



# OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY CATHOLIC PARISH

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**26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - 27/28 SEPTEMBER 2025 - YEAR C**

## St Vincent de Paul: We Say Thank You!

You probably know the St Vincent de Paul society works in our Parish, provides material assistance and companionship to those in need in our community. There has been a Vincentian presence in our area from before Our Lady of the Rosary Parish was formally established in 1972. The first conference in Caloundra was operating around 1966. The work of St Vincent de Paul Society is underpinned by a spirituality inspired by our patron St Vincent de Paul and Founder Blessed Frederick Ozanam. We endeavour to see the face of Christ in every person we assist. Being a Vincentian allows our members to live out their faith in action, gathering for regular conference meetings to organise and report on the works they do, to pray, to reflect and to help one another in their journey of faith.

There are now five St Vincent de Paul Conferences and two Vinnies charity shops within our parish. Over 90 members and associate members, along with 95 shop volunteers, respond to the needs of people experiencing difficulties. Central to the work of the Society has been the support and involvement of the members from our parish communities.

Whilst we are well known for providing food and clothing in emergency situations our conferences also offer a hand up to families and individuals through our education support programs, housing programs and general advocacy to assist them regain long-term independence.

Life has become more complex and for some, particularly challenging. Our capacity to respond has been made possible by the continued support of the parish and broader community through donations to our charity shops, fund raising appeals, government grants and special bequests. Fund raisers such as the annual Sunshine Coast Sleepout, so ably supported by Fr Josh and Fr Gerard, local school principals and community champion Les Pontin make an enormous difference. With the recent 2025 Sleepout our sleepers raised over \$178,000. The Sleepout funds have allowed local conferences to provide emergency accommodation and other housing support for people who are homeless or at risk of being homeless.

Members also raised funds through local barbecues- purchasing a sausage and onion can help a family with a child's return to school needs. Supporting the ever-popular book and plant sales ensures ongoing support for those in need of some assistance. Our partnerships with local schools and community organisations play a very big part in our Christmas hamper programs. For some, Christmas can be a stressful and lonely time, and the gift of a hamper is a simple and practical gesture of friendship and support for people who may be alone or doing it a bit tough.

Your support through the Winter and Christmas appeals has contributed to our five Conferences providing 5750 community members with over \$322, 000 of assistance in the past twelve months. On behalf of all those we help we extend our heartfelt thanks and gratitude for your generosity and support.



Saint Vincent de Paul Northern  
Diocese Conferences Festival  
Mass at OLR.

**Our Parish's Mission is to be a vibrant community that actively accompanies people to encounter Jesus**



**The urgent challenge to protect our common home includes a concern to bring the whole human family together .... for we know things can change. Laudato Si' #13**

## **Saint Vincent de Paul - We Say Thank You!**

We say thank you for your financial support during our appeals, your donations for the Christmas Hampers and ongoing prayerful support.

We have 5 Conferences that belong to our Parish:  
**Our Lady of the Rosary and Our Lady of Good Council, Caloundra.**  
**Good Shepherd, Kawana.**  
**Our Lady of the Way, Landsborough.**  
**Sacred Heart, Maleny.**

Both Caloundra and Landsborough Conferences are also providing support to the new suburb of Aura, with the vision of establishing a local conference in Aura in the near future.

For more details and contacts to these conference's please go to our **Parish website under the 'Our Parish ' button.**

## **Mass for Care for Creation**

On **Thursday 2nd October at 9.00 am** in the OLR Caloundra Church, the newly approved **MASS FOR THE CARE OF CREATION** liturgy will be celebrated to mark the end of the 2025 Season of Creation.

You are invited to stay after Mass to view a ten-minute video produced by Catholic EarthCare Caritas Australia featuring Archbishop Shane Mackinlay (when he was the Bishop of Sandhurst earlier this year.) This short inspirational video outlines what can be done (and is being done) by ordinary people and children to protect our common home.

*"When we reduce waste and recycle, we respect not only the Earth but also each other, especially future generations. This is more than environmentalism. It's a spiritual journey, a call to live in harmony with God's Creation, with one another and with future generations."*

After the video, you are welcome to stay for a cuppa. No Registration Needed!

## **Baptism Preparation Evening for Infants**

We wish to remind parents with children up to the age of 7, wishing for them to be baptized, that the next preparation meeting is at **Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Caloundra, on Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 7-8pm.**

At this short preparation meeting we outline some of the symbols used at the ceremony, answer any questions and confirm dates. To book in for the preparation evening please email the Parish office [caloundra@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:caloundra@bne.catholic.net.au)



## **Alpha On-line - It's Alpha but not as we know it!**

Starting on the **14th of October** the parish will be offering a new **Alpha course online.** If you are unable to leave home in the evening, can't possibly convince someone to mind your kids for 10 weeks or would prefer the convenience of something in your own home, then this on-line option is for you.

More details to come in next week's newsletter! If you have questions in the meantime, you can contact Mission Coordinator Beth Davies via the Parish office [caloundra@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:caloundra@bne.catholic.net.au)

## **September School Holidays**

Wishing all the families in our parish, and beyond, a joyful holiday season and safe travels as school holidays begin this weekend. Welcome to any visitors joining us at this time. Have a wonderful and well-deserved break!



## **St Vincent de Paul - Morning Tea**

Kawana St Vincent de Paul Conference is having a morning tea at the Good Shepherd Centre (86 Undara Ave Buddina) on **Sunday 28th September.**

Everybody is welcome!

Drop in anytime between 10am until 12 noon.

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

## APRE Announcement - OLR Primary School

We are pleased to announce the appointment of **Mrs Nadine Grant** as the new **Assistant Principal Religious Education (APRE)** at Our Lady of the Rosary School, Caloundra.

Nadine brings extensive leadership experience in Catholic education. She is currently the Senior Advisor Leadership and Staff Formation at Brisbane Catholic Education. Additionally, Nadine started her teaching career at Our Lady of the Rosary, School.



Please join us in congratulating Nadine on her new role!

## 2026 Break Open the Word, Ordos & Daily Mass Books

Orders & payment for these liturgical Resources must be completed by **Friday 3rd October 2025**, via the QR code below.

'Break Open the Word' \$30

'Ordo' \$20

'Daily Mass Book' \$30



This year, the Parish Office will cover the cost of **Break Open the Word** for readers at any of our Mass Centres, if the *order form is completed* and the *Readers Training Day* is attended (this is where you will collect your book). Normal costing applies for anyone else. If you have any questions, please contact the Parish Office.

Please fill out the QR code to make your order:



## Ignite Conference 2025 Brisbane

We invite all parishioners to join us in prayer for the young people, leaders, and speakers attending **Ignite Conference Brisbane from Thursday 25 - Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> September**. This powerful four-day Catholic youth conference gathers hundreds from across Australia to encounter Christ through dynamic worship, inspiring talks, sacraments, and community. Please pray that hearts will be set ablaze with faith, hope, and love, and that the Holy Spirit moves powerfully in the lives of all who attend. See some images below from previous years.



## 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.

## Have you signed up? Why Flocknote?

Flocknote is our new parish data base, and best way for parishioners and visitors to stay up to date with everything happening in the parish! If you have any questions, please contact the parish office. Visit our website and click "New Parishioner Registration" to register!

## Parish Diary

### Monday 29<sup>th</sup> September

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

### Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> September

Adoration (Maleny) 8:30am  
Rosary (Maleny) 9am  
Mass (OLR) 9am  
Rosary (OLR) 9.30am  
**Ladies Group (OLR)**  
9:30am - 12pm  
**Cards Group (OLR)**  
8:30am - 12pm

### Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> October

Mass (Lt Mt) 9.30am  
**Art Group (OLR)** 10-12pm

### Thursday 2<sup>nd</sup> October

Mass (OLR) 9am  
Rosary (OLR) 9.30am  
Adoration for Vocations (Lands)  
9am  
Mass (Currimundi) 9.15am  
**RCIA (OLR)** 5:30pm - 9pm  
**Baptism Preparation (OLR)**  
7pm - 8pm

### Friday 3<sup>rd</sup> October

Mass (OLR) 9am  
Mass (Beerwah) 9am  
**Holy Hour (Maleny)**  
3pm-4:30pm

### Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> October

**Reconciliation & Adoration (OLR)**  
9am - 9:45am

### **Vigil Masses**

**27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Mass (OLR) 5pm  
Mass (Notre Dame) 5pm

### Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> October

**27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
Mass (OLR) 7.30am  
Mass (Landsborough) 9am  
Mass (OLR) 9:30am  
Mass (Currimundi) 9.15am  
Mass (Lt Mt) 10.30am  
Mass (Unity) 5pm

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