepest hungers are, we make the petition of the crowd our own, "Sir, give us this bread always."

A friend of mine was setting out on an eight-hour car trip. As he was packing his car several of us asked, "Do you have enough food for the journey?" He said he did and even if he didn't, he could still eat at a rest stop. But in Jesus's time there were no rest stops along the sides of the road, so carrying enough food for the journey could mean the difference between life and death. Thus, it was a custom of the time to give food to those departing for a trip.

We are all on a journey and we don't know how long it will last. Some sections of the trip may be perilous, faith-testing, exhausting and disorienting. We can always provide for our physical food; but to stay faithful to our calling as disciples of Jesus, we will need food that only he can provide -- his very self. Isn't that why we come each week to this liturgical celebration, to be nourished by God's Word and the sacred meal God provides for us, Jesus Christ -- our food for the journey?

There are as many hungers as there are people at our Eucharist. Some of us in the pews hunger for physical food: we are unemployed or under-employed; we lack adequate health care for medical emergencies; we struggle to pay tuition bills, etc. What can we in the parish do to address the hungers of our struggling brothers and sisters? Some parishes have food pantries, volunteer nurses and doctors, arrangements for lodging, job training, legal counsel, etc.


Jesus saw the hunger of the crowds and fed them. Certainly, he would want us to address the physical hungers of those in our community. Jesus, the bread from heaven, gives us sight to enable us to see our immediate surroundings. With the eyes that he gives us we can see the hungers of people who are, not only our neighbours, but those beyond our borders. Consider, for example, the Christ-inspired vision of the organization "Bread for the World." Guided by the compassion of Jesus they describe themselves as: "... a collective Christian voice urging our nation's decision makers to end hunger at home and abroad (Cf. Bread for the World: <http://www.bread.org/>). While Jesus addresses people's physical hungers, he also challenges them not to search for physical food alone -- for they will be hungry again. Besides physical appetites, we also have spiritual and emotional hungers. As chapter 6 proceeds, we will learn more about how Jesus will satisfy these hungers. But, for now, why not try to name the hunger we feel at this moment in our lives, or the hungers we experience in our families and then hold out our empty hands and ask Jesus to feed us. He sees our hungers and will not deny us the daily bread we need.

John describes Jesus as a wonder worker; but he also shows him as someone who gives us bread "always." Jesus is "the bread from heaven," the one God has sent to teach us to trust God. The people name Moses as the one who gave them bread from heaven -- but Jesus corrects them. They fail to see that it wasn't Moses, but God, who gave them the bread in the desert. Jesus encourages his contemporaries to see that now he is the bread that God is providing for them. Not only did God give bread in the past; but God also freely gives bread in the present. (John's Gospel is very much a present-tense gospel.)

The crowd asks Jesus, "What can we do to accomplish the works of God?" In response he states the core gospel message: the first work we must do is to believe in Christ, "the one God sent." Having faith in Jesus is to believe God already loves us (John 3: 16). We don't have to earn that love, Jesus is the visible sign of it. Accepting him and his message is to eat the bread of life, which "gives life to the world."

Living the life of Jesus in the world is hard. We can get discouraged, want to give up, or even lose our way. Sometimes the world of death seems to be triumphing over the life God wants to give us. The front page of any newspaper or news link on the web, is enough to discourage us. The gospel today reminds us however, we are not making our journey alone. We travel with one another, sustained by the bread of life given us by a gracious God.

SYRO-MALABAR HOLY MASS CELEBRATION




A celebration of the Holy Mass (*Holy Qurbana*) of the Syro-Malabar Catholic Church at Burleigh Heads Parish on **SUNDAY 11th August 2024 at 10.00am** at **Mary Mother of Mercy Church, Burleigh Waters.**

Syro-Malabar Church is an Eastern Catholic Church primarily based in Kerala, India. It is an autonomous (*sui iuris*) church in full communion with the Holy See and worldwide Catholic Church with self-governance under Code of Canons of the Eastern Church. Its Liturgy is a blend of Christian faith, Indian Culture, and Oriental Worship. Its liturgical practices are rooted in the apostolic tradition of St. Thomas the apostle.

RCIA ENQUIRY NIGHT

DATE: Wednesday 21 August 2024
TIME: 7.00pm – 8.00pm
VENUE: Parish Office Boardroom
3 Sunlight Drive Burleigh Waters



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 (*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.



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

Called by Name
National Vocation Awareness Week
4-11 August 2024

SCAN TO DISCERN YOUR CALL

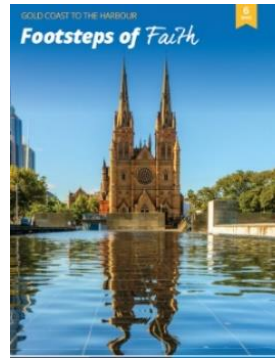
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FEAST OF MARY OF THE CROSS MACKILLOP



Next week the 3 priests of the parish are called by the Archbishop to attend the Clergy Convocation or gathering in Brisbane 7-8 August. Hence there are no Masses in the parish on those days. The feast of Mary of the Cross Mackillop will be held on the 10am Friday 9th August Mass. Thank you for understanding.

Padre



BURLEIGH PARISH
ALL SAINTS PILGRIMAGE - Gold Coast to the Harbour 27th October – 1st November 2024

DAY 1: Sunday 27 October - Fly Gold Coast to Sydney
Mary MacKillop Place, Sydney overnight.

DAY 2: Monday 28 October - Sydney Exploration Mass at St Patrick's Church explore the Rocks and optional walk across Sydney Harbour Bridge.

DAY 3: Tuesday 29 October - Sydney Shrines of the Saints
Morning reflection and Mass at Mary MacKillop Place Chapel visit Museum and Tomb of Mary Mackillop. Travel to St Charbel's Shrine, Punchbowl.

DAY 4: Wednesday 30 October – Sydney Cathedral and Aboriginal Heritage
Mass at St Mary's Cathedral visit Father Julian Tenison Woods' grave, Waverley Cemetery, visit resting place of Eileen O'Connor, Australia's 'saint in waiting' at Our Lady's Nurses for the poor at Coogee. Visit La Perouse Museum and grave of Friar Pere Receveur, a French Franciscan priest. Visit Reconciliation Church, home to the Aboriginal Catholic Ministry.

DAY 5: Thursday 31 October – Broken Bay
Travel to East Gosford to visit St Patrick's church and shrine to St John Paul II. Visit and celebrate mass at St Joseph's Spirituality & Education Centre in Kincumber. Stop at Firescreek Botanical Vineyards.

DAY 6: Friday 1 November - Fly Sydney To Gold Coast (B)
After Mass for the Feast of All Saints, we farewell Sydney and return to the Gold Coast.

INDICATIVE COSTS	
TOUR CODE	PV2459
STARTS	Sunday, 27 October 2024
FINISHES	Friday, 01 November 2024
AIR & LAND	AUD \$2490 PP Twin Share *
SINGLE ROOM	AUD \$1480 Supplement
PREPAID TIPS	AUD \$90 Per person

* Costs have been based on prices as at May 2024 and must remain subject to possible change in the unlikely event of significant exchange rate variations, airfare & fuel increases and minimum group size (25) contingencies.

INCLUSIONS
<small>Economy class flight Gold Coast to Sydney return. 5 nights accommodation at Mary MacKillop Place. Breakfast and dinner daily. 2 lunches. Deluxe airconditioned coach. Site visits and entrance fees as per the itinerary. Not Included: Any beverages with meals. Personal expenses. Travel insurance.</small>

For further information, please ring the Parish Office ph: 55766466
For Bookings: bookings.harvestjourneys.com/pv2459



GOANNA'S MONTHLY LUNCHEON –
Date: Sunday 18th August
Time: 11.30am for a 12.00pm start
Venue: Palm Beach Soccer Club, 81 Nineteenth Ave, Palm Beach.

ALL WELCOME come along, enjoy the Sunday Roast, reasonable prices. Enquiries, please contact Margaret 0402 834 362.

GATHERING

***Come to the feast of heaven and earth!
Come to the table of plenty!
God will provide for all that we need,
here at the table of plenty.***

O, come and sit at my table
where saints and sinners are friends.
I wait to welcome the lost and lonely
to share the cup of my love. **(Refrain)**

O, come and eat without money;
come to drink without price.
My feast of gladness will feed your spirit
with faith and fullness of life. **(Refrain)**

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RESPONSORIAL PSALM

The Lord gave them bread from heaven.
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COMMUNION HYMN

***Eat this bread, drink this cup,
come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup,
trust in me and you will not thirst.***

I am the bread of life,
the bread sent from the Father. **(Refrain)**

Your ancestors ate manna in the desert,
but this is the bread come down from heaven.
(Refrain)

Eat my flesh and drink my blood,
and I will raise you up on the last day. **(Refrain)**

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RECESSIONAL

***Glory and praise to our God,
who alone gives light to our days.
Many are the blessings he bears
to those who trust in his ways.***

In his wisdom he strengthens us,
like gold that's tested in fire.
Though the power of sin prevails
our God is there to save. **(Refrain)**

Ev'ry moment of ev'ry day
our God is waiting to save,
always ready to seek the lost,
to answer those who pray.

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PRAYERS FOR THE SICK & SPECIAL NEEDS

William Korab, Jess Hall, Michael Onn, Jason Hill, Fred Grioli, Mary Wagner, William & Gladys McCleary, 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, Warren Wilson, Doug Tronc, Evelyn North, Margaret Russell, Jose Antonio, Chris Grioli, Des Stuckey, Mary Ann Rogers, Roy Goodger, Audrey Griffin, Joan Elsie, Doreen Coop, Tom Pritchard, Lee Capri, John Love, Brenda Carr, Noah Page, Graeme Delaney, Suzanne Fullarton, Neville Fullarton, Nola Bellis, Margaret Kennedy, Lyn Hundt, Joseph Penny the sick of our Parish and all in need of God's healing Spirit.

Please ensure you receive permission before placing a name in the prayers list. Contact the Parish Office if the name is no longer required to remain on the list.

PRAYERS FOR RECENTLY DECEASED & ANNIVERSARIES

Masses have been requested for the recently deceased and for those anniversaries occurring at this time, Leonard Murphy, Marie Hunt, Denise Gonano, Wendy Kline, Angela Gatt, Emil Markusic. 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

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