



# Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

38 Herbert Street Gladstone Qld 4680

4th Sunday of Easter Year A – 26 April 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

### 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 28 April: St Peter Chanel, Tannum Sands | 8:30am *St Peter Chanel Feast Day*

Tuesday 28 April: Star of the Sea, Gladstone | 5:30pm

Wednesday 29 April: Star of the Sea, Gladstone | 7:00am

Thursday 30 April: Chanel College, Gladstone | 10:40am

Friday 1 May: Star of the Sea, Gladstone | 9:00am

### SUNDAY MASSES

#### **Saturday 2 May**

St Peter Chanel, Tannum Sands | 5:00pm

#### **Sunday 3 May**

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 2 May**

St Peter Chanel, Tannum Sands | 4:15pm to 4:45pm

### EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT

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## *Did you know?*

### GOOD SHEPHERD SUNDAY

Every year the **Fourth Sunday of Easter** is known as **Good Shepherd Sunday** because the Church reflects on Jesus as the shepherd who knows, leads and protects his flock (John 10:1–18). Even when the Gospel for that year stops before the exact words “I am the good shepherd,” it still comes from the same chapter and theme: Christ calls his sheep by name, they know his voice, and he came so that they “may have life, and have it to the full” (John 10:3–4, 10–11).

Good Shepherd Sunday is also the **World Day of Prayer for Vocations**. It is a special day to pray that young people will listen for the Lord’s voice and that the Church will be blessed with faithful priests, deacons, and religious, as well as faithful Christian families and generous disciples.

We have many young people in our parish. Within our parish schools, parish families, parish friendships, parish ministries and parish initiatives, the proposing of an ordained or religious vocation rests with all of us, just as it does to encourage our young people who discern marriage who might be the sort of future spouse that shares their Christian faith and so might come to share their heart.

Fr Peter

**FEAST DAY MASS |  
ST PETER CHANEL TANNUM SANDS**

Tuesday 28 April 2026  
St Peter Chanel Church - 8:30am  
ALL WELCOME!



**MERCY ASSOCIATES GATHERING**

All Parishioners are welcome to join the **Mercy Associates** on

**Saturday 2 May at 9:30am** in the Parish Hall.

Our **Guest Speaker** will be **Mrs Nesta Mhuka**, who will share her faith journey and reflect on how God has guided her through different seasons of life, both personally and professionally. Through her story, *Nesta will speak about trusting God in uncertainty, finding strength in challenges, and remaining grounded in faith while navigating life's responsibilities.*

We will commence with a cuppa and would enjoy your presence with us to hear of **Nesta's inspiring life and faith journey.**

**PARISH MEN'S NIGHT**

When ~ **Friday 1 May 2026** commencing at 5:30pm with a shared meal afterwards at 6:20pm

Where ~ St Peter Chanel Church, Tannum Sands

What ~ Adoration, Guided Spiritual Direction, Shared Meal

**MASS ATTENDANCE COUNT**

From the weekend of 2nd/3rd May until 23rd/24th May, we will be participating in the national Mass attendance count. There's nothing you have to do; just be aware that several volunteers will be counting heads in the church after Communion.

**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM |  
ENROLMENTS OPEN**

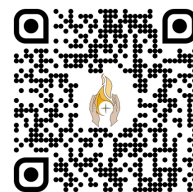
Enrolments for the Sacraments of Confirmation and First Holy Communion are now open and will close on **Thursday 30 April.**

Enrolment is available to children who are baptised Catholic and have already received the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Please contact the parish office if you have questions or would like an Information Letter and Enrolment Form.



**ONLINE YOUTH GROUP:  
HOW TO READ THE BIBLE**

The NET team is hosting a 6 week course online over Zoom for anyone in grades 9 - 12. They will be presenting a video series from The Bible Project looking at how to read and understand the Bible. The sessions will take place on Thursdays in term two at 7pm starting on the 30<sup>th</sup> of April and will feature games, short videos and discussion. To register or for more info, just scan the QR code.



**EUCHARIST28 UPDATE – RENEWAL HAS BEGUN!**

The International Eucharistic Congress in Sydney in 2028 ('Eucharist28') will be a global gathering of the Church centred on the Eucharist, the source and summit of our Christian lives, culminating in a Papal Mass with Pope Leo XIV. It will be a festival of faith, rich with worship, prayer, testimonies, art, music – a truly 'once in a lifetime' experience, and a transformative moment for our nation.

But this is more than an event in Sydney. It is a national journey, an invitation to renewal for the whole Church, wherever we are. The journey begins now, in our own hearts, in our own parishes.

It was a beautiful witness to what the Church is called to be every week, not only at Christmas and Easter.

For more information and regular updates, please register on the website: [eucharist28.org](http://eucharist28.org)

*"We are an Easter people, and Alleluia is our song!"*

— Pope Saint John Paul II



**FR PETER AWAY**

This weekend and next weekend Fr Peter will be supplying in Biloela and the Valleys region while Fr Simeon is on annual leave.

**PLANNED GIVING RENEWAL**

At Masses this weekend (and next weekend at Tannum Sands) one of our finance council members will speak briefly about our Planned Giving program. This is a way you can contribute financially to the running of our parish. We invite you to consider prayerfully what you are able to give to support your church. If you would like to be a part of the Planned Giving program, or update your giving details, there will be cards available at each of the churches.

# Fan into Flame



~ Resources for growing your Faith ~

Parish Library

## "The Wingfeather Saga Books 1-4"

by Andrew Peterson

Andrew Peterson spins a riveting tale following siblings Janner, Tink and Leelu Igiby and their trusty dog Nuggett as they escape from the vicious Fangs of Dang who seek the lost Jewels of Anniera.

~ Bookcase 5 | Bookshelf 3 ~

Online Video | 38 min

## St Joan of Arc – Catholic Saints

by The Catholic Saints Podcast

Learn about the incredible story of St Joan of Arc with Paul McCosker, author of the audio drama "The Victory of Joan of Arc" and Dr Ben Akers.



## INSTALLATION OF BISHOP DANIEL MEAGHER

The people of the Diocese are warmly invited to join the *Solemn Mass of Installation* of Bishop Daniel Meagher as the 11<sup>th</sup> Bishop of Rockhampton on Thursday 28 May 2026 from 10.30am at St Joseph's Cathedral, Rockhampton.

An invitation is also extended to join the *Solemn Vespers with Liturgical Reception* the evening prior, Wednesday 27 May from 5.00pm at St Joseph's Cathedral, Rockhampton. Both events will be streamed live on the St Joseph's Cathedral, Rockhampton YouTube channel -

<https://www.youtube.com/user/StJosephsCathRton>

and will remain there for later viewing. This will be a joyous celebration for the Diocese as we welcome Bishop Meagher. Let us continue to pray for him as he prepares to shepherd the people of the Rockhampton Diocese.

## WORLD DAY OF PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS

This Sunday is World Day of Prayer for Vocations to the Priesthood and Religious Life. Please pray for the current priests and religious of our diocese, and that new vocations would rise up among our young people. If you or someone you know is interested in discerning a vocation then please contact our diocesan vocations director, Mick Otto, for more information:

Ph: 0433 897 973 or

Email: [vocations@rok.catholic.net.au](mailto:vocations@rok.catholic.net.au)

## 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 27 April 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 ◇



## READINGS NEXT WEEKEND

5th Sunday of Easter | Year A

### First Reading

◇ Acts 6: 1-7

### Second Reading

◇ 1 Peter 2: 4-9

### Gospel

◇ John 14: 1-12

## 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](http://rok.catholic.net.au/news-events/bishops-newsletter)

## STAR OF THE SEA LITURGY ROSTER

3 May 2026

### Readers:

8:00am: L. Columbus, D. Jordan

6:00pm: K. Bourke, G. Melrose

### Co-Ordinator:

8:00am: M. Hodge

6:00pm: B. Villalobos

### Minister of Holy Communion:

8:00am: **Body:** REQUIRED, K. Swadling

**Blood:** E. Schumacher, S. Smith

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

**Blood:** A. Babijis, A. Rowe

### Data Projector:

8:00am: R. Malig

6:00pm: O. Peiris

### Altar Servers:

8:00am: A. Columbus, M. Bryant

6:00pm Peiris Family

**Church Cleaners:** Star of the Sea School



## PRAYER INTENTIONS

### For our recently deceased Sisters and Brothers

Cheryl Blackman, Patrick Ryall, Candelario M. Aranda,  
Elaine Lynch, Kathleen Butterfield (India)

### For others who have died

Diane Janas, Stan Janas Filip Grbavac, Nelly Wallace, Ed  
Morris, Ray Wimbus, Praxedes Manatad, Edwin Diola,  
Domingo B. Longasa, Colin O'Sing, Margaret Shaw, Bob Shaw

### 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, 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,  
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](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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