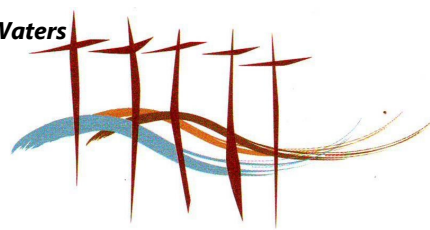


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- **BURLEIGH WATERS - MARY, MOTHER OF MERCY CHURCH, 3 Sunlight Dr, Burleigh Waters**
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Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 8 July, 2018

Year B: Ezek 2:2-5; 2 Cor 12:7-10; Mk 6:1-6

next week's Readings: Amos 7:12-15; Eph 1:3-14; Mk 6:7-13

They took offence at Him

Dear brothers and sisters,

Today's Gospel explains the experience of Jesus when He returned home to His native place. One day He taught in their synagogue but he was met with suspicious, hostile looks and cynicism. Their opposition was based on the fact that He was too transparent to them. They knew Him very well. They knew him as the son of a carpenter. They even knew His cousins, mother and father. His family is just an ordinary one in their place. And now he is telling and posing Himself as a prophet, teacher and Messiah. They believe that a Messiah is coming from an unknown source. That is why they said: "Where did this man get all these".



In one way the people of Jesus' home town knew him too well, but in essence they knew him too little. It is amazing how our prejudices and biases can affect our judgement and decisions. Sensing their negative attitude, Jesus said, "No prophet is accepted in his own country". Unbelief is a mighty force...it activates the judgement of God. So, the rejection of God brings a punishment: Jesus could work no miracle there, though he cured a few sick people. He was amazed at their lack of faith.

We are told of how the town mates of Jesus are amazed at his extraordinary teachings and wisdom. This may very well bring them joy and hope. They can tell themselves, "Here is someone different, someone special; he must be God-sent." But then they are overcome by what they realize to be Jesus' background and credentials. And so the grace of God cannot work for them. As a matter of fact, this grace, ironically, becomes their downfall. If the people of Nazareth only discern who this person is whose teaching and wisdom is so extraordinary, they will arrive at the knowledge that he is the Son of God sent into the world.

St John says; "God so loved the world that He gave His only begotten Son that whoever believes in Him shall not perish but have eternal life, for God did not send His Son into the world to judge the world but that the world might be saved through Him. He who believes in Him is not judged, but he who does not believe is judged already because he has not believed in the name of the only begotten Son of God (John 3:16)."

So we "render to Caesar the things that are Caesar's and to God the things that are God's".

Fr Saji

Parish Weekly Diary....

Monday, 9 July

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

Tuesday, 10 July

7.30am **Mass** - Burleigh Waters

Wednesday, 11 July

St Benedict

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

Thursday, 12 July

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

Friday, 13 July

9.00am **Mass** - Robina Hospital
10.00am **Mass** - Burleigh Waters

Saturday, 14 July

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, 15 July

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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

SUNDAY, 15 July

15th Sunday in Ordinary Time

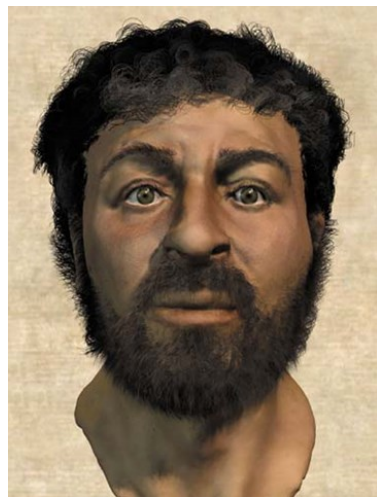
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8.30am **Mass** - Mudgeeraba
10.00am **Mass** - Burleigh Waters
5.00pm Sacrament of Penance - Burleigh Waters
5.30pm **Mass** - Burleigh Waters

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Today's first reading narrates the call of the great prophet Ezekiel. Four times he tells about the occasions when God called him. All of these accounts tell of how God is sending him to preach to the hardhearted and rebellious Israelites. On our own we humans are not up to the important, and sometimes, life-threatening task of prophesying. But God's call to Ezekiel and to the other prophets always includes help – big help! – the gift of God's Spirit. Ezekiel tells with wonder of the moment when God gifted him: "the Spirit entered me and set me on my feet."

He's not just talking about standing upright, is he? A prophet in any age, including our own, also needs the same life-giving and fortifying spirit Ezekiel received – to stand us up on our feet. A modern day prophet I like is Archbishop Fulton Sheen who said "If I were not a Catholic, and were looking for the true Church in the world today. I would look for the Church which did not get along well with the world; I would look for the Church which the world hated..." the Catholic Church may fit this description.

When we are called upon to speak up for: the rights of others, conformity to God's law and comfort for the afflicted, we need help, lest our own spirit shrink from the task. Being a prophet, even in the confines of our homes, workplace, church community, or civil setting, is a risky and, some would say, a foolish business. People don't like to change their ways of acting and thinking and they don't like the one calling them to make those changes. Which takes us to today's gospel.



As we drive around the Gold Coast roads and highways we see bumper stickers that say, "My boss is a Jewish carpenter"; or the fish symbol, or other Christian motives; or there are church bulletin boards reading, "Jesus saves!" People all know something about Jesus; his reputation for cures, and his wise sayings. Statues and paintings depict him in both private and public places. But who is he? Do we actually have a personal relationship with Jesus?

It seems good that the one who was sent from God and was God-in-flesh is so much a part of our lives. We have many reminders of him. But there is a way he can be everywhere, but nowhere. Familiarity can breathe indifference. He can be so present that he just fits comfortably into the background of our lives, like wallpaper, our washing machine, or the McDonald's just a few streets away. We can say, as the people did in his native place, "Oh sure, we

know Jesus. He's one of us. He has been around for years." In our "native place," we have lots on our minds that take up our every waking moment. There is a danger that we miss Jesus' among us, because he so familiar to us, so much part of the furnishings of our lives – and we have other things on our minds.

Perhaps today's gospel will open our eyes to what we are missing – whom we missing. Notice the parallels to our own lives. Jesus returns to a place where people are very familiar with him. ("Sisters" and "brothers" may have been his cousins in the close knit community in which he was raised.) They know his trade, he's the carpenter. They know he has done mighty deeds and is noted for his wisdom. Before he left to go preaching he was part of the local scene, someone they would have spoken with daily. Maybe he even repaired a roof, or made a chair for them. They probably even liked him.

But they weren't willing to take the important next step – beyond familiarity, beyond knowing the facts about him. They weren't willing to believe that, despite his most ordinary appearances and his, up till then, most ordinary life, that in Jesus, God had entered their lives. God was there ready to perform powerful deeds on their behalf, willing to share a wisdom with them they could not achieve on their own.

What a difference it would have made had they accepted what he was bringing to them! They would have seen themselves and one another, as God-loved. They would have treated each other differently, the way Jesus treated people. They might have changed their priorities and not measured themselves, or others, by the size of their homes, property, or their standing in the community. Nothing would have been the same for them, because they would have known God, by knowing God in Jesus.

What could be more ordinary than bread and wine? There's not a lot on the altar today. We probably serve a better grade wine in our own homes. This ritual, these prayers, seem so ordinary. They are so much a part of our lives that we can get used to them and forget what is being offered here to us. It is the same Spirit that was given to the prophet Ezekiel, that set him on his feet and sent him to bring God's word to the Israelites. It is the very Spirit of Jesus Christ and it is given to us here today through the Word we hear and the food we share.

Maybe we can look again at the familiar billboard signs by the roadside. "Jesus saves" and ask "From what?" Saves us from going down blind alleys. Saves us from aimlessness. Saves us from guilt and self-incrimination. Saves us from missing our God, who comes in the most everyday and ordinary ways to us – those familiar faces in our own "native place".

Padre

SAFEGUARDING ESSENTIALS TRAINING

for registered volunteers who are providing services for and engaging in activities with children and vulnerable adults and those in leadership positions.

Wednesday 8 August - Mary, Mother of Mercy Church, Burleigh Waters.

4 - 6pm or 6.30 - 8.30pm.

Registration must be processed through the Parish Office.

Please phone (5576 6466) or email (burleigh@bne.catholic.net.au) your preferred session.

Parish News and Happenings

- **THANK YOU** to all who contributed to the annual Peter's Pence Collection held last weekend. \$1,187.65 was raised in support of the global ministry of Pope Francis.
- **CHICKEN & CHAMPAGNE BREAKFAST** - Saturday 21 July, 8am (after 7.30am Mass), Infant Saviour Church. Community fundraiser. Tickets now on sale at all churches. Lucky door prize. Prize for the best decorated beanie hat!
- **PLANNED GIVING ENVELOPES** are available for collection at all churches. If you would like to join the Planned Giving Program, please contact the Parish Office. The half-yearly Parish Financial Statement will be published next weekend.
- The **PARISH CHOIR** is now in recess and will be back, refreshed and looking for new members, in the spring.
- The **PIETY STALL** workers in our churches are in need of people to assist at the stalls. As a helper you would assist for a short time before and/or after Mass. If you could give time for this, please contact the piety stall worker at your church.
- **AN INVITATION TO YOUNG WOMEN DISCERNING A VOCATION TO CONSECRATED LIFE** - Archbishop Mark Coleridge extends an invitation to young women who may be interested in discerning a religious vocation to join him for an evening meal and informal discussion on Thursday 19 July, beginning at 6pm. Please contact Padre.
- **MARYMOUNT ART SHOW** - Artist entry is open until 6 August. Please visit www.marymount.qld.edu.au for details. Gala Opening and Announcement of winners - Friday 24 August.
- The annual Youth and Vocations Expo invites young people to explore their call - an opportunity for youth to engage with Catholic ministry organisations across Queensland. Sunday 5 August, St Stephen's Cathedral Precinct, 249 Elizabeth St, Brisbane. Stalls open 11am. Mass 12 noon. Vocations and Youth Expo 1pm - 2.30pm.

- **DATE CLAIMER - menALIVE MEN'S WEEKEND** - 8/9 September. Could you benefit from joining with other men from 18 years of age to be inspired and encouraged in the renewal of your faith in God with the support of experienced leaders from the menALIVE team who since 2003 have helped over 22,000 men to make real changes in their lives? Contact Chris Kennedy 0412 270828 or christopher.kennedy@menalive.org.au
- **POPE'S MESSAGE LAYS FOUNDATION FOR NEW SAFEGUARDING STRATEGY 2018-2020** - Pope Francis's call for "zero tolerance" towards sexual abuse has underpinned a new safeguarding strategy across the Archdiocese of Brisbane. Archbishop Mark Coleridge said Pope Francis's words were an important factor in the Archdiocese's design of a strategy that will apply to all ministries and services for the next three years. This strategy focuses upon the 3P's of Safeguarding: Safe People, Safe Practices and Safe Places, along with the foundation principle that 'safeguarding is everyone's responsibility'. The Archdiocese's new strategy applies to all church personnel including bishops, clergy, religious, employees, contractors and volunteers across all parishes, ministries, agencies and services. The Archdiocese encourages Church workers and the community to raise concerns about abuse or other safeguarding issues within the Church. Concerns can be raised with the Office for Safeguarding Services or via the independent and confidential STOPLine Service. The Safeguarding Service can be contacted on 3324 3752 or safeguarding@bne.catholic.net.au. The STOPLine service can be contacted on 1300 304550 or AOb@stopline.com.au. Anonymous reports can be made to the STOPLine service.
- **BLESSINGS** to our newly ordained Priests, Fr Tom Zaranski and Fr Damien Everett, who were ordained on 29 June.
- **THE CATHOLIC LEADER** - 11-year old Catholic student shows big heart for the homeless ... Syrians in Logan given icons from the Middle East ... Grandfather celebrates 25 years of being a priest.

FUNERALS

Last week we celebrated the funeral of June Greer who has died in Christ. Let us remember her 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, Glenys Bailey, Leigh Boulcher, Jacob Burgstaller, Lily Burgstaller, James Burke, Diane Busutil, Carmel Clifford, John Costigan, Colin Dahler, Graham Dall, Brian Deere, 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, Stuart Ingram, Annette Kassulke, Margaret Kennedy, Tina Mass, Denis McEnery, Sheldon McEnery, Anne McInnes, John Mooney, Mary O'Brien, Sr Annette O'Connor, Paul O'Connor, Eileen O'Neill, Michael Onn, Sean O'Reilly, Anne Owens, Mike Parker, Phyllis Pola, Donna Redman, Peter Reid, Reg Rowan, William Sheehan, Peter Smith, Pacing Soriano, Isaac Stafrace, Andrew Supple, Carmel Taylor, Dean Taylor, Luke Thorpe, Lourdes Toledo, Nemcio Toledo, Nigel Tomlinson, Sarra Tyler, 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: Nev Sedgman, Rudy Asmar, Raphael Camenzuli, Allan Sommerville.

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: Burleigh Waters

CONNECT MASS

10am, Mary, Mother of Mercy

Yr 4	29 July
Yr 9	19 August
Yr 5	16 September
Yr 8	21 October
Yr 7	25 November

CHICKEN & CHAMPAGNE BREAKFAST

8am, Saturday 21 July



Infant Saviour Meeting Room, Park Avenue, Burleigh Heads



Fundraising for maintenance of Church properties

Tickets, \$20, available at all churches

LUCKY DOOR PRIZE. PRIZE FOR BEST-DECORATED BEANIE
 All welcome

Liturgical Music for Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

INTRODUCTORY RITES:

Gathering:

All The Ends Of The Earth

*All the ends of the earth,
all you creatures of the sea,
lift up your eyes to the wonders of the Lord.
For the Lord of the earth,
the master of the sea,
has come with justice for the world.*

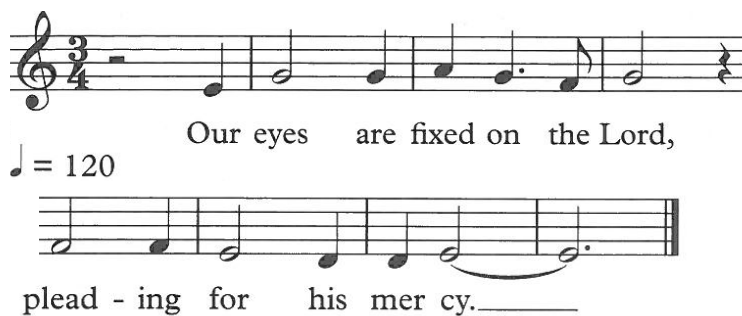
Break into song at the deeds of the Lord,
the wonders he has done in ev'ry age.

Heaven and earth shall rejoice in his might;
ev'ry heart, ev'ry nation call him Lord.

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LITURGY OF THE WORD:

Psalm Response:



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LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST:

Acclamation:

We proclaim your death, O Lord,
and profess your resurrection
until you come again.

Psalm Responses for Weekday Masses this week:

Monday:

The Lord is kind and merciful.

Tuesday:

The house of Israel trusts in the Lord.

Wednesday:

Seek always the face of the Lord.

Thursday:

Let us see your face, Lord, and we shall be saved.

Friday:

My mouth will declare your praise.

Saturday:

The Lord is king; he is robed in majesty.

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:

Go Now, You Are Sent Forth

Go now, you are sent forth
to live what you proclaim;
to show the world you follow Christ
in fact, not just in name.

Go now, you are sent forth
to walk this troubled earth,
to share your faith with others,
and prove your real worth.

Go now, you are sent forth
as God's ambassador;
by serving him in those we meet
we love you more and more.

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Christian Meditation 5593 3794
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Ladies' Dinner 5576 2623
Ladies' Lunch 5576 2623

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Marymount College 5586 1000
menALIVE Group 0412 270828
Men's Dinner 5576 2623
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