



# Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

38 Herbert Street Gladstone Qld 4680

5th Sunday of Easter — 18 May 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

Mount 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 19 May: Gladstone Mission to Seafarers Chapel | 1:00pm

Tuesday 20 May: Star of the Sea | 5:30pm

Wednesday 21 May: Star of the Sea | 7:00am

Thursday 22 May: Chanel College | 10:40am

Friday 23 May: Star of the Sea | 9:00am

### SUNDAY MASSES

**Saturday 24 May**

St Patrick's, Calliope | 5:00pm

**Sunday 25 May**

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

St Agnes, Agnes Water | 11:00am

### SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

**Saturday 24 May**

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 COMMUNION BY INTINCTION?

Intinction is the practice of receiving Holy Communion by dipping the Host into the Chalice and consuming it. The Church has always said that it is **not permitted** for a person to do this him or herself. (*Redemption is Sacramentum*, 104). There are at least two reasons for this:

Firstly, there is a danger that some of the Precious Blood may be spilt or drip onto the floor. And secondly, the sign value of drinking from the common cup is lessened. "Drinking from the cup" has a rich Scriptural symbolism connected with undergoing suffering, a symbol Jesus himself used in reference to his passion and death. When we receive the Blood of Christ, we too are invited to share in his sacrifice, and 'drink his cup'.

In rare situations, intinction is allowed, but only when the priest or minister dips the Host into the Chalice and places it on the communicant's tongue. If you are receiving the Blood of Christ at Communion time, please do not attempt to intinct the Host, but take the chalice in your hands and take a small sip.

Fr Andrew

## RECEPTION INTO THE CATHOLIC CHURCH

*Congratulations to Hayden and Jason Anderson* who will be received into full communion with the Catholic Church this Sunday, including reception of the sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion.



We wish them every blessing in their life of faith and pray that the gifts of the Holy Spirit they receive will help them to live their faith to the full and draw them closer to Jesus.

## CONFIRMATION

This Sunday the children preparing for Confirmation will be presented to our community and given a copy of the Apostle's Creed. Bishop Michael will Confirm them at two liturgies this week:

**Friday 23 May & Saturday 24 May**

✧ Please keep them in your prayers ✧



## PALMS ONLINE SESSION

Use your knowledge to build self-reliance for those with little opportunity.

Join Palms online for a special session showcasing how skill-exchange makes a lasting impact in communities, from those who've done it before. Explore our unique opportunities and match your life experience to the experience of a lifetime!

**Venue:** Online | Scan the QR or register at [palms.org.au/events](https://palms.org.au/events)

**Date:** Thursday 22 May 2025

**Time:** 6 pm – 7 pm



## PARISH LIBRARY

This week's book |

***Carlo Acutis A Millennial In Paradise*  
by Fr Will Conquer**

Bookcase 6 Bookshelf 3 in Library

A Millennial in Paradise tells the inspiring true story of Carlo Acutis, a teenage student who balanced his love for technology with a deep commitment to his Catholic faith. Known for his computer skills and interest in video games, Carlo also created a website documenting Eucharistic miracles before passing away from leukaemia at age 15. This book highlights how he dealt with peer pressure, stayed true to his values, and used his talents to serve others. His life is a powerful reminder that young people today can make a real difference and live out their faith in everyday life.



## 2025 ENCOUNTER TOUR WITH PALMS

Palms International Volunteering formerly known as Palms Australia invites you to join an intimate group of just eight to twelve travellers for an extraordinary journey that goes far beyond typical tourism.

This isn't just a trip – it's an opportunity to understand how Australians can contribute to reducing global poverty while experiencing the genuine warmth and richness of Timorese and Samoan culture.

**Next Tour Dates ~**

**Timor Leste 8-19 July 2025 |**

**Samoa 27 Sept-4 Oct 2025**

Spaces are limited to ensure an intimate experience.

Reserve your place today by clicking on the link:

<https://palms.org.au/encounters/> or  
calling us at (02) 9560 5333.



## SUPPORT YOUR PROVINCIAL SEMINARY

There will be a second collection this weekend for The Holy Spirit Provincial Seminary.

Through your kind support, you ensure the future of our faith through ordained leadership.

Holy Spirit Provincial Seminary provides a home, resources, education and spiritual formation for future priests. Your tax-deductible gift helps ensure future priests to serve our parishes.

Make your gift online at  
[www.catholicfoundation.org.au/provincialseminary](https://www.catholicfoundation.org.au/provincialseminary) |  
scan the QR Code | use the envelopes  
provided on the chairs at Church or  
call 07 3324 3200.



## MINISTRIES ROSTER

We will be compiling the ministries roster for the months of **July - October 2025**.

If you are not available anytime during this period please contact the Parish Office to allow sufficient time for completion and checking.



If you wish to volunteer for a ministry please contact the Parish Office.

Ph | 07 4972 1025

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We appreciate the time that is dedicated to ensuring we can continue with all our ministries which enhance so many peoples lives.

REJOICE ALWAYS,  
PRAY CONTINUALLY,  
GIVE THANKS IN  
ALL CIRCUMSTANCES,  
FOR THIS IS GOD'S  
WILL FOR YOU  
IN CHRIST JESUS.

1 THESSALONIANS 5:16-18



### BEING CATHOLIC

Our faith transforms the way we live and love in this world. Being Catholic is not simply attending the Eucharist on a Sunday and saying the occasional prayer. They are but a part, a stepping stone, to realising that the love of God is the basis for all in our lives, and we strive to have that love guide the way we love and treat other people.



*How do we see the beauty and goodness?*

- ~ stop and reflect on the natural world God has created
- ~ consider how blessed you are in your life
- ~ take time to appreciate and thank your family and friends
- ~ think of three good things that happened today and give thanks for that
- ~ maintain a positive attitude – trials will pass smile

Being Catholic means that we believe in the goodness and beauty of this world. In spite of all the difficulties and challenges, the sins and failures that humanity faces, we believe that God's Spirit is working in and through creation to bring about the Kingdom of God.

### 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  
Monday 26 May | 9 June | 23 May  
at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall | Herbert Street

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◇ Everyone is Welcome to come and join us ◇  
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 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

**6th Sunday of Easter | Year C**

#### First Reading

- ◆ Acts 15: 1-2, 22-29

#### Second Reading

- ◆ Apocalypse 21: 10-14, 22-23

#### Gospel

- ◆ John 14: 23-29

### 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

25 May 2025

### Readers:

8:00am: D. Travers, A. Platt

6:00pm: K. Bourke, I. Liddell

### Co-Ordinator:

8:00am: H. Vale

6:00pm: K. Swadling

### Minister of Holy Communion:

8:00am: **Body:** M. Hodge, M. Shaw

**Blood:** A. Borbon, K. Singh

6:00pm: **Body:** E. Lee

**Blood:** S. Manhertz, L. O'Brien

### Data Projector:

8:00am: M. Reyes

6:00pm: O. Peiris

### Altar Servers:

8:00am: S. Villanueva, M. Bryant

6:00pm: N. Peiris

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



## PRAYER INTENTIONS

### For our recently deceased Sisters and Brothers

Frank McKeough, Michael Fraser

### For others who have died

Praxedes Manatad, Edwin Diola, Doug Anderson, Eugen Radas, Letitia Muir, Estrella Gaviola, Nondy & Lourdes Lozada, Lydia & Wilfred Octava, Flor Candelaria, Netor Carete, Paul Martinez, Nestor Cortez, Jesus Gaviola, Reynolds Lopez, Lolo Felix Lopez, Berting Panigbatan, Domeng Magadia, Yola Remedios, Cecil Wallace, Wendy Game, Joyce Bartlett

### 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 & Dolly O'Sing, Jacque Rive, Cedric Philps, John Walker, Dorothy Thompson, John Judge, Timothy Howard, Justin Nelson, 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, Robyn Cavellerie, Marianne O'Reilly

## 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 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 😊