

Our Lady Star of the Sea Parísh 38 Herbert Street Gladstone Qld 4680

Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe—26 November 2023

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Parish Priest Fr Andrew Chase

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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

4973 4700

St John Baptist (Gladstone) 4978 1799 Star of the Sea (Gladstone) 4972 1305 Chanel College (Gladstone)

LITURGIES THIS WEEK

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday 28 November: Star of the Sea—5:30pm Wednesday 29 November: Star of the Sea—7:00am Thursday 30 November: Chanel College—10:40am Friday 1 December: Star of the Sea—9:00am

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 2 December St Peter Chanel, Tannum—6pm

Sunday 3 December

Star of the Sea, Gladstone—8am & 6pm Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Mt Larcom—11am St Agnes, Agnes Water—12pm Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

Saturday 2 December Star of the Sea, Gladstone—8:30am to 9:20am St Peter Chanel, Tannum—5:15pm to 5:45pm

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Saturday 2 December Star of the Sea, Gladstone - 8:30am to 9:30am

Did you know...

About the Conclusion of the Mass?

When does Mass finish?

The General Instruction to the Roman Missal tells us of the importance of the final dismissal after the blessing given by the priest, in which the people are commissioned to go out and do good works in service of the Lord. If we leave directly after we have received Communion, without waiting for the Prayer after Communion and the blessing and dismissal, we are missing a significant part of what the Mass is about.

Receiving Holy Communion is an action we do *as a community of faith* – not just an individual action. So just as at a family meal you wouldn't usually leave the table while others are still eating, so too it's important to remain together until the whole family of faith has come to the table. Once we have all been fed at the Lord's Table, we join in prayer to ask God for the fruits of that Communion and ask for God's blessing together.

So unless there's something out of the ordinary that means you must leave early, stay until the Mass is actually finished!

ST VINCENT DE PAUL CHRISTMAS GIFT APPEAL

The St Vincent de Paul Christmas present appeal will once again be held in the Star of the Sea Church from October 29 to November 26. Parishioners are invited to take a tag from the display, purchase a gift and place it in the box to be located at the Herbert Street entrance of the church. Presents can also be left at the Vinnies shop or at the Parish Office.

Your presents are given to children who would otherwise not receive a Christmas gift. This simple gesture can make an extraordinary difference to young people and their families. Presents are required for children of any age but we are especially looking for gifts for girls and boys over 10 years of age. Movie passes, gift vouchers are generally appreciated if you can't think of what to buy, but please keep the value of gifts below \$40. Please do not wrap your gifts.

If you prefer to give a financial donation, envelopes will be provided.

Alternatively, a direct deposit can be made to :

BSB: 064786 Account: 100026914

Account name: Star of the Sea Conference Gladstone

Thank you for your generous support

COLUMBAN ART CALENDAR

The Columban Art Calendar is an iconic Catholic Calendar, well-known for its traditional religious paintings and liturgical information and is a major fundraiser for Columban Missionaries.

The calendar is available for \$10 from the parish office.

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.

Order now to receive in time for Christmas at www.globalgifts.org.au





STAR OF THE SEA CENTENARY



In November next year, Star of the Sea Church will be 100 years old. We need a team of people who can begin planning a suitable celebration for such a momentous event. If you would like to be part of

the planning committee, please contact the parish office. We need a variety of people with different skills: historical knowledge, event planning, promotional skills and creative ideas.

Please consider being a part of this team to plan for a great celebration.

THE SIGN" ADVENT & CHRISTMAS BOOK



The Sign is a pocket-sized book with daily reflections through Advent and Christmas and beautiful artwork. Deepen your understanding of the love and grace of these seasons with your own copy, available from the parish office or after Mass for \$5.

ADVENT GATHERING

There will be an Advent gathering at the northernmost picnic shelter on the Millenium Boulevard, Tannum Sands. We will meet Monday mornings, commencing at 11am. *Everyone is welcome*.

ADORATION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

In honour of Our Lady's Immaculate Conception, you are invited to attend Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at Star of the Sea Church at 12pm - 1pm on Friday 8^{th} December.



THE MELCHIZEDEK PROJECT

Do you desire to serve better God and His Church? Are you unsure where your life is heading?

The Melchizedek Project is an online group for single men to journey together in learning about the Catholic faith, exploring the idea of priesthood, and discerning the vocation that God is calling you to.

We meet through fortnightly online video calls, so no matter where you are based you're welcome to join with other men from around the diocese in tackling big questions about faith and life.

A new group is starting in January 2024 and if you're interested in being involved or want to find out more, get in touch with Mick Otto at

vocations@rok.catholic.net.au or 0433 897 973.

STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH NATIVITY PLAY



School-aged children are invited to join rehearsals for the nativity play to held during Star of the Sea Church's Christmas Eve 6pm Mass. Rehearsals will be after 8am Masses at Star of the Sea Church on Sundays 3rd, 10th & 17th December. Please email Hayley at adfaithsos@rok.catholic.net.au to

register or ask questions.

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.



SERVICE OF SOLIDARITY

with Gaza and the Holy Land

In a time of deep sorrow and anguish for us all, we look for hope and healing.

Let us come together in love, prayer and support. Let us acknowledge the reality that impacts us all as we share messages of hope.

The Australian Catholic Bishops have said:

'Peace can come only from justice. We call people of faith to pray with us for a lasting peace and the triumph of human dignity.'

Please join us:

Monday 27 November 4:30 to 5:00 pm AEDT

Everyone is welcome. Please register in advance for this webinar

https://caritas.zoom.us/webinar/register/WN_DWjzzzhRoGN8QOifg61Zg

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the webinar.

NEW LIFE CHARISMATIC

Praise and Worship Prayer meetings will resume in February 2024.

For more information contact Maryanne 0409 898 895

ADVENT DISCUSSION GROUP AND MEDITATION

The Sign—The Advent discussion group and Meditation will be held in the parish office each Tuesday at the following times.

Advent Group: 11:00am Meditation: 12:30pm Everyone is welcome

READINGS NEXT WEEKEND

1st Sunday of Advent • First Reading

Isaiah 2:1-5

Second Reading
St Paul to the Romans
13:11-14

◆ Gospel
Matthew 24:37-44

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 3 December 2023		
Readers:		
8:00am:	D. Travers, H. Vale	
6:00pm:	K. Bourke, D. Conley	
Co-Ordina	tor:	
8:00am:	A. Borbon	
6:00pm:	A. Rowe	
Minister o	f Holy Communion:	
8:00am:	Body: D. Jordan Choir: C. Siataga	
	Chalice: S. Smith, J. Villanueva	
6:00pm:	Body: E. Lee	
	Chalice: G. Melrose, J. Mullane	
Data Projector:		
8:00am:	R. Malig 6:00pm: R. Babijis	
Altar Servers:		
8:00am:	R. Malig, A. Selbin, S. Villanueva	
6:00pm:	N. Peiris, A. Thetford	

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For our recently deceased Sisters and Brothers

Susan Freeman, Raymond Austin, Anthony Fitzgerald Sr Patricia Heenan RSC

For others who have died

Fred and Audrey Ahern, Ken & Ursula Farlow, Dick Baynton, Andrew Hansen, Brian Travers

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 Philps, 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 Petitte Paul Sundstrom, Nev Reece, Joe Mullins

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 - Resumes 14th November

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

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