



Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

38 Herbert Street Gladstone Qld 4680

Palm Sunday of the Passion of the Lord Year A – 29 March 2026

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday | CLOSED

Tuesday | 9am - 1pm

Wednesday | 9am - 12pm

Thursday | 9am - 4pm

Friday | 9am - 4pm

PARISH TEAM

Parish Priest

Fr Andrew Chase

Assistant Priest

Fr Peter Doherty

Finance | Admin Officer

Emma May

Faith Co-Ordinator | Admin

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)

(07) 4973 3600

St John Baptist (Gladstone)

(07) 4978 1799

Star of the Sea (Gladstone)

(07) 4972 1305

Chanel College (Gladstone)

(07) 4973 4700

LITURGIES THIS WEEK

WEEKDAY MASSES:

Tuesday 31 March: Star of the Sea | 5:30pm

Wednesday 1 April: Star of the Sea | 7:00am

THE SACRED PASCHAL TRIDUUM | Star of the Sea Church:

Thursday 2 April: Mass of the Lord's Supper | 6:30pm

Friday 3 April: Service of the Lord's Passion | 3:00pm

Saturday 4 April: Easter Vigil | 6:30pm

EASTER SUNDAY MASSES | 5 April:

Star of the Sea, Gladstone | 8:00am

St Peter Chanel, Tannum Sands | 8:00am

St Patrick's, Calliope | 10:00am

St Agnes, Agnes Water | 11:00am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

No Adoration or Benediction

Saturday 4 April

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

Did you know?

ABOUT ALPHA YOUTH

Our parish is hosting a program that invites young people not only to learn about the Catholic faith, but to consider the deeper questions at the heart of human life. It is called Alpha Youth (Catholic edition).

Alpha Youth is a series of gatherings for teenagers, typically held over several weeks. Each session includes a shared meal, a short presentation, and time for discussion. The themes are simple, yet profound: *Who is Jesus? Why is there something rather than nothing? What does it mean to believe? Why is there suffering?* These questions are not treated as abstract ideas, but as realities that touch every human life.

In its Catholic form, Alpha Youth remains grounded in the teaching of the Church, presenting the Gospel as both true and transformative. It introduces young people to Sacred Scripture, prayer, and the person of Jesus Christ—not merely as concepts to be understood, but as a living encounter to be received. At its heart, Alpha Youth recognises that every person seeks truth, goodness, and meaning. It provides a space where this search can be taken seriously, where questions are welcomed, and where faith is proposed as a reasonable and life-giving response.

Hosted by our Diocesan NET team, let us pray that Alpha Youth can serve as a beginning and a renewing for our young people: a step toward a deeper participation in the life of the Church and her Sacraments.

Fr Peter

“Lord of Peace, on this Palm Sunday, as we remember Jesus’ peaceful entry, we pray for peace in our hearts, homes, and world. Inspire us to carry forward the message of justice and peace that Jesus brought to Jerusalem. Empower us to be instruments of Your peace, advocating for the marginalized and working towards justice for all of Your creation. Hosanna in the Highest!”

PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

Thank you to all who nominated parishioners for our Pastoral Council. I am happy to announce the membership of our council for the next two years:

Continuing members:

New members:

Maria Cabral-Fernandes
Jinto Johny
Jennett Mullane
Kim Swadling

Ivonne Barkley
Alex Kunau
Suzanne Manhertz
Kevin Peagam

A big thank-you also to Margaret Black, Elise Ganley and Edward Lee, who have now finished their term and are retiring from the council .

Sacred Paschal Triduum

Mass of the Lord’s Supper—Thursday 2 April 2026

6:30pm | Star of the Sea Church

Service of the Lord’s Passion—Friday 3 April 2026

3:00pm | Star of the Sea Church

The Easter Vigil—Saturday 4 April 2026

6:30pm | Star of the Sea Church

**Good Friday
Stations of the Cross**

Friday 3 April 2026

10:00am	Star of the Sea Gladstone
10:00am	St Peter Chanel Tannum Sands
10:00am	St Patrick’s Calliope
10:30am	Our Lady of Mt Carmel Mt Larcom

Easter Sunday Masses

Sunday 5 April 2026

8:00am	Star of the Sea Gladstone
8:00am	St Peter Chanel Tannum Sands
10:00am	St Patrick’s Calliope
11:00am	St Agnes Agnes Water

LITURGY | SECOND RITE OF RECONCILIATION

A liturgy for the Second Rite of Reconciliation will be held **Monday 30 March 2026 at 5:30pm** at Star of the Sea Church to assist us in our preparation for the resurrection of Christ. There will be three priests available.

LENTEN GROUPS

SOS Parish Centre | Every Tuesday during Lent beginning on the **17 February** | 11:00am - 12:00pm
Tannum Sands - Northern Picnic Shelter - Millenium Esplanade | Every Monday during Lent beginning on the **16 February** | 11:00am - 12:00pm

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM |
ENROLMENTS OPEN**

Enrolments for the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion will open on **Monday 30 March**.

Enrolment is available to children who are baptised Catholic and have already received the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Please contact the parish office if you have questions or would like an Information Letter and Enrolment Form.

BE A PART OF CHRISTIAN HISTORY IN GLADSTONE

For more than 25 years the Christian Churches of Gladstone have met together to pray for the people of our city and our region.

This event is held on the night of each Good Friday from 6:00pm to 6:00am. This year it will be held at the Pavilion Auckland Hill.

Each Christian Church takes a turn in praying for 1 hour for the needs of our region.

This year our Catholic church community will be praying from **9pm – 10pm** for the special intention of families, marriages, affordable and available housing, people struggling with cost of living pressures.

Come along and join us as the Catholic Community praying its part in storming heaven for the needs of our community. No further invitation required.

Just turn up with an open heart and share the praying experience.

ROMANS 12:12
BE JOYFUL IN HOPE,
PATIENT IN AFFLICTION,
faithful in prayer

◇ ALL WELCOME ◇

PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE

PLEASE NOTE: The Parish Office will be closed on Good Friday 3 April , Easter Monday 6 April, Thursday 9 April.

Fan into Flame



~ Resources for growing your Faith ~

Parish Library

Mel Gibson's 'The Passion of the Christ' starring Jim Caviezel as Jesus

Mel Gibson, as director, has depicted the last 12 hours of Jesus' life as accurately as he could. The language spoken is a mixture of Aramaic, Latin and Hebrew. The cinematography is stunning and the brutality of Roman punishment is realistic so this film is for a mature audience. It cannot but impact anyone that watches it as it impacted all those who were involved in the production of this film.

~ DVD Section ~

Online Video | 13 mins

"New Testament: Sacrifice or Execution" from the St Paul Center

Dr Scott Hahn answers the question "Where do we find the sacrifice of the Mass in the New Testament?" He explains how the Last Supper sheds light on the execution of Christ on the cross as a sacrifice.

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EASTER TRIDUUM

The Easter Triduum begins this Thursday with the Mass of the Lord's Supper | 6:30pm at which we recall the institution of the Eucharist and the Lord's command to be servants to one another. It concludes with a vigil of prayer in front of the Blessed Sacrament at the altar of repose.

The next day, Good Friday, we commemorate the Lord's Passion | 3:00pm in a solemn liturgy including the veneration of the cross.

On the evening of Holy Saturday, the Easter Vigil | 6:30pm is the high point of the church's liturgical year. The liturgy begins with the service of light outside the church, then moves inside to hear the extended vigil of readings telling the story of salvation. This is followed by the celebration of baptism and confirmation for the ten candidates who have been journeying through the RCIA process. Please be aware that this Mass will go for longer than a normal Sunday Mass as it is the climax of the long season of penitence of Lent.



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 27 April at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall | Herbert Street

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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 is held every 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 ◇



READINGS NEXT WEEKEND

Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord | Year A

First Reading

◇ Acts 10: 34, 37-43

Second Reading

◇ Colossians 3: 1-4

Gospel

◇ John 20: 1-9

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

5 April 2026 | EASTER SUNDAY

Readers:

8:00am: A. Borbon, S. Smith

6:00pm: *No Mass*

Co-Ordinator:

8:00am: M. Duncan

6:00pm: *No Mass*

Minister of Holy Communion:

8:00am: **Body:** H. Vale

Blood: E. Hughes, S. Nagy

6:00pm: **Body:** *No Mass*

Blood: *No Mass*

Data Projector:

8:00am: E. Nagy

6:00pm: *No Mass*

Altar Servers:

8:00am: M. Bryant

6:00pm: *No Mass*

Church Cleaners: P. Holman, A. Holman, P. Davison



PRAYER INTENTIONS

For our recently deceased Sisters and Brothers

Gregory Roberts, Cheryl Blackman, Patrick Ryall

For others who have died

Diane Janas, Stan Janas Filip Grbavac, Nelly Wallace, Ed Morris, Ray Wimbus, Praxedes Manatad, Edwin Diola, Domingo B. Longasa, Colin O'Sing, Margaret Shaw, Bob Shaw

For those we love who are ill and frail

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, Dolly O'Sing, Jacque Rive, Cedric Philps, John Walker, Dorothy Thompson, John Judge, Timothy Howard, Justin Nelson, Amanda Ward, Paul Van der List, Stacey Eccles, Rosemary Ross, Gizella Laurance, Gizella Andrews, Henry Seal, George Nagy, Salude Marshman, Sally Donovan, Henry Norman, Joanne Pond, Gerard Watts, Rosie Baravilala, Silvia Walker, Craig Jenkinson, Linda Benz, Dennis Swadling, Julieanne Jarram, Anita Tanna, Peter Vale, Robyn Cavellerie, Joe Mobbs, Tom Walker

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 Mount Carmel, Mount 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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