

BURLEIGH HEADS CATHOLIC PARISH

- **BURLEIGH WATERS - MARY, MOTHER OF MERCY CHURCH, 3 Sunlight Dr, Burleigh Waters**
- **BURLEIGH HEADS - INFANT SAVIOUR CHURCH, 4 Park Av, Burleigh Heads**
- **PALM BEACH - OUR LADY OF THE WAY CHURCH - Eleventh Ave, Palm Beach**
- **MIAMI - CALVARY CHURCH - Santa Monica Rd, Miami**
- **MUDGEERABA - ST. BENEDICT'S CHURCH - Wallaby Dr, Mudgeeraba**



Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time 5 November, 2017

Year A: Malachi 1:14-2:2,8-10; 1 Thess 2:7-9,13; Mt 23:1-12

We need to learn the art of self-criticism....

An old man went to live with his son, daughter-in-law, and four-year old grandson. The old man's hands trembled, his eyesight was blurred, and his steps faltered. The family ate together at the table, but the elderly grandfather's shaky hands and failing sight made eating difficult. Peas rolled off his spoon onto the floor. When he grasped the glass, milk spilled on the tablecloth. The son and daughter-in-law became irritated with the mess. "We must do something about Grandfather," said the son. "I've had enough of his spilled milk, noisy eating, and food on the floor." Therefore, the husband and wife set a small table in the corner. There, Grandfather ate alone while the rest of the family enjoyed dinner. Since grandfather had broken a dish two, his food was served in a wooden bowl. When the family glanced in Grandfather's direction, sometimes he had a tear in his eye as he sat alone. Still, the only words the couple had for him were sharp admonitions when he dropped a fork or spilled food. The four-year-old watched it all in silence. One evening before supper, the father noticed his son playing with wood scraps on the floor. He asked the child sweetly, "What are you making?" Just as sweetly, the boy responded, "Oh, I am making a little bowl for you and Mama to eat your food in when I grow up." The four-year-old smiled and went back to work. The words so struck the parents that they were speechless. Though no word was spoken, both knew what must be done. That evening the husband took Grandfather's hand and gently led him back to the family table. For the remainder of his days, he ate every meal with the family. And for some reason, neither husband nor wife seemed to care any longer when a fork was dropped, milk spilled, or the tablecloth soiled.

It is easy to read today's Gospel and start pointing the finger at others but it is important that we see how it applies to our own life. The Gospel is always addressed to each one of us and today we need to hear what it is saying to our heart at this moment. Of course, we can point a critical finger at all the officials we know, political, religious or otherwise, and that will make us like anyone else and not a follower of Christ. We become touchy about the treatment people give us. We cannot demand respect but must earn it. The Pharisees acted as if their teaching was their own doctrine. Similarly we must remember that we are only channels of God's Word and His Truth and have a mission to accomplish. Today's Gospel, addressed to all of us, calls for humility, integrity and honesty, where there is no pulling of rank, no demand for respect or privilege or a hearing, no double standards but a deep sense of equality and mutual respect, a desire to serve, to share what we have and are for the benefit all. What is difficult to tolerate is the hypocrisy which Jesus so rightly attacks and of which we are all guilty of at one time or another.

Blessings

Fr. Dantus Thottathil

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Parish Weekly Diary....

Monday, 6 November

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

Tuesday, 7 November

7.30am **Mass** - Burleigh Waters

Wednesday, 8 November

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

Thursday, 9 November

The Dedication of the Lateran Basilica

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

Friday, 10 November

St Leo the Great

9.00am **Mass** - Robina Hospital
12 noon **Mass** - Burleigh Waters

Saturday, 11 November

St Martin of Tours

8.00am **Mass** - Burleigh Heads
5.00pm Sacrament of Penance - Palm Beach
5.15pm Sacrament of Penance - Burleigh Heads

Saturday, 11 November

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

SUNDAY, 12 November

Thirty-second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

MASS TIMES are available on our Website -
www.burleighheadscatholic.com.au/Masstimes

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.

FR MORGAN'S FIRST MASS

As I have mentioned previously, please note that Fr Morgan's first Parish Mass will take place on Sunday 12 November, at 10am at Mary, Mother of Mercy Church. I invite you all to join us for the Mass and for the welcome afterwards in the Community Centre.

On the Multi-cultural Mass - thank you to Josee Hill and all others who helped to make the Multicultural Mass such a wonderful success last Sunday. The celebration embraced all nationalities, languages, cultures and peoples. Thank you to all who attended.

Thank you everyone for your support to me as Administrator for the last six months. It has been a pleasure to serve you. I will soon return home to celebrate the weddings of my two sisters and to visit family. Thank you and God bless.

Fr Stanley

MINISTRY TRAINING FOR ALL READERS OF THE WORD, SACRISTANS AND MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

to refresh, energise and endorse your commitment in your ministry of service
will take place on Thursday 9 November, Mary, Mother of Mercy Church, from 6.30 - 7.30pm.
This training is offered to all five communities in our parish and is open to new volunteers.

It takes a whole community ***Safeguarding Policy Parish implementation***

Registration of all Parish Volunteers – Preparing the Way

All people engaged in Parish Ministries, all Parish Volunteers, and all holders of keys to Church Property must be registered with the Parish. To register we will all need to complete the Archdiocesan Volunteer Data Form, and to hold or undergo the required level of security screening. Myself and our various Ministry Leaders are ensuring that all of our documentation is current and held on the Parish Register.

Volunteer packs are being prepared and will be in our Churches the last weekend in November

Security screening involves holding or applying for Volunteer Blue Cards, and ministries where home visits are involved – Police checks. There is a short training component either on-line or at a session to be arranged. And we must all read and sign that we understand the Code of ethical Behaviour that is part of the pack. Existing Parish organisations which have done their volunteer registration still must have their members complete the "Linking" form if the members also serve in Parish Ministries. (St Vincent de Paul and Care & Concern) When we get to Police Checks and New Blue Card forms when completed are gathered and processed by the Diocesan Office which will report back to us at the Parish, monthly. Our existing Blue Card Register is provided to the Diocesan Office for addition to the central register.

Training and Audit

The Diocesan Office has a central register/record all Parishes. It is also now a requirement under Diocesan Insurances that all Parish volunteers are registered and appropriate levels of security checks recorded. For audit purposes training records must include evidence of training attended/done by all volunteers.

Brisbane Catholic Education Student Protection and Code of Conduct Training for Volunteers would be a satisfactory form of training if you missed the sessions in 2015. Please see the link <http://www.bne.catholic.edu.au/students-parents/student-protection/Pages/Code-of-Conduct-Training.aspx> A training session will be arranged for those who need to attend. The training sessions attended in 2015 can be quoted. The volunteer registration form includes certifying that we have completed training. Our Parish will be audited early in 2018.



Our parish will host the Catholic Mission appeal this weekend (November 4-5)

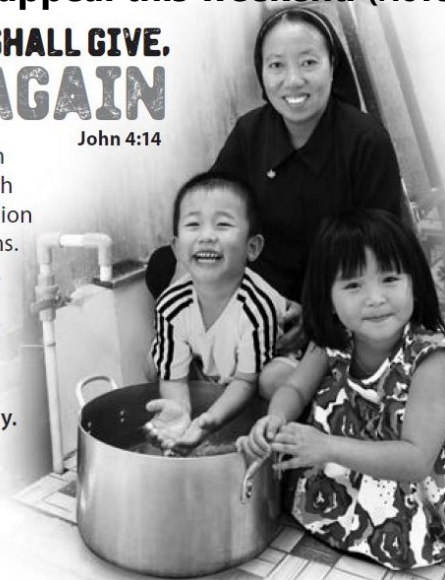
**WHOEVER DRINKS OF THE WATER THAT I SHALL GIVE,
WILL NEVER THIRST AGAIN**

John 4:14

Catholic Mission supports missionaries like Sister Mary Hoaian in Nha Trang, Vietnam to provide critical community resources such as clean drinking water and medical care to the country's 12 million forgotten farming families, living in the coastal mountain regions. By supporting the Catholic Mission World Mission Appeal today, or by partnering with us through your monthly gift, to support isolated families in coastal Vietnam, and all around the world, to receive the vital resources they require such as clean drinking water and medical care. **Please give generously to support impoverished families in Vietnam, and around the world today.**

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Parish News and Happenings

- **YOUTH MASS** - Final Youth Mass for 2017 - Sunday 5 November. Theme: *PROMISE*. 5.30pm, Mary, Mother of Mercy Church. All welcome. Followed by games, music and food.
- **CONGRATULATIONS** to all our children on receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation last Wednesday and to their families who continue to nurture and guide them on their faith and life journey. We would like to offer a special word of thanks to all those who helped prepare the children for this special day, especially all of our teachers and catechists.
- **2nd ANNUAL ALTAR SERVERS' MASS** - Thursday 16 November, 5.30pm, St Benedict's Church. All altar servers in the parish and their families are invited to attend. Small party and dinner will follow (catered). Please rsvp to Jay 0418254315.
- Next year we plan to start a structured **PLAYGROUP** one morning a week for preschool children and parents. It will include movement, songs, prayer, craft and morning tea. What could be better than spending a morning with young people and little kids? However, we still need someone to organise the simple morning tea. If you can help please contact Jennifer 0409 727782.
- Please put Friday 17 November in your diary for the **END OF YEAR DINNER**.
- **MUSIC MINISTRY** - Rehearsals for members of the choir, cantors, musicians, budding choir members - all welcome. Mary, Mother of Mercy Church from 6 - 7pm on Monday evenings.
- **COLUMBAN CALENDARS AND CHRISTMAS CARDS** - available from the Piety Stalls at each church. Calendars are \$9 each and packs of 8 Christmas Cards are \$3.50. *Keep Christ in Christmas*.
- **ST IGNATIUS PARISH TOOWONG** - in the care of the Jesuit Fathers since 1916. **INVITATION TO ALL CURRENT and FORMER PARISHIONERS** - to attend a weekend of Thanksgiving and **Farewell for the Jesuits** from the Parish, at Masses on weekend of 25-26 November. Refreshments after each Mass and an opportunity to catch up with Jesuits connected to Parish. 6pm Vigil, 7am, 5.30pm Sunday, St Ignatius Church; 8.30am Sunday, Holy Spirit Church.
- **CAPUCHIN FRANCISCAN FRIARS - VOCATION WEEKEND**. The annual vocations retreat will be held at St Joseph's Retreat Centre at Marian Valley, for young men (18-35 years). An opportunity to pray and reflect on the possibility of a calling to the priesthood or religious life. \$30. From 7.30pm Friday 24 November - 3pm Sunday 26 November. Contact Fr Thomas 0432 362052 - vocations@capuchinfriars.org.au

- **WOMEN'S DISCERNMENT RETREAT** - Vocations Brisbane is running a weekend retreat for young women who are keen to explore more about a vocation to religious life. All women 18 - 40 years old are welcome. 25-26 November, Canossian Spirituality Centre, 169 Seventeen Mile Rocks Rd, Oxley. Further information or to rsvp contact Sr Melissa 0484 007508.
- **CELEBRATION OF FATIMA DAY** - Marian Valley, Monday 13 November. Bus leaves 7 Lind Av, Palm Beach at 7.45am and Sacred Heart Church, Clear Island Waters, at 8.15am. \$20 return. Bookings Paula 0402 930918.
- **THE LOFT STUDENT ACCOMMODATION** - Affordable accommodation for tertiary students and apprentices in Brisbane. A Project of St Paschal's Church. Must book by 20 November. 0468 515130 or 3359 0239. theloftsa38@yahoo.com
- **The OSSU/TIMOR LESTE CRAFT STALL** will be on sale before and after the 8.30am Mass on Sunday 19 November at St Benedict's, Mudgeeraba. Help support the women of our Sister parish of St Teresinha's, Ossu, by buying their 'Tais' handcraft, including runners, necklaces, bracelets, earrings, headbands etc and help the Cuaiti ladies workshop. This is a Burleigh Heads Social Justice Group initiative. For further information or if you would like to have the Craft Stall at your church, contact Sue or Bren 0409 718139.
- **ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY** - The Society's new Centre is located below the Community Centre adjacent to Mary, Mother of Mercy Church. The Centre is not equipped to handle donations of clothing, household goods or furniture and **THESE SHOULD NOT BE LEFT OUTSIDE OF THIS BUILDING**. The Centre services our parish area predominantly by visiting those in need. Those needing assistance should use the Helpline number freecall 1800 VINNIES or 1800 846643 and choose option 1 from the menu. Those wishing to donate and have furniture to be collected should phone freecall 1800 VINNIES or 1800 846643 and choose option 2. Those wishing to donate clothing, blankets, sheets, etc, cutlery, books and other non-electrical household goods should take these directly to the VINNIES SHOP at Santa Maria Crt, Burleigh Waters or any other VINNIES SHOP. Those assessed during visitations and needing such donated items are handed free \$25 Vinnies Gift Cards and referred to Vinnies Shops to select the items needed. The Society is a non-profit Catholic Charity and any profit made by VINNIES SHOPS selling to the public is used to help those in need.

PLANNED GIVING LAST WEEK - ☺

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

Planned Giving roster this week: Burleigh Waters

BAPTISMS

We welcome to our faith community Alexander, Sunny, Seth and Sofia who were baptised last week.

FUNERALS

Last week we celebrated the funeral of Joseph George Haber who has died in Christ. Let us remember his family and friends in our prayers this week.

God will raise you up on eagle's wings

SICK & SPECIAL NEEDS

Your prayers have been requested for Michael Allan, Patricia Ashton, Taylor Austin, Glenys Bailey, Demosthenes Baldovino, Leigh Boulcher, Sylvia Brewer, Noeleen Brown, Jacob Burgstaller, Lily Burgstaller, James Burke, Deborah Campani, Ben Clarke, Carmel Clifford, Maryanne Condon, John Costigan, Chris Curran, Joan Dale, Graham Dall, Edna Devlin, Joseph Dick, Patricia Dowling, Fr Des Fitzgerald, Des Fox, Lance Fry, Norma Greenland, Geromy Grima, Fred Grioli, Viviane Haddad, Robert Harvey, Vera Havlik, Cheryl Hingerty, Jean Hokin, Lucy Holland, Patricia Holmes, Angelika Huber, Harry Hunter, Norman Ingle, Veronica James, Sydney Jones, Annette Kassulke, Margaret Kennedy, Jayce Kilfoy, Pasquale Leonello, Tina Mass, Denis McEnery, Anne McInnes, Patrick McMahon, Peter McMurray, John Mooney, June Newdick, Mary Nutter, Mary O'Brien, Sr Annette O'Connor, Dianne O'Connor, Paul O'Connor, Eileen O'Neill, Michael Onn, Sean O'Reilly, Maureen O'Sullivan, Noel O'Sullivan, Anne Owens, Lucky Papas, Joan Parker, Mike Parker, Anna Pereira, Phyllis Pola, Danny Ricciuti, Peter Reid, Lance Robinson, Reg Rowan, Imelda Rundall, Dennis Samson, William Sheehan, Max Smales, Peter Smith, Pacing Soriano, Isaac Stafrace, Andrew Supple, Carmel Taylor, Dean Taylor, Lisa Taylor, Fr Keith Teefey, Lourdes Toledo, Nemcio Toledo, Sarra Tyler, Lena and Frank Usaj, Marie Walker, Norma Ward, Sylvia Wesley, Dan Wilson, Warren Wilson, Graham Zender, 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: Joseph Haber, Fr Michael McKeaten, Josephine Maccarone, deceased members of the Mallia and Sciberras families.

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

Liturgical Music for Thirty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time

INTRODUCTORY RITES:

Gathering:

Gather Your People

*Gather your people, O Lord.
Gather your people, O Lord.
One bread, one body, one spirit of love.
Gather your people, O Lord.*

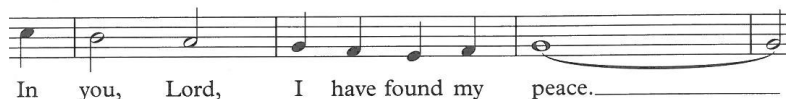
Draw us forth to the table of life:
brothers and sisters,
each of us called to walk in your light.

We are parts of the body of Christ,
needing each other,
each of the gifts the Spirit provides.

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LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Psalm Response:



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LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST:

Acclamation:

When we eat this bread and drink this cup,
we proclaim your death, O Lord,
until you come again.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST:

Communion:

The Body Of Christ

*This is the body of Christ,
blessed and broken for us,
blessed and given for us.
This is the body of Christ.*

This is the bread of my love.
How I long to fill you with my life.

Drink from the cup of my blood.
Let my Spirit heal you deep within.

If you would live in my love,
hold my word, my promise in your heart.

Gathered as one in my name,
take my joy, my freedom to the world.

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CONCLUDING RITES

Dismissal:

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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A VOCATION VIEW

"Credibility" becomes a household word, not because there is so much of it, but because there is such a lack of it.
The Church also needs people who not only practice what they preach, but can also preach what they practice.

Vocation Office: 1300 133 544
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Next week's readings: Wis 6:12-16; 1 Thess 4:13-18; Mt 25:1-13

Care & Concern 5576 6318

Choir 5520 2591

Christian Meditation 5593 3794

Family Groups 0412 606492

Ladies' Dinner 5576 2623

Ladies' Lunch 5576 2623

Marymount Primary 5535 1803

Marymount College 5586 1000

menALIVE Group 0412 270828

Men's Dinner 5576 2623

Ozanam Villa 5507 0800

St Vincent de Paul 1800 846643

TEAMS Married Couples 5522 4880

Youth 0430 960802