



Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

38 Herbert Street Gladstone Qld 4680

Third Sunday of Advent Year B — 17 December 2023

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 10:30am—4pm

Tues, Thurs: Fri: 9am—4pm

Wed: 1pm—4pm

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest

Fr Andrew Chase

Assistant Priest

Fr Ashwin Acharya

Parish Secretary

Maree Roobottom

Finance /Admin Officer

Joanne Cannon

Faith Co-Ordinator

Hayley Lanzon

OUR PARISH INCLUDES THE COMMUNITIES OF:

Agnes Water

Calliope

Gladstone

Miriam Vale

Mt. Larcom

Tannum Sands

Ubobo

PARISH SCHOOLS

St Francis (Tannum Sands)

4973 3600

St John Baptist (Gladstone)

4978 1799

Star of the Sea (Gladstone)

4972 1305

Chanel College (Gladstone)

4973 4700

LITURGIES THIS WEEK

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Monday 18 December: Mission to Seafarers Centre—1:00pm

Tuesday 19 December: Star of the Sea—5:30pm

Wednesday 20 December: Star of the Sea—7:00am

Thursday 21 December: Star of the Sea—7:00am

Friday 22 December: Star of the Sea—9:00am

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 23 December

St Patrick's, Calliope—6pm

Sunday 24 December

Star of the Sea, Gladstone—8am

CHRISTMAS MASSES

Sunday 24 December

Star of the Sea, Gladstone—6:00pm

St Patrick's, Calliope—6:00pm

Star of the Sea, Gladstone—Midnight

Monday 25 December

Star of the Sea, Gladstone—8:00am

St Peter Chanel, Tannum—8:00am

St Agnes, Agnes Water—11:00am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

Saturday 23 December

Star of the Sea, Gladstone—8:30am to 9:20am

St Patrick's, Calliope—5:15pm to 5:45pm

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Saturday 23 December

Star of the Sea, Gladstone - 8:30am to 9:30am

St Patrick's church, Calliope—5:15pm—5:45pm

Did you know...

About the "happy fault"?

Around this time each year, I look forward to sitting with a certain hymn. It opens with Adam bound in his sin, but quickly paints a tremendous picture of redemption in only a few lines. I commend it to your listening in these last weeks of Advent. You can search "Adam Lay Ybounden" on YouTube to find it. Here are the words:

"Adam Lay Ybounden. Bounden in a bond; four thousand winter thought he not too long; and all was for an apple, an apple that he took, as clerkès finden written in their book. Ne had the apple taken been, the apple taken been, ne haddè never our Lady a been heaven's queen. Blessed be the time that apple taken was! Therefore we may singen 'Deo Gracias!'"

God bless, - Fr Ashwin



PARISH OFFICE CHRISTMAS BREAK

Please note the parish office will close at lunchtime on Friday 22 December and will re-open on Monday 8 January. If necessary a message can be left on the perishing answering machine and either Fr Andrew or Fr Ashwin will contact you as soon as possible.

BULLETIN CHANGES

The first bulletin for 2024 will be the weekend of 13 and 14 January 2024.

CHURCH CLOSED

The Star of the Sea church will be closed while the parish office is closed from 23 December until 8 January, other than the times Mass is celebrated.

MASS TIME CHANGE

After consultation and feedback from parishioners, it seems that a majority of people would support a change of Mass time for the vigil Mass on Saturday evening at Tannum Sands and Calliope.

There was agreement also to change the Mass time at St Agnes (Agnes Water) on the fourth Sunday of the month.

Therefore, **beginning in January 2024**, these new Mass times will take effect:

- St Peter Chanel (Tannum Sands): **5pm Saturday** (1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays of the month)
- St Patrick's (Calliope): **5pm Saturday** (2nd and 4th Sundays of the month)
- St Agnes (Agnes Water): **11am Sunday** (4th Sunday of the month)

Thank you to everyone who offered feedback on the proposed changes.

ST PATRICK'S CALLIOPE CHRISTMAS EVE NATIVITY PLAY



Children are invited to join the nativity play in the Christmas Eve 6pm Mass at Calliope. Rehearsal will be 23rd December 9.30am at St Patrick's Church.

Please contact Alana (0499014527) if you have any questions.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMETABLE

Christmas Eve

6:00pm Star of the Sea Church

6:00pm St Patrick's, Calliope

Midnight Star of the Sea Church

Christmas Day

8:00am Star of the Sea Church

8:00am St Peter Chanel, Tannum Sands

11:00am St Agnes, Agnes Water

ADVENT NOVENA

The Novena commences 16 December and concludes on 24 December and traces the journey of Our Lord's birth across the Old and New Testaments.

The novena pamphlets are available at the church doors.

A Christmas Prayer

Heavenly Father,
we thank you for the gift
of Your Son, Jesus,
whose birth into our world
we celebrate today.

Fill our hearts with the peace
that only He provides.

Let us share that peace with others
and help build Your kingdom
here on earth.

Amen.



IGNITE SUMMER CAMP DIOCESAN GROUP



When: 10-14 January, 2024

Where: QCCC Mapleton (Sunshine Coast)

Who: Any 2024 high school students

Ignite Summer Camp is back in 2024, with four days of huge outdoor games, amazing rallies, 200 new mates and connecting with

Jesus. Our diocese will be taking a group to Summer Camp, providing transport to and from the event and even providing an extra night's accommodation so we will be ready to go when the camp begins on the morning of the 11th of January.

To register with our diocesan group, scan the QR code or go to <https://rok.catholic.net.au/services-agencies/pastoral-services/youth-ministry/summer-camp/>.

For more details contact Mick at youth@rok.catholic.net.au or 0433 897 973.

ADVENT 2nd RITE OF RECONCILIATION



2nd Rite of Reconciliation

Receive God's love and graces this Advent with the 2nd Rite of Reconciliation to be celebrated at Star of the Sea Church on **Wednesday 20th December at 5.30pm.**

The evening will include Liturgy of the Word and individual Confession.



CARITAS AUSTRALIA'S GLOBAL GIFTS CARDS

Caritas Australia's Global Gifts Christmas cards are a great way to spread joy and hope this Christmas season and to make a life-changing impact. Each gift represents a donation that will support vulnerable communities to create a brighter future.

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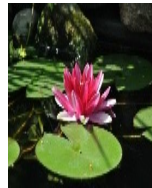


TIDE YOUNG ADULTS FELLOWSHIP

TIDE fosters community and spiritual growth among 18-35 year old young adults in the Star of the Sea Parish. The Group meets once per fortnight. We invite and encourage young adults of the parish to come along to our gatherings for fellowship and to grow in your faith journey along with us.

**Contacts: Fr Ashwin 0432 151 437
Salina 0402 492 475**

NEW LIFE CHARISMATIC



Praise and Worship Prayer meetings will resume in February 2024.

For more information contact Maryanne 0409 898 895

BIBLE STUDY AND MEDITATION



Sr Noreen will resume the Bible study group and luncheon meditation in 2024. Keep an eye on the bulletin for the starting date.

St. Francis of Assisi

"Where there is rest and meditation, there is neither anxiety nor restlessness."

READINGS NEXT WEEKEND

4th Sunday of Advent Yr B

♦ **First Reading**

2 Samuel

7:1-5,8-12,14-16

♦ **Second Reading**

Romans 16:25-27

♦ **Gospel** *Luke 1:26-38*

Christmas Readings

♦ **1st Reading** *Isaiah 9:1-7*

♦ **2nd Reading**

Titus 2:11-14

♦ **Gospel**

Luke 2:1-14

Readings for Mass today?



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DIOCESAN MONTHLY NEWSLETTER To view:

rok.catholic.net.au/news-events/bishops-newsletter

We acknowledge the Gooreng Gooreng, Bailai, Gurang, and Taribelang Bunda people, traditional custodians of what we now call Gladstone.

STAR OF THE SEA LITURGY ROSTER 24 December 2023

Readers:

8:00am: A. Borbon,
6:00pm: Christmas Roster

Co-Ordinator:

8:00am: M. Conway
6:00pm: Christmas Roster

Minister of Holy Communion:

8:00am: **Body:** E. Schumacher **Choir:** M. Hodge
Chalice: E. Hughes, M. Martin
6:00pm: **Body:** Christmas Roster
Chalice:

Data Projector:

8:00am: M. Fernandes 6:00pm: Christmas Roster

Altar Servers:

8:00am: Eli & Eva Fernandes, Ruby & Ryan Slater
6:00pm: Christmas Roster



PRAYER INTENTIONS

For our recently deceased Sisters and Brothers

Anthony Fitzgerald, Nev Reece, Joe Mullins

For others who have died

Brian Travers, Betty Smith, Col Brown, Mary Brown,
James Robert Wallace, Colin Gray, Mervyn Goyen
Felisa Borbon, Juan Borbon, Maximo Borbon sr,
Edwin Diola, Catherine Ishikawa

For those we love who are ill and frail

Lincoln Rose, Barbara Filer, Tony Gibb, Eli Colin Vale,
Ben Rose, Ron O'Brien, Noon Family, John & Joy
Massingham, Brian Booxson, Evie Trenamen, Benjamin
Gibson, Carlene Oates, Patricia Lynch, Nicole Knox,
Dorothy Maudsley, Remy Scholl, Julian Watkins,
Christopher Marra, Vincent Bellet, Colin and Dolly
O'Sing, Jacque Rive, Cedric Philips, Dorothy Thompson,
John Walker, John Judge, Timothy Howard, Justin
Nelson, Frank Blain, Amanda Ward, Stan Mobbs,
Paul Van der List, Stacey Eccles, Rosemary Ross,
Nancy Peagam, Pat Field, Lewis Tickner, Gizella
Laurance, Gizella Andrews, Henry Seal, Steve Laurance,
George Nagy, Ron and Marsed Field, Salude Marshman,
Matthew Mohorovic, Sally Donovan, Dithma Petite,
Michael Singh

MANAGING COMPLAINTS IN THE DIOCESE OF ROCKHAMPTON

The Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton abides by the principles of the *National Catholic Safeguarding Standards* (2022), and is committed to Safeguarding Children and Adults at Risk.

For further information or support, or to voice a concern, please contact the *Diocesan*

Professional Standards and Safeguarding Office:

Response Line: 1800 830 113 (free call) or

Email: pssoadmin@rok.catholic.net.au

WEEKLY LITURGY SCHEDULE

OTHER THAN STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH

St Peter Chanel Tannum Sands

- ◆ 6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday of the month
- ◆ 8:00am Liturgy of the Word with Communion 2nd & 4th Sunday

St. Patrick's Calliope

- ◆ 6:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month

Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Mt. Larcom

- ◆ 11:00am Mass 1st Sunday of the month

St Peter Chanel Miriam Vale

- ◆ 11:00am Mass 2nd Sunday of the month

St Mary's Ubobo

- ◆ 11:00am Mass 3rd Sunday of the month

St Agnes, Agnes Water

- ◆ 12:00pm Mass 4th Sunday of the month
- ◆ Liturgy of the Word with Communion on the other Sundays at 12:00pm

RECONCILIATION

Star of the Sea

- ◆ 8:30am-9:20am Saturday

St Peter Chanel (Tannum Sands) & St Patrick's (Calliope)

- ◆ 5:15pm—5:45pm (*before Vigil Mass*)

BAPTISMS

Star of the Sea Church: 1st & 2nd Saturday 9:45am

Other Mass Communities ~ Available on request

Bookings are essential. Parents are to take part in a baptism preparation class held on the 4th Sunday of the month in the Parish Hall at 9:15am, 38 Herbert St Gladstone.

ROSARY

Star of the Sea Church

- ◆ Saturdays 9:30am

St Peter Chanel Church

- ◆ Each Wednesday 10:00am

Parish Centre Chapel

- ◆ 3rd Thursday of the month 9:45am

MEDITATION

Star of the Sea—Tuesday, Parish Chapel 12:30pm

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