



# Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

38 Herbert Street Gladstone Qld 4680

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A — 1 February 2026

## PARISH OFFICE AND CONTACTS

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## PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday | CLOSED

Tuesday | 9am - 1pm

Wednesday | 9am - 12pm

Thursday | 9am - 4pm

Friday | 9am - 4pm

## PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest

Fr Andrew Chase

Assistant Priest

Fr Peter Doherty

Finance | Admin Officer

Emma May

Faith Co-Ordinator | Admin

Hayley Lanzon

## OUR PARISH INCLUDES THE COMMUNITIES OF:

Agnes Water

Calliope

Gladstone

Miriam Vale

Mount Larcom

Tannum Sands

Ubobo

## PARISH SCHOOLS

St Francis (Tannum Sands)

(07) 4973 3600

St John Baptist (Gladstone)

(07) 4978 1799

Star of the Sea (Gladstone)

(07) 4972 1305

Chanel College (Gladstone)

(07) 4973 4700

## LITURGIES THIS WEEK

### WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday 3 February: Star of the Sea | 5:30pm

Wednesday 4 February: Star of the Sea | 7:00am

Thursday 5 February: Chanel College | 10:40am

Friday 6 February: Star of the Sea | 9:00am

### SUNDAY MASSES:

**Saturday 7 February**

St Patrick's, Calliope | 5:00pm

**Sunday 8 February**

Star of the Sea, Gladstone | 8:00am and 6:00pm

St Peter Chanel, Tannum Sands | 8:00am *Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion*

St Peter Chanel, Miriam Vale | 11:00am

### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

**Saturday 7 February**

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

St Patrick's, Calliope | 4:15pm to 4:45pm

### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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## Did you know?

### ABOUT THE PARISH MEN'S GROUP

The Parish Men's Group meets formally once a month for prayer, spiritual direction, adoration, friendship and fellowship.

Last year, each formal gathering became a 'mini-retreat' as a variety of topics were explored in a guided spiritual direction session modelled on the Ignatian Examen.

Some of the topics included:

- ◇ Abandonment and Surrender to Divine Providence
- ◇ Hope and Purity of Heart
- ◇ Journey towards Holy Week
- ◇ Easter Joy in the Midst of Life
- ◇ Gifts and Fruits of the Holy Spirit
- ◇ Intimacy
- ◇ Death
- ◇ Joy: The Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary
- ◇ Expanding the Vocational Horizon

Drawing on the spiritual charism of the MenAlive ministry founded by Robert Falzon, these Men's Nights are designed to form a foundation for deeper connection, friendship and mission between the men of the parish.

Informal prayer and support groups meet more regularly, and are arranged by individual men.

All men, of all ages, working, retired, unemployed, married, widowed, single, fathers, husbands, sons, brothers are welcome to attend.

Contact the parish office with your mobile phone number if you would like to receive notifications about these monthly Men's Nights.

Fr Peter

## CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF SERVICE

Celebrating 20 years of Service - Ordination  
Anniversary of Fr Andrew Chase

Please join us as we celebrate the 20th  
anniversary of our Parish Priest.

Celebration Lunch | 11:00am - 1:00pm  
Parish Hall

◇ Please bring a plate to share ◇

To help us plan catering and seating,  
RSVPs are essential.

Please let the parish office know if you will  
be attending.

Phone | 07 4972 1025 or  
E-Mail | [sosgladstone@rok.catholic.net.au](mailto:sosgladstone@rok.catholic.net.au)

We look forward to celebrating this wonderful  
milestone together as a parish community.

## ST VINCENT DE PAUL NEW VOLUNTEERS

Our St Vincent de Paul Society Warehouses are  
always looking for Volunteers – but particularly  
over the Summer Holidays.

We have a lot of donations that come in that  
need to be sorted ready for selling in our  
Vinnies fundraising shops.

If you have time to spare during the New Year  
season – and the rest of January before School  
starts, we'd love to have you.

Just go to your local Vinnies store and  
enquire about volunteering.

If you have Children who would like to help  
out – we do ask that they are over the age of 15  
and have parental consent.

Over the age of 18 we ask for a police check.

There is also an induction process. For enquiries,  
please contact the Diocesan Office Ph 07 4924 8170.



## MERCY ASSOCIATES GATHERING

**Parishioners** are welcome to join  
the **Mercy Associates** on

Saturday 7 February at 9.30am in the Parish Hall for  
our first gathering for 2026.

Please join us for a 'cuppa' and 'animated'  
conversation on our **Mercy roles** towards each  
other and especially for our Parish, City and  
surrounding communities.

Always remember that *"the 'needy / poor' need help  
today, not next week."* [Catherine McAuley]

## SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP

Hello from our Diocesan Social Justice Group.  
Firstly a Date Claimer – we are again hosting a  
Diocesan Social Justice gathering – Saturday 28<sup>th</sup>  
March – 9-2. More information soon. Also – please  
know that if you have a passion for social justice and  
would like to join our group feel free to reach out via  
email [socialjutsice@rok.net.catholic.au](mailto:socialjutsice@rok.net.catholic.au).

We would warmly welcome new members  
from across the Diocese.

In coming months we also hope to regularly offer  
readers a thought provoking quote – to enrich  
your thinking about social justice issues. This is  
our first one for the year :

"...None of us can think that we are exempt of concern  
for the poor and for social justice spiritual  
conversion....The need to resolve structural causes  
of poverty cannot be delayed...Welfare projects which  
meet certain urgent needs should be considered  
merely temporary responses....The dignity of each  
human person and the pursuit of the common good  
ought to shape all...policies..."

(Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel. Par 202-203)



## MEN'S GATHERING



The first Parish Men's Night for 2026 is  
this Friday 6 February 2026 commencing  
5:30pm at Star of the Sea Catholic Church  
followed by a shared meal at  
6:30pm at the Parish Centre.

## CATHOLIC FOUNDATIONS MODULE 3: BEING SACRAMENTAL - REGISTER NOW!

Once again the diocese is delighted to offer the  
opportunity for formation to people across our  
diocese. This 9 week course is presented by  
Archdiocesan Ministries (Brisbane) and hosted  
online by Diocesan Pastoral Services  
([formation@rok.catholic.net.au](mailto:formation@rok.catholic.net.au))

Check out the brochure link below for more  
information! Do not miss this wonderful opportunity.

[https://rok.catholic.net.au/wp-  
content/uploads/2025/12/Being-Sacramental- Rocky-  
Brochure.pdf](https://rok.catholic.net.au/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/Being-Sacramental- Rocky-Brochure.pdf)

## Fan into Flame



~ Resources for growing your Faith ~

*Parish Library*

### **The Pivotal Players: 12 heroes who shaped the Church and changed the world**

by Bishop Robert Barron

Bishop Robert Barron is arguably the greatest Catholic communicator of our times. In *The Pivotal Players*, we meet the men and women whose lives animate Bishop Barron's words – and who can motivate each of us to live the adventure of our faith in new and unexpected ways.

(Arther C Brooks, PhD.)

Bookcase 3 | Bookshelf 4

*Online Video | 17 mins*

### **The Brothers of Jesus: Fresh Look at the Evidence** *by Catholic Productions*

Dr. Brant Pitre looks at both biblical evidence and the early Church fathers to ascertain whether or not the "brethren" of Jesus in the gospels are his biological brothers. He explains who these men were and the positions they held in the early Church.

Scan the QR  
Code to Listen



### **VOLUNTEERING IN OUR PARISH**

As we begin the New Year maybe there has been a change in your work, home or school commitments, and you find that you have some time in your day, week, or month and are looking for something to fill that time. We are always welcoming new volunteers to help out within our Parish. Safeguarding Training which is a requirement for all volunteers and any other induction processes will be provided.

If this is something you feel you could help with please reach out to the Parish Office.

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### **PALMS FOR ASHES**



If you have a blessed palm branch from last year's Palm Sunday Mass, please bring it to the parish office before Friday 13 February so that we can use them to make the ashes for Ash Wednesday.

### **CENACLE PRAYER GROUP GATHERING**

The Cenacle of the Marian Movement of Priests  
Prayer Meeting | Rosary, Prayers for the Popes  
Intentions, Priests, Act of Consecration to the  
Immaculate Heart of Mary.

◇ All Welcome | Every Wednesday 9am ◇

Margaret Swadling's Home | 35 Heritage Drive, Telina

If you have any enquiries please contact

Kim Swadling | 0412 626 619

### **NEW LIFE PRAYER COMMUNITY**

The next Prayer & Praise Meeting will  
be held on 9 February & 28 February at  
6:30pm in the Parish Hall | Herbert Street

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If you have any enquiries please contact

Maryanne Shaw | 0409 898 895

Kim Swadling | 0412 626 619



### **BIBLE STUDY AND MEDITATION**

Bible Study and Luncheon Meditation is held  
every Tuesday at the Parish Centre.

◇ We meet from 11:00am - 12:00pm on  
Tuesdays at the Parish Office ◇

◇ Meditation will also be held each week at  
12:30pm in the Parish Chapel ◇

We look forward to seeing you



### **READINGS NEXT WEEKEND**

**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time |  
Year A**

#### **First Reading**

◆ Isaiah 58: 7-10

#### **Second Reading**

◆ 1 Corinthians 2: 1-5

#### **Gospel**

◆ Matthew 5: 13-16

### **Readings for Mass today?**



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

**DIOCESAN MONTHLY NEWSLETTER To view:**  
[rok.catholic.net.au/news-events/bishops-newsletter](http://rok.catholic.net.au/news-events/bishops-newsletter)

## STAR OF THE SEA LITURGY ROSTER

8 February 2026

### Readers:

8:00am: D. Travers, S. Smith

6:00pm: N. Mhuka, A. Babijis

### Co-Ordinator:

8:00am: A. Platt

6:00pm: T. Staunton

### Minister of Holy Communion:

8:00am: **Body:** H. Vale, E Schumacher

**Blood:** A. Borbon, S. Nagy

6:00pm: **Body:** P. Staunton

**Blood:** L. Columbus, P. Grace

### Data Projector:

8:00am: H. Evangelista

6:00pm: R. Babijis

### Altar Servers:

8:00am: E. Fernandes

6:00pm G. Falejo, A. Columbus

**Church Cleaners:** E. Hughes, A. Goman, A. Borbon,  
L. Maravillas, V. Owbridge



## PRAYER INTENTIONS

### For our recently deceased Sisters and Brothers

Sid Fisher, Charles Pollard, Henry Kramer, Glenda Maunders,  
Kerry Callaghan, Siaosi Nicholas Manutai, Marie Campbell,  
Dimir Zussino, Gregory Roberts

### For others who have died

Gloria Longasa, Czez, Zenio, Piotr Halino, Tom Barry, James  
Wallace, Bernard Weber, Milton Blain, Stephen Blain, Frank  
Blain, Luis Nacario, Diane Janas, Filip Grbavac

### For those we love who are ill and frail

Tony Gibb, Eli Colin Vale, Ron O'Brien, Noon Family, John &  
Joy Massingham, Brian Booxson, Evie Trenamen, Patricia  
Lynch, Nicole Knox, Julian Watkins, Christopher Marra, Dolly  
O'Sing, Jacque Rive, Cedric Philips, John Walker, Dorothy  
Thompson, John Judge, Timothy Howard, Justin Nelson,  
Amanda Ward, Paul Van der List, Stacey Eccles, Rosemary  
Ross, Gizella Laurance, Gizella Andrews, Henry Seal, George  
Nagy, Salude Marshman, Sally Donovan, Henry Norman,  
Joanne Pond, Gerard Watts, Rosie Baravilala, Silvia Walker,  
Craig Jenkinson, Linda Benz, Dennis Swadling, Julieanne  
Jarram, Anita Tanna, Peter Vale, Robyn Cavellerie, Joe Mobbs,  
Tom Walker

## 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](mailto:pssoadmin@rok.catholic.net.au)

## WEEKLY LITURGY SCHEDULE OTHER THAN STAR OF THE SEA CHURCH

### St Peter Chanel, Tannum Sands

- ◆ 5:00pm 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

- ◆ 5:00pm Saturday Vigil Mass 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month

### Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Mount 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

- ◆ 11:00am Mass 4th Sunday of the month
- ◆ Liturgy of the Word with Communion on the 1st & 3rd Sundays at 11:00am

## RECONCILIATION

### Star of the Sea

- ◆ 8:30am - 9:20am Saturday

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

- ◆ 4:15pm - 4:45pm (*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 1st 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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parish by scanning  
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