

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

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C - 16 February 2025

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon | 10:30am-4pm

Tues, Thurs, Fri | 9am-4pm

Wed | 9am-12pm

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest

Fr Andrew Chase

Assistant Priest

Fr Peter Doherty

Parish Secretary

Emma May

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 17 February: Gladstone Mission to Seafarers Chapel | 1:00pm

Tuesday 18 February: Star of the Sea | 5:30pm Wednesday 19 February: Star of the Sea | 7:00am Thursday 20 February: Chanel College | 10:40am Friday 21 February: Star of the Sea | 9:00am

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 22 February

St Patrick's, Calliope | 5:00pm

Sunday 23 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 Agnes, Agnes Water | 11:00am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

Saturday 22 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

Saturday 22 February

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

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

Did you know? 🖥

SENSES OF SCRIPTURE

Did you know that the Catechism of the Catholic Church helps us understand the richness of Sacred Scripture by distinguishing four senses of Scripture: the literal sense and three spiritual senses (CCC 115-117).

The **literal sense** is the foundation. It is what the author, inspired by the Holy Spirit, intended to communicate using the historical and cultural context of the time. This is not about reading Scripture in a simplistic way but rather understanding the reality behind the words.

Beyond the literal meaning, Scripture also has a **spiritual sense**, which is further divided into three dimensions:

- 1. The allegorical sense points us to Christ. Many Old Testament events foreshadow the life and mission of Jesus. For example, the crossing of the Red Sea prefigures our salvation through baptism.
- 2. *The moral sense* teaches us how to live rightly. Scripture guides us in making ethical choices, shaping our character, and following Christ more faithfully.
- 3. The anagogical sense directs our gaze toward eternity, reminding us that the ultimate goal of life is union with God in heaven; for example, the Church on Earth should be a sign of the Church in Heaven.

Reading Scripture with these senses in mind enriches our faith. The Bible is not just a historical document but a living word, drawing us deeper into God's mystery. As we read and pray with Scripture, let us ask the Holy Spirit to open our hearts to its full meaning, leading us to Christ and shaping our lives for His kingdom.

Fr Peter

Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish invites you to:

Ministry Networking Night

An informal evening to get to know our Parish and its people better.

on Friday, 28 Feb 5:30pm to 7:30pm Parish Hall

Come along to share the experience of your ministry, or to learn more about other ministries that serve our Parish.

Nibbles and drinks provided.

Please RSVP by 21 February to elise.ganley@gmail.com

PALMS FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

Please return your palms from Palm Sunday so that the tradition of making the ashes from these palms can continue.

You can either put them in the baskets at the church doors or drop them into the Parish Office.



SAVE THE DATE | SAFEGUARDING TRAINING 2025

Tuesday 1 April | 6pm - Parish Hall

Herbert Street Gladstone

Wednesday 2 April | 11am - St Peter Chanel Church

Tannum Sands

Wednesday 2 April | 5:30pm – Parish Hall

Herbert Street Gladstone

♦ Thank you for your generosity as a volunteer ♦



WORLD DAY OF PRAYER 2025

More than ever, our churches need to be working together and praying together.

Date & Time: Friday 7 March 2025 | 10am
Location: Star of the Sea Catholic Church
Contact: Sr Noreen | Annette Rowe - 0427 116 917

'I made you wonderful'



Do come along and spend some time praying with people of other Christian Churches for our world.

Fill a car and bring some friends.

Make it a social event as well as a prayerful event.

ALL WELCOME



MERCY ASSOCIATES GATHERING

All parishioners are welcome to join the Mercy Associates for their next gathering Saturday 1st March in the Parish

Hall at 9:30am. Our Guest Speaker will be Sr Noreen

Dunne smsm. Noreen will share with us the customs for

Lent and Easter that she experienced in Papua New

Guinea and Kiribati. She will explore how these

practices could influence our spiritual practices here in

our S.O.S. Parish community. We all know that Noreen
will 'throw us' a challenge or two to broaden our horizon
for Lent and Easter. Please join us for a cuppa before we
hear from Sr Noreen.

LENTEN BOOKS 2025

Lenten book "Start Anew in Christ" will be available to purchase next week. This resource is designed with both individuals and groups in mind, offering simple, easy to follow prompts for small group leaders to use each Sunday during Lent. Each weekday includes a short scripture text, a reflection upon it, as well as some thoughts to provoke prayer and discussion.



The book's insights will both inspire and challenge you this Lenten season. Books are **\$5 each** and can be purchased with cash or through the QR code. To purchase a copy, please see the Coordinator after Mass next week or visit the Parish Office.

JUBILEE OF FAMILIES DATE CLAIMER

Our diocese is hosting a Jubilee of Families this Labour day weekend from Saturday afternoon to Monday morning. This event will be an opportunity to connect with other families from throughout the diocese and to grow in faith and in living out our vocation as families.

The weekend will feature fun and games, talks, discussion, prayer and sacraments and will feature presentations from Brendan Malone and our diocesan NET team. The venue for the Jubilee is Discovery Parks Coolwaters, Yeppoon, and accommodation can be booked now by saying that you are with the Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton and quoting booking reference 11005357. The event will be focussed on families but absolutely everyone is welcome to attend. Event registration and further details to be provided soon.

What: Jubilee of Families

When: Saturday 3 May from 3pm until

Monday Morning 5 May

Where: Discovery Parks | Coolwaters , Yeppoon

For more information or any questions please contact Michael Otto

Email | Michael.otto@rok.catholic.net.au Phone | 0433 897 973

SIGNIFICANT WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES CELEBRATION FOR YEAR OF JUBILEE

Bishop Michael would like to extend an invitation to all married couples across the Diocese who are celebrating a significant wedding anniversary in 2025 to a Jubilee of Marriage celebration with him to mark the occasion.

It will be held during the 9.30am Mass at St Joseph's Cathedral, Rockhampton on

Sunday, 16th March 2025.

If you are able to join the celebration, please contact the Bishop's Office on Phone | 07 4887 3070 or Email | bishopsoffice@rok.catholic.net.au before Monday 10th March to advise of your attendance and anniversary details.

PARISHIONER INFORMATION FORMS

Are you new to the Parish?

We have Parishioner Information Forms you can fill out located at the Church Door at each centre where Mass is celebrated or inside the Parish Office. Please fill the form out for our records and return to the Parish Office located across from the Church.



NEW LIFE CHARISMATIC

Our Praise and Worship prayer meetings will resume in March 2025

If you have an enquiries regarding our group please contact Maryanne Shaw | 0409 898 895

BIBLE STUDY AND MEDITATION

Bible study and Luncheon Meditation will be held on 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

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time | Year C

First Reading

◆ 1 Samuel 26: 2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-23

Second Reading

◆ 1 Corinthians 15:45-49

Gospel

◆ Luke 6: 27-38

Readings for Mass today?



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DIOCESAN MONTHLY NEWSLETTER To view:

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

STAR OF THE SEA LITURGY ROSTER 23 February 2025

Readers:

8:00am: J. Barry, G. Guevarra 6:00pm: C. Manhertz, N.Mhuka

Co-Ordinator:

8:00am: M. Duncan 6:00pm: A. Rowe

Minister of Holy Communion:

8:00am: **Body:** L. Balisnomo, K. Richardson

Blood: H. Vale, L. Padget

6:00pm: **Body:** K. Bourke

Blood: S. Nagy, S. Meiring

Data Projector:

8:00am: H. Balisnomo 6:00pm: E. Nagy

Altar Servers:

8:00am: J. Erohubie, M. Erohubie, R. Erohubie

6:00pm G. Falejo, N. Peiris Church Cleaners: Star of the Sea School

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For our recently deceased Sisters and Brothers

Graeme Palmer, Diane Janas, Rae Fraser, Steve Laurance

For others who have died

Sarah Brown, Rhian Elshorg, James Wallace, Felisa Borbon, Juan Borbon, Maximo Borbon Sr, Edwin Diola, George Michael Singh, Filip Grbavac, Sarah Brown, Rhian Elsmore, Nancy Peagam, Nelly Wallace

For those we love who are ill and frail

Barbara Filer, 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, Vincent Bellet, Colin and Dolly O'Sing, Jacque Rive, Cedric Philps, John Walker, Dorothy Thompson, John Judge, Timothy Howard, Justin Nelson, Frank Blain, Amanda Ward, Stan Mobbs, Paul Van der List, Stacey Eccles, Rosemary Ross, Gizella Laurance, Gizella Andrews, Henry Seal, George Nagy, Salude Marshman, Matthew Mohorovic, Sally Donovan, Henry Norman, Joanne Pond, Gerard Watts, Rosie Baravilala, Glenda Romagnolo, Silvia Walker, Craig Jenkinson, Linda Benz, Valmai Macleod, Dennis Swadling, Julieanne Jarram, Anita Tanna, Peter Vale, Henry Kramer

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 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

- ♦ 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 ☺