

This week, we return to the liturgical season of Ordinary Time. This Sunday and next Sunday, however, are designated as solemnities, special days that call our attention to central mysteries of our faith. Today, on the first Sunday after Pentecost, we celebrate the Solemnity of the **Most Holy Trinity**. This feast invites us to consider what we believe about God, who has revealed himself to us in the Trinity—one God in three persons. The focus of our celebration today is on the revelation to our world of God as creator, of Jesus who taught us about the boundless love of God, and of the Spirit of that love who dwells deep within us. The concept of God as Trinity helps us to see God as a loving community. So, we welcome all visitors and friends to our community. Thanks for joining our Parish Family as we celebrate **Trinity Sunday** together. Our scripture this weekend comes from **Proverbs 8:22-31, Romans 5:1-5** and the Gospel is from **John 16:12-15**

Embracing the faith communities of **St Mary's Buderim, St Peter's Coolum, Stella Maris Maroochydore and St Catherine of Siena, Sippy Downs.**

STELLA MARIS CATHOLIC PARISH

Our Parish has zero tolerance for all forms of abuse and is committed to safeguarding everyone involved in its activities, ministries and services. The safety and wellbeing of children and adults-at-risk are paramount.

Book a Front Seat

Next Sunday let's celebrate our Universal Faith

Next Sunday, everyone is invited to be part of our multicultural celebrations beginning with Mass at 11:00am. All the different communities will be helping us celebrate through their distinctive expressions of faith, food and traditions. It promises to be a truly unique and uplifting Mass full of colour, movement and faith. Then, afterwards on the grounds of Stella Maris Church, the celebrations continue with food to be shared and culture to be celebrated. It is a celebration of family and faith! There has been a lot of planning behind the scenes to ensure it will truly be an exciting and colourful celebration of our Universal Faith!

There is an urgency to support the organisers who are coordinating the different stalls after Mass, so please accept this invitation and get in contact. Everyone's help and involvement is appreciated.

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Can't see your group? Would you like to help coordinate a table? Would you like more information? If so, please get in contact with Olga Girle (olgagirle@hotmail.com) or Fr Peter (suncoast@bne.catholic.net.au). Our Multicultural Mass is inclusive of all in our Parish Family. If you can't see a group or association that you fit into, then perhaps you might join in the celebrations by bringing something Australian – ANZAC biscuits, lamingtons, jam drops – use your imagination and drop off your contribution at the He-Brews coffee van.

See you next Sunday !



The work of the members of St Vincent de Paul is known to all and does not need to be explained. Quietly, behind the scenes, without making a fuss or drawing attention, members of our two Vinnies Conferences, Maroochydore and Coolum, fellow parishioners, reach out and minister to those on the fringe of our society. The work they do is made possible only through your generosity. **This weekend**, across our Parish Family, the members of our two Vinnies Conferences will be handing out their **Winter Appeal** envelopes – whatever you can give will be appreciated and used locally to assist those most in need – *thank you*.



The Week Ahead

We acknowledge the traditional owners of the land on which our communities celebrate liturgies and live out our faith. We pay respects to leaders past, present and emerging. May their example of stewardship be reflected in our lives.



Monday 16 June

- ◆ Benediction (5:15pm, Stella Maris Church)
- ◆ **Mass** (5:30pm, Stella Maris Church)

Tuesday 17 June

- ◆ **Mass** (9:00am, Stella Maris School Chapel)
- ◆ RCIA All Saints Group (6:00pm, Duffy Room)

Wednesday 18 June

- ◆ **Mass** (7:00am, St Mary's Church)
- ◆ **Mass** (9:00am, St Catherine of Siena Church)
- ◆ Play & Pray group (9:00am, Stella Maris)
- ◆ Scripture Study Group (9:30am, Zoom)
- ◆ Latin American prayer group meets every Wednesday in the Duffy Room (6:00-8:00pm)

Thursday 19 June

- ◆ **Mass** (8:30am, St Peter's Coolum)
- ◆ SVDP Meeting—Coolum

Friday, 20 June

- ◆ **Mass** (9:00am, Stella Maris Church)
- ◆ Grief Support Meeting after morning Mass
- ◆ Community Meal for the Homeless

Saturday, 21 June

- ◆ Reconciliation (8:30—9:30am, Stella Maris)
- ◆ Jesus Shine Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group meets (11:00am, Sippy Downs)
- ◆ **Vigil Mass** (4:30pm, St Peter's Church)
- ◆ **Vigil Mass** (6:00pm, Stella Maris Church)

Sunday, 22 June *Corpus Christi*

- ◆ **Mass** (6:30am, Stella Maris Church)
- ◆ **Mass** (7:30am, St Peter's Church)
- ◆ **Mass** (8:00am, St Catherine's) **Children's Church**
- ◆ **Mass** (9:00am, Stella Maris) **Children's Church**
- ◆ **Mass** (9:30am, St Mary's Church)
- ◆ **Multi Cultural Mass** (11:00am, Stella Maris)
- ◆ No Young Adults
- ◆ No Junior Minsters
- ◆ No 10:10 Youth Group
- ◆ **Mass** (5:00pm, Stella Maris) **Children's Church**

Gluten-free hosts are available. To arrange, simply contact the sacristan or Mass coordinator before Mass. The priest will always distribute the gluten free host at communion.

New Options

Over the last couple of years, we have evolved into the biggest parish in the Archdiocese, and that is certainly reflected in the ministries and activities of our Parish Family. One of the constant struggles we face, especially at Stella Maris, is finding the room for meetings, activities and gatherings. Some nights we simply run out of room for groups to meet in! Over the past six months, we have been in negotiations with **St Vincent's Health Care** to lease additional space, and on Friday, we finally signed the new lease, which will give us access to additional meeting space located under the presbytery. Now, with this space, we have more flexibility to run programmes, convene meetings and gather in more appropriate surroundings. The additional space will make a world of difference for us and, as a Parish, we are grateful to St Vincent's Health Care for making it possible.

Another Option

We all know that safeguarding is everyone's responsibility, and keeping up to date is a constant challenge! Two weeks ago, we offered training at Stella Maris, and now we are offering a face to face training session at **Coolum** on **Thursday, June 26th**, following on from Thursday mass. This safeguarding opportunity is available to all parishioners.

A New Financial Year

With the new financial year quickly approaching, it is a timely reminder that it is only through your continued generosity and committed support that we can fund the ministries, activities and outreach of the parish. We are still paying down our Parish debt, which currently stands at \$1,373,295. At the same time, we continually have to fund improvements and follow through with maintenance and repairs and upgrades.

Since COVID, many have opted to utilise direct debit to support the parish, and we are grateful. If you choose to support your Parish utilising weekly envelopes, then next week they will be available for collection. If you would like more information about how to financially support your parish, please collect a "**Planned Giving Envelope**" which is available at the entrance to the church. However you decide to support your Parish, we are grateful.

Let the Party Begin



A vocal and important cohort of members of our parish Family this year are turning 80, and this weekend at St Peter's, Coolum, they are all gathering to celebrate that milestone at the 7:30am Mass. After the Mass, the celebrations really begin! We are thankful for the witness and energy that this gang of overachievers brings to our Parish Family – *may they keep overachieving!!!*

All mums and dads are warmly invited to join us each Wednesday in the Bliss Room for -

Play and Pray

A friendly gathering of toddlers and young parents. It is a moment in our week when we get together for fun, friendship and faith-filled moments. *So, please come along and join us this Wednesday, 9:00am - new families are always welcome—we'd love to meet you!*

Parish Clergy

Fr Peter Brannelly
Fr Isaac Falzon
Deacon Michael Khoury
Bishop Brian Heenan
Bishop Emeritus



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THE HOLY SPIRIT HAS HAD A BUSY WEEK IN OUR PARISH FAMILY !



Last Sunday evening, at the 5:00pm Sunday Mass, the Church celebrated the baptism of **Jane Brant, Rosie Darlington, Ryan Darlington, Janice Hides, Sophie Lee, Maiah Knight, Tanya Rose, Donald Rose, Christina Shim, and Thomas Taylor.** They have been on a journey of discernment over the past couple of months culminating in last Sunday's celebration. It is with great joy that we welcome them to our Parish Family.

A special thank you to Andrew & Karin Lind, Jacinta Elks, and Dylan Asmus, who, as their catechists, guided our new members throughout their discernment journey.



There are still others on the journey!

We keep in our prayers the **22** other enquirers who are meeting regularly discerning God's call for them – they will be welcomed into full communion with the Church later in the year. In a few weeks, we will invite anyone who, likewise, would like to discover more about who we are as a Church, and what we believe, to consider joining a new RCIA group. ***Perhaps you?*** If you would like more information, why not contact Dylan Asmus (asmusd@bne.catholic.net.au).



Last Thursday evening at Stella Maris, we celebrated the Sacrament of Confirmation for over 100 of our younger members of our Parish Family. Thank you to Bishop Brian Heenan for leading the ceremony and to Carrolyn Watt, our Sacramental Coordinator, and all her helpers, for guiding us through the preparation programme. A special thank you to the members of the Siena primary and Stella Maris primary school choirs and to Inez Durer & Isobel Summit for leading our young choristers.

Progress Report

As mentioned last Sunday at Mass, it is our dream to establish the Children's Church ministry at St Mary's. We need members of the St Mary's community to be part of this important ministry for it to be a success and flourish. Thank you to those who have already put their hand up and agreed to be part of the team. Hopefully the commitment is once a month, working in a team, with all the resources provided. You can't be too young or too old to be part of this ministry! Please consider joining us and record your name at the entrance to the church. We want to launch the ministry on Sunday, June 29th.

Construction of the new pews is well under way and on this Tuesday the committee will make a final decision about the carpet. The design of the new altar furniture, constructed out of red cedar, was finalized last week. Over the next couple of weeks, minor repairs will be undertaken and hopefully the interior of the church will be given a fresh coat of paint.

Thank you to everyone who has supported the **Buderim Appeal** that will help complete this project. If you haven't already, we invite you to support the project, perhaps as an individual, a couple, a family or a group you might get together and "buy a pew". Any support is welcome and appreciated. If you would like more information, please contact Fr Peter at the office (suncoast@bne.catholic.net.au). We have a designated account for this project, so if you would like to make a direct deposit through online banking, the account is:

Buderim Project

BSB 064-786

**Commonwealth Bank
Account Number: 100021388**

Celebrating and Remembering

We welcome into God's Family, the Church,

Grace Gordon, Eva Gordon, Ngoc An Di Nguyen, Claire Ridley, Elise Ridley, Anders Packham, Halle Packham and Ella Good who will be baptised this weekend in our parish.

We pray for all those who have died, especially **Fr Ashley Warbrooke** and **John & Lesley Graham.**

May their souls, through the rich mercy of God, **Rest in Peace.**

Catholic Education in our Sunshine Coast Parish

Siena Catholic Primary School

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Principal: Eric Ellems



Senior Disco Delivers a Boot-Scootin' Good Time!

Last Friday night, our Year 4–6 students hit the dance floor in true country and western style at the Senior Disco! Decked out in cowboy hats and boots, students, staff, and parents enjoyed an evening full of music, games, and high-energy fun.

Thanks to our amazing P&F team, led by Chenelle Shepherd, for organising the event, complete with a DJ and dancers who kept the crowd moving. A big shoutout also goes to our dedicated staff and parent volunteers who helped make the night safe and memorable.

We can't wait to do it all again when our Prep–Year 3 students take the spotlight later this year for their own night of dancing, laughter, and prizes!



Stella Maris Primary School

Stella Maris Way,
Maroochydore
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Principal: Mark Ballam



The last few weeks have been a busy time for Stella Maris as our students have participated in a range of extra-curricular opportunities. Recently, we had 4 teams compete in a local Rugby Sevens competition, with our Year 5/6 Girls team and Year 4/5 Boys team placing first! Last week, we also had two Year 5 and two Year 6 teams compete in a regional Netball Gala Day. While this week our Staff Mixed Touch Team, the 'Touch N Go's', took out the Division 1 Grand Final, with a convincing win 7-3.

In other parts of the school, our Arts department has been hosting a variety of Artistic Siorees, showcasing the talents of our students who are learning the Violin, Cello, Double Bass, Flute, Clarinet, Trumpet, Trombone, Piano and Guitar. It has been great to see these students share their talents!



Finally, next week our Principal, Mr Ballam will be participating in the Vinnies CEO Sleepout, with all money raised being directed to the local conference of SVDP.

Please be sure to support Mr Ballam.

Siena Catholic College

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Principal: Sharon Collins



Our Year 7 cohort have almost completed their first semester of secondary schooling - how time flies! Having now settled well into the routine and rigours of college life, this week they were called upon to nominate to be part of the 2025 Student Representative Council (SRC). The SRC has already been undertaking wonderful ventures with their Years 8 - 12 elected representatives. As part of the next step in the selection process, they are required to prepare and present a two-minute speech to be delivered to their class. This speech should explain why they would make a strong SRC representative. Specific points to cover include: reasons for wanting to be part of SRC, living out the Four Pillars of Dominican Life, the meaning of Servant Leadership, and qualities that they would bring to represent and support the student body. These Year 7 students are encouraged to speak authentically, share real examples, and demonstrate an understanding of the responsibilities involved in SRC leadership. The willingness of so many Year 7 students to lead, represent their peers, and contribute to our College community is greatly appreciated and deserves to be celebrated! We look forward to hearing their speeches and watching them embrace the voting process.

Junior Ministers

Each Sunday of the school term, around 30 Junior Ministers gather **from 3:00pm to 4:30pm** to learn and have fun. They receive training so they can serve during Mass (altar servers, reading, managing the PowerPoint, taking up collections, and acting as welcomers). This Parish ministry not only helps the students develop valuable skills but also enriches our parish community. For more information, contact Bernie - bbaillie811@gmail.com



May you go to bed on this Wednesday night and sleep the sleep of the contented and the satisfied!



There are many things we take for granted, which for new members of our Australian community, are both confusing and daunting! A perfect example is the **Australian Tax System**. Our vibrant Latin American Spanish group has organised a workshop with Dante Garcia, an award-winning accountant, presenting a session on how the tax system works in Australia. It is especially tailored for Spanish-speaking international students and new migrants.

Date: Thursday, 26 June 2025 **Time:** 5:00PM **Venue:** Bliss Room, Stella Maris *This is a practical way to support members of our community who are navigating their way for the first time through the Australian Tax system.*

Available at the entrance of all four of our churches, we have new information envelopes containing details about our **Parish Planned Giving** programme and the many ways you can support your Parish and our **Endowment Fund**, which will provide your Parish Family with financial security into the future. For new and returning members of our Parish, there is a **Welcome Pack**. It contains valuable information about your new Parish Family. Please feel free to take an envelope home with you today. To all new members of our Parish Community you are welcome— *thanks for being part of our Parish*

