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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



## 6th April 2025 - Fifth Sunday of Lent

### Monday 7th April

8.15am Morning Prayer

8.30am **Mass**

### Tuesday 8th April

8.15am Morning Prayer

8.30am **Mass**

9.30am Bible Study

7.00pm Adoration

### Wednesday 9th April

8.15am Morning Prayer

8.30am **Mass**

9.00am Palm Cross Folding

6.00pm Lent Reconciliation

### Thursday 10th April

8.00am Christian Meditation

8.45am Morning Prayer

9.00am **Mass**

9.30am Palm Cross Folding

### Friday 11th April

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 12th April

10.30am Marian Way of  
the Cross

11.00am Reconciliation

2.30pm Charismatic Prayer  
(English)

5.00pm Reconciliation

6.00pm **Mass** - Live Streamed

### Sunday 12th April

*Palm Sunday*

7.00am **Mass**

8.30am **Mass**

10.00am **Mass**

6.00pm **Mass (Youth)**

- Live Streamed



Christ and the Adulteress by Giambattista Pittoni,  
c. 1730-32. Graves Art Gallery, Sheffield

Dear Parishioners and fellow pilgrims of hope,

We are approaching the end of the Lenten season, the forty days that precede the pinnacle of Christianity: the Resurrection of Jesus Christ, celebrated on Easter Sunday. Lent is essentially a spiritual retreat focused on reflection, when Christians in prayer and penance prepare their spirits to welcome the Risen Christ, resurrected on Easter Sunday.



Let's get ready for the coming celebrations. Next Sunday we will celebrate Palm Sunday, which is also called Passion Sunday. Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday, because it commemorates Jesus' entry into Jerusalem riding a donkey – the symbol of humility – and being acclaimed by the simple people as "He who comes in the name of the Lord".

A few days earlier, these people had seen Jesus resurrect Lazarus of Bethany and were amazed. With the resurrection of Lazarus they were certain that Jesus was the Messiah announced by the prophets. However, they were mistaken about the type of Messiah that Christ was. They thought that He was a political Messiah, a social liberator, who would snatch Israel from the clutches of Rome.

On Palm Sunday these people welcomed Jesus by waving their olive and palm branches. The branches signify victory: "Hosanna to the Son of David: blessed is he who comes in the name of the Lord, the King of Israel; hosanna in the highest." The holy branches remind us that we are baptized, children of God, members of Christ, participants in the Church, defenders of the Catholic faith, especially in these difficult times. May the holy branches that we take home after Mass next Sunday remind us that we are united with Christ in the same struggle for the salvation of the world, the struggle against sin, a journey towards Calvary that will lead to the Resurrection.

Jesus' "solemn" entry into Jerusalem was a preparation for His pain and humiliation. The same crowd that honoured Him motivated by His miracles, will turn its back on Him and ask for His death. Jesus, who knew their hearts, was not fooled by their falsehood!

Palm Sunday teaches us that following Christ means renouncing ourselves, dying on earth like a grain of wheat in order to bear fruit, facing disappointments and offenses for the sake of the Gospel of the Lord. How many lessons does this Palm Sunday teach us?

During Lent as we dedicate ourselves to the practices of fasting, prayer and penance, the presence of sin in our lives becomes evident. The reality of sin leads us to constantly ask for God's forgiveness, which happens through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. There are opportunities for confessing before the celebration Easter.

Therefore, we invite everyone to make a special preparation for forgiveness this Wednesday at 6pm when we will have the opportunity to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation. This is the time for conversion, for drawing closer to God's will for a new beginning and new life.

God Bless you,

*Fr Francisco Evangelista*



**Next Sunday: Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord**

**Isaiah 50:4-7**

**Philippians 2:6-11**

**Luke 22:14-23:56**

## FUTURE PARISH EVENTS:

Stations of the Cross

Friday evenings in Lent

2nd Rite of Reconciliation

Wednesday 9 April, 6pm

Palm Cross Folding

Wednesday 9 April, 9am

Thursday 10 April, 9:30am

Praise & Worship Evening

Friday 11 April

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

15 August

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

## Fifth Sunday of Lent (Year C)

**First Reading: Isaiah 43:16-21** The prophet reminds us of the extraordinary wonders that are already being worked before us.

**Second Reading: Philippians 3:8-14** We pursue the prize of life in Christ, even as Christ has already embraced us.

**Gospel: John 8:1-11** The wise prophet Jesus invites religious leaders, hearers and sinners to experience the forgiveness of God, yet few are willing to embrace the largesse of divine love.

Moore, Gerard. '5th Sunday of Lent - 6 April 2025.' *Pastoral Liturgy* 55, no. 2 (2025): 1.

## Your Prayers Are Asked For:

**Recently deceased: Nunziata "Nancy" Raunik, Marilolu Fortes V., Alicia Roasles, Pedro Rosales, Anna Manganas, Papa Font, Divinia Palmero Hessberger, Teresa Parada, Joey Dungca, Dennis Macaraeg, Mario Noyola, Dave Cris Corona, Meliza Ann Kubayashi, Joe Keenan, Victoria Shumgbe, Oluchi Ihome, Tito Cisneros**

**Those with anniversaries & others who have died: Dominic Linton, Ursula Gugala, Angelina Verissimo De Sousa, Lee Shannon, Joan Torbey, Miguel Ferreyra, Luis Lari, Pitin Lari, Gustov Klein, Gustavo Martinez, Esmeralda Quintero, Roberto Castanon, 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**

**Those who are unwell: Maria Franco, Esmeralda Berrios, Watty Mead, Augustine Philipp del Rosario, Stefano Marrama, Enzo Mazzarri, Romeo Adan, Peter Quetcher, Francisco Alfaro, Denise R., Cecilia & Peter Morandini, Brett Francois, Custodia Araujo, Paolo Marimat, Colleen Small, Ken Baird**

## 2025 EASTER MASS / SERVICE TIMES

**Holy Thursday - 17th April**

8:30am: Morning Prayer

7:00pm: **Mass of the Lord's Supper**

**Good Friday - 18th April**

9:00am: Morning Prayer

10.00am: Stations of the Cross

2:00pm: **The Lord's Passion**

4:00pm: **The Lord's Passion**

**Holy Saturday - 19th April**

9:00am: Morning Prayer

7:00pm: **Easter Vigil**

**Easter Sunday - 20th April**

7:00am: **Mass**

8:30am: **Mass**

10:00am: **Mass**



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Platinum Jubilee Pilgrimage**

Head to [olol.com.au/pilgrimage](http://olol.com.au/pilgrimage)

for more info including the Pilgrimage Itinerary and the booking link.

The parish office can also answer your questions.

Bookings are still open...

**Only 8 spots remaining for the lucky last. Get in quick!**



## Wednesdays in Lent

**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

### 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.

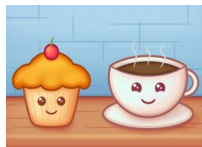
Any queries please contact Ben & Clare on 0421 341 763  
God Bless!

### Second Monday of the Month Coffee Morning

**When:** Monday 14 April 9:30am

**Where:** Chatterbox Coffee Shop, Sunnybank Hills Shopping town, 661 Compton Road, Sunnybank Hills.

**All are welcome!**



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### Fifth Sunday of Lent

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**AGAINST**  
**POVERTY**  
this Lent



### FUNERAL NOTICE:

#### Nunziata "Nancy" Raunik

Family and friends are invited to participate in a funeral Mass for Nunziata Raunik on Monday 7 April at 11am at the Our Lady of Lourdes Church, with Rosary from 10:30am. You can also join via live stream at:

<https://youtube.com/live/Q0wAHHfZiiU?feature=share>

### ANZAC DAY 2025

**Mass:** Friday 25 April, 9am

As part of our celebration, we will be using last year's pictures of our relatives and parishioners who served and died to secure our peace and freedom. If you are new to the parish you are welcome to send a picture to the parish office to be included.

Following Mass, the Welcoming & Hospitality Committee will be serving a cuppa. **Please bring a plate of your favourite ANZAC biscuits to share!**



### 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.



**The**  
**Alpha**  
**Course**

Alpha

Tuesday evening saw the completion of the first Alpha for 2025. We thank all the Alpha participants for their attendance and for their openness in sharing themselves and their journey with each other. Our prayer is that you will continue on this journey and that you grow in your relationship with Jesus.

Thank you to our parish who have constantly prayed with us and we hope that you will continue to do so. Alpha would not be possible without the efforts of our incredible volunteers who so generously gave their time and energy. We are grateful to those Parish Groups who accepted our request to be a part of the Alpha experience by volunteering to help cater for a session: Charismatic Prayer Group, Men's Breakfast, Women for Women and Youth. We also were blessed to have some wonderful parishioners who gave of their time and talent to provide meals. And last but not least those who helped in the kitchen each evening.

Each of you in your own way have helped to live our Vision and Mission of Community, Prayer and Spirituality and Evangelisation. May God bless you as we approach Easter.  
- The Alpha 2025 Team

# 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



## 2025 SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM

We are inviting parents of baptised children ages 8 years old and in year 3 at school to our parent information session for the sacrament of Confirmation scheduled on April 27, 2025 Sunday 3pm at the Our Lady Of Lourdes Primary School auditorium.

### Sacrament of Confirmation (Schedule)

#### Information Session:

Sunday 27 April 3pm,  
OLOL School Auditorium

#### Rite of Enrolment Masses:

Saturday 17 May, 6pm  
Sunday 18 May, 8:30am, 10am  
& 6pm  
Church

#### Key Formation Session 1:

Sunday 25 May 3pm,  
OLOL School Auditorium

#### Key Formation Session 2:

Sunday 1 June 3pm,  
OLOL School Auditorium

#### Rehearsal:

Sunday 8 June 3pm,  
Church

#### Sacrament of Confirmation

Thursday 12 June, 6pm  
Church

If have any questions, contact Noel at  
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Expression of  
Interest Form



Info Night  
29<sup>th</sup> April

## OLOL Group

OLOL 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

30<sup>th</sup> Nov -2<sup>nd</sup> 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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