

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 11 April 2021 - Year B
2nd Sunday of Easter****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.***PARISH PRIEST:** Fr Ashley Warbrooke
Presbytery: 3821 1953
Mobile: 0417 753 739 (for emergencies only)**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)**Reconciliation:** Sat 4.45pm**Parish Office:** Alba Bran Ph: 3821 4902
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Dear Friends,

Have you ever wondered where Thomas was when Jesus appeared to the 'other disciples'? They were huddled together with the doors firmly locked because they feared the Jews. And yet Thomas wasn't with them. Some scripture scholars think that Thomas was so brokenhearted when Jesus was crucified and buried, that he just wanted to be alone with his grief.

Not an unusual reaction when we receive the sad news of the death of someone close to us. 'Let me

be alone'. Even though we may be physically present to others we so often draw back within ourselves, with our thoughts.

When we think of Thomas we always think of him as a 'doubter' but he is never called that in the Gospel. We know he was called the 'twin' but who was his twin? Never mentioned. John's Gospel shows Thomas to be a kind person who, a little like Peter, blurts out questions or comments that others are too timid or too embarrassed to speak. He is certainly a person of courage.

When Jesus said that he was going to Bethany when the news of Lazarus' illness had come to him, Thomas knew that going to that hostile place would almost certainly mean the death of Jesus. His only wish for himself and the other apostles was to go with Jesus and die with him. Maybe he wasn't gathered with the doors locked for fear of the Jews because he didn't fear the Jews. At the Last Supper he is honest enough to say that none of the disciples have any idea where Jesus is heading (John 14:5). It is interesting to note that the disciples to whom the risen Lord appeared on Easter eve announce the resurrection to Thomas in the same words as Mary Magdalene spoke to them: "We have seen the Lord." And they are as unsuccessful in convincing Thomas as Mary had been with them. Like all disciples, Thomas needs a personal experience of Jesus risen before he will believe. Before he can believe.

MASS TIMES**WEDNESDAY 8.40am****Carmel College**
No mass on School
Holidays.**THURSDAY 9.15am****Star of the Sea****FRIDAY 9.15am****Star of the Sea****Sunday 8.30am**Live-stream Mass
available from our
FACEBOOK PAGE:
<https://fb.me/StaroftheSeaCleveland>available also from
YouTube (not live):
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCiF45MwAUgNh1P1ALe7NIAw>**SUN 11am****St Paul of the Cross,
Dunwich**
1st & 3rd Sun of
month*(Liturgy of the Word with
Communion – every
other Sunday at 9am)***CHRISTIAN
MEDITATION:****Time: 4pm**

every Wednesday



So eight days later, on the next “first day of the week”, the risen Jesus again stands in the midst of his disciples, greets them again with his peace and invites Thomas to stretch out his hand and touch the wounds of his hands and side.

Thomas now has no need to touch. Jesus’ personal presence and offer to touch is enough to demolish all his doubt. Here is the way, and the truth and the life that Thomas is seeking and he responds with the most profound and personal assent of faith in the Gospels: “My Lord and my God!”

We should not remember Thomas as the ‘doubter’ but as ‘the great believer’.

For all generations who will listen to this Gospel in the presence of the physically absent Jesus, the last beatitude that Jesus then addresses to Thomas is our greatest hope: “Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed”.

It is to hand on such life-giving faith that John says that he has written his Gospel.

We are Easter people and the resurrection story is our story.

We are sent out today to take and be the ‘good news’ that Jesus is risen! Let us be that Good News!

God bless,

Fr Ashley Warbrooke - Parish Priest

PARISH NEWS

A colorful poster for 'Connected Youth Events For Term 2'. The background features a blue sky with white clouds, a city skyline silhouette at the bottom, and a silhouette of a person with arms raised. The text is centered and lists several events with dates and details.

Connected Youth Events
For Term 2

- **24th April** – Connected Youth event in Parish hall Starting at 6:30. Fun, Games and a presentation by a special guest.
- **30th April** – Does God exist? Redland Bay Deanery youth event in Parish hall starting at 6pm.
- **15th May** – Connected Youth Event in Parish hall starting at 6:30.
- **28th May** – Redland Bay Deanery youth event at Alexandra Hills Parish starting at 6pm.
- **5th June** – Bowling at 'Zone bowling Capalaba'.
- **25th June** – Redland Bay Deanery youth event.
- Bring \$5 for pizza. Please register by emailing connectedyouth.cleveland@bne.catholic.net.au
- Isaac – 0499 024 309



THE CATHOLIC LEADER: is now being printed monthly and the APRIL issue is available at the **PIOUS GOODS SHOP** – price **\$4.00**. Read how “Matthew Hayden shines the light on our faith.”

The April edition of The Catholic Leader is now available in the church. This month’s issue features:

- Easter messages from the Bishops of Queensland
- Five high-schoolers embrace new life by becoming Catholic in Lent
- Pope Francis makes historic visit to Iraq during Lent
- All the Sunday Readings in April
- Four-page puzzle spread
- Aussie priest a good friend of the homeless in Hong Kong
- Plus more



POWER POINT PRESENTATIONS VOLUNTEER NEEDED:

We are seeking a volunteer to join our Power Point Presentations Team for our Masses. The person will organise the Power Point overheads for two weekends in a row, every 5 weeks. If you can help us, please contact our parish office: 38214902.



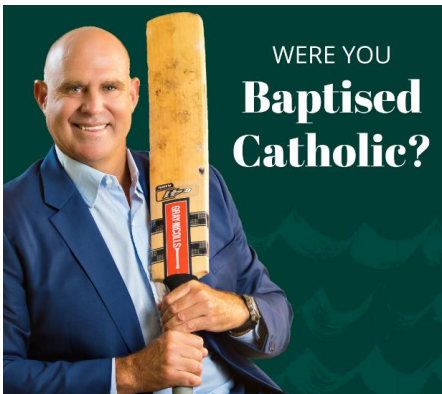
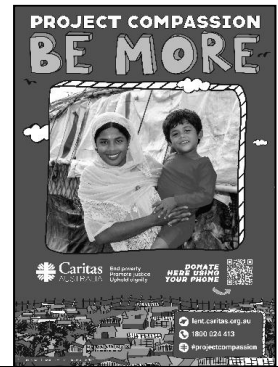
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Matthew Hayden was and it has continued to transform his life.

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Or scan here:



PLEASE TAKE HOME A "MORE WITH JESUS"
BOOK available from the front door.



MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKENDS - VIRTUAL OR LIVE-IN: **APRIL or MAY 2021.**

Worldwide Marriage Encounter invites couples, priests and religious to a **Marriage Encounter Weekend** to enrich and revitalise your Sacrament. It gives you the opportunity to grow in your relationship with your spouse or your community.

Virtual weekend via Zoom, 30th April – 2 May 2021, commencing at 7pm on

Friday – concluding at 4pm Sunday. Contact Mobile: Julie and Zyg Staszyc - 0437 388 513 Email: sabookings@wwme.org.au

Live-in weekend Friday 28 May - Sunday 30 May at Ormiston (on Brisbane's bayside). Contact Phone: Maria and David Murphy (07) 3342 1456

Email: dandmmurphy@optusnet.com.au Information website: www.wwme.org.au

LOST PROPERTY: SUNDAY MISAL FOUND IN CHURCH / BROWN LEATHER HAT FOUND
IN CAR PARK. Owners please contact the Parish Office 3821 4902.

PRAYERS

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

HEALING We pray for those who seek healing in their lives. Especially for Allan Drake.

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

WEARING MASKS TO ATTEND MASS: Just a kind reminder that we are still required to wear a mask to attend Masses until Thursday 15 April, unless new guidelines are received from Government. Queensland Health reminds us of the ongoing seriousness of this situation. They are asking all Queenslanders to continue to stay up to date with contact tracing alerts and follow government advice. People are also reminded that if you have any symptoms you should self-isolate and get tested immediately. You can access the latest information and advice about COVID-19 online from the Queensland Government and Australian Government.



ASRA: A MOVEMENT FROM THE HEART. SUPPORT TO ASYLUM SEEKERS URGENTLY NEEDED. INFORMATION FOR PROVIDING PRACTICAL SUPPORT TO REFUGEES RECENTLY RELEASED INTO THE COMMUNITY. The Archdiocesan Justice & Peace Commission has prepared an information sheet to help Catholics to provide practical support to the refugees who were recently released into the community from the Kangaroo Point Hotel and also the hundreds of others who already face serious difficulty and even destitution because they are deprived of basic support from the Federal Government.

The sheet highlights the important support provided by the Asylum Seeker and Refugee Assistance (ASRA) Program and how ASRA can be supported. It also includes contact details for some of the many organisations and groups offering practical assistance to the hundreds of people facing this hardship in SE Queensland. **(Information sheet available from the front door)**

Contact information: Email MAfunding@dlgrma.qld.gov.au Phone (07) 3215 2500

RESPONSE FOR THIS SUNDAY 11 April 2021

Resp. Psalm:

Give thanks to the Lord for he is good, his love is everlasting.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me; happy are those who have not seen me, but still believe!

Alleluia!

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

18 April 2021

First Reading: Acts 3:13-15. 17-19

Resp. Psalm: Ps 4:2. 4. 7. 9. R. v.7

Second Reading: 1 Jn 2:1-5

Gospel: Lk 24:35-48

Ministry - 17 / 18 April 2021 - 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Time	Coordinator	Readers	Communion Min - Host	Register
5.30pm		Gemma Tapson Pauline Delaney	Lesley Tapson	Tony Moore
7.00 am		Mary Fehlberg Lyn Bartley	Margaret Simpson	Dennis Kennedy
8.30 am		Lucy Paneda Jocelyn Lebumfacil	Peter Hunter	Donna Smyth

NEXT WEEK'S COUNTERS & CLEANERS	Counters	Team 6
	Cleaners	Team 1