



Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

38 Herbert Street Gladstone Qld 4680

2nd Sunday of Easter – 27 April 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 28 April: St Peter Chanel, Tannum Sands | 1:30pm *St Peter Chanel Feast Day*

Monday 28 April: Star of the Sea | 5:30pm *Memorial Mass for Pope Francis*

Tuesday 29 April: Star of the Sea | 5:30pm

Wednesday 30 April: Star of the Sea | 7:00am

Thursday 1 May: Chanel College | 10:40am

Friday 2 May: Star of the Sea | 9:00am

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 3 May

St Peter Chanel, Tannum Sands | 5:00pm

Sunday 4 May

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

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

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

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

Saturday 3 May

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 3 May

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

Did you know?

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN A POPE DIES

When a pope passes away, the Vatican follows an ancient but carefully organized procedure. First, the **Camerlengo** (a senior Vatican official) confirms the pope's death. While in the past this meant calling the pope's name three times, today doctors handle the official verification. One of the most symbolic acts that follows is the destruction of the **papal signet ring**—the ultimate sign of papal authority—to prevent any misuse.

Once confirmed, the world is informed. Flags are lowered, church bells ring out, and Catholics everywhere enter a time of prayer and mourning.

A nine-day mourning period called the **Novendiales** then begins. During this time:

- The pope's body is dressed in papal vestments.
- The body is placed in **St. Peter's Basilica** for public viewing, allowing pilgrims and world leaders to pay their respects.

Special Masses and prayers are offered across the Church.

Funerals are usually held **four to six days** after the pope's death, typically in **St. Peter's Square** with thousands gathered. The dean of the College of Cardinals leads the ceremony. Most recent popes have been laid to rest in the **Vatican Grottoes**, but Pope Francis has expressed a wish to be buried in Basilica of St. Mary Major in Rome, where other popes have also been buried.

Traditionally, popes were buried in **three coffins** (cypress, zinc, and elm), but recent popes, including Francis, have chosen simpler options. A **rogito**—a document summarizing the pope's life—is placed inside the coffin.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis.

Fr Peter

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY

Sunday 27 April is Divine Mercy Sunday.

This feast day was instituted by Pope St John Paul II, to draw attention to the infinite merciful love of God shown to us in Jesus.

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament with the Divine Mercy prayers will be held from 3pm to 4pm at Star of the Sea Church ending with Benediction. You are welcome to come for the whole hour or even just for part of the time.



PARISH LIBRARY

This week's book | ***Faustina Apostle of Divine Mercy by Catherine M. Odell and Sister Faustina Kowalska - Her Life and Mission by Maria Tarnawska***
Bookcase 2 Bookshelf 1 in Library

During the dark and turbulent years preceding WWII, an unknown and largely unschooled Polish Nun received an amazing revelation of the boundless mercy of God. Despite great opposition, this frail sister never failed to keep her eye on God and her heart attuned to His message for all humanity.



ADDITIONAL MASSES THIS WEEK

There will be two extra Masses this week on **Monday 28 April**

- ◇ *St Peter Chanel Feast Day*
St Peter Chanel, Tannum Sands | 1:30pm
- ◇ *Memorial Mass for Pope Francis*
Star of the Sea, Gladstone | 5:30pm



MERCY ASSOCIATES GATHERING



All parishioners are welcome to join the **Mercy Associates | Saturday 3 May 2025 at 9:30am** in the **Parish Hall**.

We will continue to reflect on the **"*Corporal Works of Mercy*"** while sharing on how we are presently fulfilling these Mercy Ministry Works here in Gladstone. We will be led by Michele Chapman - Mercy Associate.

We hope you will join us as we discuss **Catherine McAuley's** call to make these **"*Works of Mercy*"** the **'daily business of our lives'**.

REST IN PEACE POPE FRANCIS



O God, faithful rewarder of souls,
grant that your departed servant Pope Francis,
whom you made successor of Peter and shepherd of
your Church,
may happily enjoy for ever in your presence in heaven
the mysteries of your grace and compassion,
which he faithfully ministered on earth.
Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the
Holy Spirit, one God, for ever and ever.



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Hearts on Fire

Presented by Beth Davies & Carrie McCormack

A full day retreat for women, to help us deepen our experience of the Holy Spirit and its charisms, and our understanding of the charismatic mission of the Church. Hosted by WOW.

SATURDAY, 17TH MAY 2025
8.30AM - 4PM, WITH CONFESSION AND MASS
TO FOLLOW
ST PETER CHANEL CHURCH
TANNUM SANDS
TICKETS \$30, INCLUDES LUNCH

Register with Hayley Lanson at
hayley.lanson@hotmail.com by 12th May

BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS | EXHIBITION & RECEPTION

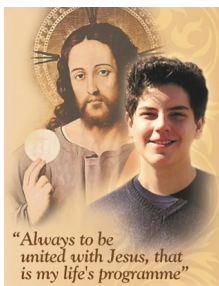
An Exhibition showcasing the life of Blessed Carlo Acutis will be hosted by our parish on Thursday 15 May 2025 along with a Liturgical Reception of a relic at 5:30pm.

Time: 9am - 9pm

Location: Parish Hall | 38 Herbert St

There will be a Liturgical Reception at Star of the Sea Church at 5:30pm

This is wonderful opportunity to learn more about the life of Blessed Carlo Acutis



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 12 May 2025 | 6:30pm in the Parish Hall | Herbert Street Gladstone.



◇ 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

NEW PARISH COMMUNICATIONS VOLUNTEER



Following feedback from our recent Ministry Networking Night, Fr Andrew, with support from the Parish Pastoral Council, has invited Carmen Siataga to take on a new volunteer role to help with parish communications.

Many of you will know Carmen from the 8am Sunday Mass, where she usually comes along with her husband and children. In this new role, she'll be helping to gather and share news about what's happening across the parish — prayer groups, liturgies, social gatherings, and everything in between. She'll also be helping to look after the parish Facebook page and collating news for the monthly diocesan e-newsletter.

If you've got a story, a photo, or news to share — big or small — Carmen would love to hear from you. You can reach her at carmensiataga@gmail.com. She's also hoping to visit the different Mass centres over the next little while to get to know more people.

Thanks for giving Carmen your support as she helps keep us all connected.



NEW TV SCREEN – THANK YOU!

A big thank you to Nick, Patrick and Nick who have donated and installed a replacement TV screen for Star of the Sea Church after the original one was damaged.

Your generosity is much appreciated!



FUNERALS THIS WEEK

Frank McKeough | Friday 2 May 2025 | 11:00am | Star of the Sea Church

BIBLE STUDY AND MEDITATION

Sr Noreen will commence Bible Study and Meditation on Tuesday 29 April 2025 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

3rd Sunday of Easter | Year C

First Reading

◆ Acts 5: 27-32, 40-41

Second Reading

◆ Apocalypse 5: 11-14

Gospel

◆ John 21: 1-19

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

STAR OF THE SEA LITURGY ROSTER

4 May 2025

Readers:

8:00am: S. Druitt, N. Hamilton

6:00pm: K. Bourke, G. Melrose

Co-Ordinator:

8:00am: M. Duncan

6:00pm: K. Swadling

Minister of Holy Communion:

8:00am: **Body:** D. Jordan, E. Hughes

Blood: K. Richardson, S. Smith

6:00pm: **Body:** A. Babijis

Blood: M. Reyes, L. O'Brien

Data Projector:

8:00am: B. Malig

6:00pm: R. Babijis

Altar Servers:

8:00am: R. Malig, M. Bryant

6:00pm S. Olive, C. Olive

Church Cleaners: C. Arande, L. Germosen



PRAYER INTENTIONS

For our recently deceased Sisters and Brothers

Frank Blain, Paul Thompson, Christine Butson, Grant Dobbin, Frank McKeough, Michael Fraser

For others who have died

Norma Tanna, John T O'Hagan, Mary O'Hare, Juan Borbon, Felisa Borbon, Maximo Borbon Sr, Praxedes Manatad, Edwin Diola, Doug Anderson, Eugen Radas

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

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 😊