



# OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH

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**4th Sunday 10/11 May 2025- Year C**

## We Pray for our New Pope Leo XIV

### Happy Mother's Day

A blessed Mother's Day to all mothers, grandmothers, and motherly figures in our parish community. Quite literally, without mothers the world would not exist. But beyond that, our mothers are often the first to plant the seeds of faith in our hearts. Through their love, sacrifice, and quiet witness, they teach us how to listen for God's voice.

A mother's love reflects God's love for us, and that's the heart of the Good News. Just as Jesus says, "My sheep listen to my voice," many of us first learn to recognise that voice through our mothers. In their lullabies, whispered prayers, comforting words, and gentle guidance, we begin to understand what love sounds like, the same kind of love we hear and see in Jesus, the Good Shepherd.

Mothers help us recognise the voice of Christ by the way they love: patiently, gently, and sacrificially. They remind us that we are never alone and lead us, through both word and example, toward the One who holds us in his hand and never lets us go.

God bless you, dear mothers, for reflecting Jesus' love in a way that brings smiles to our faces and makes the world feel warm and safe.



### Our Second Annual Parish Service Day



We are fast approaching National Volunteers Week (19-25 May) where we will celebrate our Annual Parish Service Day (all 24/25 May masses). Generosity is one of our six Parish Values – a vital part of what keeps our church thriving and full of life. Those who volunteer and offer their unique skills, gifts, and talents help to create a welcoming community and lead others into a deeper encounter with God through their generous service. On the day, I envision each mass to have tables representing our six ministry groups, each offering information and an invitation to get involved.

Our Annual Parish Service Day is a special opportunity to recognise all who serve so generously in our community. It's also a chance for others to step forward and commit to a ministry for the year ahead. I warmly invite you to prayerfully consider where God might be calling you to serve over the next 12 months.

### Good Shepherd Sunday/World Day of Prayer for Vocations

Traditionally, the Fourth Sunday of Easter is known as Good Shepherd Sunday, when the Gospel reminds us of Jesus' declaration: *"I am the Good Shepherd. The sheep that belong to me listen to my voice."* As Christians, we are called to listen attentively to God's voice in our lives. Not coincidentally, this Sunday is also the World Day of Prayer for Vocations – a time of reflection and encouragement as we pray for all people to hear God's voice, calling us to serve His mission in the world. We pray particularly for all vocations: the priesthood, diaconate, religious life, single life, and married life. Quo Vadis? Where might God be calling you? *Have a Blessed week, Fr Gerard*



## Archdiocesan Mass May Count

Don't forget that during the month of May we are counting.



### Easter Sunday RCIT at Landsborough

Congratulations to Matthew who completed his RCIT journey on Easter Sunday at Our Lady of the Way, Landsborough! Please continue to pray for him as he begins his next chapter as a fully initiated Catholic!



A special thanks to catechists Stephen, Christyna and Fr Gerard for journeying with Matthew and celebrating his special day! And thanks to Joan for making the beautiful cake for Matthew's celebration for all to share. 🙏

### Easter Vigil Baptisms at Notre Dame



On our Easter Vigil Notre Dame Mass (and the launch of this Mass Centre at Notre Dame College), we were honoured to celebrate and welcome - Brodie, Maddisyn, Ailani, Koa, Melia and Curtis into the Catholic Church through the sacrament of Baptism! We are delighted to journey with these families as they continue to nurture the faith of their children. Please keep them in your prayers!



Thank you to all 340 people in attendance on the night, you truly made this a special occasion for these families.



### Grief Support

The next bi-monthly Grief Support Mass for all parishioners will be held at OLR on **Friday 16th May at 9am** followed by morning tea. Major life changes or events may cause severe emotional distress. If the Grief Support team can be of confidential assistance, please contact the Parish office or email Kath at [olrgriefsupp@gmail.com](mailto:olrgriefsupp@gmail.com)

### Diary Date – 27th June 2025

#### Presentation on 'Dementia Awareness' by Leah Keating, Dementia Doula

Thanks to **Holy Cross Funerals** who will be sponsoring Morning tea and bringing Leah back to the Coast, this time at the Hinterland!



On **Friday 27th June** following 9am Mass at Mary Mackillop Beerwah, we will have morning tea before Leah's presentation. Understanding dementia – supporting loved ones & our community.

Dementia affects more than just memory, it impacts families, friendships, and daily life.

Whether you're caring for a loved one or simply want to understand more, join us for a free Dementia Awareness session at Beerwah.



**We acknowledge the First Peoples of the land on which we celebrate our Eucharist and live out our faith.**



### The Rosary Crusade!

The Men in the Parish are leading the Rosary which coincides with the celebration of Our Holy Mother's month in May.

The rosary gathering will be this **Wednesday 14th May, 6.30-7.30pm** in the **OLR Church**. All men and women are invited.  
*On this special day, we will also have adoration to The Holy Eucharist!*

### Kingdom Kids Youth Group

Last Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> April we launched our first Kingdom Kids Youth Group!

Kingdom Kids is aimed at actively accompanying kids in Grades 4-6 to encounter Jesus in their lives! We had a great night, with heaps of games, learning about being made in God's image, taking part in craft, and finishing with a prayer experience including a fingerprint painting activity.

Make sure to check out our Kingdom Kids Linktree via the QR code below to register your child for our next Youth Group.

**17<sup>th</sup> June 4-5.30pm at Unity College Hall.**



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Thank you for your generous donation to Project Compassion this Lenten season. Thanks to the OLR Parishioners we are donating **\$8256.15** to Project Compassion

**Thank you** so much for your generous donations to the Holy Land Collection, which was taken up on Good Friday. As a Parish we are donating **\$3674.80** which goes towards:

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### Ladies Lunch

The whole parish *Ladies Lunch* will be on **Friday 16th May at 12 noon at Kings Beach Tavern** 43 Burgess Street Kings Beach. All ladies from all the parish are most welcome.

If you would like to attend please RSVP Maureen 0437 738326 by **Monday 12th May** to confirm numbers.



### Year of Engagement Prayer

Lord God, I say yes to your will for me: To live out my baptism in obedience to you. As a member of our parish, I commit myself to your mission of invitation: To be vibrant like your Son, to extend myself in charity, and to actively accompany people to encounter Jesus. Who lives and reigns for ever and ever. Amen

**On the Journey** We congratulate **Claire & Maddison Corrigan and Zander Cowen-Clarke** who will be baptised at Caloundra this weekend.

We pray for the souls of our deceased priests, religious and parishioners, may they **Rest in Peace.**

## Parish Diary

### Monday 12 May

Mass (OLR) 9am  
Adoration (OLR) 9.30am

### Tuesday 13 May

Adoration (Maleny) 8.30am  
Rosary (Maleny) 9am  
Mass (OLR) 9am  
Rosary (OLR) 9.30am

### Wednesday 14 May

Liturgy (OLR School) 9am  
Mass (Lt Mt) 9.30am

### Thursday 15 May

Mass (OLR) 9am  
Adoration for Vocations (Lands) 9am  
Mass (Currimundi) 9.15am

### Friday 16 May

Mass (OLR) 9am  
Mass (Beerwah) 9am

### Saturday 17 May

**NO Morning Mass (OLR)**  
9-9.45am Caloundra – Reconciliation and Adoration

### Vigil Masses

#### 5th Sunday of Easter

Mass (OLR) 5pm  
Mass (Notre Dame College) 5pm

### Sunday 18 May

#### 5th Sunday of Easter

Mass (OLR) 7.30am  
Mass (Lands) 9am  
Mass (OLR) 9.30am  
Mass (Unity) 5pm  
Mass (Currimundi) 9.15am  
Mass (Lt Mt) 10.30am

**If you can lay down at night, knowing in your heart, that you made someone's day just a little bit better, you know you had a good day.**



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