



Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

38 Herbert Street Gladstone Qld 4680

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time – 31 August 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)

(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 2 September: Star of the Sea | 5:30pm

Wednesday 3 September: Star of the Sea | 7:00am

Thursday 4 September: Chanel College | 10:40am

Friday 5 September: Star of the Sea | 9:00am

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 6 September

St Peter Chanel, Tannum Sands | 5:00pm

Sunday 7 September

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 6 September

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 6 September

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

Did you know?

ABOUT THE SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT?

This year's Social Justice statement from the Australian Catholic Bishops, *Signs of Hope on the Edge*, calls attention to the difficult situation of homeless people, especially those living with mental ill-health. Largely due to the dramatic increase in the cost of living, more and more Australians are being pushed to the edge of society. It is a lonely and frightening place to be. It is even worse for those who are not only homeless but also living with serious mental ill-health.

The bishops' statement acknowledges that many of us find it embarrassing, uncomfortable and even confronting to see homeless people on the streets. But as baptised people we are called to offer the presence of Jesus Christ to such people where we can. The Social Justice statement offers some of the stories from real people experiencing homelessness; frequently, their situations are very different from what we might assume about homelessness.



I strongly recommend this document to you; it is not an easy thing to read about, but it is important. You can read the statement by scanning the QR code or by going to socialjustice.catholic.org.au.

Fr Andrew

IGNITE CONFERENCE | THE LIGHT

Ignite is a National Catholic Conference for young Catholics to experience real world formation, powerful worship and encouragement in their Catholic faith in an exciting, and ground-breaking way. All high school students are welcome to travel down to Brisbane for the 2025 conference with the NET team as part of our diocesan group.

This year Ignite runs from
September 25th to 28th.

For more details scan the QR code or
contact Mick on 0433 897 973
or youth@rok.catholic.net.au



**MONTHLY MEN'S NIGHT |
FRIDAY 5 AUGUST 2025**

Guided Spiritual Direction Theme:

Joy - A Spiritual Journey of Life & Faith

Through the lens of the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary, come to a deeper appreciation of joy as a fruit of the Holy Spirit that brings an inner calm and personal fulfilment

5:30pm | Prayer & Guided Spiritual Direction |
Star of the Sea Church

6:20pm | Shared Meal, Fellowship and Friendship

SAVE THE DATE

Parish Pilgrimage to the Cathedral

Saturday 18 October 2025

Celebrate the Year of Jubilee with a
plenary indulgence


Bus transport & lunch provided



✧ Further details to come ✧



MERCY ASSOCIATES GATHERING

 of Australia & Papua New Guinea
One Charism, Many Paths

All parishioners are welcome to join the Mercy Associates on Saturday 6 September 2025 at 9.30am in the Parish Hall.

This month's gathering will be a Mini Retreat:
"Being Present to the Sacred in our Daily Life"

led by **Marg Trevethan** (Qld Mercy Associates Network Facilitator). Participants will be guided in simple processes *for prayer and reflection, using story and scripture, to discover God amid our busy everyday life and world.*

Sr Grace Bartolo RSM and Sr Berneice Lock RSM
will be present for our Mercy Associates
recommitment. Everyone is welcome, so please
join us for this gentle time of retreating and stay
for an early light shared lunch.

LIFE IN THE SPIRIT SEMINAR DATE CLAIMER

SAVE THE DATE |

Sunday 21 September 2025

~ ONE DAY ~

Life in the Spirit Seminar held
by the Diocesan NET Team

NOVENA TO BLESSED CARLO ACUTIS

Feast Day: October 12th

Patron of Computers, Eucharist, Youth

*Pray the following prayer daily for 9 days
(recommended from 4th – 12th October):*

**In the name of the Father, and of the Son,
and of the Holy Spirit. Amen**

Dear Father, Who has given us the ardent testimony of the young Servant of God, Carlo Acutis, who made the Eucharist the core of his life and strength of his daily commitments so that everybody may love You above all else, he is counted among the Blessed and Saints in Your Church.

**Confirm my Faith, nurture my Hope, strengthen my
Charity in the image of young Carlo, who growing in
these virtues, now lives with You.**

(Mention your request here....)

**I trust in You, Father, and Your beloved son, Jesus,
in the Virgin Mary, our dearest Mother, and in the
intervention of Your Servant, Carlo Acutis.**

“To always be close to Jesus, that’s my life plan.”

“The Sacrament of the Eucharist: My Highway to Heaven.”

Blessed Carlo Acutis, pray for us!

Say 1 Our Father, 1 Hail Mary and 1 Glory Be

SOCIAL JUSTICE STATEMENT

There will be copies of the 2025 - 2026 Social Justice Statement: Signs of Hope on the Edge summary available at the entrance of the church.

Please see the link and QR Code in the 'Did You Know' column on the front page of the Bulletin to view the full statement.



PARISH LIBRARY

This week's book |

Gidgee Under the Cross – Coal dust and sugar in the blood

by author Maree N. Bonley

Bookcase 3 Bookshelf 1

A History of the Catholic Diocese of Rockhampton Founded in 1882 commissioned by Bishop McCarthy. It is a culmination of research and data gathering from the people of all ages and callings of the Diocese, from local and Diocesan archives and from the conversations conducted around kitchen tables and Catholic community centres.

ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING

For all existing altar servers, or anyone who would like to *become* an altar server, at Star of the Sea, please note the following altar servers training sessions at Star of the Sea Church:

- ◇ **Wednesday 10 September 2025 | 3:30pm**
- ◇ **Saturday 13 September 2025 | 11:00am**

The ministry of altar server is open to anyone who has made their First Holy Communion. We would love to have some new servers join us!

PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE

The Parish Office will close at **2pm on Thursday 4 September** & will be closed all day on **Friday 5 September.**

If you require assistance please phone the Parish Office and follow the prompts to leave a message.

Phone | 07 4972 1025

FUNERALS THIS WEEK

Valma MacLeod | Monday 1 September 2025 | 10:00am | Star of the Sea Church, Gladstone

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 **8 September** at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall | Herbert Street

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◇ 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

BIBLE STUDY AND MEDITATION

Bible study and Luncheon Meditation will be held on 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** ◇

We look forward to seeing you



READINGS NEXT WEEKEND

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | Year C

First Reading

- ◇ Wisdom 9: 13-18

Second Reading

- ◇ Philemon 9-10, 12-17

Gospel

- ◇ Luke 14: 25-33

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

7 September 2025

Readers:

8:00am: H. Vale, G. Guevarra
6:00pm: N. Mhuka, A. Borbon

Co-Ordinator:

8:00am: A. Platt
6:00pm: K. Swadling

Minister of Holy Communion:

8:00am: **Body:** D. Mason, M. Martin
Blood: REQUIRED, S. Smith
6:00pm: **Body:** P. Grace
Blood: K. Bourke, A. Rowe

Data Projector:

8:00am: A. Guevarra
6:00pm: O. Peiris

Altar Servers:

8:00am: A. Columbus, M. Bryant
6:00pm: N. Peiris

Church Cleaners: E. Hughes, A. Goman, V. Owbridge,
L. Maravillas, A. Borbon



PRAYER INTENTIONS

For our recently deceased Sisters and Brothers

Pascual Godinez Jnr, Concepcion Ramiro Dela Cruz, Jean Imbert, Valma MacLeod, John Knight, Stan Mobbs, Eileen Padmore

For others who have died

Riley Johnson, Ramon R Revilla, Jose Nacario, Dithma Pettit

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, 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, 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, Terry Hamilton

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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◆ Thank you for your support ◆