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13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Year A 24/25 July 2023

Proper of the Mass

1st Reading: 2 Kings 4:8-11, 14-16A 2nd Reading: Rom 6:3-4,8-11 Gospel: Mt 10:37-42

Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday



A New Life in Christ:

Uniting as One People on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday

An invitation from the National Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Catholic Council Liturgy Team:

Each year, Catholics from all corners of Australia gather on Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday to celebrate the unique gifts and contributions of Australia's First Peoples. This year's theme, "A New Life in Christ" reflects the hope and promise of a brighter future, rooted in unity and shared commitment to positive change.

As we commemorate this special day on the Liturgical Calendar, we invite you to listen to our voices and walk alongside us on our journey towards progress. Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Sunday symbolizes our unity as one people in Christ, and we urge both Indigenous and non-Indigenous Catholics to come together in every Catholic Parish and School across this great Southern land.

Archbishop Mark has written a message below in which he once again states his endorsement of the Uluru Statement from the Heart.

"Australia as a nation is at a delicate and important moment in our history as we move towards the referendum on "The Voice" and all that it entails.

The call for a 'Voice' goes back to at least 2017 and to a National Constitutional Convention which produced what we know as the 'Uluru Statement from the Heart', which speaks of three things – Voice, Truth Telling and Treaty; three elements that are intimately related.

The call for a 'Voice' in fact goes back much earlier, so there is quite some history to what we are going to do in this year as we come to the referendum.

I would urge all of you to read the 'Statement from the Heart'. Many people have read about it but not everyone has read the statement. It's not long; it's one page, and it's a powerful and in some ways quite beautiful statement. I would urge you all to read or to read again, and carefully, the statement, which is really our indigenous peoples offering a hand to the entire nation.

This isn't just about the 3% who identify as indigenous; it's about the 100% who identify as Australians. This is about the whole nation.

The statement has been endorsed by me personally and I renew that endorsement here. It has been endorsed also by the Catholic Bishops of Australia.

So with that endorsement, my prayer is that we can journey together in a respectful and peaceful spirit so that the whole nation can become stronger as a result of this process of reconciliation."

+Mark Coleridge

A Warm Welcome

To everyone joining us today! Whether you are traveling from across the street, up the Bruce Highway or roving around the country, thank you for choosing to be part of our celebration today.
Keep safe on the roads and travel safe these school holidays.

Uluru Statement from the Heart

'We, gathered at the 2017 National Constitutional Convention, coming from all points of the southern sky, make this statement from the heart:

Our Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander tribes were the first sovereign Nations of the Australian continent and its adjacent islands, and possessed it under our own laws and customs. This our ancestors did, according to the reckoning of our culture, from the Creation, according to the common law from 'time immemorial', and according to science more than 60,000 years ago.

This sovereignty is a spiritual notion: the ancestral tie between the land, or 'mother nature', and the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander peoples who were born therefrom, remain attached thereto, and must one day return thither to be united with our ancestors. This link is the basis of the ownership of the soil, or better, of sovereignty. It has never been ceded or extinguished, and co-exists with the sovereignty of the Crown.

How could it be otherwise? That peoples possessed a land for sixty millennia and this sacred link disappears from world history in merely the last two hundred years? With substantive constitutional change and structural reform, we believe this ancient sovereignty can shine through as a fuller expression of Australia's nationhood.

Proportionally, we are the most incarcerated people on the planet. We are not an innately criminal people. Our children are alienated from their families at unprecedented rates. This cannot be because we have no love for them. And our youth languish in detention in obscene numbers. They should be our hope for the future. These dimensions of our crisis tell plainly the structural nature of our problem. This is the torment of our powerlessness.

We seek constitutional reforms to empower our people and take a rightful place in our own country. When we have power over our destiny our children will flourish. They will walk in two worlds and their culture will be a gift to their country. We call for the establishment of a First Nations Voice enshrined in the Constitution.

Makarrata is the culmination of our agenda: the coming together after a struggle. It captures our aspirations for a fair and truthful relationship with the people of Australia and a better future for our children based on justice and self-determination. We seek a Makarrata Commission to supervise a process of agreement-making between governments and First Nations and truth-telling about our history.

In 1967 we were counted, in 2017 we seek to be heard. We leave base camp and start our trek across this vast country. We invite you to walk with us in a movement of the Australian people for a better future.

Cheer Support for Fr Ejikeme

You are invited to the YES-23 Multicultural Cup 2 July from 12 – 5.30 pm.

This is a free event with a BBQ, 7 a-side Football, Music, Entertainment and Kids Activities. The theme is to create awareness and gather in solidarity for First Nations peoples in the forthcoming Voice referendum. Fr Eji will be displaying his skills on the field!

Where: Kawana Football Club, Milieu Place. Warana.



Blessing of the New Reconciliation Room at Sacred Heart Church Maleny

The congregation of the Tuesday morning Mass at Sacred Heart, Maleny, enjoyed the blessing of the refurbished vestry and Reconciliation room by Fr Josh, followed by coffee at Mary Cairncross Café.

Former members of the community, Byron and Margaret Moss, donated the funds to refurbish what was previously an unused room.

Thank you Byron and Margaret for a much needed addition to Sacred Heart Church.



Reconciliation is officially called the Sacrament of Penance. In the past, it was also called Confession. These titles are all aspects of the meaning of the Sacrament. The Sacrament of Penance is a celebration of God's love and mercy. It celebrates the call to repentance after a process of conversion of heart.

Young Adults are on Tour—Maleny!

Are you a young adult looking for community? Or do you know one who is?

On Sunday 9 May our Kingdom YA will be visiting Maleny for 9am Mass and would love to meet up!

In Transition

As a parish family we welcome **Rosie Gladman, Archie Herbert and Amelia Lorcan** who will be baptised in our Parish this weekend.

We pray for **Carol Madden** whose funeral will be held at OLR on Friday 7 July at 11.00 am.
May her soul and the souls of our deceased priests, religious and parishioners

Rest in Peace.

Update from our NETTER Erin

Hi everyone! I'm Erin, one of the young adults in the parish, and I've just come home for my mid-year break after serving with NET Ministries for the past 6 months. After six weeks of training, I was sent up to the Northern Territory to serve on the Darwin NET team. During my time on NET, I've been fortunate enough to travel to many remote Aboriginal communities, run numerous retreats in schools and parishes, and host regular young adult events. I have grown so much in my ministry skills and have become even more passionate about bringing Jesus to our youth in Australia. This opportunity I have been given is only able due to your generous support. This parish was able to completely fund my sponsorship at the beginning of the year and I am beyond grateful for that. I want to thank you all for whatever way you may have contributed, whether that was through financial means or prayer, as it has all allowed me to fulfil the mission God has sent me on. As I embark on the last four months of my mission year, I am very excited for my ministries skills to develop so I can bring them back to our parish next year.



Alpha starts 11th July—who will YOU invite?

Alpha is an environment for anyone and everyone who wants to explore life and the Christian faith, ask questions, and share their point of view. Alpha is free and everyone is welcome. It is the key tool of evangelisation in our Parish, but we need your invitation to the people in your life! Register interest here <https://bit.ly/42Fa44R>, or just turn up on the night!



Parish Diary

Monday 26 June

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

Tuesday 27 June

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

Wednesday 28 June

Mass (Lt Mt) 9.30am

Thursday 29 June

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

Friday 30 June

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

Saturday 1 July

8.30am (OLR) Reconciliation
Mass (OLR) 9am
Vigil Mass
Mass (OLR) 5pm
Mass (Beerwah) 5pm

Sunday 2 July

13th Sunday in Ordinary Time

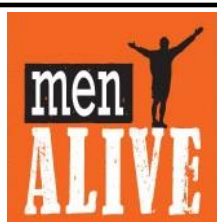
Mass (OLR) 6.30am
(Landsborough) 7am
Mass (Unity) 8am
Mass (Kawana) 8am
Mass (Maleny) 9am
Mass (Currimundi) 9.15am
Mass (OLR) 9.30am
Mass (Lt Mt) 10.30am
Mass (Unity) 5pm

Reconciliation

Saturday OLR Church
8.30am

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Priestly Movements—Update from Fr Josh

It is with regret that I announce the re-appointment of Fr Ejikeme Ntamaka. Fr Ejikeme came to us from Nigeria at the end of 2021 and has slotted into parish life seamlessly. His last Masses with us will be on 16th July before shifting to St Stephen's Cathedral where he will minister for a short while before his annual holiday in Nigeria. While we will be sad to say farewell to Fr Ejikeme – and we thank him for his faithful service and warm smile – it is with a sense of excitement that we welcome the appointment of Fr Gerard Lai from 16th July. Fr Gerard was ordained this last week on Thursday 29th June at St Stephen's Cathedral. We wish Fr Ejikeme all the best and look forward to welcoming Fr Gerard.

Looking to belong and be part of your parish community?

Our Lady of the Rosary parish is an inclusive parish "where locals and travellers meet, where all feel welcome and where those of different cultures and ages experience inclusion". Our parish seeks to be a place where people are loved like they have never been loved before.

So if you're looking for a friend? ...why not join OLR's Women's and Friendship Group. If you enjoy playing cards or painting, why not join Maleny's card group or OLR's Art classes?

From Children's liturgy, to Charismatic prayer group, Young Adults & Alpha, Benediction, Prayer, Bible study and St Vincent de Paul groups, and more, OLR welcomes you! Check out our **What's On page** on the parish website.

Ask, and it will be given to you; seek, and you will find; knock, and the door will be opened to you. For everyone who asks receives; he who seeks finds; and to him who knocks, the door will be opened....(Matthew 7:7-8)

Name Badges

If you have a name badge, it would be appreciated if you could wear it to Mass. If you don't have a badge and would like one, please email the parish office with your name and phone number: caloundra@bne.catholic.net.au
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