



Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

38 Herbert Street Gladstone QLD 4680

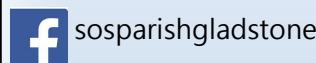
3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A – 25 January 2026

PARISH OFFICE AND CONTACTS

Phone: (07) 4972 1025

Email: sosgladstone@rok.catholic.net.au

Website:
www.sosgladstone.org.au



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:

Monday 26 January: Star of the Sea | 9:00am *Australia Day Mass*
Tuesday 27 January: Star of the Sea | 5:30pm
Wednesday 28 January: Star of the Sea | 7:00am
Thursday 29 January: Chanel College | 10:40am
Friday 30 January: Star of the Sea | 9:00am

SUNDAY MASSES:

Saturday 31 January

St Peter Chanel, Tannum Sands | 5:00pm

Sunday 1 February

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

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

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

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE (RECONCILIATION)

Saturday 31 January

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 31 January

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

Did you know?

ABOUT THE PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL?

In the coming weeks we will be inviting everyone to consider recommending parishioners for membership of our parish pastoral council. Some of our present council members have come to the end of their term and will be stepping down and we will be seeking new members to join the continuing members.

The parish pastoral council's role is to work with the pastor to foster the pastoral activity, and shape the goals and pastoral priorities of the parish. Some of the key qualities of pastoral council members are:

- ◊ Genuine commitment to faith and a regular part of the Eucharistic assembly on Sunday
- ◊ Approachable and able to listen genuinely to the needs and concerns of the parish
- ◊ Ability to work with other members towards consensus (rather than pushing a particular agenda)
- ◊ Openness to hearing different opinions and learning from them (the approach of synodality)
- ◊ Ability to commit to regular meetings
- ◊ Ability to encourage other parishioners to participate in the work of the parish

There will be information in the bulletin over the coming weeks about how the selection process will work. Please give some serious thought and prayer to whom you might recommend, based on the qualities listed above.

Fr Andrew



AUSTRALIA DAY MASS

There will be a special Mass at 9am on Monday 26 January 2026 for Australia Day.

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.

PARISH FUNDRAISER

Our mango fundraiser is on again for another week!

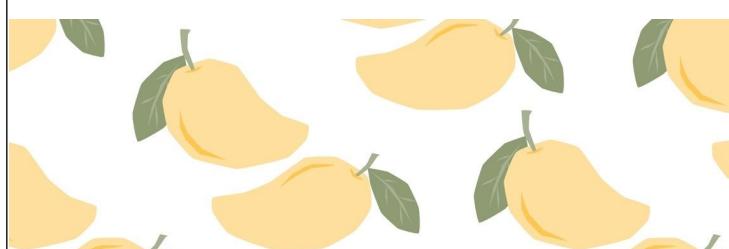
Thanks to a generous donor you can purchase a box of large, delicious and fleshy mangoes (including R2E2 and Bowens) for just **\$15!**

Perfect for summer and all proceeds will go to support the parish.

Boxes contain at least a dozen mangoes and will be available from the parish office during office hours until stocks run out.

Tell your friends and family too!

Cash or card payments are both accepted.



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)



MAGI PILGRIMAGES 2026

FOOTSTEPS OF ST PAUL | 5th - 20th May 2026

Fr. Sebastian A.M invites you to a journey in the footsteps of St. Paul, reliving the Acts of the Apostles and exploring the letters of the New Testament. Explore Greece and Turkey with a 3-night Greek Islands cruise in this 14-day pilgrimage for an all-inclusive price of \$9790+ tips (25+ pilgrims). The early bird price expires on January 30th.

SAINTS OF ITALY | 8th - 21st June 2026

Fr. Franco Filippetto invites you to a 14-day journey to Italy, visiting Milan, Padua, Siena, Assisi, Rotondo, Sorrento, and Rome, with an all-inclusive price of \$ 9,290 + tips (for 30+ pilgrims). The early bird price expires on January 30th.

The fare includes Return Economy Airfares + Local Transfers in Deluxe coaches + Stay in 4-star Premium Hotels, Meals + English speaking professional guides + Entrances as per itinerary and more.

For inquiries & bookings call 03 8839 6615 or email us pilgrimage@magiholidays.com.au

Fan into Flame



~ Resources for growing your Faith ~

Parish Library

'The Jesus Storybook Bible' by Sally Lloyd-Jones

Beautifully written and illustrated *The Jesus Storybook Bible* invites children to discover for themselves that Jesus is at the centre of God's great story of salvation – and at the centre of their story too.

Bookcase 6 | Bookshelf 1

Online Video | 30 mins

"A Case for Infant Baptism" by The Counsel of Trent

Scan the QR
Code to Listen



Trent provides a theological case based on the early years of the Church in support of infant baptism.

VOLUNTEERING IN OUR PARISH

As we begin the New Year maybe there has been a change in your work, home or school commitments, and you find that you have some time in your day, week, or month and are looking for something to fill that time. We are always welcoming new volunteers to help out within our Parish. If this is something you feel you could help with please reach out to the Parish Office.

Ph | 07 4972 1025 or

Email | sosgladstone@rok.catholic.net.au

CATHOLIC FOUNDATIONS MODULE 3: BEING SACRAMENTAL - REGISTER NOW!

Once again the diocese is delighted to offer the opportunity for formation to people across our diocese. This 9 week course is presented by Archdiocesan Ministries (Brisbane) and hosted online by Diocesan Pastoral Services (formation@rok.catholic.net.au)

Check out the brochure link below for more information! Do not miss this wonderful opportunity.

<https://rok.catholic.net.au/wp-content/uploads/2025/12/Being-Sacramental-Rocky-Brochure.pdf>

THURSDAY MASS CHANGE

Thursday Mass will go back to Chanel at 10:40am starting this week on 29 January 2026.

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 resume in February, dates to be advised 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 will resume on Tuesday 27 January 2026 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

4th Sunday in Ordinary Time | Year A

First Reading

♦ Zephaniah 2: 3; 3: 12-13

Second Reading

♦ 1 Corinthians 1: 26-31

Gospel

♦ Matthew 5: 1-12

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

1 February 2026

Readers:

8:00am: M. Chapman, N. Mhuka

6:00pm: K. Bourke, J. Pepito

Co-Ordinator:

8:00am: M. Duncan

6:00pm: H. Vale

Minister of Holy Communion:

8:00am: **Body:** M. Martin, Y. Anderson

Blood: D. Mason, J. Graham

6:00pm: **Body:** P. Grace

Blood: S. Manhertz, I. Liddell

Data Projector:

8:00am: E. Nagy

6:00pm: E. Lee



Altar Servers:

8:00am: M. Bryant

6:00pm: Thetford Family

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

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

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

For those we love who are ill and frail

Tony Gibb, Eli Colin Vale, Ron O'Brien, Noon Family, John & Joy Massingham, Brian Buxson, 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, Cecily Burkett, Joe Mobbs

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

You can manage your own financial contribution to the parish by scanning this code with your smart phone.



◊ Thank you for your support ◊