



Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

38 Herbert Street Gladstone Qld 4680

3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year C – 26 January 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 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 28 January: Star of the Sea | 5:30pm

Wednesday 29 January: Star of the Sea | 7:00am

Thursday 30 January: Chanel College | 10:40am

Friday 31 January: Star of the Sea | 9:00am

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 1 February

St Peter Chanel, Tannum Sands | 5:00pm

Sunday 2 February

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

Our Lady of Mt Carmel, Mount Larcom | 11:00am

St Agnes, Agnes Water | 11:00am *Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion*

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

Saturday 1 February

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

St Peter Chanel, Tannum Sands | 4:15pm to 4:45pm

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

Saturday 1 February

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

ABOUT ANGELS?

The concept of angels seems to be a popular one these days, even among people who do not claim to be Christian. Unfortunately, most of the popular obsession with angels is anything but Christian. They tend to portray angels either as cute and cuddly wish-granters or as mysterious forces that help channel one's own 'inner power', and usually make no reference to God. Neither of these images is true to what the Scriptures tell us about angels.

In the bible, angels are messengers and servants of God. They are pure spirits with no physical bodies whose role is to carry out the will of God and speak messages from God in special circumstances. They are in heaven, continually contemplating the face of God. Angels are far from being cute, innocuous and meek; the Scriptures frequently show them as being strong, powerful, even fierce. They are not there to grant wishes like a magic genie – their sole purpose is to obey and carry out the will of God, and they assist and protect us in our efforts to carry out God's will too.

The angels (together with the saints) are joined with us most powerfully in the Mass, where they too acclaim and worship God as they gather with us around the altar to worship the God who becomes present in the Eucharist.

Fr Andrew

MERCY ASSOCIATES

MEETING

All Parishioners are welcome to join the **Mercy Associates** on **Saturday 1st February** in the **Parish Hall** at **9:30am**. Our Guest Speaker will be **Naomi Pettett** - wife to Shaun Pettett, works for the St Vincent de Paul Society, and is the volunteer RCIA Co-ordinator for Rockhampton. Her topic will be **"Our journey of Rest and Retreat: the value of rest with each other and the Lord"**. Naomi and her husband went on a journey to Ireland (and a few other places) in 2024 for 10 weeks to explore and take the opportunity to be with each other, rest, retreat, refresh, relax and renew.

We will commence with a cuppa and would welcome your presence with us to commence another eventful year of inspirational speakers and sharings.

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 5 February 2025 at 6pm

Where: St Peter Chanel Church, Tannum Sands

RSVP: Parish Office | 4972 1025

Please send all other queries to Josh | 0408 443 419



BLESSING OF CANDLES



Next Sunday – 2nd February is the Feast of the Presentation of the Lord. By ancient tradition, on this day at the beginning of Mass we bless the candles we will use in our liturgies, as we recall Simeon's prophecy about Jesus when he was presented in the temple: "the light of revelation to all the nations". If you have a candle that use for prayer at home, you are welcome to bring it with you to Mass to have it blessed as well.

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!

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.

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.



THURSDAY MASS

Please note Mass on Thursdays will go back to Chanel College at 10:40am

READINGS NEXT

WEEKEND

The Presentation of the Lord

First Reading

◆ Malachi 3: 1-4

Second Reading

◆ Hebrews 2: 14-18

Gospel

◆ Luke 2: 22-40

Readings for Mass today?



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STAR OF THE SEA LITURGY ROSTER

2 February 2025

Readers:

8:00am: E. Schumacher, N. Mhuka

6:00pm: A. Babijis, *REQUIRED*

Co-Ordinator:

8:00am: A. Borbon

6:00pm: A. Rowe

Minister of Holy Communion:

8:00am: **Body:** H. Vale, R. Mathew

Blood: L. Padget, L. Balisnomo

6:00pm: **Body:** S. Nagy

Blood: E. Nagy, L. O'Brien

Data Projector:

8:00am: A. Guevarra

6:00pm: A. Fairweather

Altar Servers:

8:00am: S. Villanueva

6:00pm: G. Falejo, A. Columbus

Church Cleaners:

C. Aranda, L. Germosen

