Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

38 Herbert Street Gladstone Qld 4680

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A — 2 August 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

Parish Secretary | Admin
Emma May

Faith Co-Ordinator | Admin
Hayley Lanzon

Finance Officer
Helen Oram

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 4 August: Star of the Sea | 5:30pm *Liturgy of the Hours with Exposition*
Wednesday 5 August: Star of the Sea | 7:00am *Liturgy of the Hours with Exposition*
Thursday 6 August: Chanel College | 10:40am *Liturgy of the Hours with Exposition*
Friday 7 August: Star of the Sea | 9:00am *Liturgy of the Hours with Exposition*
Saturday 8 August: Star of the Sea | 7:30am *Solemnity of St Mary of the Cross MacKillop*

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 8 August
St Patrick's, Calliope | 5:00pm

Sunday 9 August
Star of the Sea, Gladstone | 8:00am and 6:00pm
St Peter Chanel, Tannum Sands | 8:00am *Liturgy of the Word with Holy Communion*
St Peter Chanel, Miriam Vale | 11:00am

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

Saturday 8 August
Star of the Sea, Gladstone | 8:30am to 9:20am
St Patrick's, Calliope | 4:15pm to 4:45pm

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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Did you know?

ABOUT JEALOUSY & ENVY?

The Ten Commandments make it clear that coveting our neighbour's goods is sinful, and that envy is one of the traditional seven deadly sins. And yet the Old Testament often refers to God as a "jealous God" (e.g. Ex 20:5, Ex 34:14, Deut 4:24 and others). How can God be guilty of something he declares to be sinful?

The key is that there is a difference between envy and jealousy. Envy (or covetousness) is when we desire something that does not belong to us or that we have no right to. Jealousy, on the other hand, is when we feel a fierce protectiveness for what *does* belong to us. When God in the bible declares that he is a jealous God, it means that God is protective of what belongs to him and will not let anyone take it from him. Specifically, he is speaking of the people of Israel who are his own chosen people.

Human beings too can be rightfully jealous in protecting and holding on to what is rightfully theirs, provided we are also guided by generosity and charity in caring for others. To be envious, on the other hand, is a sin that makes us selfishly want that which we actually have no right to possess.

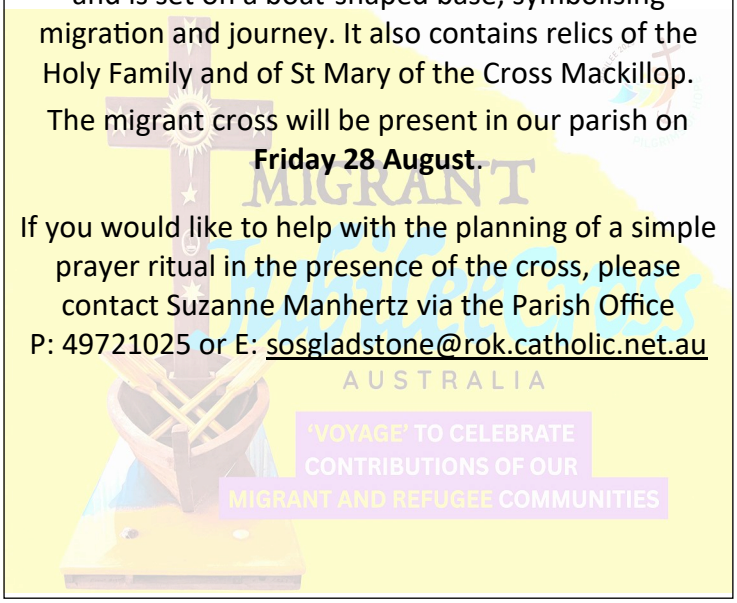
Fr Andrew

MIGRANT JUBILEE CROSS

To mark the Jubilee of Migrants in October 2025, the Australia Catholic Bishops Conference commissioned the migrant jubilee cross to travel on pilgrimage throughout the 28 dioceses of Australia. The cross was created as a symbol to honour the faith, resilience, and contributions of migrant communities across the country. The cross is crafted from Australian timber and is set on a boat-shaped base, symbolising migration and journey. It also contains relics of the Holy Family and of St Mary of the Cross Mackillop.

The migrant cross will be present in our parish on **Friday 28 August**.

If you would like to help with the planning of a simple prayer ritual in the presence of the cross, please contact Suzanne Manhertz via the Parish Office P: 49721025 or E: sosgladstone@rok.catholic.net.au



PRIESTS AWAY

Fr Andrew and Fr Peter will be away on retreat this week from **Monday 3 August to Friday 7 August**.

A Liturgy of the Hours with Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be celebrated at the usual weekday Mass times.

DIOCESAN CATHOLIC CHARISMATIC RENEWAL CONFERENCE

You are warmly invited to a powerful weekend of renewal, encounter and mission at the Diocesan Catholic Charismatic Renewal Conference. From 6pm **Friday 28 August** to 1pm **Sunday 30 August** at Our Lady's Hall, The Cathedral College, Rockhampton QLD.

Guest Speaker will be **Fr Steve Fletcher**, Moderator of the Missionaries of God's Love. You can expect a Spirit filled experience of praise, worship, teaching, prayer and healing. Net Teams from Brisbane and Rockhampton will be attending the Conference.

Families are encouraged to attend - Children's Ministry with activities will be available throughout the conference.

To register visit - https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing/1569770

OR scan the QR Code for Early Bird prices.

WOMEN OF WORTH EVENT

✧ Invitation to all women in Star of the Sea Parish ✧

When ~ Saturday 8 August 2026

Where ~ 5pm Mass at St Patrick's Church followed by 6pm Dinner at Railway Hotel, Calliope

Hosted by Women of Worth

What ~ Bring your ideas for WOW events or catechesis for 2026/2027

RSVP by Saturday 1 August to Hayley at hayley.lanzon@hotmail.com

OCEANS MAX26 - NATIONAL CATHOLIC MEN'S GATHERING

When ~ 7 - 9 August 2026
(Friday evening to Sunday early afternoon)

Where ~ Luther Heights Camp, David Low Way, Coolum Beach

On Site Accommodation Options Available

What ~ Another step in your journey to find the deeper purpose of your life.

Be inspired, challenged, and energised alongside other men.

Registration: https://menalive.org.au/max

Registrations close on 23 July 2026

Fan into Flame

~ Resources for growing your Faith ~

Parish Library

'Pope John Paul II's Apostolic letter on the most Holy Rosary 2002'

Pope John Paul gives a timely reminder of the efficacy of the rosary to unite us to Jesus and to protect us. When, in the past, Christianity has been threatened, the power of this prayer has been attributed to its deliverance. Again, Pope John Paul entrusts to the rosary the cause of world peace and the family. It remains for us to pray it.

~ Bookcase 4 | Bookshelf 3 ~

Online Video | 34 mins

'St Ignatius of Antioch and the Eucharist'

by Parousia Media

This episode explores the profound and challenging witness of St. Ignatius of Antioch with Professor Renee Köhler-Ryan from the University of Notre Dame Australia. Discussed is St Ignatius' letter written while he was being transported from Antioch to Rome to face execution in the Colosseum. His words offer a radical perspective on what it means to lead a Christian life.

NATIONAL VOCATION AWARENESS WEEK

National Vocation Awareness Week is an opportunity to pray for vocations and discernment in the Church, helping all the faithful to explore their calling, and to take the next step in responding to God's call. How will you respond to God's call this week? How will you encourage others in their call?

We would like to acknowledge Liturgy Brisbane and the support they offered in the preparation of this document. For helpful resources and courses, visit liturgybrisbane.net.au

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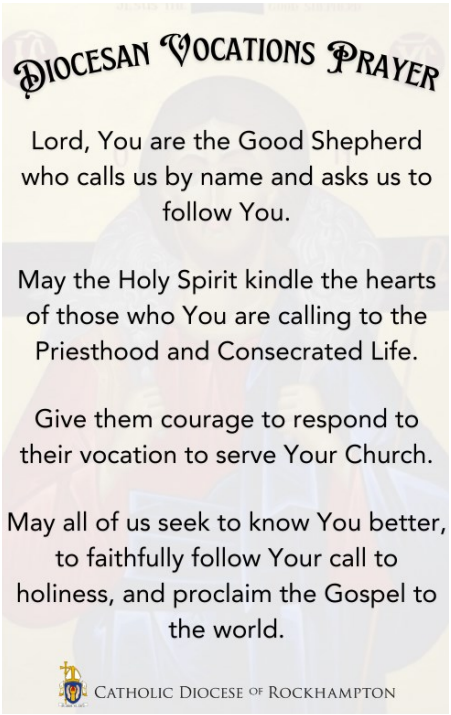

NEW LIFE CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

Prayer meetings are held fortnightly. The next meeting will be held on **3 August** 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

BECOMING CATHOLIC | RCIA

Our parish RCIA meetings are about to begin again from **Thursday 20 August 2026**. The RCIA is the Catholic journey towards baptism as an adult and involves regular meetings to discuss and learn about our Church's beliefs in Jesus Christ.

If you (or someone you know) would like to explore becoming a Catholic we would love to have you join us. Please contact the Parish Office on Ph: 4972 1025 or Email: sosgladstone@rok.catholic.net.au for more information.

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

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First Reading

◊ 1 Kings 19: 9, 11-13

Second Reading

◊ Romans 9: 1-5

Gospel

◊ Matthew 14: 22-33

Readings for Mass today?

Scan this QR code with your smart phone

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

9 August 2026

Readers:
8:00am: D. Jordan, N. Hamilton
6:00pm: C. Manhertz, S. Manhertz

Co-Ordinator:
8:00am: H. Vale
6:00pm: A. Rowe

Minister of Holy Communion:
8:00am: **Body:** M. Duncan, J. Graham
Blood: M. Hodge, S. Smith
6:00pm: **Body:** P. Grace
Blood: D. Mason, M. Reyes

Data Projector:
8:00am: H. Evangelista
6:00pm: O. Peiris

Altar Servers:
8:00am: S. Addin, M. Bryant
6:00pm Peiris Family, S. Jinto

Church Cleaners: C. Aranda, L. Germosen

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For our recently deceased Sisters and Brothers

Fr John Hayes, Wendy Tomlin, Carolin Rita Mariasoosay, Wayne Murkens, Brendan Maguire, Trevor O'Brien

For others who have died

Joyce Bartlett, Cedric Spanos, Sybil Field, George Hansen, Estrella Gaviola, Jesus Gaviola, Lydia Octava, Wilfredo Octava, Felix Lopez, Nondy & Lourdes Lozapa, Nestor Canete Nestor Cortez, Remedios Lopez, Peter & Kalene Griffiths

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, Henry Norman, Joanne Pond, Gerard Watts, Rosie Baravilala, Silvia Walker, Craig Jenkinson, Linda Benz, Julieanne Jarram, Anita Tanna, Peter Vale, Robyn Cavellerie, Joe Mobbs, Tom Walker, Jill Neill, Wayne Burrows, Joe Ariens, Jan Domoney

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 ✧