



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.

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time 30th September/1st October 23

The Season of Creation

This week the Church celebrates the conclusion of the Season of Creation spanning from 1 Sept – 4 Oct, strategically concluding on the feast day of the patron saint of ecology, St Francis of Assisi. Just as God placed man in the Garden of Eden to tend and watch over it (Gen 2:15), we too are called to care for our common home, planet Earth. During Mass this weekend you will be sprinkled with holy water. At the Cathedral's Season of Creation Mass earlier this month, selected representatives across the archdiocese were asked to bring a container of water from the local rivers and waterways to be added into a large jug during the Mass, which Archbishop Mark blessed and sprinkled over the congregation. The water you will be blessed with is from waterways and rivers from all over the Archdiocese of Brisbane.

The Season of Creation is an ecumenical month-long prayerful observance that calls the planet's 2.2 billion Christians to pray for and care for God's creation. It's a time to remind us to reflect on our relationship with the environment itself, not just "distant" nature, but, the place we call home, planet Earth. We must be aware of the ways in which our lifestyles and decisions can endanger both humans and creatures alike. This year's theme is: "Let Peace and Justice Flow".

We are so blessed here in Australia that even our national anthem references *our land abounds in nature's gifts, of beauty rich and rare*. This Great South Land is home to flora and fauna not found anywhere else in the world, 85% of plants, 46% of birds, 69% of mammals, 94% of amphibians, and 93% of reptiles are unique to Australia alone. Let's continue to be good stewards of what we have been given, ever mindful of our ecological footprint and making efforts to leave the Earth better than when we arrived.

God bless, Fr Gerard

Trish Harding from OLR Service and Outreach receiving the Holy Water



Our Lady of the Rosary FEAST DAY

Saturday 7 October
61 Edmund Street, Shelly Beach

4.00pm Rosary procession
(from the school oval)

5.00pm Mass

6.00pm Feast Day Feast
(Pizza, Kebabs, BBQ, Cake, Tea & Coffee)



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HCF Caloundra Official Opening

After many years of preparation, Holy Cross Funerals is delighted to announce the official opening of our Caloundra Parish office. We are situated behind the Parish Church, located in the old convent building.

Have you considered pre-arranging your funeral? We would delight in meeting with you at our office, or alternatively, at your home. Our dedicated funeral directors will provide you with all the relevant information you require to be completely informed & are available 24 hours a day to assist you by phone.

We would like to take a moment to thank all involved with making this venture a possibility. A warm thank-you to Fr. Josh Whitehead for allowing us the opportunity to play an active role in the Caloundra Parish community.

We look forward to meeting with you.

The Holy Cross Funerals team.

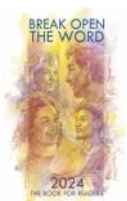
Last time to order -2024 Break Open the Word, Ordos, & Daily Mass Books

Orders & payment for these liturgical Resources must be in to the Parish Office by **Wednesday 4th October 2023**.

'Break Open the Word' \$22, 'Ordo' \$15, 'Daily Mass Book' \$24

Payment must be made before we can order.

Contact the parish office, or cash payment/s can be placed in an envelope in collection baskets at mass, with your name/phone number and order details.



Catholic Mission

Tuberculosis, malnutrition and maternal mortality are conditions all too familiar for the people of Timor-Leste. **In two weeks' time** we will learn about the work of the Salesian Sisters, including nurse, Sister Carolina, who desires to see better outcomes for her community. We will also share the story of Petrolina and her daughter's desperate need for medical attention.

We have the opportunity to partner with this life-giving work, and your prayers and generosity are crucial in ensuring this program can continue.

Invitation to Fr James Alison Tour event

On **Thursday, 12th October at 6pm**, Bishop Tim Norton will host a discussion panel with **Fr James Alison** at Stella Maris Primary School, 5 Stella Way, Maroochydore. Fr James Alison is notable throughout the world for bringing the theology of the great French thinker, **René Girard**, to a wider public. He is also known for his firm but patient insistence on truthfulness in matters concerning same-sex attracted Catholics in a Catholic setting. If you are interested in hearing from him, come along to the Stella Maris Primary School for a conversation that promises to be enlightening and enriching. <https://jamesalison.com/>

Maleny News

- ◆ Maleny Catholic Ladies Group Meeting is on Tuesday 3 October after 9:00am Mass.
- ◆ There will be 2 Sunday Morning Teas this month:
 - 1 October - The Morning Tea will be sponsored by Holy Cross funerals.
 - 8 October - A special Morning Tea to help celebrate our children receiving the Sacrament of Confirmation.

Maleny Community will be celebrating the Centenary of the opening of the first Catholic Church in Maleny on **4 February 2024**. We are calling for any current or former parishioners, wherever you now live, to send us any stories or special memories that you have which may be included in a Centenary Booklet.

Please send them to the Parish Office who will forward them on to us.

In Transition

We welcome **Louie Rouse, Winnie Walton, Ellie & Layla Hilton** who will be baptised at OLR Caloundra this weekend.

As a parish family we would like to congratulate **Chris Guerra & Saisha Ferguson** who will be married at the Chapel Montville this week.

We pray for **Derek Perry** who died last week and his funeral will be at Maleny on the 4th October 11am. We also pray for **Mike Lawton** who died last week. We pray that all the souls of our loved ones who have gone before us and the souls of our deceased priests, religious and parishioners **Rest in Peace.**

Our Parish's Mission is to be a vibrant community that actively accompanies people to encounter Jesus.

Vinnies 3 Day Book and Plant Sale

St Vincent de Paul fundraising event will once again be held at the Kawana Catholic Community Centre, Nanyima Street, Buddina (opposite the Kawana Library) on Friday 13th & Saturday 14th October from 8am–2pm and on Sunday 15th October from 9am–1pm. There will be a large collection of fiction, non-fiction and children's books, many by popular authors, as well as jigsaw puzzles, DVDs and CDs and much more. For those wanting to start up a new garden or freshen up an existing one, there will be many beautiful indoor and garden plants to brighten up your home.

All proceeds go to assisting the St Vincent de Paul Society in continuing to support and give a hand up to those going through difficult times due to homelessness, domestic violence, high rents and general cost of living. Our Vinnies volunteers look forward to welcoming you. So come and grab yourself a bargain while at the same time supporting those in need in our local community. For more information or donations of books call Maria on 0427 181 089.



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

Parish Diary

Monday 2 October

Office Closed - King's Birthday

Mass (OLR) 9am

Adoration (OLR) 9.30am

Tuesday 3 October

Mass (OLR) 9am

Rosary (OLR) 9.30am

Adoration/Rosary (Maleny) 8am

Mass (Maleny) 9am

Wednesday 4 October

Mass (UNITY) 7.50am

School Liturgy (OLR) 9am

Mass (Lt Mt) 9.30am

Thursday 5 October

Mass (OLR) 9am

Rosary (OLR) 9.30am

Mass (Currimundi) 9.30am

Friday 6 October

Mass (OLR) 9am

Adoration/Rosary (Lands) 8am

Mass (Landsborough) 9am

Saturday 7 October

8.30am (OLR) Reconciliation

Mass (OLR) 9am

Vigil Mass

Mass (OLR) 5pm

Mass (Beerwah) 5pm

Sunday 8 Oct

27th 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

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<https://www.facebook.com/caloundracatholicparish/>

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Community Life Ministry

Community Life vision: *"cultivate a burning desire to belong within the Our Lady of the Rosary Parish faith community by facilitating experiences of connection and participation"*.

Progress is happening!!

Over 130 badges have been ordered over the past 3 months and being proudly worn.

Parishioners can get to know each other more now than merely by facial recognition. Many Masses are well-covered with greeters welcoming parishioners at the entrance before Mass starts.

OLR 9:30am Mass morning teas have increased from one to three, monthly.

Congratulations to Cristina and Edgar and their team: Evelyn, Paul and Cathy who have started serving morning tea at the 4th Sunday at Caloundra after 9:30am Mass.

We are planning Our Lady of the Rosary feast day for Oct 7 from 4pm, everyone is welcome.



But we need your help, please!!

Hospitality at OLR Masses: More parishioners are invited to help by serving or bringing food. Home-baked or commercial cakes and packets of biscuits etc are perfect and can be dropped off in the kitchen before Mass.

Please contact the parish office with any offers of help.

First Saturday Devotion to the Immaculate Heart of Mary rosary is cancelled due to OLR Feast day 7th October rosary at 4pm

Baptism Preparation Evening for Infants

Those parents with newborn babies wishing for them to be baptized are reminded of the preparation meeting which takes place at Our Lady of the Rosary Church,

Caloundra, this **Thursday 5th October**, 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.



New Ladies Group

30-45 year olds—Egan room (OLR Caloundra) 6.30pm

Great conversations with women, where we talk about life, family, spiritual journey, and all that matters deeply to us!

The Second Friday of the Month - 3th October, 10th November, 13th December.

For more information text Jill - 0402 742 920

Alpha is starting again!

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