



# 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

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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:

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?

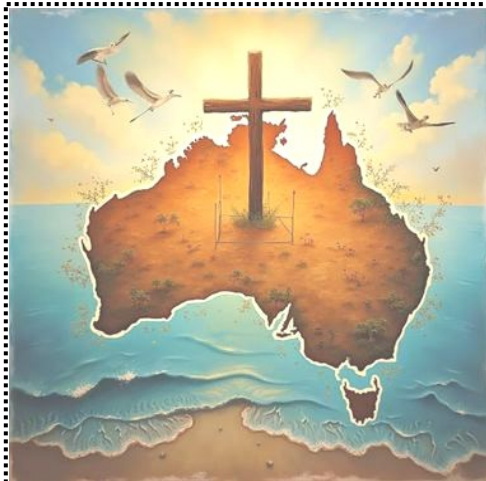
In the coming weeks we will be inviting everyone to consider recommending parishioners for membership of our parish pastoral council. Some of our present council members have come to the end of their term and will be stepping down and we will be seeking new members to join the continuing members.

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 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 28<sup>th</sup> 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 [socialjutsice@rok.net.catholic.au](mailto:socialjutsice@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](mailto: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

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

Scan the QR  
Code to Listen



## 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.

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## 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](mailto: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 Chancel 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](http://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 Booxson, 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 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](mailto: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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