



Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

38 Herbert Street Gladstone QLD 4680

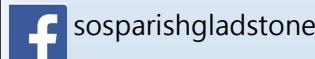
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A – 1 February 2026

PARISH OFFICE AND CONTACTS

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www.sosgladstone.org.au



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

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 are 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 28th 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 socialjustice@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)

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>

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.

(Arthur 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.

Ph | 07 4972 1025 or

Email | sosgladstone@rok.catholic.net.au

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

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 Bookson, Evie Trenamen, Patricia Lynch, Nicole Knox, Julian Watkins, Christopher Marra, Dolly O'Sing, Jacque Rive, Cedric Philps, 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

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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◊ Thank you for your support ◊