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OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PARISH

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31st Sunday in Ordinary Time YEAR C WEEKEND OF 29/30 October 2022

Vision for Our Catholic Parish

Friends, our **Parish Summit Day** at Unity College Auditorium is only one week away! Over the last seven weeks, most of our communities have watched and listened to videos of people sharing *their* vision and dreams for key ministry areas in Catholic parishes. Our Summit Day is the most important part of our Strategic Planning Process because it offers a space for *your* voice to be heard as we discuss the future of our Coastal and Hinterland Parish—and importantly, how we are going to get there. Perhaps the most important aspect of this process – from my perspective at least – is encouraging you to think outside the box.

Imagine, if you will, a picture of your dream house: what does it look like? Your dream house will not have been put together or built arbitrarily, but with a deliberate plan in mind – a plan which took into consideration the purpose of the building. Similarly, I invite you to consider the purpose of a Catholic Parish – our parish. Is our purpose limited to providing a place for people to celebrate Sacraments? Certainly not, but the reality we face is that for many people, this is the only purpose a Catholic Parish serves. *Our purpose*, as baptised worshiping members of the parish, is to be deliberate in our efforts to make disciples. We will do this by promoting the inclusion of **Children & Families** and **Youth & Young Adults** in our parish; by learning and growing as disciples in our own *Faith & Formation*, whilst at the same time, offering nourishing *Worship* opportunities. Our purpose also extends to deliberately promoting a healthy *Community Life* as well as *Service and Outreach* opportunities – all in the name of making disciples.

As we approach the Summit Day, I invite you to grasp the vision that every member of the parish has a role to play in building our dream house (the parish) so that we can be intentional about disciple-making. To carry on the metaphor, for some of us, our role is to prepare the ground by digging holes and pouring concrete for a firm foundation, while others prepare the wood and building materials. Some build the wooden structure while others use their skills to install electrical cables. We would also have plasterers, plumbers, roofers, painters and decorators etc. Imagine, however, if all these workers didn't have an image of the finished product or set of plans to direct their work... My job, as your Parish Leader, is to share with you the image (vision) of the finished product. Our job together, as members of the parish, is to make the building a reality by using our skills and gifts as God has allotted them.

I dream of a parish where all parishioners have a role in cultivating and promoting a culture of inclusion — where our default or subconscious criteria for others to be parishioners don't start and stop with the question, "Do they come to Mass?" but is built upon a **clearly defined strategy** which includes concrete opportunities to invite people into: first, a trusting relationship with ourselves. And then, into a sense of curiosity and openness to a personal relationship with Jesus as disciples.

I envision a culture of healthy expectation, wherein as worshiping members of the parish we worship and encounter Jesus with open hearts, serve with generous hearts according our God-given gifts, and give sacrificially with abundant hearts. I envisage a parish wherein at least 70% of worshiping parishioners **serve in a disciple-making ministry** every year.

Finally, I dream of a parish culture wherein **Evangelisation** – bringing other people to deeply know, love and follow Jesus (becoming a disciple) – is our

number one priority as disciples ourselves (Mt 28:19). Friends, in this parish, we have all the skills, gifts and talents we need to do the work of disciple-making which we were assigned at Baptism. This work — called evangelisation — underpins every single ministry and all that we do. It gives us a measuring stick and question to ask: is what we're doing leading others to Jesus? In our final video this week, Deacon Peter Pellicaan, Executive Director of Evangelisation Brisbane, challenges our approach to



living, doing and being a Catholic Parish. His challenge stems from our purpose for existence as a parish: that we make disciples of others. I invite you to respond to Dcn Peter's challenge by offering your thoughts and ideas on how we can become a parish of disciples who go to make other disciples. See you at the Summit Day, **Fr Josh**

Proper of the Mass

First Reading: Wis 11:22-12:2 Second Reading: 2 Thess 1:11-2:2 Gospel: Lk 19:1-10

Parish Summit Day Registrations

One of the realities we face as a parish is our aging population. As a matter of fact, 54% of our worshiping parishioners are over 70 years old. While this may sometimes instigate feelings of disappointment or thoughts of fear for our future, I see opportunity because our elderly parishioners have so much to offer – indeed, Pope Francis' choice of Scripture for the 2022 World Day for Grandparents and the Elderly was,

"In old age, they will still bear fruit" (Ps 92:14).

At the time of writing this piece, we have 121 people signed up to attend the Summit Day on 5 November at Unity College Auditorium in Caloundra West. As I've spoken with and listened to people over this past week, however, it has become clear that there are people in our parish who feel that they have nothing or very little to offer due to their age. The fact of the matter is, however, that this is completely untrue. Those who are 70+ years old have a lot to offer because they have the wisdom of years. As Job says,

"Wisdom belongs to the aged, and understanding to the old" (12:12).

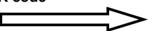
Our goal for the Parish Summit Day is to have at least 180 people in attendance (18% of the worshiping population). Without this quorum, we lose the ability to gain **enough buy-in** to the entire Strategic Planning Process and risk the entire enterprise being something which just happens to us. Friends, the future of our parish is a greater sense of ownership and participation in decision-making processes so that together, we have a shared responsibility as baptised members of the Body of Christ.

I strongly encourage you to head on over to the Eventbrite web page to sign up for the Parish Summit Day by either scanning this QR code, or typing in the following web page/URL. As a last resort, you may ring or email the parish office if you find the internet challenging. Please register before Tuesday, 1st November so that we can order enough lunch from our provider.

I look forward to seeing you there and listening to your voice. *Fr Josh*

This will be an RSVP'd event for catering purposes via Eventbrite. https://www.eventbrite.com.au/e/parish-summit-event-tickets-428914062507

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Attendees to the





12th November 2022 RSL Caloundra, 19 West Terrace, Caloundra

- ♦ Door opens at 5.30pm. Proceed to the entrance of RSL Function Centre.
- ♦ Welcome drinks and canapes will be served upon arrival.
- ♦ Remember your table number as emailed to you.
- ♦ Bring cash to purchase raffle tickets and have the chance to win wonderful prizes.
- ♦ EFTPOS terminals also available.
- ♦ Attire: Semi-formal

Thank you for supporting this fundraising event

In Transition

Please pray for the young people currently journeying through our teenage sacramental program. They will be initiated on the Feast of Christ the King, Sunday 20 November in the Unity Chapel at 5pm.

Holly Rees, Charlie Thorne, Makenzie O'Brien, Emmeline Ford, Amilia Greene, Lincoln Nicholson, Aiden Kirby, Sienna Macfarlane, Levi Hoppe & Emma Nulty.

We entrust their journey into the loving care of our Blessed Mother. Mary, Mother of God, pray for us.

As a parish family we welcome *Jake Robinson, Oliver Mackenzie, Joseph Caughey & Caley Thomas* who will be baptised at OLR and Landsborough this weekend.

We also pray for **Noel Jones & James McGregor** who died last week and their funerals are at OLR on Monday and the following Wednesday. May their souls and all the souls of our deceased priests, religious and parishioners **Rest in Peace**.

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

Sunday 30 Oct: 31st Sunday in Ordinary Time

- ♦ Children's liturgy.
- ♦ Rite of enrolment at Unity 5pm Mass for our RCIT candidates.

Monday 31 Oct:

♦ The OLR craft group meet every Monday 9am-12noon in the Parish Centre. For more information please contact Helen McGlynn on 0409 050 722.

Tuesday 1 Nov: All Saints Day & Melbourne Cup

- ♦ The Caloundra Cards Group meets at the Pastoral Centre from 9-12noon. Call Helen for more information on 0410392526.
- ♦ Rosary & Prayers each week 9.30-10.30am in OLR church.
- Maleny Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament from 8.30am followed by Mass at 9.00am.
- Women's Prayer and Friendship Group meet every Tuesday in the Parish Centre from 9.30-11am, all welcome. Enquiries contact Vivienne 0409897673.
- ♦ Maleny Catholic Ladies Meeting in the Pat Daley Centre with morning tea at 9.30am followed by the meeting commencing at 10.00am. All Welcome.
- ♦ 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.

Wednesday 2 Nov: All Souls Day

- ♦ Art class with Jude 0421777508 each week in the Parish Centre 10-12noon.
- ♦ Kingdom Young Adults 6.00-8.30pm in the Egan Room. Ph Kath Ball 0418187914.
- ♦ All Souls Mass 5pm at OLR Caloundra

Thursday 3 Nov:

- ♦ Rosary & Prayers each week 9.30-10.30am in OLR church following Mass.
- ♦ Baptism Preparation in the OLR Church 7-8pm.

Friday 4 Nov:

- ♦ Landsborough Mass at 9am followed by adoration of the Blessed Sacrament. Confession available while adoration is on.
- ♦ Maleny SVDP meeting in the church flat commencing at 9.00am.

Saturday 5 Nov:

- ♦ Reconciliation at OLR church 8.30am.
- ♦ Parish Summit Day at Unity College 10-3pm see notice on opposite page.
- ♦ Wine and Cheese after 5pm OLR Mass, all welcome.

Sunday 6 Nov: 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

- ♦ First Sunday of the month hospitality in all the communities, all welcome.
- ♦ Maleny sausage sizzle after 9.00am Mass.
- ♦ Children's liturgy.

Masses for All Saints' Day and All Souls' Day

This Tuesday, November 1st, is the feast of **All Saints** and the following day is **All Souls** – two very important annual occasions that remind us of our mortality and the purpose of our own lives; they cause us to reflect upon and pray for those who have gone before us marked with the sign of faith.

Our Mass times on All Saints' Day are: Caloundra 9am & Maleny 9am Our Mass times for All Souls' Day are: Unity 7.50am & Caloundra 5pm Please note the extra Wednesday Mass for ALL Souls Day

This weekend at the entrance to all our churches you will discover our parish **BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE** and you are invited to inscribe on the pages the names of your loved ones and friends who have gone before you.

As a faith community we will remember them and pray for them in our November Masses. May their souls, and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the rich mercy of God, *rest in peace*

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

Parish Diary

Monday 31 Oct Mass (OLR) 9am

Tuesday 1 Nov
All Saints

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

Wednesday 2 Nov
All Souls Day

Mass (UNITY) 7.50am

(OLR School liturgy) 9am Mass (OLR) 5pm

Thursday 3 Nov Mass (OLR) 9am Mass (Currimundi) 9.30am

> Friday 4 Nov St Charles Borromeo

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

> Saturday 5 Nov Mass (OLR) 9am

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

Sunday 6 Nov

32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Mass (**OLR**) 6.30am Liturgy of Word

(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

Reconciliation

Saturday Morning at OLR Church 8.30am

WATCH MASS LIVE

To watch live-stream Mass go to the Caloundra Catholic Parish Facebook https:// www.facebook.com/



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 1st November, 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 please contact the Parish Office on 5430 9390 or email caloundra@bne.catholic.net.au

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