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Our Lady of Lourdes Parish, Sunnybank

Ministering to God in:

Calamvale, Kuraby, Macgregor, Parkinson, Robertson, Runcorn,
Stretton, Sunnybank, Sunnybank Hills

Our Lady of Lourdes Church, 121 Mains Road, Sunnybank



16th March 2025 - Second Sunday of Lent

Monday 17th March

St Patrick

8.15am Morning Prayer
8.30am **Mass**

Tuesday 18th March

8.15am Morning Prayer
8.30am **Mass**
9.30am Bible Study
7.00pm Adoration

Wednesday 19th March

*St Joseph, Spouse of the
Blessed Virgin Mary*

8.15am Morning Prayer
8.30am **Mass**
6.00pm Lent Retreat

Thursday 20th March

8.00am Christian Meditation
8.45am Morning Prayer
9.00am **Mass**

Friday 21st March

6.30am **Mass**
8.15am Morning Prayer
8.30am **Mass**
9.00am Adoration
10.00am Legion of Mary
5.00pm Divine Mercy
Devotion
6.00pm Way of the Cross

Saturday 22nd March

10.00am Marian Way of
the Cross
11.00am Reconciliation
2.30pm Charismatic Prayer
(Spanish)
5.00pm Reconciliation
6.00pm **Mass** - Live Streamed

Sunday 23rd March

Third Sunday of Lent

7.00am **Mass**
8.30am **Mass**
10.00am **Mass**
6.00pm **Mass (Youth)**
- Live Streamed



SCAN QR CODE TO REGISTER IN A MINISTRY

Dear Parishioners and fellow pilgrims of Hope,

After last week's temporary lockdown of most community events in Southeast Queensland, it may be difficult for some people to say that it is beautiful for them to live in this land. However, our common sense of resilience and support is very reassuring and to all who despair, "God is with you". Remember that the stars shine brighter in the darkest of nights and I hope that in the ruins of ex-tropical cyclone Alfred, you can still feel the warmth and brightness of God's presence. Our hearts go out to everyone impacted by that recent weather event; we keep you in our prayers and hope that your recovery will be quick and easy.



This weekend, the 15th and 16th March, will begin our 2025 Ministry Sunday Campaign. This Parish event is our way of promoting the call to mission through parishioners' engagement and participation in the variety of ministries available in the parish. According to Pope Francis, this kind of initiative helps in "Awakening personal enthusiasm on the part of all the baptized and reviving the awareness of their call to carry out a proper mission in the community". It is our expectation that many parishioners will be attentive to the voice of the Spirit, who is calling men and women, youth and seniors, and even children to set out and encounter the beauty, goodness, and truth of our parish life. You can sign up immediately by scanning the 2025 OLOL Ministry Sunday QR Code or fill out a Ministry Sunday Form. We need you to share your time, talents and treasures with us.

In my interaction with some parishioners involved in our parish ministries, one thing common among them is that getting involved in some ways is the way their faith takes flesh and bears fruits. Parishioners have the opportunity to encounter Jesus in the ministries of the Word, Sacraments, Teaching, Singing, Hospitality, Care & Concern, Visiting the Sick, Cleaning the Church and praying for the whole world. As pilgrims of hope in this jubilee year, we are also encouraged to recognise, pray and nurture lay ministries from families to community settings in order to create a culture of Christian volunteering in the wider society.

Thank you to Mr John Thomas who led the 1st session of our Lenten retreat last Wednesday 12th March at 6pm. We had a very enriching reflection on Jesus' Last Week as a prelude that will surely help all those that attended to having a favourable 2025 Easter. I invite everyone to come to the next session of our Lenten Retreat on Wednesday 19th March at 6pm. Refer to our Parish newsletter, Facebook, and website as there are multiple prayer and reflection activities for you during this lent. May our participation in the Lord's Passion through our Lenten Fast, Prayer and Charity lead us to the glory of his resurrection.

God bless you,

Fr Enoch Iheme



Next Sunday: 3rd Sunday of Lent

Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15

1 Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12

Luke 13:1-9

FUTURE PARISH EVENTS:

- Ministry Sunday
16 March
- Lent Retreat
Wednesday evenings in Lent
- Stations of the Cross
Friday evenings in Lent
- 2nd Rite of Reconciliation
Wednesday 9 April, 6pm
- ANZAC Day Mass
25 April, 9am
- Easter Sunday
20 April
- Charismatic Retreat (Spanish)
31 May
- Asylum Seeker/Refugee Week
Starts 21 June
- NAIDOC Weekend
12 July
- ALPHA Program 2 Begins
15 July
- New Parishioners Function
27 July
- Parish Gala Dinner
August (Date TBA)
- Charismatic Retreat (English)
30 August
- Parish Pilgrimage (Marian Valley)
23 August
- Care for Our Common Home & its People (Retreat)
13 September
- Parish Pilgrimage (Fatima, Lourdes & Rome)
22 September - 8 October
- Ignite Youth Conference
25 - 28 September
- Australian Catholic Youth Festival (Melbourne)
30 November - 2 December
- Advent Retreat
Tuesdays in Advent

Second Sunday of Lent (Year C)

First Reading: Genesis 15:5-12, 17-18 The promise to Abram opens up a new imagination of what it means to live within the presence of a gracious God.

Second Reading: Philippians 3:17— 4:1 We are transformed into our true selves as we model ourselves on Christ.

Gospel: Luke 9:28-36 The silence that follows upon the realisation of Jesus' transfiguration is the first step in our hearing Christ and obeying.
Moore, G. "Second Sunday of Lent - 16 March 2025." Pastoral Liturgy 55, no. 2 (2025)

Your Prayers Are Asked For:

Recently deceased: Patricia Boyle, Rose May Mootoo, Rosa Lovos, Liana Menjivar, Angela June Denham

Those with anniversaries & others who have died: Tony Van der trott, Lidia Lo Presti, Esteria Dabela, Gloria Pineda, Maria Turner, Joseph Sammut, Audrey Dawn Dick, George Cloey, Gloria Salonga, Januaria Verdeflor, Alfredo M. Pomar Jr, Alfredo J. Pomar, Jose Alarcon, Rosario Alarcon, Benito Alarcon, Greg O'Mara

Those who are unwell: Luciano Morán, Teresa Parada, Tito Cisneros, Watty Mead

for those resting in our Columbarium: Fredrick Aisthorpe, Harold Aisthorpe, Minnie Aisthorpe, Allan Alvis, Dawn Angus, Helen Bailey, Harold "Gordon" Barker, Francesco Bonasia, Wilma Bowman, Edward Allen Briggs, Patricia Briggs, Brian Burgess, Christina Burras, Avelino Calilung, Eleuteria Calilung, Geoffrey Chapman, Ron Collins, Patricia Edwards, Constantine Fernandez, Pedro Gallibu, Fay Garner, Eric Glennon, Iris Glennon, Brian Hammerton, Anne Harman, Eddy Hartono, Antonio Henriquez, Mary Hughes, Gerard Kennedy, Bruno Klaser, Clement Knipw, Stephen King, Lucia Yeen Lim, Maria Lopez, Dino Lorensen, Noemi Lorensen, George Martyn, Maureen McDonald, Frances McKenzie, Peter McSweeney, Harry Mohr, Eusebia Morao, Gerard Murphy, Cuong Nguyen, Quy Thi Nguyen, Nghia Bao Nguyen, Michael Ogle, Marie Therese Ong, Rita Pobar, Dr Roberto Rabuya Jr, Graham Shipstone, Bill Small, Iris Small, Rey Tubelleza, Claribel Tungol, Maria Turner, Anthony Van der Togt, Lily Rose Villas, Rosario Villas, Romeo Villas, Ron Vine, Elizabeth Wilson, Monica Wong, Grant Wordon, Nola Wright

the continuing sick: Denise Burgess, Anne Carroll, John Cassidy, Lyn Catchlove, Maureen Combey, Margo Couldrey, Dan Dickins, Mary Dixon, Heather Gibson, Carol Ann Grace, Christine Hoole, Marie Hutchinson, Cynthia Impey, Mary Marcel, Baby Malakai, Carolyn Miller, Bob Nicholls, Christopher Riley, Jim Scriha

BECOME A VOLUNTEER!



MINISTRY SUNDAY

Can you give some time to the parish?

Welcome to Ministry Sunday 2025! Parishioners are invited to commit to one or more of the many Ministries within our Parish.

If you would like more information on a particular ministry, you can contact the parish office before or after signing up.

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Wednesdays in Lent

REFLECTION

19 MARCH, 6PM

"Care for Our Earth as Pilgrims of Hope"
with Sr Margaret Endicott

RETREAT

26 MARCH, 9:15AM OR 6PM

"Jubilee Year - Hope Does Not Disappoint"
with Fr Frank Jones

RETREAT

2 APRIL, 9:15AM OR 6PM

"Call to be Pilgrims of Hope & Faith"
with Fr Frank Jones

RECONCILIATION

9 APRIL, 6PM

The 2nd Rite of Reconciliation with Fr Enoch,
Fr Francisco and guest priests

Stations of the Cross

EVENING STATIONS OF THE CROSS FRIDAYS, 6PM - Starting 7 March

MARIAN WAY OF THE CROSS SATURDAYS, 10:30AM - Starting 8 March

PRAISE & WORSHIP EVENING FRIDAY 11 APRIL - After Stations of the Cross

LENTEN BOOK: *Start Anew In Christ*

Contains contemplations inspired by the day's Gospel reading, reflections on how to put the Word into practice, and daily prayer during the six weeks of Lent.

Now available from the piety stall for \$5!



**PROJECT
COMPASSION**

Second Sunday of Lent

Toefuata'iga - (Toy-foo-ah-tah-ing-ah) a primary school student from Samoa faced severe water shortages at her school. Thanks to Caritas Australia and the generosity of supporters like you, her primary school now has a 10,000 L water tank. Teachers and students now have access to clean drinking water at their school and are able to focus on education.



Please donate today!



You can support Project Compassion 2025 through the donation boxes, envelopes or by scanning the QR code.

Or online at: caritas.org.au/project-compassion

Or by calling: 1800 024 413

PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES IN LENT

Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held weekly, beginning on **Fridays at 6pm**. There will also be Marian Way of the Cross on **Saturdays at 10:30am**.



Extra Friday Morning Mass

During Lent, there will be an additional **Friday morning Mass at 6:30am**, starting on Friday 14 March.



Divine Mercy Devotion

Experience the great Mercy of our Lord. Learn about why the Devotion is important and the messages of our Lord to Sister Faustina. **Fridays at 5pm** in the Media Room.

OLOL MEN'S BBQ BREAKFAST

Who: The men of the parish

Where: Avocado Room of the Paloma centre

When: 5 April from 7am (1st Saturday of the month)



A full BBQ Breakfast plus tea, coffee & juices will be available for the usual **\$10 per person**.

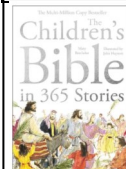
Our guest speaker this month will be Geoff Curtis from the Sunnybank Men's Shed. Our usual email will go to members, however if are new please call Bob to register 0467 341 604.

CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME AND ITS PEOPLE

Sacred natural sites can be important places of reference for cultural identity; for an extended family, a clan, a tribe, a religious faith or entire nations that may root their identity in a specific place in nature. This week think about places that are sacred to you – is it your family home? A burial site? A place in nature that gives you peace? A place you visit that brings back family memories? A place that holds a special story? A place where you feel the presence of God more strongly? If possible visit that space at least in you mind if not your body.

Theologian Denis Edwards; *'We experience the Spirit as the nearness of God in the natural world. The Spirit is the unspeakable closeness of God in the experience of mountains, deserts, forests and seas, in the sense of being deeply connected to a place, and in the moments of real encounter with trees, flowers, birds and animals. We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Yuggera people, whose elders, past, present and emerging and their care for this land on which we celebrate the Eucharist each week.'*

PIETY STALL UPDATE



The piety stall has some lovely Celtic Cross key rings available for St Patrick's Day. We also have a new selection of bibles and missals

available, including a beautiful Children's Bible. Purchases can be made at most weekend masses.



Discovery



Unite Youth 2025

Jesus said... "I am the way
the truth and the life. No
one comes to the father
except through me"
John 14:6



UNITE TEENS NEXT FRIDAY

MARCH

21



7PM-9PM
AVOCADO ROOM OLOL
GRADES 6-12



Come join us to
celebrate the
birthday of one of
our YA's - Patricia.

This Sunday evening
16th March

*Young
Adults
Night*

Please
bring a
plate :)

CALLING ALL TEENS

We are attending and would
like to organise travel
arrangements. Please scan
the QR Code and fill the form
if you're interested



RECO RALLY

6PM 28 MARCH
LOURDES HILL COLLEGE
HAWTHORNE

AN ARCHDIOCESAN
YOUTH RALLY

PRAISE + WORSHIP
INSPIRATIONAL SPEAKERS
RECONCILIATION

MORE DETAILS &
FREE REGISTRATION



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