



Star of the Sea Catholic Parish

Cleveland, Ormiston, Raby Bay, Thornlands and Stradbroke Island.
We recognise the traditional owners of this land, The Quandamooka People.

Parish Mission:

The Star of the Sea is a welcoming community dedicated to sharing the light of Christ in the spirit of faith and love. We reach out to the service of others, thereby enriching our value of parish life.

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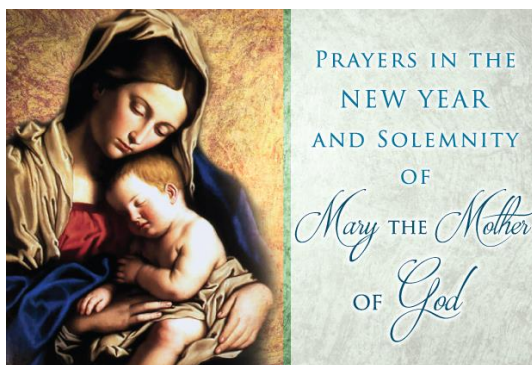
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Happy New Year!



On New Year's Day, we celebrate the Feast of Mary, the Mother of God. There is a beautiful little story about a long, boring train journey, made one Christmas day by some elderly nursing home residents who were on their way to a vacation spot. At one station, a young mother with a small child entered the train. The child smiled at all the grim faces around him and began moving

from one lap to another talking, shouting with joy and chatting with everyone. Instantly, the grim and silent atmosphere in the train was changed to one of joy and happiness. — Today we remember with joy and gratitude, how Mary and her Divine Son Jesus transformed a hopeless, joyless and sinful world into a place of joy and happiness.

Today's first reading gives us the beautiful Divine blessing from the book of Numbers for the New Year, and the Responsorial Psalm (Ps 67) begs for that blessing. In the second reading, Paul reminds the Galatians and us that God's Son has become one of us through Mary and that it is through her son, Jesus that we have become the children of God. Today's Gospel describes how the shepherds spread to all their neighbours the Good News surrounding the birth of Jesus which the angel had revealed to them, and how Mary treasured "all these things" in her heart. The Gospel also tells us that on the day of Jesus' Circumcision, the Child received the name Jesus that had been chosen by God Himself.

Today's Feast of Mary, the Mother of God, is a very appropriate way to begin a new year, reminding us to rely on the powerful intercession of our Heavenly Mother. The Church also observes the World Day of Peace on this day and invites us to pray specially for lasting peace in the world throughout the New Year.

A boy asked his father, "Dad, if three frogs were sitting on a limb that hangs over a pool, and one frog decided to jump off into the pool, how many frogs would be left on the limb?" The dad replied, "Two." "No," the son replied. "Here is the question again: There are three frogs, and one decided to jump, how many are left?" The dad said, "Oh, I get the point! If one decided to jump, the others would too. So there are none left." The boy said, "No dad, the answer is three. The frog only DECIDED to jump." — Does that sound like our last year's resolutions? Great inspiration and great resolutions, but oftentimes we only decide, and months later we are still on the same limb of doing nothing. Let us take good resolutions and ask for God's presence in every days of New year.

May I take this opportunity to wish you all a Happy and Peaceful New Year. I pray that the Lord Jesus and His Mother Mary may enrich your lives during the New Year with an abundance of Divine blessings. **Fr Rony Chacko**

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY

Reconciliation
4.45pm - 5.15pm
Mass 5.30pm

SUNDAY

Mass 7.00am
Mass 8.30am

(Live-stream Mass
available from our
FACEBOOK PAGE:

[https://fb.me/StaroftheSea
Cleveland](https://fb.me/StaroftheSeaCleveland)

And YouTube not live)

Mass 11.00am
St Peter Chanel,
Point Lookout

1st and 3rd Sun of month
(Liturgy of the Word with
Communion – every other
Sundays at 9am)

TUESDAY

Redlands Hospital
1st Tuesday
Mass 9.00am

Mater Hospital
2nd & 4th Tuesday

Mass 9.00am
Star of the Sea
Christian Meditation – 4pm

WEDNESDAY

Carmel College
Mass 8.40am
Cleveland Gardens
1st Wednesday
Mass 2.30pm

Moreton Shores
2nd Wednesday
Mass 11.00am
Seaton McKenzie
4th Wednesday
Mass 10.45am

THURSDAY

Star of the Sea
Mass 9.15am

Holy Adoration and
Benediction
2nd, 3rd & 4th Thursday
9.45 to 10.45am

Redland Residential
2nd Thursday
Mass 11.00am

FRIDAY

Star of the Sea
9.15am

Aveo Cleveland
1st Friday
Mass 3.00pm

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

RESPONSE: **May God bless us in his mercy.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: **Alleluia, alleluia!**

In the past God spoke to our ancestors through the prophets;
now he speaks to us through his Son
Alleluia!

PARISH OFFICE CHRISTMAS BREAK: Our Parish Office will be closed from Mon 26 December and will reopen on Mon 9 January 2023. We wish you all a blessed and safe Christmas holidays.

THURSDAY SOCIAL GROUP:

Please join us for morning tea in the Parish Hall after the Anointing Mass on **Thursday 5th January**. All welcome

MINISTRY- 08 JANUARY 2023- THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

Time	Coordinator	Readers	Communion Min- Host
Sat 5.30pm	Tony Moore	Andrew Cooper John Mott	Judith Seery
Sub 7.00am	Dennis Kennedy	Emil Hayes Davis Smith	Dennis Kennedy
Sun 8.30am	TBC	Annette Nicholls Sandra Stock	Trish Aumuller
NEXT WEEK'S COUNTERS & CLEANERS		Counter	Team 6
		Cleaners	Team 1

THANK YOU TO OUR VOLUNTEERS
for a wonderful year! We couldn't have done it
without you 😊
Special thanks to everyone who dedicated their
time and talents for a successful Christmas
celebration

On 8th January I will complete one year in Star of the Sea. Thank you for being God's instrument of blessing in my life by your valuable prayers and encouraging support for my pastoral ministry here for the last year. I assure you of my special prayers every day in the New Year 2023 during my Holy Masses. May the Holy Spirit of God continue to empower you and guide you in your life and strengthen you in your weakness. May God bless you every day of the New Year! Prayerful New Year Greetings. Fr Rony