



Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

38 Herbert Street Gladstone Qld 4680

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time Year B — 21 January 2024

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday: 10:30am—4pm

Tues, Thurs: Fri: 9am—4pm

Wed: 1pm—4pm

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest

Fr Andrew Chase

Assistant Priest

Fr Ashwin Acharya

Parish Secretary

Maree Roobottom

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 23 January: Star of the Sea—5:30pm

Wednesday 24 January: Star of the Sea—7:00am

Thursday 25 January Star of the Sea—7:00am

Friday 26 January: Star of the Sea—9:00am **Australia Day Mass**

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 27 January

St Patrick's, Calliope—5pm

Sunday 28 January

Star of the Sea, Gladstone—8am

St Peter Chanel, Tannum—8am *Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion*

St Agnes, Agnes Water—11am **Please note change of time**

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

Saturday 27 January

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 27 January

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

St Patrick's church, Calliope—4:15pm—4:45pm

In Australia as it is in Heaven

Over time, Australia Day seems to have taken on more meaning than perhaps it originally had, with both joyous and challenging implications. Perhaps it is best to ask, "What *is* the Australia I celebrate?" What would it mean for Australia to become all that it could be? We often boast being a richly diverse and inclusive country. We Australians consider ourselves welcoming, eager to lend a hand, happily sharing in not only each other's' joys but their sorrows also, and always relishing the simple things like *cricket by the BBQ* and *picnics and games on the beach*. Alongside this, it's humbling to look back and recollect how we came to call this Great South Land home. We enjoy freedom and peace here. And yet, there is always room for deeper conversion, lest the stories we tell ourselves drift *further and further* from the realities many of us actually experience. Proud as we are of Australia, it is not quite "as it is in heaven." There is injustice, poverty, racism, domestic violence, substance abuse, neglect... there is everything that ought to make us cringe and say, "That's not the Australia I live for." The fact is, these problems will not solve themselves. If Australia Day means anything to us, our mission must intersect with these harsh realities, for the love of God and neighbour and self. Where is God calling you for sake of Australia?

- Fr Ashwin

With praise and thanksgiving to God

Most Reverend Michael McCarthy

Bishop of Rockhampton



*invites the people of the Diocese of
Rockhampton to the
Presbyteral Ordination of*

Rev Peter Duncan Doherty

10.00am, Thursday 22nd February 2024

St Joseph's Cathedral

For those unable to join in person, the event can be
watched online at:

<https://www.youtube.com/user/StJosephsCathRton>

MASS DISCUSSION GUIDE

A 1-page weekly Mass Discussion Guide for families will be available each week at the main door of the church. If you have school-aged children, please take one home after Mass to help you talk with your children about the faith and prepare them to engage in the following week's Mass.

Please make use of this resource generally donated to us by a parishioner to help your family grow closer to Christ.

PALMS

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.



FEAST OF ST AGNES



St Agnes is widely known as the patron saint of young girls her feast day is celebrated on January 21st. She is shown as a young girl in robes holding a palm branch with the lamb either at her feet or in her arms.

Mass will be celebrated at St Agnes church, Agnes Water on Sunday 28th January at 11am. Please keep this day free to help Agnes Water community celebrate this special day in honour of their Patron Saint. Mass will be followed by a shared lunch.

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.

We are looking for people to volunteer as Children's Liturgy Ministers for the 8am Mass also Co-ordinators and Data Projector Operators for the 8am and 6pm Masses.

Please consider volunteering in these important ministries



All parishioners are welcome to join the Mercy Associates for their first gathering for 2024, in the Parish Hall at 9.30am on Saturday 3rd February.

The Guest Speaker will be our Parish Priest, Fr Andrew He will share on **"A Happy Death - and what that means in a Catholic perspective"**.

We will commence with a cuppa, followed by a short meeting and then welcome Fr. Andrew for what I am sure will be a comforting and affirming sharing.

Looking forward to welcoming you to another fruitful year with our Associates.

STAR OF THE SEA CENTENARY



In November next year, Star of the Sea Church will be 100 years old. We need a team of people who can begin planning a suitable celebration for such a momentous event. If you would like to be part of the planning committee, please contact

the parish office. We need a variety of people with different skills: historical knowledge, event planning, promotional skills and creative ideas.

AUSTRALIA DAY MASSES

Mass will be celebrated in Star of the Sea church at 9am on Friday 26 January.

Mass will also be celebrated at St Peter Chanel church, Tannum Sands at 8am followed by a bring your own BBQ breakfast. Tea and coffee provided.

All parishioners are welcome.

POSITION VACANT

Our parish is seeking to employ a
Parish Administration Officer
and is calling for applications.

The role is part-time (20 hours a week) and provides assistance to the Parish Priest in the administrative tasks of the parish.

Principal duties include:

- Providing general secretarial/administrative assistance to the Parish Priest
- Produce the weekly parish bulletin
- Maintain administrative documentation and filing systems
- Print liturgical texts and other requirements for liturgies
- Maintain rosters for Sunday Mass
- Monitor and order stock for office & church
- Maintain copyright log for hymns each week
- Maintain parish sacrament registers
- Prepare paperwork and make appointments for baptisms, marriages, and funerals
- Other general reception duties as required.

The position involves sharing of some duties with another staff member. The position would be suitable for someone who can provide a warm and welcoming presence to parishioners and others who attend the parish office, is proficient with Microsoft Office software, and is well-organised and attentive to detail.

A familiarity with the elements of parish life and practice will be a significant advantage.

The successful applicant will be provided with in-house training and a hand-over period during which s/he will work with existing staff.

A copy of the full position description and instructions for applying can be obtained by contacting the parish office (sosgladstone@rok.catholic.net.au or 49721025).

FUNERAL THIS WEEK

Patricia Field — 10am Tuesday 23 January,
Star of the Sea Church

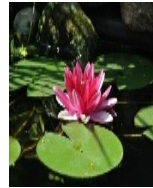


TIDE YOUNG ADULTS FELLOWSHIP

TIDE fosters community and spiritual growth among 18-35 year old young adults in the Star of the Sea Parish. The Group meets once per fortnight. We invite and encourage young adults of the parish to come along to our gatherings for fellowship and to grow in your faith journey along with us.

Contacts: Fr Ashwin 0432 151 437
Salina 0402 492 475

NEW LIFE CHARISMATIC



Praise and Worship Prayer meetings will resume on **Thursday 8 February 2024.**

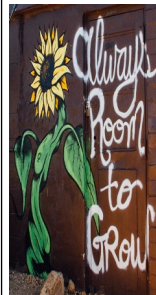
Where: Parish hall

Time: 7pm

All Welcome

For more information contact Maryanne 0409 898 895

BIBLE STUDY AND MEDITATION



Sister Noreen will commence Bible study and Luncheon Meditation for 2024 on Tuesday 30 January at the parish office.

Bible Study: 11:00am

Meditation: 12:30pm

St. Francis of Assisi

"Where there is rest and meditation, there is neither anxiety nor restlessness."

READINGS NEXT WEEKEND

4th Sunday of Ordinary

Time Year B

◆ **First Reading**

Deuteronomy

18:15-20

◆ **Second Reading**

1 Corinthians 7:32-35

◆ **Gospel**

Mark 1:21-28

Readings for Mass today?



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

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 28 January 2024

Readers:

8:00am: L. Padget, D. Travers

6:00pm: E. Babijis, D. Conley

Co-Ordinator:

8:00am: A. Borbon

6:00pm: A. Rowe

Minister of Holy Communion:

8:00am: **Body:** H. Vale **Choir:** C. Siataga

Chalice: E. & S. Nagy

6:00pm: **Body:** I. Liddell

Chalice: E. Lee, S. Manhertz

Data Projector:

8:00am: H. Evangelista 6:00pm: R. Babijis

Altar Servers:

8:00am: M. Tickner, M. & J. Erohubie

6:00pm: S. Jinto, G. Falejo



PRAYER INTENTIONS

For our recently deceased Sisters and Brothers

Nev Reece, Joe Mullins, Patricia Field

For others who have died

Colin Gray, Mervyn Goyen, Felisa Borbon, Juan Borbon, Maximo Borbon sr, Edwin Diola, Catherine Ishikawa, Nelly Clementina Wallace

For those we love who are ill and frail

Lincoln Rose, Barbara Filer, Tony Gibb, Eli Colin Vale, Ben Rose, Ron O'Brien, Noon Family, John & Joy Massingham, Brian Booxson, Evie Trenamen, Benjamin Gibson, Carlene Oates, Patricia Lynch, Nicole Knox, Dorothy Maudsley, Remy Scholl, Julian Watkins, Christopher Marra, Vincent Bellet, Colin and Dolly O'Sing, Jacque Rive, Cedric Philps, Dorothy Thompson, John Walker, John Judge, Timothy Howard, Justin Nelson, Frank Blain, Amanda Ward, Stan Mobbs, Paul Van der List, Stacey Eccles, Rosemary Ross, Nancy Peagam, Pat Field, Lewis Tickner, Gizella Laurance, Gizella Andrews, Henry Seal, Steve Laurance, George Nagy, Ron and Marsed Field, Salude Marshman, Matthew Mohorovic, Sally Donovan, Dithma Petite, Michael Singh, Henry Norman, Mike King, Joanne Pond

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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