

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**



The Transfiguration of the Lord 6 August, 2017

Year A: Dan 7:9-10,13-14; 2 Pet 1:16-19; Mt 17:1-9

WHO ARE WE AS A COMMUNITY

YOUNG PEOPLE IN OUR CHURCH

Nothing is more spectacular in our Masses than seeing children and young people take active parts during the Mass, such as: taking round and bringing the collection to the front of the altar, standing at the door welcoming and handing out newsletters, bringing the bread and wine to the altar, going for their liturgy and back, having fun and also doing what they are best at, namely: keeping everyone on their toes.

Thank you to all the parents, grandparents and teachers, for encouraging and supporting these youngsters to live out their life and baptism with passion.

Let all our Churches be places of joy that actively and creatively engage the young.

WELCOMERS

Did anyone welcome you as you entered the Church this weekend? Did anyone say Hello or speak with you, smile, nod or extend any gesture of welcome to you? During the Mass and at the end of the Mass did you encounter friendly parishioners and a genuine community atmosphere in our parish?

Our Eucharist and our parish life need to overflow with a genuine sense of welcoming and genuine family experience if it is to be relevant today. If people are to take us seriously, be convinced by us, interested in us, or even come back after their first visit, it will certainly depend how they felt welcomed and felt Christ through us.

NEW PARISHIONERS/VISITORS

Imagine that the unfamiliar face, family, couple, or the person next to you in the Church this weekend has just moved to the Gold Coast, or from another country, or visitors, searching for new friends and a new community to be part of. If they go home after Mass feeling unwelcomed and never come back, we would not need Sherlock Holmes to know why.

As human beings, we love to go back again and again to Churches, homes, friends, stores, offices, restaurants and other places where we found welcome and joy. People go back to Churches where parishioners are interested in fellow parishioners, where our stories are valued and listened to, and where our gifts, talents and contributions are recognized and appreciated.

When we go out to be welcomers and engage all in our celebration, it is only then that our Eucharist will be most truly complete.

Fr Stanley Orji

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Parish Weekly Diary....

Monday, 7 August

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

Tuesday, 8 August

St Mary of the Cross

7.30am **Mass** - Burleigh Waters

Wednesday, 9 August

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

Thursday, 10 August

St Lawrence

7.00am **Mass** - Burleigh Heads
5.15pm **Mass** - Mudgeeraba

Friday, 11 August

St Clare

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

Saturday, 12 August

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

Saturday, 12 August

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

SUNDAY, 13 August

Nineteenth 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

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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.



The next **YOUTH MASS** is on 6 August at Mary, Mother of Mercy Church at 5.30pm. Hope to see you there. We are looking for musicians. If you can play an instrument, come and join us. If not, come and join the singing. For further information text 0430 960802.

On Friday 21 July we held the Burleigh Blaze Youth event. It was a fun night. There were very interesting questions and great response from our panel. Come and join us on 18 August for FUSE! Meet young people from across the Gold Coast. **Watch this space for more information.**

The Feast of St Mary of the Cross is on Tuesday 8 August

On January 15, 1842, Mary MacKillop was born of Scottish parents, Alexander MacKillop and Flora MacDonald in Fitzroy, Victoria.

Mary, the eldest of eight children, was well educated by her father who spent some years studying for the priesthood in Rome but through ill health had returned to his native Scotland until 1835 when he migrated to Australia with his parents. Unfortunately, he lacked financial awareness, so the family was often without a home of their own, depending on friends and relatives and frequently separated from one another.

From the age of sixteen, Mary earned her living and greatly supported her family, as a governess, as a clerk and as a teacher. While acting as a governess to her uncle's children at Penola, Mary met Fr Julian Tenison Woods who, with a parish of 56,000 square kilometres, needed help in the religious education of children in the outback. At the time Mary's family depended on her income so she was not free to follow her dream. However, in 1866, greatly inspired and encouraged by Fr Woods, Mary opened the first Saint Joseph's School in a disused stable in Penola.

Young women came to join Mary, and so the congregation of the Sisters of St Joseph was begun. In 1867, Mary was asked by Bishop Shiel to come to Adelaide to start a school. From there, the sisters spread.

In December, 1869, Mary MacKillop and five of the Sisters of St Joseph came to Brisbane and rented a house in south Brisbane. During 1870, they opened three schools for the poorer children in Brisbane and one in Maryborough.

Mary and these early Sisters, together with other Religious Orders and lay teachers of the time, had a profound influence on the forming of Catholic Education as we have come to know and experience it today. She also opened orphanages, providences to care for the homeless and destitute both young and old, and refuges for ex-prisoners and ex-prostitutes who wished to make a fresh start in life.

Throughout her life, Mary met with opposition from

people outside the Church and even from some of those within it. In the most difficult of times she consistently refused to attack those who wrongly accused her and undermined her work, but continued in the way she believed God was calling her and was always ready to forgive those who wronged her.

Mary died on 8 August, 1909, in the convent in Mount Street, North Sydney, where her tomb is now enshrined. Since then the Congregation has grown and now numbers about 1200, working mainly in Australia and New Zealand, but also scattered singly or in small groups around the world. The "Brown Joeys" may be seen in big city schools, on dusty bush tracks, in modern hospitals, in caravans, working with the "little ones" of God - the homeless, the new migrant, the Aboriginal, the lonely and the unwanted, in direct care and in advocacy.

This great Australian woman inspired great dedication to God's work in the then new colonies. In today's world, she stands as an example of great courage and trust in her living out of God's loving and compassionate care of those in need.

Mary MacKillop was beatified by Pope John Paul II on 19 January, 1995.

At her beatification, Pope John Paul II spoke of Mary MacKillop to the people of Australia in this way:

"Mary MacKillop embodies all that is best in your nation and its people:

Genuine openness to others, hospitality to strangers, generosity to the needy, justice to those unfairly treated, perseverance in the face of adversity, kindness and support to the suffering.

Think of Mother Mary MacKillop and learn from her to be a gift of love and compassion to one another, for all Australians and for the world".

MINISTRIES WORKSHOP Saturday 26 August, 10am - 11.30am. Mary, Mother Of Mercy Church

For all Readers of the Word, Sacristans and Ministers of Holy Communion.

This Workshop is especially important for Ministers who serve in our new Mary, Mother of Mercy Church - to bring a uniformed approach to all ministries.



ANTIPHONAL GROUP PRAYER FOR PRIESTLY VOCATIONS

A: At the sight of the crowds Jesus' heart was moved

B: For they were like sheep without a shepherd

A: Jesus said, "The harvest is ready"

B: "But the labourers are few"

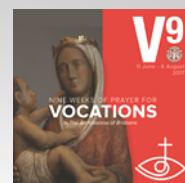
A: Ask the Lord to send out labourers for the harvest

B: O Lord we pray that young men will answer the call to become priests in your harvest

A: And shepherds for your people.

All: Amen.

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Parish News and Happenings

- **THINKING OF BECOMING A CATHOLIC?** You are more than welcome to our **Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Enquiry Night on 16 August**. This is an enquiry night - no obligation. If you have any questions at all about our faith or just thinking about becoming a Catholic, please join us in this informal setting. Learn the depth and beauty of encountering God in a real way through the Catholic faith. The Enquiry Night is in the meeting room next to Infant Saviour Church, Park Avenue, Burleigh Heads, at 7pm. Feel free to call Dave Wilson on 0451 131849 any time.

- **SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM** - Thank you to all families who have completed registration for the Sacrament of Confirmation for their children. **Registrations for this year have now closed.** Dates for celebrations of rituals and sacraments will be made available to registered families. Information sessions will be held on Wednesday 16 August at 9.30am, 1.30pm and 7pm at Mary, Mother of Mercy Church, Burleigh Waters. These sessions will take about 45 minutes, and will be directed to parents, though children are most welcome. Sessions will provide some input, information about resources and small group discussions with catechists, and time to answer any questions you may have. I am looking forward to working with Fr Stanley and Fr Dantus throughout this time of preparation with our Parish families and their children. This is such a special time in sharing the journey of faith and I ask parishioners to please support us in prayer.

Blessings, Angela Williams,
Sacramental Co-ordinator

- **BURLEIGH HEADS PARISH SOCIAL JUSTICE ACTION GROUP** - *for those interested in Social Justice issues*. Sunday 6 August at Mary, Mother of Mercy Church. Meeting will be held in Parish Office Boardroom at 11am, after the 10am Mass. An up to date report on the Burleigh Heads -Ossu, East Timor Parish project and the implementing of St Teresinha's Junior High School Stage 2; Plans for an Adult Immersion visit to Timor Leste in 2018; Suggestions for ways to sell Timor craft items. If you are concerned about social justice issues, please come along. For more information and to indicate your attendance on 6 August phone Sue and Bren Milsom 0409 718139 or milsoms@outlook.com

- **MEDITATION and ECO-SPIRITUALITY - Reflection Day** - Saturday 16 September - A time to appreciate meditation and all contemplative practice as nurturing awareness of our interconnectedness within the vast story of the whole creation. All welcome. 10am - 2.30pm, Parish Hospitality Centre, 50 Fairway Dr, Clear Island Waters. Morning tea provided. BYO lunch. Donation \$5 (optional). Bookings Bernadette.stewart2@bigpond.com Phone 5520 7242 or Paul 5593 3794.

- **CATHOLIC LIFE** is now available at the front door of the Church. Please take a copy and keep in touch with all parish communities. Thank you to all who continue to send in stories, photos and antidotes. It is much appreciated.

- St Ignatius Parish Toowong's Annual **WOMEN'S NIGHT OF SPIRITUALITY** - Tuesday 5 September at 7.30 - 9.15pm, Stuartholme School Chapel, Birdwood Tce, Toowong. No booking required. Donation at the door. Supper provided. Parking available. Presenters - Robyn Emerson, science journalist currently writing a series of children's books set in Brisbane ... Colleen Mitrow, educator who long ago realised that many young people are marginalised in the school community and wider community ... Kathryn Brimblecombe -Fox, a Brisbane-based visual artist with interests in cosmology ... Jen Tucker, who was involved in a bicycling accident at Mt Coot-tha in 2015, who will share her journey of healing and self-discovery.

- **SOLEMNITY OF SAINT MARY OF THE CROSS MacKILLOP** - Tuesday 8 August at 10am, Cathedral of St Stephen. All the faithful are invited to celebrate the feast of Australia's first saint and stay for morning tea in the Cathedral grounds after Mass.

- **YOUR VOCATION CAN PROVIDE SUSTAINABLE SOLUTIONS TO GLOBAL POVERTY** - Catholic Bishops in Timor Leste are seeking mentors to help build on the strengths of their personnel in dioceses, schools, clinics. Palms Australia will help you get there. If you first need an insight into the life and work of Palms volunteers you can join a 13-day cross-cultural Encounter experience starting on 24 September which will provide an insight into the daily life of Timorese culture and sustainable approaches to development. Call Roger on 02 95605333 or email palms@palms.org.au

- The Maltese Community would like to invite everyone to help celebrate the **FEAST OF CHRIST THE REDEEMER**. Pilgrimage to Marian Valley, Saturday 19 August. 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 or 5582 7950.

- **RETREAT WEEKEND** - 11/12 November. *Stillness of Spirit*. Talks, periods of meditation and time for quiet reflection. Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Ormiston. Queries or registration contact Gabby togo@bigpond.net.au phone 3711 4227.

PLANNED GIVING LAST WEEK - ☺

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

Planned Giving roster this week: Burleigh Heads

BAPTISMS

We welcome to our faith community Sonny who was baptised last week.

FUNERALS

Last week we celebrated the funerals of Julian Fabris, Gloria Dawson, Vivienne Marie Miao and James Ronald O'Brien who have died in Christ.

Let us remember their families and friends in our prayers this week.

God will raise you up an eagle's wings

SICK & SPECIAL NEEDS

Your prayers have been requested for Michael Allan, Patricia Ashton, Taylor Austin, Glenys Bailey, Demosthenes Baldovino, Leigh Boulcher, Bruce Brew, Sylvia Brewer, 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, Norma Evans, Fr Des Fitzgerald, Des Fox, Paris Freese, 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, Sydney Jones, Annette Kassulke, Margaret Kennedy, Jayce Kilfoy, Paul Mason, Tina Mass, Denis McNery, 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, Phil 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, Dennis Samson, William Sheehan, Max Smales, Pacing Soriano, Isaac Stafrace, Andrew Supple, Carmel Taylor, Dean Taylor, Lisa Taylor, Fr Keith Teefey, Nemcio Toledo, Sarra Tyler, Lena and Frank Usaj, Gerald Vanrongen, John Walker, Marie Walker, Norma Ward, Sylvia Wesley, Dan Wilson, Graham Zandler, 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: Jim O'Brien, Vivienne-Marie Miao, Gaspar Cohij, Joan Mary Morris, Iris & Alfred Wilkins, Coral Wilkie, Ignacio Abarquez, Natalia Abarquez, Jordan Bismonte, Cleta Bismonte.

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

Liturgical Music for the Transfiguration of the Lord

INTRODUCTORY RITES:

Gathering:

Praise, My Soul, The King Of Heaven

Praise, my soul, the King of heaven;
to his feet thy tribute bring;
ransomed, healed, restored, forgiven,
ever-more his praises sing:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise the everlasting King.

Praise him for his grace and favour
to children in distress;
praise him still the same as ever,
slow to chide and swift to bless:
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Glorious in his faithfulness.

Angels, help us to adore him;
you behold him face to face;
sun and moon bow down before him,
in his holy dwelling place.
Alleluia! Alleluia!
Praise with us the God of grace.

LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Psalm:

All The Earth Proclaim The Lord

*All the earth proclaim the Lord,
Sing your praise to God.*

Serve you the Lord, heart filled with gladness.
Come into his presence singing for joy!

Know that the Lord is our creator.
Yes, he is our Father; we are his own.

We are the sheep of his green pasture,
for we are his people; we are his own.

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LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST:

Acclamation:

Save us, Saviour of the world,
for by your cross and resurrection
you have set us free.

LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST:

Communion:

Eat This Bread

Eat this bread, drink this cup,
come to me and never be hungry.
Eat this bread, drink this cup,
trust in me and you will not thirst.

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CONCLUDING RITES

Dismissal:

Shine, Jesus, Shine

Lord, the light of your love is shining,
in the midst of the darkness, shining;
Jesus, light of the world, shine upon us,
set us free by the truth you now bring us.
Shine on me, shine on me.

*Shine, Jesus, shine,
fill this land with the Father's glory;
blaze, Spirit, blaze,
set our hearts on fire.
Flow, river, flow,
flood the nations with grace and mercy;
send forth your Word, Lord,
and let there be light.*

Lord, I come to your awesome presence,
from the shadows into your radiance;
by the blood I may enter your brightness,
search me, try me, consume all my darkness.
Shine on me, shine on me.

As we gaze on your kingly brightness
so our faces display your likeness,
ever changing from glory to glory,
mirrored here may our lives tell your story.
Shine on me, shine on me.

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Next week's readings: 1 Kg 19:9,11-13; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

A VOCATION VIEW

If some people did not hoard the riches of this world, all people would have enough to eat and drink. Too many people starve to death every day. Who will speak loudly of justice today?

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