

In our Golden Jubilee Year 1972-2022

Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Parish

Embracing the faith communities of Beerwah, Caloundra, Currimundi, Kawana, Landsborough, Little Mountain, Maleny and Unity at Caloundra West.

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Our Church and the World Needs You

This last week on Tuesday, the Church celebrated the Feast of the Conversion of St Paul. While Paul himself describes aspects of his conversion in his letters to the Corinthians and the letter to the Galatians, Luke, in Acts 9, narrates Paul's life-changing experience of falling down on the road to Damascus and encountering the risen Jesus. That single event, and the ensuing experiences of his temporary blindness healed and subsequent baptism, fuelled his entire future ministry.

Paul's **conversion** was also his **commission** as an apostle of Christ – one who is sent. He came to realise that he had been **called** and **sent** by God for the specific purpose of bringing the Good News to the non-Jewish world – the Gentiles – which includes us! Interestingly, the experience of being **called** and **sent** by God for this specific purpose also happens in the lives of baptised people. For the majority of Catholics, baptism is celebrated shortly after birth, in the first year of life, and so ours is a commission which necessarily requires discovery, realisation and embracement as adults.

In your faith journey – where you're currently at – have you experienced being **called** and **sent** by God for a specific purpose? While many Christians experience the call to married life, God's call to one of the four Vocations – married, ordained, single and religious life – are simply calls within the call; different way of living out our Vocation as a baptised person. Baptised people are therefore called for the specific purpose of sharing the Good News that Jesus is alive and that he desires, more than anything in this world, to have a relationship with you and me.

Today, our Church and the world need baptised people to discover, realise and embrace their commission to share the Good News more than ever. "But Fr Josh, how do I discover this?" Friends, it takes **prayer, prayer, prayer**. It requires our deliberate investment of time to cultivate a personal, life-giving relationship with Jesus. Even Paul, following his conversion, took time to realise and cultivate his relationship with Christ (Gal 1:17-18). Today, let's take stock of where we're at in our relationship with the Lord and invest some extra time, seeking and searching for what God is asking of us at this time.

Peace and blessings, Fr Josh

Monday 10am OLR Alpha Course Have you ever considered investing in your faith? The life-long Christian journey that we're on requires deliberate investment on our part so that we are constantly learning new things, making new friends, and being made new in the image of Christ. Our next season of Alpha is being offered in a daytime slot and consists of a morning tea and cuppa, a 20min faith-based video each week, and the opportunity for guided discussion from our wonderful small group facilitators. Email alphaolrcal@gmail.com today to enrol you and a friend in this faith formation opportunity starting on Monday 31st January.



4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR C WEEKEND OF 29/30 JANUARY 2022

Proper of the Mass

First Reading: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19 Second Reading: 1 Cor 12:31-13:13 Gospel: Lk 4:21-30

A big thank you to all parishioners who continue to support the mission and ministry of the parish through one of the various options of financial support. On-line giving, direct debit or the weekly planned giving envelopes – it all counts and it is all gratefully appreciated. If you use the weekly envelopes to fulfil your pledge then this year's envelopes are available at the entrance to the church. While many parishioners have transitioned across to the choice of **on-line giving** to support the Parish, the Planned Giving Programme still provides our Parish Family with the solid foundation to meet our running expenses and confidently budget for the future.

If you would like to join the Planned Giving Programme by either using weekly envelopes or utilizing **on-line** options or if you would like to make an adjustment to your financial support, there are brochures at the entrance to the church. Simply complete them and return it to the Parish Office. Alternatively, by far the easiest way is to go to our **Parish Web Page** and follow the links on the Donate page to sign up.

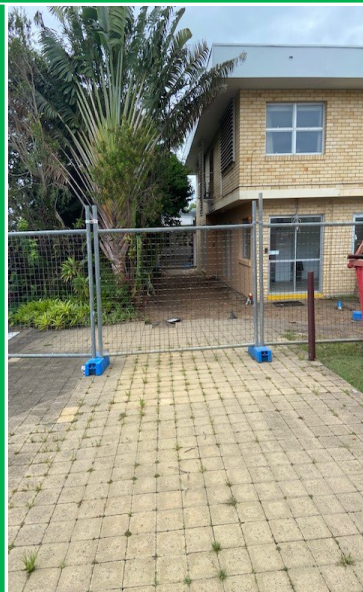
Our Parish Family is full of wonderful volunteers who, quietly, behind the scenes, keep our community running and reach out and minister to so many. From cleaning our churches and keeping our gardens under control, to children's church and taking communion to those who can't make it to Mass and the myriad of unseen tasks that quietly take place, we certainly are blessed as a community. Generosity of time and talent is a reflection of who we are – **thank you**.

Children's Church is an important ministry that takes place at the start of Mass when the younger members of the congregation are sent forth with a leader who explores with them age appropriate reflections on the gospel or some other related theme. The children and the leaders return to the church and re-join their families at the conclusion of the Eucharistic Prayer. At Maleny this ministry already works well and with the resumption of school quickly approaching, we want to start up children's church at the 9:30am Caloundra Mass once again. All the material for Children's Church is provided and it works well when there is a pool of volunteers willing to take turns and work as a team. If you are interested or would like more information please contact Dale Rolls dale.rolls@gmail.com

Last week's newsletter contained an invitation to Parishioners to join this year's **RCIA team**. The RCIA is simply the Acronym for the **Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults** and it is a journey of faith for all involved paving the way for a person inquiring about our Catholic faith to discover more about what we believe. We all have different gifts and talents, perhaps this is your ministry? Each year we form a team of parishioners who help coordinate the RCIA journey and if you are interested or would like more information please contact Fr Ejikeme ntamakae@bne.catholic.net.au Marie Pucko 0408 779 507 or email the Parish Office caloundra@bne.catholic.net.au

The Women's Retreat Day - "Walking with God" save the date 15th February at OLR church, commencing with 9am Mass and concluding at 2.30pm. Guest speaker will be Lisa McKerr from the Brisbane Evangelisation Team. All women are invited and morning tea and lunch will be provided. There will be no charge but for catering purposes, please confirm by calling Vivienne on 0409897673 or Julie on 0431941271.

Work continues on the **gathering area redevelopment** at Our Lady of the Rosary. Last week the old covered walkway that needed to be demolished because of wood rot and the pavers were removed. It allowed us the opportunity to replace the original earthen wear sewage line and improve drainage. The next phase will be to concrete the area providing appropriate access to the disabled toilet. When that is complete a new covered walkway will be installed. We are waiting for building certifiers to sign off on the proposed covered area which will complete the project – we might need a little more patience as this process takes time. Thank you to parishioners and draftsman, Peter McDougal for overseeing this work.



Our community is blessed by many who are creative and handy with their hands – *certainly handier than your priests!!!*
The toilet block adjacent to Caloundra Church are in desperate need of a **coat of paint**. We are looking for someone with a little experience of painting to volunteer and give the toilets a coat of paint – if you are interested please contact Fr Peter 54309390. At the same time, as work continues of the refurbishment of the OLR gathering area, we want to take this opportunity to replant some of the **gardens** that have overgrown over the last couple of years. Parishioner and former groundsman at OLR, Terry Scholes will coordinate this project and he is looking for some volunteers to help him – once again, if you are interested please give Fr Peter a call at the Parish Office 5430 9390 or send an Email to caloundra@bne.catholic.net.au – thank you.

This coming February, cannot come in your life time again, because this year's February has
4 Sundays 4 Mondays 4 Tuesdays 4 Wednesdays 4 Thursdays 4 Fridays 4 Saturdays.
This happens once every 823 years. This is called Miracleln.

The delayed start of the new school year has caused all sorts of disruptions as we scramble to make adjustments to our timetable. Last week the **Parish Sacramental Team** had a meeting to look at this year's programme. The timetable this year

First Holy Communion and First Reconciliation (For Grade 4 or older)

Information Evening	5pm, Wednesday 16 th February,
2 Rite of Enrolment Masses	5pm Saturday 19 th Feb and 9.30am, Sunday 20 th Feb
Lesson 1: Class on Holy Communion	Wednesday 23 rd Feb
Lesson 2: Class on Holy Communion	Wednesday 2 nd March
Lesson 3: Class on Reconciliation	Wednesday 9 th March
First Reconciliation Celebrations	5-7pm, Wednesday 16 th March (First Rite Confession, 3 groups)
Fourth Week: Rehearsal and recap on HC	Wednesday 23 rd March

2 First Holy Communion Masses 5pm Saturday 26th March and 9.30am, Sunday 27th March
Confirmation (For Grade 3 or older) Term 2

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Monday 31 Jan:

- ◆ Adoration after the OLR Mass each Monday - All welcome.
- ◆ Alpha each Monday 10-12noon OLR Parish centre rooms till 4th April.

Tuesday 1 Feb:

- ◆ The Tuesday Club hosts cards in the Caloundra Pastoral 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.
- ◆ 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.

Wednesday 2 Feb:

- ◆ Young Adults Group meet in the Parish Centre each Wednesday from 6pm.

Thursday 3 Feb:

- ◆ Kawana Bible Study 8-9.30am Good Shepherd Centre.
- ◆ Kawana Men's group today every 1st & 4th Thursday 10-11.30am in the Good Shepherd Centre.
- ◆ Baptism preparation 7-8pm in the OLR Church

Friday 4 Feb:

- ◆ Landsborough Mass at 9am followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Confession is available while Adoration is on.
- ◆ Maleny SVDP meeting will be held at 9.00am in the church flat.

Saturday 5 Feb:

- ◆ Reconciliation at OLR church 8.30am.

Sunday 6 Feb:

- ◆ Hospitality weekend

KINGDOM YA

Our young adult group will meet again next Wednesday 2nd February from 6pm at the OLR Parish Centre. Come hang with us as we delve into some interesting topics. Please bring \$5 for dinner.

Follow us on Instagram [@kingdom.caloundra](https://www.instagram.com/kingdom.caloundra) for all updates or via Facebook at Caloundra Catholic Parish. If you would like to email our Youth Minister, Felicity, please contact kingdomyouth@bne.catholic.net.au.

KINGDOM YOUTH

Our Youth Launch will take place on Friday 25 February from 5pm-9pm at Unity College. This is for all students in Years 7-12. Come check out what we are all about! There will be a mechanical bull, pizza, slushies, praise & worship, games, new friends, and so much more. We are excited to meet you!!! Register via the QR code to go in the running to win some **Apple AirPods** - you gotta be there on the night to claim your prize!



BAPTISM PREPARATION EVENING FOR INFANTS



Those parents with new born babies wishing for them to be baptised are reminded of the preparation meeting which takes place at Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Caloundra, this **Thursday 3rd February**, beginning at 7pm. 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 and to receive the necessary paperwork please contact the Parish Office on 5430 9390

We acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which we celebrate our Eucharist.

Parish Diary

Monday 31 Jan

St John Bosco

Mass (OLR) 9am

Tuesday 1 Feb

Mass (OLR) 9am

Mass (Maleny) 9am

Wednesday 2 Feb

No Mass

Thursday 3 Feb

Mass (OLR) 9am

Mass (Currimundi) 9.30am

Friday 4 Feb

Mass (OLR) 9am

Mass (Landsborough) 9am

Saturday 5 Feb

St Agatha

Mass (OLR) 9am

Vigil Mass

Mass (OLR) 5pm

Mass (Beerwah) 5pm

Sunday 6 Feb

5th 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

Mass (Unity) 5pm

Confession

Saturday Morning at
OLR Church 8.30am

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Facebook [https://](https://www.facebook.com/caloundracatholicparish/)

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Finally, for your diary. Before you know it Ash Wednesday and our Lenten journey will be upon us.

Last year we successfully held a **Mini Lenten Mission** with the Jesuit priest, Fr Richard Leonard. We received a lot of positive feedback about the format and content. This year we have invited Brother Damian Price CFC to lead our Lenten Mini Mission and we look forward to providing more information over the coming weeks.

In Transition

As a parish family we welcome *Gabrielle Villalba* who will be baptised this weekend in our Parish.

We also pray for **Mary Falise, Eluisa Dionisio & Brian King** whose funerals will be held in the next week. May their soul and all the souls of our deceased priests, religious and parishioners **Rest in Peace.**

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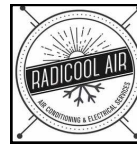


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