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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



30th March 2025 - Fourth Sunday of Lent

Monday 31st March

8.15am Morning Prayer

8.30am **Mass**

Tuesday 1st April

8.15am Morning Prayer

8.30am **Mass**

9.30am Bible Study

7.00pm Adoration

Wednesday 2nd April

8.15am Morning Prayer

8.30am **Mass**

9.15am Lent Retreat

6.00pm Lent Retreat

Thursday 3rd April

8.00am Christian Meditation

8.45am Morning Prayer

9.00am **Mass**

Friday 4th April

6.30am **Mass**

8.15am Morning Prayer

8.30am **Mass**

9.00am Adoration

10.00am **Anointing Mass**

10.00am Legion of Mary

5.00pm Divine Mercy

Devotion

6.00pm Way of the Cross

Saturday 5th April

10.30am Marian Way of
the Cross

11.00am Reconciliation

2.30pm Adoration (Spanish)

5.00pm Reconciliation

6.00pm **Mass** - Live Streamed

Sunday 6th April

Fifth Sunday of Lent

7.00am **Mass**

8.30am **Mass**

10.00am **Mass**

6.00pm **Mass (Youth)**

- Live Streamed



The Return of the Prodigal by Rembrandt, c. 1668. Hermitage Museum

Dear Parishioners and fellow pilgrims of hope,

Thank you for accompanying one another on our Lenten Journey now 3 weeks to Easter. As we approach Easter, our liturgy leads our mind to the ultimate Passover from the old creation to the new creation. We read how the Israelites moved from eating manna in the desert to eating of the produce that the land of Canaan yielded. In our second reading from 2 Cor. 5:17-21, St Paul talks of being new creation because the old creation has passed away. In same vein, the Gospel of this 4th Sunday of Lent talks of the dead coming back to life and the lost being found in the parable of the Prodigal Son. For us in this Jubilee Year of Hope, there is hope that the lost will be found, the old will be renewed and the dead will live again in Christ.



The prayers and readings of this next week of Lent are arranged to prepare us for Easter. According to Pope Benedict XVI, Easter is the Feast of the New Creation. Yes; because Jesus is risen and dies no more. Also we are called to live through our Lenten observances of Prayer, Fasting and Charity to pass from death to life, old to new. St Paul acknowledged that we are participants in God's work who through Jesus Christ has opened the door to a new life for all who believe and are baptised.

Due to the disruption to our RCIA program brought about by the recent Ex-Tropical Cyclone Alfred, our 2025 Catechumens were accepted and elected last Sunday to join the Easter Ceremony when they will be Baptised, Confirmed and receive their First Holy Communion. The journey of these our brothers and sisters is another expression of God's work of reconciling us to himself through Christ. The whole community is to take advantage of the RCIA liturgies to renew our sacramental vigour and grace.

Archbishop Mark Coleridge has invited us to this year's Chrism Mass on Thursday 10th April at 7.00pm in the St Stephen Cathedral Brisbane. If you would like to attend as one of the representatives of the OLOL Sunnybank Parish, we would like you to give your name to the parish secretary. At the Chrism Mass, the bishop, all priests, deacons and the entire faithful of the archdiocese celebrate together as one, Holy and Catholic Church in Brisbane. Those who will be unable to attend the Chrism Mass are represented by their parishes and they can join in prayer online through the Cathedral website.

We will be providing Passion Sunday, Holy Thursday, and Easter Vigil Liturgical Sign on Sheets for our Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion, Readers, Altar Servers and collectors who would be available for ministries during the Holy Week. Thank you to our new volunteers who recently signed on for our parish ministries. There will be ministry training after Easter in May on a date and time TBC

To our school communities, as they come to the last week of Term 1, we wish them a very grace-filled holiday and hope that they could join our Palm Sunday and Easter ceremonies.

God bless,

Fr Enoch Theme



Next Sunday: 5th Sunday of Lent

Isaiah 43:16-21

Philippians 3:8-14

John 8:1-11

FUTURE PARISH EVENTS:

- Lent Retreat
Wednesday evenings in Lent
- Stations of the Cross
Friday evenings in Lent
- 2nd Rite of Reconciliation
Wednesday 9 April, 6pm
- Easter Sunday
20 April
- ANZAC Day Mass
25 April, 9am
- 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
- Parish Christmas Carols
5 December

Fourth Sunday of Lent (Year C)

First Reading: Joshua 5:9, 10-12 The entry of the people to the promised land is a constant reminder of the care of God and the freedom they have been given.

Second Reading: 2 Corinthians 5:17-21 We are ambassadors for Christ, who has given us a ministry for reconciliation

Gospel: Luke 15:1-3, 11-32 The unbounded forgiveness of God is proclaimed to tax collectors and sinners who draw near to God while the religious leaders turn away.

Moore, Gerard. "4th Sunday of Lent - 30 March 2025." Pastoral Liturgy 55, no. 2 (2025)

Your Prayers Are Asked For:

Recently deceased: Teresa Parada, Joey Dungca, Dennis Macaraeg, Mario Noyola, Dave Cris Corona, Meliza Ann Kubayashi, Joe Keenan, Victoria Shumgbe, Oluchi Iheme, Tito Cisneros, Daniel Bolen, Salvacion Manalili, Liana Gomez, Robert Dodd, June Brinton

Those with anniversaries & others who have died: Theodora Salonga, Rizalina Ang, Paola Kaggelis, Endet Lozano, Martinc Roche, Ursula Gugala, Carol Ann Wilson, Thomas & Neville Treston, Thomas & Rosanna Collins, Guy & Gladwyn Catchlove, Geoff Spring, Elide "El" Sonogo, Del Whittaker, Pedro Kho, Jim Miller, Teresita M. Deleney, Emmanuel L. Abad, James Antony, Oscar Corona, Percita Manalese, Sioneth Cristobal, Angelina R. Saspa, Nigel Crawford, Mario Dias, Angelo Dias, Francisco Hernandez, Reynaldo Arca Sr, Mavrocio Oto

Those who are unwell: Peter Quetcher, Francisco Alfaro, Denise R., Cecilia Morandini, Peter Morandini, Brett Francois, Custodia Araujo, Paolo Marimat, Colleen Small, Ken Baird, Rechie Tubelleza, Denise Ward, Julio Santana, Frank Ainsley, Christine Skinner, John D. Mackay

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.

SCAN QR CODE TO
JOIN A MINISTRY



Archbishop Mark Coleridge
invites you to the annual

CHRISM MASS

Thursday 10th April 2025 @ 7:00pm

Cathedral of St Stephen
249 Elizabeth Street, Brisbane 4000

A CELEBRATION FOR THE ENTIRE ARCHDIOCESE

RSVP through Flocknote and let us know you're coming!



Wednesdays in Lent

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



ANOINTING MASS & MORNING TEA
Anointing Mass will be held on **Friday 4 April at 10am**. This will be followed by Morning Tea in the Avocado Room.
All are welcome, see you there!


SUNNYBANK CHARISMATIC PRAYER GROUP
The Charismatic Prayer Group will be meeting:
Saturday 5 April - Spanish Eucharistic Adoration
Saturday 12 April - English Meeting
Saturday 19 April - No Meeting (Easter)
Saturday 26 April - English Meeting

Held in the Media Room, 2:30pm to 5pm.
All Welcome! Contact the parish office for more info.





Fourth Sunday of Lent


Irene lives in the Kongolo Region in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and faced immense challenges after losing her father to war and raising her children in poverty. With support from Caritas Australia, Irene received vocational training in sewing and farming and can now support her whole family.



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



PALM SUNDAY CROSSES
After morning Mass on **Wednesday 9 April & Thursday 10 April** we will be making Palm crosses in the media room.
If you can spare an hour or two it would be greatly appreciated. It is a lovely way to meet fellow parishioners.
All you need to bring is a pair of scissors and willing hands. Morning tea will be provided.

PARISH COMMUNITY WEEKEND
Come celebrate next weekend **5 & 6 April** at the usual Masses and share a 'cuppa' and meet new and old friends. The Welcoming Group invites you to stay for a while after Mass and get to know your fellow parishioners. See you there!



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.

ANZAC DAY RAFFLE
Win Trooper Jones, Light Horse Bear!

Drawn: Friday 25 April, after 9am ANZAC Day Mass
Tickets: Available from the parish office or at Community Weekend, 5 & 6 April. 1 for \$2 or 3 for \$5.



Proceeds go towards OLOL Youth Ignite Conference.



CARE FOR OUR COMMON HOME AND ITS PEOPLE

The Grace of Rural places feed our cities and generate income for the nation. Approximately 35% of Australian's population live in rural places. The need for food security will grow as the world population grows. Australia's rural areas are already seen as places of agricultural importance by those from other countries who are concerned about feeding their peoples. With the challenge of climate change, Pope Francis proposes a vision for a positive future of integral ecology that links environmental, economic and social ecology. He calls for an education in this process, so we can understand, appreciate and be in tune with our dependence on God's gifts in rural places.

Food waste in Australia – 7.6 million tonnes of food was wasted in 2021, 70% of this was perfectly edible; food waste cost our economy \$36.6 billion a year; households \$2,000- \$2500 per year. 5 million tonnes ends up in landfill. Food waste is responsible for about 8% of greenhouse gases. Check out the web to find ways of reducing your food waste, one site has 20 ideas: healthline.com/nutrition/reduce

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



Expression of
Interest Form



Info Night
29th April

LOLO Group

LOLO will be taking a group to ACYF and we would really like to extend this invitation out to all the youth in our parish to attend with us. More information can be found at the expression of interest form.



Grade 9 - 25 yrs of
age

30th Nov - 2nd Dec

Good Friday Drama 2025



Grades 7-12 &
Young Adults



2pm and 4pm
Good Friday Liturgies

Rehearsal Times:

6 April: 7 - 8:15pm

13 April: 7-8:00pm

18 April (Good Friday): 11am - 1:30

* Lunch provided 18 April*



Archdiocese of Brisbane Safeguarding Commitment

The Archdiocese has **zero tolerance** for all forms of abuse and is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries and services.

The safety and wellbeing of children and adults-at-risk is paramount.



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