



**BRISBANE COLLEGE OF THEOLOGY
UNIT OUTLINE**

BACHELOR OF THEOLOGY

UNIT TITLE	LITURGY, MINISTRY & PASTORAL CARE
UNIT CODE	C52078
UNIT STATUS	Elective
HOST FIELD	C (<i>Also offered in Fields D & E</i>)
PREREQUISITE/S	C51050 Introduction to Christian Liturgy
INCOMPATIBLES	Nil
CREDIT POINTS	10cp
REQUIREMENTS	3 hours per week contact and 7 hours per week study over a 13-week semester.
FREQUENCY OF OFFERING	Even years
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Rationale

This unit is one of several which provide students with knowledge and skills pertaining to the theology and practice of liturgy within the Christian church. The unit assists students to develop an understanding of the liturgical ministry and rites associated with the pastoral care of those preparing for marriage, those seeking reconciliation with the church, those who are sick and dying, and those who have been bereaved. The unit explores the interaction between theological ideas, the social contexts of pastoral care, and the form of liturgical rites in the past and the present.

Relation to program

This unit builds on the knowledge and skills acquired in *Introduction to Christian Liturgy* to extend students' awareness of the theology and practice of Christian liturgy. The unit is part of a suite of units which enable students to build a specialisation in liturgy. It is centrally located within the field of systematic theology (Field C), but also has strong links with church history (Field D) through its consideration of these rites from an historical perspective, and with ministry and mission (Field E) through its consideration of these rites from a pastoral perspective.

Aims

The unit aims to develop the student's understanding of the role, preparation and celebration of ritual in pastoral care and the place of liturgical ministry in Christian ritual. The unit aims to equip the student with the historical background and the critical theological skills needed to prepare and celebrate these rites well.

Learning Outcomes	
At the end of this unit the student should be able to:	
1.	Assess the historical shifts and the theological and cultural issues that have impacted on the development rites related to pastoral care in the church;
2.	Explain the content and structure of the liturgical books of the Christian tradition with theological subtlety and pastoral awareness;
3.	Use liturgical principles in the preparation of the various pastoral rites;
4.	Organize training for the various ministries involved within the celebration of these liturgical events;
5.	Educate both participants and the parish community in the structure and meaning of these pastoral rites;
6.	Assess the role of liturgical rites in the Church's pastoral care of those in need.

Content

- 1 The inter-relationship between the process of pastoral care and the celebration of liturgical rites
- 2 Rite of Anointing and the Pastoral Care of the Sick – the meaning of suffering and the healing presence of Christ mediated by the Christian Community
- 3 Viaticum and Prayers for the Dying – the Christian theology of death and the sustenance offered by the sacraments in the face of death
- 4 Order of Christian Funerals – the principles for the preparation of the various parts of the rite
- 5 Rite of Penance – Christian confession and reconciliation and the experience of God's forgiveness
- 6 Order of Celebrating Christian Marriage – the human committed love as symbolically mediating the divine presence
- 7 Book of Blessings – celebrating rituals for ordinary events of human life
- 8 Rites of Ordination – the theology of orders and ordination
- 9 Comparison of the provisions for the above in the liturgical books of Roman Catholic, Anglican and Uniting Churches

Organization and Teaching Strategies

The contact time comprises lectures and seminars, including both small group and whole class discussion of issues raised in lectures, the students' own reading and selected primary texts. Students will be required to use the library to access recommended or other reading for each week of class.

Assessment

	Type of assessment	No of words	Weighting %	Due date	Learning Outcomes covered
1	Seminar presentation	½ hour	25	Through semester	2, 3
2	Short essay	2000	25	Mid-semester	6
3	Major essay	3000	50	End-semester	1, 4, 5

Notes on Assessment

- Item 1 Will develop the student's knowledge of theological concepts and skills in the practice of pastoral care, by an analysis and application of the liturgical bases of such care.
- Item 2 Will develop the student's ability to reflect critically on the theological and pastoral elements involved in the church's provision of pastoral care.
- Item 3 Will develop the student's understanding of the historical, theological and cultural foundations of pastoral care by developing or evaluating an educational program adapted to a particular contemporary context.

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Recommended

General

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