

Caloundra Catholic Parish

We acknowledge the traditional owners of country where we are gathering today. As a Catholic Parish we recognise their continuing connection to the country and commit ourselves to the ongoing journey of reconciliation.

Proper of the Mass
First Reading: 2 Kg 4:42-44
Second Reading: Eph 4:1-6
Gospel: Jh 6:1-15

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17TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 25TH JULY 2021

Each weekend there are people sitting in the pews of our Caloundra and Hinterland churches who are understandably nervous to gather in a crowd because of Covid-19. There are others who did not know if they would get to Mass today because of the struggle of getting the rest of the family out of the door on time. I am sure that there are some in our midst who are sitting anxiously concerned about the debt on their credit cards. Younger members of our Parish family ponder the choices they are making and whether all the sacrifices are worth it. There are some who don't know if their relationships will last the day, let alone the week. Some will have questions of guilt, inadequacy and failure while others are dealing with illnesses that they don't fully understand; as well as struggles with faults, forgiveness and the feeling of being completely overwhelmed.

All of us have been in the position where we just can't see any light at the end of the tunnel. But somehow, we look back at what, at the time, seemed an insurmountable problem or situation, and we find we were able to do more than we ever expected we were capable of. Indeed, compared with some of the problems we face today, those problems of the past seem now so simple.

In this weekend's first reading we hear how the prophet Elisha empowers his servant to feed the hundred people with just twenty barley loaves. In the Gospel today, Jesus empowers the disciples to feed thousands with even less. How does this happen?

This is the power of faith in God. Faith is the power to do more than we can ever do on our own. Faith is the ability to trust even when we have no immediate answer to our situation. Faith, in today's Gospel, transforms the disciples from doubters into instruments of the Lord who could feed the crowds.

Every day God calls each one of us to reach out beyond our perceived human abilities. In having the courage to confront our challenges and the unique situations we find ourselves in, we play our part in building up the Kingdom of God in our own little part of God's good creation.

Naturally, we don't do this alone. In fact, as Catholics we find the strength to act and respond to our faith each time we celebrate the Eucharist. There, at Mass, we hear the Word of God and we let it transform and inspire us. Each week, we offer up our little lives, our hopes and fears and worries and joys and dreams. We do that in the form of the bread and wine, **and that is all we have to do!** In placing it on the altar we trust that the little we share will become the most we can have!

As you sit in the pew this weekend you will hear today in the second reading from Ephesians that **we are all in this together**; be you anxious or excited, fearful or hopeful. The strength in coming together faithfully to celebrate the Eucharist each week both fills us up with the confidence to confront and embrace the challenges and situations of our lives while at the same time enabling us to go beyond ourselves – when we do that we have a chance to taste the Kingdom of God.

Fr Peter Brannelly

In Transition

As a Parish family we welcome **Henry Stevenson, Evana Jose, Zayde & Archie Boyce** who will be baptised at OLR this weekend.

We pray for **Lester Rodgers & Mollie Gallagher** whose funeral rites were held at OLR last week. May their souls and all our deceased priests, religious and parishioners

Rest in Peace.

Evangelisation = Car Wash Fundraiser

Next Sunday, 1st August, **before, during and after** 9.30am OLR Mass, we're raising money to help send our parish youth and young adults to Ignite Conference in September school holidays. Ignite Conference offers a bold vision for the future of the Church and gives young people touchstone opportunities to encounter Jesus. To raise money, we'll be selling slushies, BBQ sausages, and washing cars. If you would like your car washed, please consider arriving earlier than normal as we'll be open for business at 8.30am! Car washing will happen on the South side car park next to the columbarium. We will be asking you for \$20 to have your car washed and will have tap-n-go facilities available. Thank you in advance for your generosity in helping our youth experience what it means to encounter, know and love Jesus.



Alpha is up and running.

The Parish Centre at Caloundra will be busy for the next ten weeks as we host a new Alpha programme. Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that create a safe and honest space where people can explore life, faith and meaning. Currently the Parish Alpha Team is coordinating three groups – Monday morning, Tuesday evening and a young adults group on Wednesday evening. We keep all involved in our prayers over the next ten weeks.



Entry into the church is via the QR CODE only. You can no longer book through EVENTBRITE

You need to bring your mobile phone with you to Mass to check in with the QLD government App.

Every Sunday during the school term at the 9am Maleny and 9:30am Caloundra Masses, all younger members of our Parish Family are invited to a special **Children's Liturgy of the Word**. All are welcome.

V9 Holy Hour

Last Sunday evening, a bunch of young people from our parish gathered at Unity College Chapel following 5pm Mass to celebrate a Vocations-focused Holy Hour. Thank you to the Archdiocesan Vocations Team – Sr Mel Dwyer and Mr Cosme Cham – who gave up their time to help us discern God's call in our lives.



Last Friday the King's Beach Tavern was the venue for the monthly **Ladies Lunch**. The August lunch will be on Friday 20th at 12 noon at Malt Shovel Taphouse, 8 The Avenue, Birtinya and for further enquiries please contact Deborah 0410531901.



BROTHERS, WHAT MUST WE DO?

National Catholic Men's Conference endorsed by Australian Catholic Bishops Conference.

When: Saturday 31 July after 9am Mass until 3.30pm

Where: OLR Parish Centre

Please bring sandwiches/savouries for a shared lunch

Topics: Man of God; Man of Service; Man of Character.

Speakers: Tim Davis, Shayne Bennett, Tomasz Juszczak.

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Adult Faith Formation Video

Last week on Saturday morning following Mass, coffee and sausage rolls, 35 parishioners gathered at OLR for a seminar with the Evangelisation Brisbane director of Adult Faith Formation, Mr Shane Dwyer. Shane's time with us consisted of a focus on being in relationship with God through prayer and helping us understand that prayer's primary purpose is to change "me" rather than others, or even God! This seminar was a good start but *adult faith formation* is something that we *all* need to work on and seek out – as well as taking advantage of opportunities already available to us in our parish. The recording of Shane's talk is available on the parish Facebook page by scrolling to last Saturday. You can also access the video by copying the link below into your browser.

<https://www.facebook.com/caloundracatholicparish/videos/3111713339048608>

What are YOUR hopes for the FIFTH PLENARY COUNCIL OF AUSTRALIA?

The Bishop of Parramatta, Vincent Long, set out his vision in an encouraging address "**My hope for the Plenary Council**" in which he explores a new way of being Church in the world, a Church of co-responsibility and synodality. **The full text of this challenging talk is available in this weekend's eNewsletter.**

We pray that the Holy Spirit guide those entrusted to develop steps forward. The Agenda for the Plenary Council of Australia Assembly One (October 2021) begins: *As children of God, disciples of Jesus Christ and guided by the Holy Spirit, the Members of the Fifth Plenary Council of Australia are called to develop concrete proposals to create a more missionary, Christ-centred Church in Australia at this time.* (Full agenda can be found at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au)

Your continued generous financial support is appreciated and not taken for granted – a grateful Parish says - **thank you!**

Double Celebration

Next Wednesday at 9.30am we not only mark Catholic Education Week with a special Mass but also we welcome back our newly ordained Fr William Aupito Iuliano. We fondly remember William and the year he spent with us in 2019. Two weeks ago, on the Feast of Saints Peter & Paul, William was ordained at the Cathedral of St Stephen. All parishioners are invited to join us next Wednesday for the double celebration of Catholic Education Week and Fr William's first Mass in our community. Following Mass, everyone is invited to stay for morning tea. Fr William has been appointed by Archbishop Coleridge to serve in the Gympie Parish.



Parish Diary

Monday 26 July

Sts Joachim & Anne
Mass (OLR) 9am

Tuesday 27 July

Mass (OLR) 9am
Mass (Maleny) 9am

Wednesday 28 July

Catholic Education Week
Mass (OLR School) 9.30am
Mass (Lt Mt) 9.30am
School Liturgy (OLR) 11.30am

Thursday 29 July

St Martha
Mass (Unity) 8.30am
Mass (OLR) 9am
Mass (Currimundi) 9.30am

Friday 30 July

Mass (OLR) 9am
Mass (Landsborough) 9am

Saturday 31 July

St Ignatius of Loyola
Confession (OLR) 8.30am
Mass (OLR) 9am

Vigil Mass

Mass (OLR) 5pm
Mass (Beerwah) 5pm

Sunday 1 August

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass (OLR) 6.30am
Mass (Landsborough) 7am
Mass (Unity) 8am
Mass (Kawana) 8am
Mass (Maleny) 9am
Mass (Currimundi) 9.15am
Mass (OLR) 9.30am
Mass (Lt Mt) 10.30am
Family Mass (Unity) 5pm

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday 25 July: 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- ◆ Kid's Club at OLR 9.30am Mass.
- ◆ Illuminate Youth Group at Unity for grades 9-12 - 6-8pm

Monday 26 July:

- ◆ Adoration after the OLR Mass each Monday - All welcome.
- ◆ No OLR craft group today
- ◆ Alpha in the Parish centre 10:30-12:30pm for 10 weeks.

Tuesday 27 July:

- ◆ Women's Prayer and Friendship Group every Tuesday in the Parish centre. from 9.30-10.45am, all welcome. Enquiries contact Vivienne 0409 897 673.
- ◆ The Tuesday Club hosts cards in the Parish centre weekly beginning at 8:30am, all welcome.
- ◆ Maleny Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 8.30am, Mass 9.00am, Rosary 9.30am after Mass.
- ◆ OLR St Vincent de Paul meet every Tuesday at 3pm in the Parish Centre. We make daily visits to those in need. New members welcome. Phone Dawn 5430 9390 for further enquiries.
- ◆ Alpha in the Parish centre 6-8pm for 10 weeks.

Wednesday 28 July:

- ◆ Catholic Education school Mass 9.30am followed by a cuppa. All welcome.
- ◆ OLR Men's Sharing Group 10am-11:30am in the Parish Centre meeting rooms. 2nd & 4th Wed each month
- ◆ Art class with Jude this week in the Parish Centre 10-12noon.
- ◆ Kawana Catholic Women's League Lunchtime meeting to be held at The Good Shepherd Centre on 28th June at 12 midday. Please note change of meeting time & Bring Your Own Lunch.
- ◆ Maleny Cards 6.00pm in the Pat Daley Centre.

Friday 30 July:

- ◆ Landsborough Mass at 9am followed by adoration - followed by morning tea.
- ◆ Lighthouse Youth Group for grades 6-8 in the Parish Centre - 5:15-7:15pm

Saturday 31 July:

- ◆ Individual Reconciliation 8.30am in the OLR Church.
- ◆ National Catholic Men's Conference at OLR 9.30-3.30pm - see notice.
- ◆ OLR Wine & Cheese after 5pm Mass, all welcome.

Sunday 1 August: 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

- ◆ Join us for a cuppa after 8am Unity Mass today.
- ◆ Kid's Club at OLR 9.30am Mass.
- ◆ Ignite Fundraiser - Car Wash and Sausage sizzle - see notice.
- ◆ Illuminate Youth Group at Unity for grades 9-12 - 6-8pm

A VOCATION VIEW Today we are reminded by St Paul that there is one body, one Lord, one faith, one baptism. The challenge before us is to 'bear with one another charitably, in complete selflessness, gentleness and patience.' That is an essential part of our vocation: to lead a life worthy of these attributes.

RCIA Are you interested in becoming Catholic or learning about the Catholic faith? Welcome! The Catholic Church's mission and the vision of our Catholic parish is to offer people of all ages and backgrounds the opportunity to deepen their understanding and relationship with Jesus Christ. Becoming Catholic involves a journey of faith, accompanied by the support of the parish community. This process is called Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults, or RCIA. We are about to begin a new RCIA journey and if you are interested or have any questions please email Fr Dang nguyend@bne.catholic.net.au





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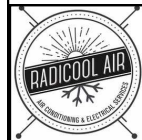
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