

St Joseph's Catholic Parish

Fourth Sunday of Easter,
Good Shepherd Sunday
Year A, 26 April, 2026

Embracing the communities of
Cherbourg, Goomeri, Murgon,
Proston and Wondai



Unity in diversity ... being one in Christ through Baptism!



Weekend Mass Schedule

1st Sunday of Month - 2/3 May

Saturday, 9.00am, Proston
Saturday, 5.00pm, Wondai
Sunday, 8.00am, Murgon
Sunday, 10.30am, Gayndah

2nd Sunday of Month - 9/10 May

Saturday, 9.00am, Proston
(Liturgy of the Word)
Saturday, 5.00pm, Wondai
Sunday, 8.00am, Murgon
Sunday, 10.30am, Cherbourg
Sunday, 2.30pm, Mundubbera
Sunday, 6.00pm, Goomeri

3rd Sunday of Month - 16/17 May

Thursday, 9.00am, Castra, Murgon
Saturday, 9.00am, Proston
Saturday, 5.00pm, Wondai
Sunday, 8.00am, Murgon
Sunday, 10.30am, Gayndah

4th Sunday of Month - 23/24 May

Saturday, 9.00am, Proston
(Liturgy of the Word)
Saturday, 5.00pm, Wondai
Sunday, 8.00am, Murgon
Sunday, 10.30am, Gayndah
Sunday, 2.30pm, Mundubbera
Sunday, 6.00pm, Goomeri

World Day of Prayer for Vocations

26 APRIL GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY



"Pray the Lord
of the harvest to
send out labourers
into his harvest"
(MT9:38)



Today's readings

Acts 2: 14, 36-41; Peter 2: 20-25; John 10: 1-10

Response:

The Lord is my shepherd; there is nothing
I shall want.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia! I am the good shepherd,
says the Lord; I know my own sheep and
mine know me. Alleluia!



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We look forward to journeying with families as we continue to grow together in faith.



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**Parish Sacramental
Program 2026**

Expression of Interest Invited

The Parish of Saint Joseph warmly invites parents and guardians to take part in our upcoming Sacramental Program for children and families. This program supports families in preparing their children to receive the sacraments and to grow more deeply in their faith within the life of the Church.

An Information and Expression of Interest Session will be held at Saint Joseph's Hall

Date: Thursday, 30 April, 2026

Time: 3.30pm

The Sacramental Program sessions will commence on the following dates and time:

- Thursday, 7 May at 3.30pm: Confirmation preparation
- Thursday, 14 May at 3.30pm: Confirmation and First Holy Communion preparation
- Thursday, 21 May at 3.30pm: First Holy Communion and Reconciliation preparation
- Sunday, 31 May at 8.00am: Confirmation Mass at Saint Joseph's Church, Murgon
- Sunday, 14 June at 8.00am: First Holy Communion Mass at Saint Joseph's Church.

Afternoon tea will be provided.

For further information or to express interest, please contact the Parish Priest:

**Message from His
Holiness Pope Leo XIV
For the 63rd World Day
of Prayer for Vocations**

4th Sunday of Easter - 26 April 2026

**The Interior Discovery of
God's Gift**

Dear brothers and sisters, dear young people!

Guided and protected by the Risen Jesus, we celebrate on the fourth Sunday of Easter – also called 'Good Shepherd Sunday' – the 63rd World Day of Prayer for Vocations. It is an occasion of grace in which we share some reflections on the interior dimension of vocation, understood as the discovery of God's free gift that blossoms in the depths of our hearts. Let us explore together the truly beautiful path of life along which the Shepherd guides us.

The way of beauty

In the Gospel of John, Jesus describes himself as the "good shepherd" (Jn 10:11). This expression refers to a shepherd who is perfect, authentic and exemplary, inasmuch as he is ready to give his life for his sheep, thus revealing God's love. He is the Shepherd who draws us to himself, whose gaze reveals that life is truly beautiful when one follows him. Neither the eyes of the body nor aesthetic sensibilities alone are sufficient to recognise this beauty; rather, contemplation and interiority are required. Only the one who pauses, listens, prays and welcomes the Shepherd's gaze can say with

We pray for those who are sick:

- Therese Bolger; Amira Bond;
- Graham Burgess; Rodney Euler;
- Colin Heit; Margaret Hobbs;
- Nerla Knight; John Kruger;
- Dr Graham McAllister; Carmel McKeering;; Bob Ricketts; Greg Ryan;
- Joe Ryan; Joshua Smith; Kai Vera;
- Judith Wessling.

confidence: "I trust him; life with him can truly be beautiful. I want to walk this path of beauty." What is most extraordinary is that, in becoming his disciple, one truly becomes "beautiful"; his beauty transforms us. As the theologian Pavel Florenskij wrote, asceticism does not produce a merely "good" person, but a "beautiful" one. Indeed, more than goodness, the distinctive trait of the saint is the luminous spiritual beauty that radiates from his or her life in Christ. In this way, the Christian vocation reveals itself in all its depth as a participation in the life of Jesus, by sharing in his mission and reflecting his beauty.

Collections 11/12 April 2026

Murgon	\$390.00
Wondai.....	\$171.00
Proston.....	\$105.00
Total:	\$666.60