



Stella Maris Catholic Parish

# Twelfth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Weekend of June 20 & 21, 2026 Year A

First Reading: Jeremiah 20:10-13; Second Reading: Romans 5:12-15 Gospel: Matthew 10:26-33

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

## It is on this weekend

**THIS SUNDAY LET'S CELEBRATE OUR UNIVERSAL FAITH**



This 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. We not only welcome many people from beyond the borders of our Parish, but especially we welcome Archbishop Emeritus Mark Coleridge, who will lead our celebration. 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! If you have been to one of the other parish Masses, why not join us in the afternoon – the cultural presentations begin at 1:00pm. 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! *So please join us and let's celebrate together all that is truly unique in our diverse and faith-filled Parish Family.*

## First Holy Communion Enrolment Now Open

Enrolments for First Communion are now open for children in Year 4 or older who have completed the Sacrament of Confirmation. The form can be completed online at [maroochydoreparish.com.au](http://maroochydoreparish.com.au). A Parent Information Night will be held at 5:00pm, Wednesday, July 15, in Stella Maris Church, Maroochydore. Please note: parents only are required to attend this evening. We look forward to supporting your child on this special step in their faith journey.

**The live streaming of our 9:00am and 5:00pm Sunday Masses is back up and running – simply go to our parish web page and click on “live Mass” and follow the links to our YouTube page. We are in the process of upgrading our camera system, so in a couple of weeks' time you should see a marked difference in quality .**

### Parish Clergy

Fr Peter Brannelly  
Fr Gerard Lai  
Bishop Brian Heenan  
*Bishop Emeritus*

### Stella Maris Parish Office

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# 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, June 22**

- Adoration (4:30pm, Stella Maris)
- Benediction (5:15pm, Stella Maris)
- **Mass** (5:30pm, Stella Maris)

## **Tuesday, June 23**

- **Mass** (9:00am, Stella Maris School Chapel)
- Craft (1:00pm, St Peter's)

## **Wednesday, June 24**

- **Mass** (7:00am, St Mary's)
- **Mass** (9:00am, St Catherine's)
- Pray & Play (9:30am)
- Scripture Study Group (9:30am, Zoom)
- Latin Prayer Group (6:00pm, Stella Maris)

## **Thursday, June 25**

- **Mass** (8:30am, St Peter's)
- Safeguarding Meeting following Mass

## **Friday, June 26**

- **Mass** (9:00am, Stella Maris)
- Craft Group following Mass
- Community Meal (6:00pm, Stella Maris)

## **Saturday, June 27**

- Reconciliation (8:30—9:30am, Stella Maris)
- Jesus Shine Prayer Group (11:00am, St Catherine's)
- **Vigil Mass** (4:30pm, St Peter's)
- **Vigil Mass** (6:00pm, Stella Maris)

## **Sunday, June 28**

### **13<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

- **Mass** (6:30am, Stella Maris)
- **Mass** (7:30am, St Peter's)
- **Mass** (8:00am, St Catherine's) (*Children's Church*)
- **Mass** (9:00am, Stella Maris) (*Children's Church*)
- **Mass** (9:30am, St Mary's)
- 10:10 (3:00pm, Stella Maris)
- **Polish Mass** (4:00pm, St Mary's)
- **Mass** (5:00pm, Stella Maris) (*Children's Church*)
- Young Adults (6:00pm, The Annex)

*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.*



An assisted hearing loop has been installed at Stella Maris – please contact the Mass coordinator or sacristan to access the system.

## 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 who we are only through your generous support and there are many ways to support the mission and ministry of your parish. 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 this 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.**

## Safeguarding

To assist everyone who needs to keep up to date with their Blue Cards, Police Check, and latest training, our Parish Safeguarding Team will be holding training after the 8:30am Mass **this Thursday** at Coolum on June 25. If you have any questions, please call a member of our Safeguarding Team who are in the Parish Office every Monday from 9:00am to 1:00pm.

## Feeling crafty?

Everyone was impressed at the variety of crafts and items that were offered for sale at the Stella Maris Craft Stall two weeks ago – the \$2,600 raised will support the parish and local charities. The stall was a testament to the skill and dedication of the members of the group. A warm invitation is extended to any parishioner who would like to join them – all skill levels are welcome and we are always learning new tricks! The next gathering of the Stella Maris group is on this Friday following the 9:00am Mass at Stella Maris. At St Peter's the next gathering of the Coolum Craft Group is at 1:00pm on Tuesday, June 30. Come for some craft or simply join us for a cuppa and a 'yarn'!

## Pilgrim Relic of St Carlo Acutis

The First-class Relic of Saint Carlo Acutis will visit OLR Caloundra on July 3. St. Carlo was an Italian boy, born in London, who strove for holiness in his ordinary life in Milan, before dying from Leukaemia at the age of 15. He used his skills in computer programming, as well as his friendships, to spread the Gospel message. The relic will be accompanied by Monsignor Anthony Figueiredo from Assisi. Monsignor Figueiredo is responsible for bringing St. Carlo's Pericardium Heart Relic to different nations and speaking first-hand about this inspiring millennial. Please visit the Caloundra Parish webpage for the day's timetable.

## At Stella Maris

On Thursday evening, July 2, the sacred relic will visit our parish family. we are invited to discover St Carlo's five steps to holiness.

- 7:00pm** Rosary with reflections from St Carlo.
- 7:30pm** Talk by Monsignor Anthony Figueiredo
- 8:00pm** Veneration of the Pericardium Relic

## Where Faith and Life Meet

We welcome into God's Family, the Church, *Leonardo Damaggio, Uriah Humphreys, Ethan Kopke & Rose Kopke* who will be baptised this weekend.

We pray for all those who have died, especially *Winnifred Tarrant & Vicky Bateman*. May their souls and the souls of all our deceased priests, Religious, family members and members of our parish community, through the rich mercy of God,

*Rest in Peace.*

## “Fun Days with God”

School holidays are getting closer, which means planning is well underway for our Maroochydore Parish holiday programme. This school holiday, the theme is “Alive in the Spirit”. It will be an exciting day of fun activities- craft, bible stories, songs, prayer, drama, plays and games all based around the Holy Spirit.

**Date:** Thursday, July 9.

**Time:** 9:00am - 3:00pm, children may be dropped off from 8:45am, with our program beginning at 9:00am. Pick up time 3:00pm.

Parents and caregivers are invited to join us for a closing ritual at 2:45pm.

**Where:** The Harry Bliss Function room – just past the toilets at the Stella Maris Church

**Cost:** \$10.00 per child with a maximum of \$20 per family.

**What to bring:** Children are to wear comfortable “SunSmart” clothing and need to bring their own water bottle, morning tea, lunch and hat. We are always keen to have extra adult supervision, so if you would like to stay for the day and help, we would be most grateful, and your child/ren would attend for free. We have limited spaces, so you will need to register via the QR code or visit our website. Registrations will close once we are fully booked. For more information, please email Bernie Baillie at [bbaillie811@gmail.com.au](mailto:bbaillie811@gmail.com.au) or phone the parish office on 5443 3488.



## 3799 reasons to say thank you !

On the first weekend of every month we have a trailer at the lower car park at Stella Maris where we accept your empty bottles and cans. We take the cans and bottles to our local Containers for Change depot and the money raised will assist some of our youth to attend this year’s Ignite Youth conference in Brisbane. Last month we saved **3799 cans and bottles** going into and fill which means that we received **\$379.90** which will be deposited into our youth account. Thank you, everyone, for your support. Another way you can support us is simply taking your bottle and cans directly to your coal Containers for Change and quoting our number C10193859 – your proceeds will be credited to our parish account.

## Shine Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group

Congratulations to our Jesus Shine Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group, who celebrated their first anniversary this weekend. Their gathering is a Spirit - filled Ministry dedicated to deepening our relationship with Jesus through praise and worship, the gifts of the Holy Spirit, the fruits of the Holy Spirit and joyful fellowship. Open to all ages, this group is a place where hearts are ignited, Faith is renewed, and lives are transformed through the living presence of God. Whether you're seeking renewal in your faith, a deeper connection to the Holy Spirit, or simply a place to belong --- Jesus Shine Catholic Charismatic Prayer Group welcomes you with open arms. So join us every Saturday morning, 11:00am at St Catherine’s, Sippy Downs. All welcome!

On this weekend when we remember and celebrate the diversity of our Catholic Faith it is great to remember some of the important and unique “communities within our community”.

## Misa en Español

On the second Saturday of every month, our Spanish chaplain, Fr Luis, celebrates Mass in Spanish at St Mary’s, Buderim. It is a great celebration with hospitality and a warm welcome to new faces. The next Mass in Spanish will be 6:00pm, Saturday, July 11 at St Mary’s. Their Facebook page is Comunidad Catolica Latina de Sunshine Coast. Also, 6:00pm every Wednesday in the Duffy Room, our Spanish-speaking prayer group members meet, and all Spanish speakers are invited.

## Następna polska Msza św

On the Fourth Sunday of every month, Mass is celebrated in Polish. The next Mass in Polish will be 4:00pm, Sunday, June 28 at St Mary’s - tell your Polish friends—all welcome.

## Brasileiros Católicos em Sunshine Coast

On the first Sunday of every month at 11:30am, Our Lady of the Rosary Church, Edmund Street, Caloundra, Mass is celebrated in Portuguese. The Brazilian Catholic Community’s email address is [bscc.contato@gmail.com](mailto:bscc.contato@gmail.com)

## Maronite Mass

On the second Sunday of every month, the Maronite community on the Sunshine Coast gathers to celebrate their liturgy. Maronite Church is one of the ancient Eastern churches in union with the Bishop of Rome. A warm invitation is extended to all Maronite Catholics and friends on the Sunshine Coast to join us and our next Mass will be at 11:00am on Sunday, July 12.

# Sunshine Coast Catholic Education

## Siena Catholic Primary School

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Principal: Eric Ellems



Our school community was blessed with beautiful weather as we gathered on the oval during Reconciliation Week for a special liturgy. Students from Prep to Year 6 formed a meeting place inspired by First Nations artwork and this year's theme, *All In*.

We honoured the Traditional Custodians, past and present, and gave thanks for their deep connection to Country. Students showed great respect and patience as each class and staff member found their place, creating a strong sense of pride and school spirit.

A highlight of the liturgy was hearing our students sing *We Are Australian* so beautifully. Their enthusiastic and respectful participation made the event especially meaningful, and we are very proud of how they represented our Siena community.

Thank you to the parents and family members who joined us for this special occasion. We look forward to sharing the final filming with our school community soon.



## Stella Maris Primary School

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Maroochydore  
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Principal: Mark Ballam



At Stella Maris School, we are blessed with a high calibre of dedicated Catholic educators who live out our mission each day with professionalism, compassion and a deep commitment to our students and families. It is this collective dedication across our school community that makes Stella Maris School such a special place.

It is within this spirit of excellence that we are delighted to share some wonderful news with our parish community. Three of our staff members have been recognised as nominees in the 2026 Brisbane Catholic Education (BCE) Excellence Awards:

- **Niamh Allan** – Excellence as an Early Career Teacher in Primary School
  - **Ursula Riggio** – Excellence in a School Based Non-Teaching Role
  - **Ellen Burkett** – Excellence in Learning and Teaching in Primary School
- We are especially proud to share that Ursula Riggio has now progressed to become a finalist in her category, a significant and well-deserved achievement.

This year, the awards received 633 nominations across 116 schools, highlighting the significance of this recognition. The BCE Excellence Awards celebrate staff who embody Catholic values and create learning environments where belonging, growth and excellence flourish.

## Siena Catholic College

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Principal: Sharon Collins



This week, Siena Catholic College came together for a wonderful day of competition, community and house spirit at our annual Athletics Carnival. Students enthusiastically participated in a wide range of track and field events, demonstrating determination, resilience and sportsmanship throughout the day.

The carnival provided an opportunity for students of all abilities to contribute to their house, whether competing on the track, participating in novelty events, assisting with carnival operations or cheering on their peers. It was pleasing to see students encouraging one another and embracing the values of community and participation that are central to our Siena identity.

A special congratulations goes to MacKillop House, who once again claimed the Athletics Carnival Championship. Their consistent participation, positive attitude and strong performances across the day saw them emerge as deserving winners.

We thank all staff, students, volunteers and families who contributed to the success of the carnival and helped make it such an enjoyable and memorable community event.

## Veritas

On the first and third Sunday after the 5:00pm evening Mass, our Veritas group meets to reflect and learn about an aspect of our Catholic faith. Veritas is Latin for "truth", and at our meeting, we simply look at some aspect of what we believe as Catholics – the customs, the rituals, the things most Catholics take for granted! The formal process for anyone who wants to discern whether or not to join our Catholic faith is through the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) journey. Our Veritas gatherings are meant to answer some of those basic questions before RCIA. So, please, if you are searching or discerning – feel welcome to join us this Sunday evening.

Available at the entrance of all our four 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. Also at the entrance to the church you will discover our **Funeral Preparation Kit**, which has helpful, practical information to assist you and your family in planning and making decisions around funerals. Please feel free to take an envelope home with you today.

