## 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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## OUR LADY OF THE ROSARY PRIMARY SCHOOL

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#### PENTECOST SUNDAY Year A 27/28 May 2023

#### **Proper of the Mass**

First Reading: Acts 2:1-11 Second Reading: 1 Cor 12:3-7, 12-13 Gospel: Jn 20:19-23

#### Our Birth-Day of the Next Five Years (2023-2027)

Friends, our celebration of Pentecost (meaning the fiftieth day) is the birthday of the Church because it's the Holy Spirit who animates/gives life to Jesus' mystical Body – the Church. When the Risen Jesus breathed on the disciples saying, "Receive the Holy Spirit" (Jn 20:22), he gave them the power, potential and ability to be the Church and accompany others to Encounter, and therefore, be in relationship, with Jesus. Gratefully, we share in receiving that same *power*, *potential* and *ability* through baptism and reception of the Holy Spirit. The only difference is that these gifts are *usually* only realised and activated in us when we experience being filled with the Holy Spirit through the gift of Encounter – one leads to the other.

Over the last six months I've begun to receive stories of different parishioners' Encounter experiences. This last week in fact, I was listening to a parishioner describe her experience in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament; she described a burning sensation in the palms of her hands, tears, and a wobbling on her feet as she experienced being immersed/filled with the Holy Spirit. Again, recently, a gentleman described to me an aura he'd seen around the presider at Mass, his heart being filled, and not wanting to leave that moment. His own words were, "I've waited 72 years for this." What a joy it is to know that the *power, potential* and *ability* of life-long Catholics is being activated through the experience of being filled with the Holy Spirit!

This Pentecost, we celebrate the launch of our five-year Strategic Plan. The journey to this moment took nine months, and the contribution of many minds and sets of hands – something to be celebrated – but today represents the *birth-day* of the next five years in the life of Our Lady of the Rosary Catholic Parish. *Birth-day* is an accurate description of this day because while we have eight unique faith communities in the parish, the Strategic Plan draws us together under **one** *Mission: to be a vibrant community that actively accompanies people to encounter Jesus* (cf. Mt 28:19 – last weekend's Gospel). This is our reason for existence (as a Church and parish), and this is what the Strategic Plan is geared toward.

At the 9.30am Mass on Sunday, the six Ministry Leadership Teams (MLTs) will be commissioned. Perhaps the most important aspect of the Strategic Plan is the creation of different layers of lay leadership in our parish. Each team – Children & Families, Worship, Faith & Formation, Youth & Young Adults, Community Life, and Service and Outreach – are made up of a leader and several team members. These parishioners, chosen for their skills, gifts and talents, are being commissioned and empowered to make decisions in each of these areas precisely because they possess the skills, gifts and talents to lead. As well as the six MLTs, my own Senior Leadership Team (SLT), will be introduced on Sunday. For the past 10 months I've been making both day-to-day and key strategic decisions with the assistance of four faithful women – Jacinta Elks, Felicity Jones, Vivienne Cooper and Lin Johnstone.

At each Vigil/Sunday Mass this weekend, there will be a number of copies of the printed Strategic Plan available. I ask that you take one home to read, become familiar with its contents, and then return it to your place of worship for others to read and digest. A key component of launching and working *from* the five-year plan will be as many people as possible becoming familiar with the different **Outcomes** and **Strategies** in each ministry area. This is important so that when new ideas and initiatives are introduced that help facilitate our Mission, we are ready and open with a flexibility to initiatives that may otherwise challenge our sense of comfort.

May God bless our intentional approach and efforts to be a vibrant community that actively accompanies people to encounter Jesus.

Peace and blessings, Fr Josh

#### Attention all Extraordinary Ministers of Communion to the Sick and Housebound

On *Wednesday 31st May* in the Egan Room at 9am, additional/refresher training will be provided for all current ministers and to those who would like to be trained. Morning tea will be provided. In this short one hour session, Father Josh will be explaining the essential elements of this very important ministry. This will assist us all to be unified in our delivery of the most Blessed Sacrament. There will be some time allocated for questions. Please feel free to call Vivienne on 0409897673 if you require further information.

#### **Become a Pastoral Care Volunteer**

Southern Cross Care Aged Care are seeking expressions of interest from caring and supportive parishioners to join their Pastoral Care Volunteer Program. Help make a difference to the lives of aged care residents at their Caloundra home by helping residents with their emotional or spiritual needs. Successful applicants will take part in an 8-week training course (commencing July 2023, and only a few hours per week) and become a part of a great community of spiritual care volunteers.

Please see the Parish website for further details or Contact Kristie McManus on 0467 717 153 for more information.

#### **Celebrate Reconciliation Week**

Thursday 1 June 10am–11am at the Landsborough Museum, 4 Maleny St., Landsborough.

Registration is essential and morning tea is provided.

This is a free event, all welcome.

For more enquires please phone 5420 8600

#### OLR Craft Group

A cancer Morning Tea is on the 29th May 10am in the Parish Centre, held by the OLR Craft Group.
You are all Welcome to come along.



#### **Reflection on Summit23**

Last weekend, 15 parishioners gathered in Brisbane for three days with over 600 fellow Catholics from across the Archdiocese for Summit 2023. We prayed, encountered, and listened to inspiring presenters, as well as each other, in a powerful experience that is difficult to describe. It provided me with confidence that our Archdiocese is on the move forward. We considered the reality of our present situation – it was not through rose-tinted glasses – and we looked "from the Summit", as Archbishop Mark said, to where we might go. I found it encouraging that what Archbishop Mark outlined as the Archdiocesan priorities for action are mostly areas that we, as a Parish, have already discerned and adopted in our Parish Strategic Plan in different ways. *The Catholic Leader* has already published an article on one of the keynote sessions.

https://catholicleader.com.au/news/australia/brisbane-summit-2023-call-to-mission-pursuing-jesus-and-truth/ Summit23 was a good example of the breadth of ages and nationalities of our Church and what all have to offer. **Bob Cullen** 

#### **Parish Welcome Night**

Last Thursday, a number of new parishioners were welcomed at a cocktail function on the presbytery veranda. As well as new parishioners, we were also joined by many of the *Ministry Leadership Team* members. It was a joy to not only cultivate one of our key parish values – Relationship-Centred – but introduce and make connections with key lay leaders in the parish. As we move forward with our Strategic Plan, we will start to experience an even greater growth in numbers of worshiping parishioners – something that will necessitate teams of people who are committed to making new people feel welcome. If you would like to be involved in this ministry of hospitality and welcome, please contact the leader of our *Community Life Ministry*, Janice Chilcott – <a href="mailto:caloundra@bne.catholic.net.au">caloundra@bne.catholic.net.au</a>



#### In Transition

As a parish family we welcome *Liam & Rori Darr, Darcy & Madelyn Regan, Oreana Mullane, Jasper Jr Narcida & Eden Guinea* who will be baptised in our Parish this weekend.

We pray for *Natale Sutic* who died last week and his funeral will be on Thursday 1st June 11am at OLR. May his souls and all the souls of our deceased priests, religious and parishioners **Rest in Peace**.

## PLEASE NOTE THE PARISH OFFICE IS CLOSED ON FRIDAY THE 2ND OF JUNE FOR THE MALENY SHOW DAY.

#### **Ignite Youth Launch**

On Saturday the 13<sup>th</sup> of May, 13 student leaders from the Kingdom Youth group got the awesome opportunity to attend the Ignite Youth Launch event at Dream World on the Gold Coast, an event for young people that allows them to gather and get to know each other. This was a fun filled day that allowed the students to meet other like-minded young people passionate about their faith, and gave them a taste of what Ignite Conference held in September is all about! During the day the students got the chance to see all the wildlife and have a blast on the rollercoasters, followed by a night rally and prayer and worship. The night rally was led by Emmanuel

Worship, a musical band whose music is regularly performed by our own ministry band on a Friday night at youth group. This was an amazing opportunity for the students to experience the music they usually perform live and by the band themselves! Not only was the music a blast, but the students got to hear from a young adult who gave testimony about what it means to have Jesus transform your life - a theme we are focusing on throughout the year at our own Kingdom Youth Group. This incredible roller-coasters, meeting new people, and getting to experience praise and worship with so many young people set our student youth leaders faith on fire! The students are very



excited to attend the Ignite Conference in September to continue to learn about their faith and continue their own faith journeys!

Holly Rees, Assistant Youth Minister

#### Celebrating our Diverse Faith at Stella Maris

There was plenty of enthusiasm at our initial planning meeting for the Multicultural Mass which we will celebrate on *Sunday, June 18th*. Mark it in your diary! Everyone is invited! The gathering divided into two groups with one concentrating on the liturgy and working towards ensuring that the Mass will be a reflection of the colour, movement and diversity of our Parish Family and our Catholic faith and traditions. The second group looked at the daunting challenge of the food and cultural extravaganza that will take place around Stella Maris Church immediately after the Mass. Our hope is for everyone to share in the culinary uniqueness and musical

traditions of the many groups that make up our Parish. Now, if we are expecting over 400 at the Mass, that is a lot of dance and a lot of food!!! We invite and encourage **ALL** parishioners from all churches specially those who have come from abroad to contact Trish Harding <a href="mailto:thermalling-tharding-4173@gmail.com">tharding-4173@gmail.com</a> to see how you can be involved. The Mass is open to all to celebrate our diversity.

#### **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 June**, 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 <a href="mailto:caloundra@bne.catholic.net.au">caloundra@bne.catholic.net.au</a>

#### First Saturday Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary

Please join us on the 3rd June @ 8am
Our Lady of the Rosary Church Caloundra

- 1. Recite the Rosary
- 2. Make a Sacramental Confession
- 3. Receive Holy Communion
- 4. Keep company and meditate on the mysteries of Rosary with the intention of making reparation to the Immaculate heart of Mary.

#### Year of Yes Prayer

Today and every day I say Yes to you O Lord. In the same way that Mary said yes to your invitation, I say Yes to your Son's presence in my life. May my yes, by the power of your Holy Spirit, allow you to use all the talents, skills and gifts you have given me for the purpose of building up Your Body in our community. We make this prayer through Christ our Lord. Amen

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

## **Parish Diary**

Monday 29 May

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

#### **Tuesday 30 May**

Mass (OLR) 9am Rosary (OLR) 9.30am Exposition (Maleny) 8.30am Mass (Maleny) 9am

#### Wednesday 31 May

Mass (UNITY) 7.50am School Liturgy (OLR) 9am Mass (Lt Mt) 9.30am

#### **Thursday 1 June**

Mass (OLR) 9am Rosary (OLR) 9.30am

Mass (Currimundi) 9.30am

## Friday 2 June Parish office closed

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

#### **Saturday 3 June**

8.30am (OLR) Reconciliation Mass (OLR) 9am

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

## Sunday 4 June The Most Holy Trinity

Mass (OLR) 6.30am

(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

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