Our Lady Star of the Sea Parish

38 Herbert Street Gladstone Qld 4680

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time Year A — 30 August 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 1 September: Star of the Sea | 5:30pm
Wednesday 2 September: Star of the Sea | 7:00am
Thursday 3 September: Chanel College | 10:40am
Friday 4 September: Star of the Sea | 9:00am

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5 September
St Peter Chanel, Tannum Sands | 5:00pm

Sunday 6 September
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 5 September
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 5 September
Star of the Sea, Gladstone | 8:30am to 9:20am

Did you know?

ABOUT THE VALUE OF MEMORISATION?

When I was in Year Six, our RE teacher set us the challenge of learning the words of the Gloria by the end of semester one, and the words of the Nicene Creed by the end of semester two. At the time it felt like simply a task and a mental challenge, but the value of the exercise was in helping those sacred words to be embedded in my consciousness.

There is great value in learning by heart some of the sacred texts of our faith, like little passages of Scripture, prayers like the Our Father, Hail Mary, and Glory Be, and the responses and prayers used in Mass (such as the Gloria and Creed). Just as learning the alphabet or multiplication tables when we are children gives us a solid foundation to be able to spell and perform higher level maths problems, learning some of the key sacred texts by heart can give us a foundation for our prayer and theological reflection.

I would encourage you to try to learn some of these important texts by heart. While it's true that we can easily find the words online whenever we need them, these sacred words have a way of transforming us from within when we commit them to heart, so that they can come readily to our minds and lips when we need them.

Fr Andrew

MINISTRIES ROSTER

We will be compiling the ministries roster for the months of **October 2026 - January 2027.** If you are not available anytime during this period please contact the Parish Office to allow sufficient time for completion and checking.

If you wish to volunteer for a ministry please contact the Parish Office.

Ph | 07 4972 1025
Email | sosgladstone@rok.catholic.net.au

ALTAR SERVERS TRAINING

For all existing altar servers, or anyone who would like to *become* an altar server at Star of the Sea ~ please note the following altar servers training sessions:

- **Monday 14 September 2026 | Star of the Sea Church, Gladstone | 3:30pm - 4:30pm**
- **Tuesday 15 September 2026 | St Peter Chanel Church, Tannum Sands | 1:20pm - 2:20pm**
- **Saturday 19 September 2026 | Star of the Sea Church, Gladstone | 9:45am - 10:45am**

MERCY & ASSOCIATES GATHERING

MERCY Associates
Institute of Sisters of Mercy of Australia & Papua New Guinea
One Charism, Many Paths

Parishioners are welcome to join the **Mercy Associates** on **Saturday 5 September** at **9:30am** in the **Parish Hall.**

Our **Guest Speaker** will be Mrs Marymol Jinto who will share on her journey through the Syro Malabar Faith. *She has been with our Catholic Parish community for eight years.*

Please join us for a cuppa and to be inspired by her sharing of her Faith in India.

MIGRANT JUBILEE CROSS

The Migrant Jubilee Cross on pilgrimage around Australia was due to be in our parish on 28th August. Unfortunately the cross has been delayed and we are awaiting the new schedule. We will still go ahead with our planned liturgical reception of the cross when it arrives. Stay tuned for an updated arrival date as soon

NEW ROSARY OPPORTUNITY

Beginning Tuesday 1 September 2026 the rosary will be prayed each **Tuesday evening from 6:30pm** at **St Peter Chanel Church, Tannum Sands**.
The time of prayer will include the reading of the gospel passage of the day, a few minutes of silent reflection, followed by the rosary.

✧ All Welcome ✧

Fan into Flame

~ Resources for growing your Faith ~

Parish Library

Max and Benedict: A Bird's Eye View of the Pope's Daily Life

by Jeanne Perego

Through this wonderful story, the author presents some of the fundamental ideas of Pope Benedict XVI and the important daily life and activities of the successor of St Peter told in simple words that young readers can understand and enjoy.

Online Video | 19 mins

Why Be Catholic and Not Just Christian?

by Brian Holdsworth

How do you know what the Christian faith is? How do you know which practices and doctrines should be included and which excluded? What is or who has the authority to make those decisions? What do Catholics say?

REAL TALK EVENT | PRIMARY SCHOOL-AGED CHILDREN

Star of the Sea Parish invites families with primary school-aged children to attend a Session with Real Talk on "Love & Life" ~ **Monday 31 August** 3:30pm-5:00pm at Star of the Sea Church

www.realtalkaustralia.com

There will also be an Online Session for Parents of Primary School Children

Monday 31 August ~ 6:30pm-7:30pm

Topics: current culture, tech use, developmental changes, sex & puberty

All attendees will receive free access to realtalkparents.com Parent Membership Site

Zoom Meeting ID: 534 935 0161

This session is held particularly for children who will miss the Real Talk sessions booked at Star of the Sea and St John the Baptist Primary Schools.

FUNERALS THIS WEEK

~ Joachim Ariens | Thursday 3 September | 10:00am
Boyne Tannum Crematorium Chapel, Boyne Island

~ Peter Vale | Friday 4 September | 10:30am
Star of the Sea Church, Gladstone

~ Wayne Murkins | Saturday 5 September | 11:30am
St Peter Chanel Church, Tannum Sands

NEW LIFE CHARISMATIC PRAYER MEETING

Prayer meetings are held fortnightly. The next meeting will be held on **31 August** at 6:30pm in the Parish Hall | Herbert Street, Gladstone

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Prayer meetings offer a welcoming space for people to deepen their spiritual lives and encounter the love of God in a meaningful way. Praise is central to Catholic Charismatic Renewal and reflects the wider Catholic tradition, where praise is woven through liturgy, song and prayer.

If you have any enquiries please contact

Maryanne Shaw | 0409 898 895

Kim Swadling | 0412 626 619

Source ~ https://www.ccr.org.au/item/2-what-is-a-charismatic-prayer-meeting

CENACLE PRAYER GROUP GATHERING

✧ 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

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

23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time | Year A

First Reading

◊ Ezekiel 33: 7-9

Second Reading

◊ Romans 13: 8-10

Gospel

◊ Matthew 18: 15-20

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

6 September 2026

Readers:

8:00am: A. Manutai, A. Platt

6:00pm: P. Smith, K. Bourke

Co-Ordinator:

8:00am: A. Borbon

6:00pm: J. Duhau

Minister of Holy Communion:

8:00am: **Body:** E. Hughes, H. Vale

Blood: S. Smith, J. Graham

6:00pm: **Body:** S. Manhertz

Blood: S. Thetford, S. Meiring

Data Projector:

8:00am: H. Balisnomo

6:00pm: A. Fairweather

Altar Servers:

8:00am: Erohubie Family

6:00pm Thetford Family

Church Cleaners: E. Hughes, A. Goman, A. Borbon, L. Maravillas, V. Owbridge

PRAYER INTENTIONS

For our recently deceased Sisters and Brothers

Wayne Murkins, Brendan Maguire, Trevor O'Brien, Jan Domoney, Mary Patricia (Pat) O'Mara, Joachim Ariens, Peter Vale

For others who have died

Nondy & Lourdes Lozapa, Nestor Canete Nestor Cortez, Remedios Lopez, Peter & Kalene Griffiths, Jose Nacario

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, Robyn Cavellerie, Joe Mobbs, Tom Walker, Jill Neill, Wayne Burrows, Joe Ariens, Ida Liddell

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 Tuesday 6:30pm
- Each Wednesday 10:00am

Parish Centre Chapel

- 3rd Thursday of the month 9:45am

MEDITATION

Star of the Sea—Tuesday, Parish Chapel 12:30pm

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

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✧ Thank you for your support ✧