



Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

38 Herbert Street Gladstone Qld 4680

The Presentation of the Lord – 2 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:

Tuesday 4 February: Star of the Sea | 5:30pm

Wednesday 5 February: Star of the Sea | 7:00am

Thursday 6 February: Chanel College | 10:40am

Friday 7 February: Star of the Sea | 9:00am

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 8 February

St Patrick's, Calliope | 5:00pm

Sunday 9 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 8 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 8 February

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

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

Did you know?

CANDLEMAS

Candlemas, celebrated on February 2nd, marks the presentation of Jesus in the Temple and the purification of the Blessed Virgin Mary, a significant event in the early life of Christ. This feast has its roots in Jewish tradition, where Mary and Joseph brought Jesus to the Temple to fulfill the law of Moses, offering a sacrifice in gratitude for the birth of their son. In the Gospel of Luke, we read about the prophet Simeon, who, upon seeing the infant Jesus, praises God, recognizing Him as the promised Savior. Simeon's words—"a light for revelation to the Gentiles"—give Candlemas its central theme: Christ as the Light of the World.

The tradition of Candlemas is deeply symbolic, inviting us to reflect on Christ's light dispelling darkness in our own lives. In many churches, candles are blessed during the Mass, reminding us of Christ's radiant presence and our call to carry that light into the world. These candles are often used throughout the year, especially for prayer and reflection, as a way of keeping that light close to us.

The candles themselves having meaning: the beeswax symbolises the pure flesh Christ received from his Virgin Mother, the wick symbolized his soul, and the flame his divinity.

As we celebrate this beautiful feast, let's take a moment to remember the ways in which Christ's light shines in our lives and how we are called to share that light with others.

Fr Peter

PALM SUNDAY

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.



DINNER INVITATION

A Dinner Invitation for the Widowed in our Parish. There are limited spots available, please RSVP to the Parish Office as soon as you can.

What: 3 course dinner - fish chowder and prawn entrée supplied & prepared by local fisherman

When: Wednesday 5th February 2025 | 6pm

Where: St Peter Chanel Church, Tannum Sands

RSVP: Parish Office | 4972 1025

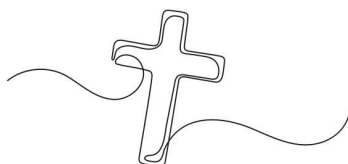
Please send all other queries to Josh | 0408 443 419



MEN'S GATHERING

Friday 7 February | 5:30pm at Star of the Sea Church followed by 6:15pm in the Parish Centre

Prayer, Fellowship and Faith
Includes Guided Spiritual Reflection



ROSTER AVAILABILITY

We are compiling the Ministries Roster for the months of March to June. If you are not available anytime during this period, please contact the Parish Office as soon as possible.

If you are interested in becoming a Minister, please contact the Parish Office.

Email | sosgladstone@rok.catholic.net.au

Phone | 07 4972 1025

SAVE THE DATE | SAFEGUARDING TRAINING 2025

Dates have been confirmed for our annual safeguarding training this year. The diocese has a new safeguarding manager, Graham White, who is continuing the great work done by Judy Pidcock who retired towards the end of last year.

All church staff and volunteers throughout Australia are now required to take part in this training regularly.

Please note the dates below in your calendar. The session is being offered at three different times, so you can choose the one that suits you best.

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 ◇



THE PRESENTATION OF THE LORD

Simeon blessed them and said to Mary his mother, "Behold, this child is destined for the fall and rise of many in Israel." - Lk 2:34a

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

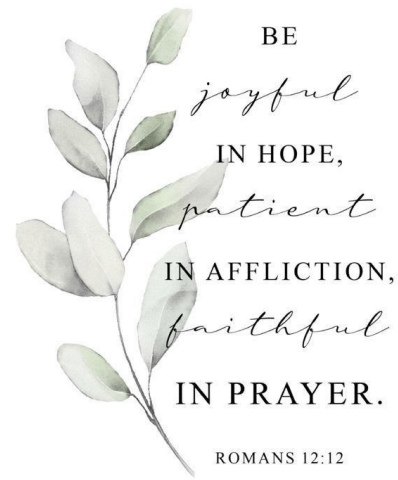
When: Saturday 3 May from 3pm until
Monday Morning 5 May

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



NEW LIFE CHARISMATIC

Our Praise and Worship prayer meetings will resume
in February 2025

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

BIBLE STUDY AND MEDITATION

Sr Noreen will commence Bible study and Luncheon
Meditation this Tuesday 4 February 2025 at the
Parish Office.

◇ 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



ITEMS FOR COLLECTION

The Parish Office still has some containers, chopping
boards, fry pans and cutlery from the Centenary
Morning Tea.

Please collect these items from the Office if they are
yours.



PARISH LIBRARY BOOKS



If any Parishioners have Parish Library Books on loan,
please return them to the parish centre as soon as
possible. The books are currently being catalogued.

Thank you for your cooperation!

READINGS NEXT WEEKEND

Fifth Sunday in
Ordinary Time |
Year C

First Reading

◆ Isaiah 6: 1-8

Second Reading

◆ 1 Corinthians 15: 1-11

Gospel

◆ Luke 5: 1-11

Readings for Mass today?



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DIOCESAN MONTHLY NEWSLETTER To view:
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**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
9 February 2025

Readers:

8:00am: J. Barry, D. Travers
6:00pm: K. Swadling, J. Pepito

Co-Ordinator:

8:00am: H. Vale
6:00pm: T. Staunton

Minister of Holy Communion:

8:00am: **Body:** D. Jordan, J. Graham
Blood: A. Borbon, E. Schumacher
6:00pm: **Body:** L. O'Brien
Blood: A. Babijis, K. Bourke

Data Projector:

8:00am: M. Reyes
6:00pm: R. Babijis

Altar Servers:

8:00am: M. Bryant, A. Columbus
6:00pm S. Olive, C. Olive

Church Cleaners: P. Todd, J. Cannon, L. Keating



PRAYER INTENTIONS

For our recently deceased Sisters and Brothers

Brett Rideout, 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

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 Philips, 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

You can manage your own financial contribution to the parish by scanning this code with your smart phone.



Thank you for your support 😊