

STAR OF THE SEA**CHRIST OUR LIGHT*****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.*

**Star News 10 January 2021 - Year B
THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD**

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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Weekend Masses: Sat 5.30pm and Sun 7am and 8.30am
PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE FROM OUR WEBSITE:
<http://www.staroftheseachurch.org/> (attendance by booking only)
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The feast of the Baptism of the Lord leaves the Christmas season behind us and begins the bland sounding "Ordinary Time". It is always a little sad when the beautiful Christmas crib gets packed away for another year. May the Christmas joy remain.

As John the Baptist is a central figure during Advent, he isn't so easily packed away and Mark's Gospel begins with John the Baptist being announced as "a voice of one that cries in the desert: Prepare a way for the Lord, make his paths straight." People from

all over the country were making their way to him to be baptised in the River Jordan as they confessed their sins. Although Jesus is without sin, he lines up with sinners and goes down into the waters for Baptism in solidarity with sinful humanity. As he comes up out of the waters, the heavens are torn open, the Holy Spirit descends like a dove and the voice addresses Jesus as "my beloved son; with you I am well pleased." This is the answer to the cry of the exiles in Isaiah: "Oh that you would rend the heavens and come down." Is 64/1. The Holy Spirit descends on Jesus to empower him, like the prophets of old, with gentle service of the poor. He comes to bring life and hope and his message will reach the ends of the earth.

This Gospel is a declaration of who Jesus is to Mark's Church and a statement that those who read his Gospel are also the beloved sons and daughters of God through Baptism and are commissioned to serve in God's name.

Most of us were baptised as children which is the beginning of our journey of

MASS TIMES**THURSDAY 9.15am**

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FRIDAY 9.15AM

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Sunday 8.30am**Live-stream****Mass available****from our****FACEBOOK****PAGE:**

<https://fb.me/StaroftheSeaCleveland>

It will be available also from **YouTube** after the Mass has finished (not live) through this link:

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCiF45MwAUgNh1P1ALe7NIAw>

SUN 11am

**At St Peter Chanel,
Point Lookout**
(from 13 Dec to 17 Jan)

**1st & 3rd Sun of
month**

*(Liturgy of the Word with
Communion – every
other Sunday at 9am)*



faith. The Feast of the Baptism of Jesus is always an important time for us to look within and see what baptism means to us today. Our baptism is a second birth and incorporates us into the "Body of Christ".

Is our baptism real to us, alive and dynamic or is it something we take for granted?

St Louis IX, King of France from 1226 to 1270, on several occasions spoke of the importance of the anniversary of his baptism rather than that of his birth or coronation as king. "Baptism", he said, "was the beginning of a life that would continue in everlasting glory. "

The waters of baptism don't save automatically; they begin our journey, but we are called to be true disciples, true proclaimers, true missionaries. Are we? Are we trying our best? Would the heavenly Father be able to say to each of us as he did to Jesus, "You are my beloved child; with you I am well pleased.

God bless

Father Ashley Warbrooke
Parish Priest

THE PARISH OFFICE will reopen on **Tuesday 12th January.**

This coming **Friday, 15th January**, we will be recommencing Mass at 9.15am. Please register at the door.

PIOUS GOODS SHOP is open again. **COLUMBAN CALENDARS (\$9.00 EACH)** are now available.

STRADDIE MASSES: From Sunday 13 December 2020 till Sunday 17 January 2021, the Sunday Mass at Straddie will be at St Peter Chanel (Point Lookout).

11.00am - Mass on the 1st and 3rd Sunday of the month.

9.00am – Liturgy of the Word with Communion at every other Sunday.

Saturday 5.30pm and Sunday 7am and 8.30am, THE LINK IS AVAILABLE FROM OUR WEBSITE:

<http://www.staroftheseachurch.org/>

Please follow the instructions from our marshal.

STAR OF THE SEA CATHOLIC PARISH IS NOW ON FACEBOOK:

We will be live streaming Mass from the Star of the Sea Church, every Sunday at 8.30 am. Following is the link for our NEW Facebook page where the Masses will be streamed. Please "Like" the page to receive future notices: <https://fb.me/StaroftheSeaCleveland>



CONNECTED YOUTH:

There are no activities in December –
Have a blessed Christmas!
More to come in Term 1! Follow us on
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LOVED FROM HEAD
TO HER LITTLE TOE**

By Emma Ng

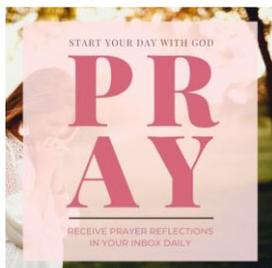
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PALMS AUSTRALIA ORIENTATION COURSE — JANUARY 2021: Palms Australia places Australians with communities that request their particular expertise to help develop the skills of local people. Palms will enter its 60th year with an Orientation Course in January 2021. A fresh group of skilled and committed applicants will be thoroughly prepared for this cross-cultural mission in remote parishes, schools and communities as soon as international travel resumes. If you are interested in learning more please visit www.palms.org.au

Act of Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive
You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive
You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually
into my heart.
I embrace You as if You
were already there
and unite myself wholly to You. Never
permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.

RESPONSE FOR THIS SUNDAY 10 January 2021

Resp. Psalm:

R. You will draw water joyfully from the springs of salvation.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

John saw Jesus approaching him, and said: "This is the Lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world."

Alleluia!

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

17 January 2021

First Reading: Samuel 3:3-10,19

Resp. Psalm: Ps 39:2,4,7-10

Second Reading: Corinthians 6:13-15,17-20

Gospel: John 1:35-42



STAR OF THE SEA OUTSIDE SCHOOL HOURS CARE UPDATE:

We are pleased to share that our first vacation care at Star of the Sea was very successful. Our families, staff and most importantly our students were just so pleased to spend their holidays at their "home" service. We will be doing many fun activities including having a baby animal farm visit, jumping castles water slide, magic shows and craft, craft and more craft. We would like to thank Father Ashley and our Parish community for support, prayers and kindness shown to us throughout this very trying year. We are looking forward to coming back together next year as a community and making 2021 great. Kind regards Kelly Melai – Coordinator.

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PRAYERS

DECEASED We commend the recently deceased to the loving embrace of God.

HEALING We pray for those who seek healing in their lives. Specially every person affected by the spread of the coronavirus. Especially Dorothy (Dossie) Jones, Judi-Ann Zacka and Kevin Madden.

ANNIVERSARY We pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time.

NEXT WEEK'S COUNTERS & CLEANERS	Counters	Team 5
	Cleaners	Team 6