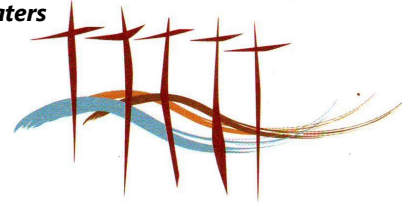


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- **PALM BEACH - OUR LADY OF THE WAY CHURCH - Eleventh Ave, Palm Beach**
- **MIAMI - CALVARY CHURCH - Redondo Av, Miami**
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Fourth Sunday of Easter

22 April, 2018

Year B: 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

Many children of our parish will come forward this weekend to enrol in the Sacrament of Communion – they wish and desire to share in the Eucharistic banquet prepared for all of us. May we as a community of faith pray for and welcome these little lambs on their journey with the Good Shepherd guiding.

The Lord is the shepherd and we the sheep of His flock. Not just an ordinary shepherd of course, but a good shepherd who won't leave us when our lives get tough and we are attacked by one kind of wolf, or another. Wolves like: misfortune, material envy, loneliness, addiction, anxiety, discontent, the allure of false security and misdirected goals.

Throughout John's Gospel Jesus makes a number of "I am" statements, in which he describes his role and mission in terms of - a door, vine, bread, and water. In the Hebrew Scriptures, "I am" ("ego eimi") accompanies God's self revelation (Exodus 3:14). In Ezekiel (34:15) God, frustrated with the poor leadership of Israel's rulers and priests says, "I myself will pastor my sheep: I myself will give them rest..." God's promise to personally shepherd the lost and confused, is fulfilled in Jesus Christ, the good shepherd. And so, with another "I am," Jesus says, "I am the good shepherd." He is the good shepherd because he willingly lays down his life for his sheep. It is what shepherds must do, sacrifice for the well-being of those in their care.

Jesus refers to himself as the good shepherd twice. The first time he asserts that he will lay down his life for the sheep. He will defend us and his church against the "wolves." These could also be false teachers who scatter the flock by their errors. The second time he says, "I am the good shepherd," he speaks of the inner life of the church. "I know mine and mine know me." He is one with us and will not abandon us. He also gives us his mission: to reach out to the "other sheep," the Gentiles.

Our bishops are often referred to as the shepherds of the flock. In liturgical settings bishops carry a shepherd's staff, a crozier, to symbolize their shepherding responsibility. Among their many tasks, they are to speak up for the rights of the poor and disenfranchised and to model and challenge us in our own shepherding responsibilities. We were baptized as "priests, prophets and royalty" and each of us has our unique and responsible shepherding role in the church. We especially want our bishops to have a shepherd's compassionate voice for those who have been victimized by their church. These past years some bishops have come under severe scrutiny for what they have done, or failed to do.

The flock is better educated than times past and they expect their voices to be heard and their ministerial roles in the church respected and supported. Is it any wonder that our Eucharistic prayer specifically prays for our Pope, the Bishop of Rome, our local bishops and clergy? Right after them, in Eucharistic Prayer IV, for example, we the baptized, also shepherd, are included in the prayer... "Those who take part in this offering, those gathered here before you, your entire people and all who seek you with a sincere heart."

Of course we need prayers to strengthen us in our Christian lives. But note that we are included in the prayers with our shepherds in faith. Doesn't that suggest our roles as shepherds too? Don't all the baptized also need

Parish Weekly Diary....

Monday, 23 April

9.00am **Mass** - Miami
- followed by Adoration of Blessed Sacrament until 11am

Tuesday, 24 April

7.30am **Mass** - Burleigh Waters

Wednesday, 25 April

Anzac Day

7.00am **Mass** - Miami
7.00am **Mass** - Mudgeeraba
9.30am **Mass** - Ozanam Villa
5.30pm **Mass** - Palm Beach

Thursday, 26 April

St Mark

7.00am **Mass** - Burleigh Heads
5.30pm **Mass** - Mudgeeraba

Friday, 27 April

10.00am **Mass** - Burleigh Waters

Saturday, 28 April

St Peter Chanel

8.00am **Mass** - Burleigh Heads
4.30pm Sacrament of Penance - Miami
5.30pm Sacrament of Penance - Palm Beach
5.45pm Sacrament of Penance - Burleigh Heads

Saturday, 28 April

Fifth Sunday of Easter

Sat 5.00pm **Mass** - Miami
Sat 6.00pm **Mass** - Palm Beach
sat 6.15pm **Mass** - Burleigh Heads

SUNDAY, 29 April

Fifth Sunday of Easter

7.00am **Mass** - Burleigh Heads
7.00am **Mass** - Palm Beach
8.30am **Mass** - Miami
8.30am **Mass** - Mudgeeraba
10.00am **Mass** - Burleigh Waters
5.00pm Sacrament of Penance - Burleigh Waters
5.30pm **Mass** - Burleigh Waters

RECEIVING HOLY COMMUNION:

We welcome our visitors and ask all to respect the Universal Church practice of receiving the Lord's Body and Blood: the Body of Christ is received on the hand or the tongue and the Blood of Christ is received by drinking from the chalice. We kindly ask you to refrain from dipping the host into the chalice if this is your custom.

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prayer to fulfil our vocation as shepherds, so that our voices also speak, like the good shepherd, for those who need guidance, protection, instruction and challenge?

As dire as these days can be for our church, with declining numbers, scandals, liturgical differences, resistance to change, etc., Jesus assures us of his unbreakable bond with us. We are not left to wander off, for today's gospel reminds us that he is concerned about his disciples and will maintain his bond with us, even at the cost of his life. While some of our leaders and teachers may desert their flock for "greener pastures," for external rewards, or when trouble arrives. They have not invested their lives in service to their disciples; their bonds are weak, they care only for themselves.

But it may not just be a matter of outright desertion of the flock. We, who are called to ordained or lay ministry in the church, might appear to be among the flock, but in reality our attitude and involvement might only be superficial, while keeping our hands clean and our presence cool. Pope Francis has challenged us to be among the sheep, to whom we have been sent, close enough to have the smell of the sheep on us – and the rejoice and be glad!

In our first reading from Acts, Peter's bold proclamation of Jesus before the religious leaders is a sign that Jesus is shepherding his small flock. How is he doing that? The answer is in the opening line, "Peter, filled with the Holy Spirit said..." The church was already facing opposition, but Jesus, the good shepherd, is faithful to his promise and is shepherding us through his promised gift of the Holy Spirit.

Let the installation and blessing this Sunday of our new Good Shepherd window in the Crypt of Mercy Church remind us of His goodness both now and in the world to come.

Padre Morgan

This Sunday traditionally is also the World Day of Prayer for Vocations.

MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR THE 2018 WORLD DAY OF VOCATIONS

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Next October, the Fifteenth Ordinary General Assembly of the Synod of Bishops will meet to discuss the theme of young people and in particular the relationship between young people, faith and vocation. There we will have a chance to consider more deeply how, at the centre of our life, is the call to joy that God addresses to us and how this is "God's plan for men and women in every age" (SYNOD OF BISHOPS, XV ORDINARY GENERAL ASSEMBLY, *Young People, The Faith and Vocational Discernment*, Introduction).

The Fifty-fifth World Day of Prayer for Vocations once again proclaims this good news to us, and in a decisive manner. We are not victims of chance or swept up in a series of unconnected events; on the contrary, our life and our presence in this world are the fruit of a divine vocation!

Even amid these troubled times, the mystery of the Incarnation reminds us that God continually comes to encounter us. He is God-with-us, who walks along the often dusty paths of our lives. He knows our anxious longing for love and he calls us to joy. In the diversity and the uniqueness of each and every vocation, personal and ecclesial, there is a need to *listen*, *discern* and *live* this word that calls to us from on high and, while enabling us to develop our talents, makes us instruments of salvation in the world and guides us to full happiness.

These three aspects – *listening*, *discerning* and *living* – were also present at beginning of Jesus' own mission, when, after his time of prayer and struggle in the desert, he visited his synagogue of Nazareth. There, he listened to the word, discerned the content of the mission entrusted to him by the Father, and proclaimed that he came to accomplish it "today" (Lk 4:16-21).

This "today" that Jesus proclaimed assures us that God continues to "come down" to save our human family and to make us sharers in his mission. The Lord continues to call others to live with him and to follow him in a relationship of particular closeness. He continues to call others to serve him directly. If he lets us realize that he is calling us to consecrate ourselves totally to his kingdom, then we should have no fear! It is beautiful – and a great grace – to be completely and forever consecrated to God and the service of our brothers and sisters.

Today the Lord continues to call others to follow him. We should not wait to be perfect in order to respond with our generous "yes", nor be fearful of our limitations and sins, but instead open our hearts to the voice of the Lord. To listen to that voice, to discern our personal mission in the Church and the world, and at last to live it in the today that God gives us.

May Mary Most Holy, who as a young woman living in obscurity heard, accepted and experienced the Word of God made flesh, protect us and accompany us always on our journey.

From the Vatican, Pope Francis



MASS:

Miami - 7am

Mudgeeraba - 7am

Ozanam Villa - 9.30am

Palm Beach - 5.30pm

Parish News and Happenings



This Sunday (22 April) - GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

All are invited to the Blessing of the Good Shepherd window today when we process to the Columbarium following 5.30pm Mass at Mary, Mother of Mercy Church. Those who donated and contributed to the repairs are especially welcome. The Good Shepherd window is from the old Infant Saviour Church and has been restored.

- **SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM** - This weekend we celebrate the Rite of Enrolment for those children and families who will be continuing their Sacramental preparation for the Sacrament of First Holy Communion. We celebrate with them at all Masses throughout the Parish and the children will be presented with their workbooks. Small groups commence from this Sunday and will continue each week until we celebrate on the Feast of the Body and Blood of Christ. Please keep us in your prayers during this time as we work towards the celebration of Eucharist - the "source and summit of the Christian life" CCC1324 - *Angela Williams*
- Our Parish is facilitating a **LABYRINTH WALK** to celebrate the annual World Labyrinth Day and the commitment to peace in our world. Sue Thomas will facilitate two labyrinth walks in Mercy Church, Burleigh Waters on Sunday 29 April. Walk 1 will begin at approximately 11.15am and Walk 2 will be a candle lit walk beginning at 6.30pm. The walk usually takes 15 - 20 minutes. Depending on numbers, the labyrinth will be open for approximately an hour. Come join us as we pray for peace in our world.
- **CHILDREN'S MASS** - **St Benedict's Mudgeeraba**, 8.30am, Sunday 27 May.
- **MUSIC MEETING** - Music Ministers are invited to the meeting to collate the next music roster - Friday 27 April, commencing 10am, Mary, Mother of Mercy Church. 9.30am for a cuppa and chat if possible.
- Invitation to all parishioners to attend the **MONTHLY LUNCH** at the Burleigh Sports club, Christine Av, Burleigh Heads, 12 noon, 3 May. Shuttle bus available (phone 5576 3177 to arrange pickup). Please phone Margaret 5535 8714 if you would like to join the lunch on 3 May or any first Thursday of the month.
- **PARISH MEN'S DINNER** - Thursday 26 April at Burleigh Surf Club, 6pm for 6.30pm. All parishioners and visitors welcome. Phone Lance 5576 2623.
- **CATHOLIC LIFE** - All editions can be perused on the church's website - www.burleighheadscatholic.com.au

- **MYSTAGOGIA RETREAT** - 10am - 4pm, Sunday 10 June, Mary, Mother of Mercy Church, Burleigh Waters. A day of prayer and reflection for adults who are recently baptised and adults newly received into Full Communion with the Catholic Church. Godparents, sponsors, catechists, RCIA Team members and parishioners are also invited to attend. Bring a plate to share for lunch, a pen, journal, hat and sunscreen. \$10 per participant. More information or to RSVP sue@suethomas.net.au
- **MARYMOUNT PRIMARY SCHOOL PARENT INFORMATION EVENING** - Monday 23 April, 6-7pm, Marymount Theatre, Doyle Centre. For prospective parents, this information evening will be of a general nature and cover important matters relating to enrolment at Marymount Primary School, Mission Statement, Parish Sacramental Program, school policies and school fees.
- **MARYMOUNT COLLEGE GOLDEN JUBILEE** - You are invited to celebrate the 50 Year Anniversary of Marymount College at the following events: **Gala Dinner** - 6pm, Saturday 5 May, Bond University. Bookings www.trybooking.com/TEUG **Thanksgiving Mass**, 10am Sunday 6 May, Mary, Mother of Mercy Church; **'Back to Marymount Day'**, 11am, Sunday 6 May, Franciscan Lawn, Marymount College. BBQ, jumping castles, balloon twisting, fairy floss, popcorn, snowcones, icecream and live entertainment (free event) Enquiries alumni@marymount.qld.edu.au or phone 5586 1000.

*Hello to our fellow parishioners,
Our family visited Samoa for the school holidays. We had the privilege of visiting Sacred Heart School in the Island of Savai'i. Here we delivered 140 Rosary Beads. We also attended Mass at the Cathedral on the Island of Upolo where we gave 220 Rosary Beads.*

A big thanks to Padre who blessed the Beads before we left.

Lo Tams



Come in to the Parish Office and see our new Samoan Cross.

BAPTISMS

We welcome to our faith community Chase, Ember and Daniella who were baptised last week.

SICK & SPECIAL NEEDS

Your prayers have been requested for Michael Allan, Patricia Ashton, Glenys Bailey, Demosthenes Baldovino, Leigh Boulcher, Jacob Burgstaller, Lily Burgstaller, James Burke, Diane Busutil, Deborah Campani, Carmel Clifford, Maryanne Condon, John Costigan, Chris Curran, Colin Dahler, Graham Dall, Brian Deere, Edna Devlin, Joseph Dick, Patricia Dowling, Fr Des Fitzgerald, Lance Fry, Joseph Gardener, Anne Gavaghan, Norma Greenland, Geromy Grima, Fred Grioli, Vera Havlik, Cheryl Hingerty, Jean Hokin, Lucy Holland, Patricia Holmes, Angelika Huber, Nona Hudson, Harry Hunter, Norman Ingle, Annette Kassulke, Margaret Kennedy, Jayce Kilfoy, Tina Mass, Denis McEnery, Anne McInnes, John Mooney, June Newdick, Mary Nutter, Mary O'Brien, Sr Annette O'Connor, Paul O'Connor, Eileen O'Neill, Michael Onn, Sean O'Reilly, Maureen O'Sullivan, Noel O'Sullivan, Anne Owens, Mike Parker, Anna Pereira, Bernadette Petersen, Phyllis Pola, Donna Redman, Peter Reid, Lance Robinson, Reg Rowan, Imelda Rundall, Dennis Samson, William Sheehan, Peter Smith, Pacing Soriano, Isaac Stafrace, Andrew Supple, Carmel Taylor, Dean Taylor, Lisa Taylor, Fr Keith Teefey, Lourdes Toledo, Nemcio Toledo, Nigel Tomlinson, Sarra Tyler, Lena and Frank Usaj, Marie Walker, Norma Ward, Sylvia Wesley, Dan Wilson, Graham Zendler, Norah Zipf, the sick of our Parish and all in need of God's healing Spirit.

DECEASED

Masses have been requested for the recently deceased and for friends and relatives whose anniversaries occur about this time: Brian Dunlea, Lea Dunlea, Christine Dowell, Tan Sin Boon, Loretta Brennan.

*May the choir of angels come to greet you ...
May you find eternal life.*

PLANNED GIVING LAST WEEK - ☺

CODE: ☺☺ = very good;
☺ = good;
☺ = hangin' in there;
☺ = help!

Counting roster this week: Mudgeeraba

Family Groups

Goannas Sunday 29 April
12 noon, Miami Rice (under Outrigger)
115/2007 Gold Coast Highway.
Phone Margaret 5534 2654.



year of youth

OPEN NEW HORIZONS FOR SPREADING JOY

Liturgical Music for Fourth Sunday of Easter

INTRODUCTORY RITES:

Gathering:

We Are Called

Come, live in the light.
Shine with the joy and the love of the Lord.
We are called to be light for the kingdom,
to live in the freedom of the city of God.

*We are called to act with justice,
we are called to love tenderly,
we are called to serve one another;
to walk humbly with God.*

Come, open your heart.
Show your mercy to all those in fear.
We are called to be hope for the hopeless
so all hatred and blindness will be no more.

Sing! Sing a new song!
Sing of that great day when all will be one.
God will reign, and we'll walk with each other
as sisters and brothers united in love.

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LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Psalm Response:

The stone re-ject-ed by the build-ers
has be-come the cor-ner-stone..

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Psalm Responses for Weekday Masses this week:

Monday:

My soul is thirsting for the living God.

Tuesday:

All you nations, praise the Lord.

Wednesday:

I will walk in the presence of the Lord in the land of the living.

Thursday:

For ever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.

Friday:

You are my Son; this day I have begotten you.

Saturday:

All the ends of the earth have seen the saving power of God.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST:

Communion: The Eucharist Song

This is my body, take now and share.
Deep in the memory of my own prayer.

This is my blood, come drink and live.
In all completeness this power I give.

You are my people, my chosen friends,
come share the Spirit my Father sends.

And hold within you, in constant hope,
my peaceful presence, gift of my heart.

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Thanksgiving: Like A Shepherd

*Like a shepherd he feeds his flock
and gathers the lambs in his arms,
holding them carefully close to his heart,
leading them home.*

Say to the cities of Judah;
prepare the way of the Lord.
Go to the mountain-top, lift your voice:
Jerusalem, here is your God.

I myself will shepherd them,
for others have led them astray.
The lost I will rescue and heal their wounds
and pasture them, giving them rest.

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CONCLUDING RITES

Dismissal: The Summons

Will you come and follow me if I but call your name?
Will you go where you don't know
and never be the same?
Will you let my love be shown,
will you let my name be known,
will you let my life be grown in you and you in me?

Will you leave yourself behind if I but call your name?
Will you care for cruel and kind
and never be the same?
Will you risk the hostile stare
should your life attract or scare?
Will you let me answer pray'r in you and you in me?

Will you let the blinded see if I but call your name?
Will you set the pris'ners free
and never be the same?
Will you kiss the leper clean,
and do such as this unseen,
and admit to what I mean in you and you in me?

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