

The Coastal and Hinterland Catholic Communities of **OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH**

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

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ROSARY**

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New College Naming

It's official! We are delighted to announce that the new Prep-Year 12 Catholic school planned to be built in our parish – the fastest growing area in the Sunshine Coast – has officially been named **Notre Dame College**. The announcement was made at a media event last week by the Acting Executive Director of Brisbane Catholic Education (BCE), Dr Doug Ashleigh, and I at the recently purchased site where the school is planned to be built at Nirimba (Aura). The college name, *Notre Dame*, in French means, '**Our Lady**' and honours Mary, the Mother of Jesus, which connects wonderfully to our parish's name, Our Lady of the Rosary.

Notre Dame College will be developed and built by BCE, while working collaboratively with myself, some key parishioners and Marist Australia to develop an identity, spirituality and culture that meets the needs of the increasing number of families moving into our parish and seeking a quality Catholic education for their children. **In essence, the goal is to create a Catholic community within the city of Aura which people actually need and desire to be a part of.** This will entail reimagining the way we celebrate our Catholic faith in both the liturgy and the two-way expectations which are embedded when an intentional culture is created.

Some parishioners may have previously heard me preaching about the analogy of the funnel. It's an image which describes *not* a negation of the importance of Mass, but the way in which worshipping Catholic communities need to change in order to reach out to, create trust with, and invite others into a relationship with the person of Jesus. An upside down funnel is how people who don't come to Mass perceive Catholic communities – even our valued school families. With an upside down funnel model of community, the only way to be part of the club is by entering the funnel through the narrow end – Sunday Mass. Imagine, however, a community characterised by the funnel up the right way – the way it's meant to function. This model gives people permission to claim membership in the Catholic community in ways that aren't restricted to one way of acting or behaving. It brings, for example, our school families, those seeking baptism for their baby, wedding couples, funeral families and others into the body of the community in a non-judgemental way. Here's the powerful part of the image: the bottom of the funnel isn't necessarily someone who comes to Mass on Sunday; rather, it's someone who is fully engaged in their faith. **Our mission as practicing Catholics is to bring others gently and respectfully into a fully engaged relationship with Jesus!!**

As the priest appointed to the Aura Catholic Community, I have, for the past 6 months, already started creating a welcoming, inclusive and engaging community connection with some people who live in the community of Aura. As part of the strategy to offer people the opportunity to be part of the mission, as well as connecting with people who may not, at this time, consider themselves *parishioners*, last Sunday we organised a BBQ for the Aura community at the Nirimba Sport Complex. It was encouraging to meet families who are looking forward to watching the progress of their new college, Notre Dame, develop.

In order for this mission to move forward, it's important that we grow the group of parishioners who're investing and engaged in this Aura-based mission. We need you to put your hand up and say, "I am ready, open and willing to offer my gifts and service to the mission which God has placed before our parish."

To be a part of the Aura mission – even if you don't live there – and experience a sense of belonging and opportunities to serve, please register your interest by going to the Parish website - <https://caloundracatholicparish.net/aura-catholic-community/>

Peace and blessings, Fr Josh

**3RD SUNDAY OF LENT - YEAR C
WEEKEND OF 19/20 MARCH 2022**

Proper of the Mass

First Reading: Ex:3:1-8, 13-15 **Second Reading:** 1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12 **Gospel:** Lk 13:1-9

In our Golden Jubilee Year 1972-2022

Meet Our New Bishop

The faith communities of our hinterland and coastal *Our Lady of the Rosary* Parish warmly welcomes Bishop Tim Norton to our Parish Family. Over this weekend Bishop Norton will celebrate several Masses across our parish, launch a new youth initiative on Sunday evening and pay a pastoral visit to Our Lady of the Rosary primary school and Unity College on Monday. Also, Bishop Norton will pack on a few pounds if he consumes all the food that is being prepared for him at all the different functions – so please come along and welcome Bishop Tim to our Parish and enjoy the light refreshments available after Mass!



Bishop Tim's itinerary:

- Saturday March 19th, Vigil Mass at the St Mary Mackillop chapel, Beerwah 5pm followed by refreshments.
- Sunday morning, March 20th, 7am Mass at Our Lady of the Way church, Landsborough followed by refreshments.
- Sunday morning, March 20th, 9:30am Mass at Our Lady of the Rosary church, Caloundra followed by morning tea.
- Sunday evening, March 20th, 5pm Mass at Unity College chapel, Caloundra West and the launch of the monthly youth Mass, followed by light refreshments.
- Monday Morning, March 21st, 9am Pastoral visit to Unity College, Caloundra West.
- Monday morning, March 21st, 11am, pastoral visit to Our Lady of the Rosary primary school, Caloundra.

First Holy Communion Next Weekend

Last Wednesday evening over 70 of our young men and women celebrated their First Reconciliation in preparation for receiving their First Holy Communion next weekend. We acknowledge the weeks of preparation, coordinated by their parents and guided by our Parish Sacramental Team, that has brought them to this point along their journey of faith. Next weekend the 5pm Vigil Mass and the 9:30am Mass will be certainly crowded as we welcome many visitors who will be joining us for the First Holy Communion Masses.

The Catholic Faith - it's not too late!

We have started the RCIA process on Monday nights at OLR Parish Centre at 6pm.

Would you like to simply find out a bit more of what the Church believes?

Struggling to find answers to some of the bigger questions of life?

If you would like to be involved or would like more information, please contact

Fr. Ejikeme ntamakae@bne.catholic.net.au or the parish office caloundra@bne.catholic.net.au

It's not too late to be part of the group.

Kingdom Youth Launch

Last Friday was the launch of our new youth group, Kingdom Youth. We were so excited to have around 80 young people from all over the parish join us for a night of arcade games, popcorn, fairy floss, slushies, and so much more. We ended the night with a talk on the importance of building something where we can all belong, a prayer experience, and some praise and worship. A huge thank you to all who played a part in the preparation of the night and thank you to all in the community who have prayed for us. Keep praying!!

Youth Group

Kingdom Youth is back again this coming Friday 25 March from 6pm at Unity College. Join us for dinner, exciting games, and worship. All welcome in Year 7-12!!! Please contact Felicity if you have any questions –

kingdomyouth@bne.catholic.net.au

Follow us on Instagram [@kingdom.caloundra](https://www.instagram.com/kingdom.caloundra) for weekly updates on all things youth and young adults!

Last Friday, the Compassion Ministry OLR Yr 6 students organised a fundraiser to support a flooded school in Lismore.

St Joseph's Woodburn has been severely impacted and is trying to find buildings in the town they can relocate to. We commend the generosity of our school community with the money raised. This gesture of support will assist St Joseph's community to heal, knowing that others are supporting and praying for them. It teaches our kids that small acts can make a big difference. Also, it reminds the children how fortunate we are, as many of the families in Lismore have lost everything.

As a parish family we welcome

**Jonah Kerley,
Saskia Heidrich &
Huxley Heidrich**

who will be baptised
at OLR
this weekend.



Worldwide Marriage Encounter COVID-SAFE live-in weekends Friday evening 13 May to Sunday afternoon 15 May and Friday evening 14 October to Sunday afternoon 16 October (including Mass) at Santa Teresa, Ormiston.

Live-out weekend 1 to 3 July at Siena College, Sippy Downs – going home on the Friday and Saturday evenings.

For bookings/details contact Maria and David Murphy: 0481 307 821
qldbookings@wwme.org.au Watch Archbishop Mark Coleridge's support video https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=4o_Wp6qGB44

Care for our common home and its people

This Lent we will focus our thoughts, prayers and actions on 'The Grace of Place'. Jesus was very much at home in his place in Galilee and the places he journeyed to. Having a sense of place is an essential part of existence for the survival of all species, human and non-human as we share where we live.

We like to belong to a place. Places care for us. Place is our memories, telling stories of where we have come from and helping define who we are. It is part of our culture, where we celebrate our rituals.

Pope Francis in *Laudato Si* urges us to care for our common home because '*this sister now cries out to us because of the harm we have inflicted on her*'.

For Aboriginal peoples the place owns them. They do not own the place. Miriam Rose Ungunmurr, Australian of the Year in 2021, says '*My people have been so aware of Nature. It is natural that we will feel close to the Creator*'.

We acknowledge the traditional custodians of this land, the Gubbi Gubbi people, whose elders, past, present and emerging care for this land on which we celebrate the Eucharist each week and live out our faith.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday 20 March: 3rd Sunday of Lent

- ◆ Kid's Club at OLR 9.30am Mass.
- ◆ Bishop Tim Norton will continue visiting our parish with hospitality at Landsborough, OLR & Unity today.

Monday 21 March:

- ◆ 9am Bishop Tim's pastoral visit to Unity College, Caloundra South.
- ◆ 11am Bishop Tim's pastoral visit to Our Lady of the Rosary primary school.
- ◆ Alpha each Monday 10-12noon OLR Parish centre rooms till 4th April.
- ◆ Craft Group every Monday in the Pastoral Centre 9-12noon.
- ◆ RCIA program 6pm in the Parish Centre Caloundra
- ◆ Charismatic Prayer Group gathers to praise God and to give thanks for all God's blessings, tonight 7-8.30pm in the Parish Centre. Contact Dorothy for details - 0403175714

Tuesday 22 March:

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

Wednesday 23 March:

- ◆ The Parish Lenten group meets in the Egan Room each Wednesday during Lent from 9.30 am-10.30am. All welcome. Contact Bill 0481847035.
- ◆ Kawana Catholic Women's League meeting on today 23rd March, 11am at The Good Shepherd Centre Kawana.
- ◆ Recap & First Holy Communion practise for the young children going through their sacraments in the OLR Church 5-6pm. Keep them and their families in your prayers.
- ◆ Young Adults group - Egan Room each Wednesday 6-8.30pm

Thursday 24 March:

- ◆ Sisterhood (18-35) Lenten program in the Egan Room 5-6pm.

Friday 25 March:

- ◆ Stations of the Cross each Friday in Lent in the OLR church.
- ◆ Landsborough Mass at 9am followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Confession is available while Adoration is on.
- ◆ Maleny Lenten group 12.30-2pm in the Pat Daley Centre, material provided.
- ◆ Youth group is back, 6pm-8:30pm @ Unity College.

Saturday 26 March:

- ◆ Reconciliation at OLR church 8.30am.
- ◆ First Holy Communion at the OLR 5pm Mass

Sunday 27 March: 4th Sunday of Lent

- ◆ Kid's Club at OLR 9.30am Mass.
- ◆ First Holy Communion at the OLR 9.30am Mass

Parish Diary

Monday 21 Mar

Mass (OLR) Mass 9am

Tuesday 22 Mar

Mass (OLR) Mass 9am

Mass (Maleny) Mass 9am

Wednesday 23 Mar

Mass (UNITY) 7.50am (new)

(School liturgy) 9am

Thursday 24 Mar

Mass (OLR) 9am

Mass (Curimundi) 9.30am

Friday 25 Mar

The Annunciation of the Lord

Mass (OLR) 9am

Mass (Landsborough) 9am

Saturday 26 Mar

Mass (OLR) 9am

Vigil Mass

Mass (OLR) 5pm

Mass (Beerwah) 5pm

Sunday 27 Mar

4th Sunday of Lent

Mass (OLR) 6.30am

Mass (Landsborough) 7am

Mass (Unity) 8am

Mass (Kawana) 8am

Mass (Maleny) 9am

Mass (Curimundi) 9.15am

Mass (OLR) 9:30am

Mass (Lt Mt) 10.30am

Mass (Unity) 5pm

Reconciliation

Saturday Morning at

OLR Church 8.30am

WATCH MASS LIVE

To watch live-stream Mass go to the Caloundra Catholic Parish

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

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The Syro Malabar Catholic Community celebrate their Eucharist each Sunday afternoon at 5pm at Our Lay of the Rosary Caloundra.



Aura Families gather to hear more about the proposed new school and enjoy our hospitality at the Community BBQ last Sunday.



Media release at the new school site in Nirimba



Here are some of the photos of the Kingdom of the Youth launch where 80 children attended.



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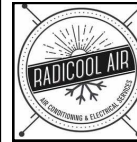


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