



Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

38 Herbert Street Gladstone QLD 4680

5th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A – 8 February 2026

PARISH OFFICE AND CONTACTS

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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 10 February: Star of the Sea | 5:30pm
Wednesday 11 February: Star of the Sea | 7:00am
Thursday 12 February: Chanel College | 10:40am
Friday 13 February: Star of the Sea | 9:00am

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 14 February
St Peter Chanel, Tannum Sands | 5:00pm
Sunday 15 February
Star of the Sea, Gladstone | 8:00am and 6:00pm
St Agnes, Agnes Water | 11:00am *Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion*
St Mary's, Ubobo | 11:00am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

Saturday 14 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 14 February
Star of the Sea, Gladstone | 8:30am to 9:20am

Did you know?

ABOUT RECEPTION INTO FULL COMMUNION?

This Sunday, seven members of our community will be received into full communion with the Catholic Church and Confirmed. Louida, Raelene, Samantha, Michael, Sebastian, Douglas and Amanda have all been baptised in other Christian traditions and so already share a real, though imperfect, communion with us. Over the last five or six months, they have been learning about the Catholic faith as part of our RCIA group, and discerning their place in the Catholic Church.

After careful prayer and discernment they are now ready to enter into full communion with the Church. At Mass this Sunday they will make their profession of faith, be Confirmed with the sacred Chrism, and receive the Eucharist for the first time.

Please continue to pray for them, as well as our catechumens who are preparing for baptism at Easter.

Fr Andrew

CELEBRATING 20 YEARS OF SERVICE

Celebrating 20 years of Service - Ordination Anniversary of Fr Andrew Chase

Please join us as we celebrate the 20th anniversary of our Parish Priest.

Celebration Lunch this Sunday after 8am Mass
8 February 2026 | 11:00am - 1:00pm
Parish Hall

◊ Please bring a plate to share ◊

We look forward to celebrating this wonderful milestone together as a parish community.



ST VINCENT DE PAUL NEW VOLUNTEERS

Our St Vincent de Paul Society Warehouses are always looking for Volunteers – but particularly over the Summer Holidays.

We are have a lot of donations that come in that need to be sorted ready for selling in our Vinnies fundraising shops.

If you have time to spare during the New Year season – and the rest of January before School starts, we'd love to have you.

Just go to your local Vinnies store and enquire about volunteering.

If you have Children who would like to help out – we do ask that they are over the age of 15 and have parental consent.

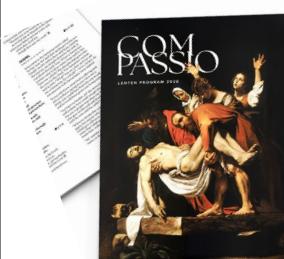
Over the age of 18 we ask for a police check.

There is also an induction process.

For enquiries, please contact the Diocesan Office
Ph 07 4924 8170.

2026 LENTEN REFLECTION BOOKS

Lenten reflection books are now available for purchase after weekend Masses or from the parish office for \$8 each.



SOCIAL JUSTICE GROUP

Hello from our Diocesan Social Justice Group.

Firstly a Date Claimer – we are again hosting a Diocesan Social Justice gathering – Saturday 28th March – 9-2. More information soon. Also – please know that if you have a passion for social justice and would like to join our group feel free to reach out via email socialjustice@rok.net.catholic.au.

We would warmly welcome new members from across the Diocese.

In coming months we also hope to regularly offer readers a thought provoking quote – to enrich your thinking about social justice issues. This is our first one for the year :

“...None of us can think that we are exempt of concern for the poor and for social justice spiritual conversion....The need to resolve structural causes of poverty cannot be delayed...Welfare projects which meet certain urgent needs should be considered merely temporary responses....The dignity of each human person and the pursuit of the common good ought to shape all...policies...”

(Pope Francis, The Joy of the Gospel. Par 202-203)

VISIT FROM THE SYRO-MALABAR EPARCH

On Sunday 1 March 2026, Bishop John Panamthottathil, Eparch of the Syro-Malabar Eparchy in Australia, will be visiting Rockhampton. All members of the Syro-Malabar community are invited to join Bishop John and Bishop Michael McCarthy for Mass at St Joseph's Cathedral, **Sunday 1 March 2026 at 9:30am**, followed by hospitality and a chance to meet Bishop John.

DEVELOP SUSTAINED SELF-RELIANT FUTURES IN OVERSEAS COMMUNITIES!

Join Palms International Volunteering online in this special session where you'll learn about our diverse assignments suited to your qualifications. Hear from past Palms volunteers how skill-exchange makes a lasting impact in communities and changes lives.

Venue: Online - Scan the QR or register at palms.org.au/events

Date: Thursday 19 February 2026

Time: 6pm – 7:30pm AEST

02 9560 5333
palms@palms.org.au



Fan into Flame



~ Resources for growing your Faith ~

Parish Library

"Good Morning Good People"

(CD audio available in parish library)

by Peter Kearney

A journey in song of the life of St Francis of Assisi with a choir, soloists, narrators and orchestra. An engaging, well-sung presentation.

Online Video / 8 mins

"Train for Martyrdom this Lent"

Ascension Presents

Fr Mike Schmitz encourages us to do something for Lent that has no benefit for us but is simply given as a gift to God the Father.

Scan the QR
Code to Listen



PASTORAL COUNCIL DISCERNMENT

From the weekend of 21/22 February we will be inviting you to nominate a fellow parishioner for membership of our parish Pastoral Council for the next two years. The selection process will include three steps:

1. Nomination of people you think would contribute helpfully to leadership in our parish
(21/22 Feb & 28 Feb/1 Mar)
2. Information and reflection session (5th March) for those who are nominated, to discern if they would like to offer themselves for consideration.
3. Discernment by the parish priest and appointment from among those who are willing to be considered.

Please start giving some thought to who you think would have some of the following qualities and would serve our parish well on the pastoral council:

- ◊ Discernment
- ◊ Wisdom
- ◊ Genuine listening to other points of view
- ◊ Faithfulness to the gospel
- ◊ Willingness to volunteer time and effort
- ◊ Creative vision for the parish



PALMS FOR ASHES

If you have a blessed palm branch from last year's Palm Sunday Mass, please bring it to the parish office before Friday 13 February so that we can use them to make the ashes for Ash Wednesday.

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 9 February & 23 February 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 ◊

We look forward to seeing you



READINGS NEXT WEEKEND

6th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Year A

First Reading

- ◊ Sirach 15: 15-20

Second Reading

- ◊ 1 Corinthians 2: 6-10

Gospel

- ◊ Matthew 5: 17-37

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

15 February 2026

Readers:

8:00am: N. Hamilton, O. Erohubie
6:00pm: P. Smith, J. Mullane

Co-Ordinator:

8:00am: A. Borbon
6:00pm: T. Staunton

Minister of Holy Communion:

8:00am: **Body:** L. McKee, K. Swadling
Blood: P. Erohubie, D. Jordan
6:00pm: **Body:** J. Villanueva
Blood: M. Reyes, I. Liddell

Data Projector:

8:00am: E. Nagy
6:00pm: O. Peiris



Altar Servers:

8:00am: Erohubie Family
6:00pm N. Peiris, S. Peiris

Church Cleaners: C. Arande, L. Germosen

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For our recently deceased Sisters and Brothers

Sid Fisher, Charles Pollard, Henry Kramer, Glenda Maunders, Kerry Callaghan, Siaosi Nicholas Manutai, Marie Campbell, Dimir Zussino, Gregory Roberts, Cheryl Blackman

For others who have died

Gloria Longasa, Czez, Zenio, Piotr Halino, Tom Barry, James Wallace, Bernard Weber, Milton Blain, Stephen Blain, Frank Blain, Luis Nacario, Diane Janas, Filip Grbavac, Nelly Wallace

For those we love who are ill and frail

Tony Gibb, Eli Colin Vale, Ron O'Brien, Noon Family, John & Joy Massingham, Brian Bookson, Evie Trenamen, Patricia Lynch, Nicole Knox, Julian Watkins, Christopher Marra, Dolly O'Sing, Jacque Rive, Cedric Philips, 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 Jaram, 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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◊ Thank you for your support ◊