

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 14th August 2016

20th Sunday in Ord Time

SUNDAY – Year C

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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Gospel
Lk 12:49-53

**WEEK DAY
MASSES**

MONDAY 9am
Redlands Hospital
1st & 3rd Mon of month
Mater Hospital
2nd & 4th Mon of month
No mass on the 5th
Monday of the month or
Public Holidays.

WEDNESDAY 8.40am
Carmel College
No Mass on School
Holidays

THURSDAY 9.15am
Star of the Sea

FRIDAY 9.15am
Star of the Sea

SUN 9am
**St Paul of the Cross
Dunwich**

Jesus said to his disciples: 'I have come to bring fire to the earth, and how I wish it were blazing already! There is a baptism I must still receive, and how great is my distress till it is over!

'Do you suppose that I am here to bring peace on earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. For from now on a household of five will be divided: three against two and two against three; the father divided against the son, son against father, mother against daughter, daughter against mother, mother-in-law against daughter-in-law, daughter-in-law against mother-in-law.'



**Year Of Mercy –
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time 14th August 2016**
"Families today need not be surprised when conflict erupts. They are to remain steadfast and rely on the strength of the Spirit to withstand the test."
– Prayer Time cycle C: Faith-Sharing Reflections on the Sunday Gospels

HOLY HOUR:
every Tuesday,
beginning at 2.50pm
in the Parish Church.
All welcome to join us in prayer.

Dear friends,

Last Tuesday was the **Feast of St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross**, known in her earlier life as Edith Stein. She is the third of the most widely known "Terasas" of the Carmelite Order in addition to Teresa of Avila and Therese of Lisieux.

Edith was born on October 12th 1891, the youngest of seven children. Her parents were Jewish and Edith, whose father died when she was young, was mainly raised by her widowed mother who was a deeply religious woman. Edith was a brilliant student and on leaving school entered the Breslau University. Proud as her mother was of Edith's achievements, she was alarmed that although Edith would occasionally accompany her to the Jewish synagogue on the Sabbath, as a student of rationalistic philosophy Edith had lost her belief, not only in Judaism, but in God. At the end of four terms' study of Psychology and Philosophy, it was arranged for her to have a term at the famous Gottingen University to work under the renowned philosopher, Husserl. She studied there for a further two years gaining her doctorate of Philosophy and being chosen by Husserl to be his assistant. Despite the prevailing rationalist atmosphere at Gottingen, with Max Scheler giving lectures on religion and another Jewish philosopher, Adolf Reinach – having become a Christian – teaching philosophy as leading to Christianity, Edith began to absorb these new ideas in her search for truth. When Adolf Reinach died, it was with dread of a heart-rending scene that Edith visited his widow. To her surprise she found Frau Reinach, who was a Christian, bearing her grievous loss with serenity as taking up her Christian cross. "For the first time I saw before me the Church born of Christ's redemptive suffering victorious over the sting of death. My unbelief was shattered. Judaism paled before the light of Christ – Christ in the mystery of the Cross".

Visiting a married couple who ran a fruit farm, she spent the day picking fruit and the evening in religious and philosophical discussion. On retiring to bed she selected at random from the bookshelf, the autobiography of St Teresa of Avila, which she read until the end. Then she said aloud: "this is the truth". The same morning she bought a Catechism and a Missal. Having studied them she entered a Catholic Church for the first time to hear Mass. At the end of Mass, she approached the priest asking to be baptised. "How long have you been having instruction?" he asked. "Test my knowledge Father" she replied. Although he was astonished at her knowledge of Catholic doctrine, it was not until New Year's Day that she was baptised in 1922.

Drawn to religious life, Edith shared in the devotions of the Dominican Nuns, spending much time in prayer, especially before Our Lady of Sorrows. However, at the end of four years, knowing that she was now fully acquainted with the Catholic philosophy of St Thomas Aquinas, her spiritual director urged her to use her knowledge to the glory of God, as a Catholic Scholar in the world.

Holy Week 1933, Edith knelt in the Carmelite chapel at Cologne and was accepted by the Mother priories for a month's trial. Edith had longed to enter a religious order for 12 years and so began her life as a Carmelite nun. In the spring of 1938 Sister Teresa Benedicta took her final vows.

With the Jews in Germany being 'rounded up' by the Gestapo, Edith was sent to the Monastery at Echt in the Netherlands. But in autumn of 1939, a few months after her arrival, with the outbreak of war, Hitler's army swept through Poland, Belgium, France and Holland, so Sr Teresa Benedicta realized there was no safe refuge for her in Echt and the nuns who had given her shelter might suffer. German authorities had started mass deportations of Jewish men, women and children from Holland, many being sent to Polish concentration camps, where they worked in mines or were put to death in gas chambers. The Dutch Catholic bishops protested and a pastoral letter of protest was read in all Catholic Churches. As a reprisal the Gestapo seized many Catholics and Jews and all Jewish religious, so it was that on August 2nd 1942 they arrived at the Carmelite monastery demanding that Sr Teresa Benedicta and her blood sister Rosa, who had also entered the Carmelite monastery, come with them. Sr Teresa told her sisters "to be brave because we must go and die with our people".

Sr Teresa Benedicta referred to her times as engulfed in flames. But she said, "The cross towers over them and cannot be consumed by them. It is the path to heaven and will lift everyone who embraces it into the life of the Trinity. "At Auschwitz on August 9, 1942, the cross lifted her into the arms of the Trinity.

On May 1st 1987, Edith Stein was beatified by Pope John Paul II and she was canonized on October 11th, 1998. St Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, Pray for us.

God bless,

Fr Ashley Warbrooke
Parish Priest

PARISH NEWS

FEAST OF THE ASSUMPTION: Mass will be celebrated at 9.15am on **Monday 15th August** at Star of the Sea.

PEEL ISLAND MASS: Arrangements are in hand for Mass to be conducted at the old church on Peel Island on **Saturday 20th August**. If you are interested in attending please leave your details at the Parish Office. A reasonable level of fitness is required in order to climb on and off boats and for some walking.

We will depart at 8.30am from Cleveland and arrive at the island at around 9.30am. There could be a short walk, approximately 45 min to the Leprosium where Mass is to be celebrated (unless other transport is available on the day). Please bring morning tea to share afterwards.

The return journey should take place at 11.45am and we will arrive back in Cleveland around 1pm.

Limited places available, please book your place at the parish office: 3821 4902.

BRIDGE: anyone interested in the game of social bridge, on **Friday afternoons, starting 1.30pm to 3pm** please contact **Lenore Lawson 3821 3104**.

PASTORAL COUNCIL: meets this Tuesday at the Parish Meeting Room.

THURSDAY SOCIAL MUSICAL:



PRAYERS

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

ANNIVERSARIES We pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time. Specially for Edward Mico.

DECEASED We commend the recently deceased to the loving embrace of God. Especially Colin Claridge and Brian Parer.

Did you know?

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YOUTH GROUP: The Youth Group attended Bounce last week and had jumping good time! **The next activity for the youth group will be on Friday, 19 August from 3:30-5:00** at the Mackillop Centre at Carmel College. We will perform a scavenger hunt and other fun activities. All youth in the Redlands area are invited. The Youth Group will be hosting a **Youth Mass at St Rita's Parish on Saturday, 10 September for their 5:00pm mass.** We are looking for youth to help as readers, choir members, musicians and cross/gift bearers. For more information please contact Carmel staff member Lee Brand (Lee.Brand@carmelcollege.qld.edu.au). Thank you and hope to see you at the next event!

ALL NATIONS MASS: will be celebrated on **Sunday 28 August, 8.30am.** A gathering will follow. Please join us on this special occasion.



PARISH FINANCES

For the six months ended 30 June 2016 - Church Activities

Income

1 st and 2 nd Collections	\$ 100,959
Other church activities - funerals, candle sales, memorial wall, sacramental income, interest, etc.	<u>\$ 33,297</u>
	<u>\$ 134,256</u>

Expenses

Administration, Church activities, Parish Levies running costs, Presbytery expenses	<u>\$ 142,497</u>
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SHORTFALL \$ 8,241

NB. Included in the expenses was Insurance Premiums totalling \$14,945.

Income received from the first collection is used to support our Parish Priest and clergy while the second collection is used for the upkeep of the Parish.

Thank you for your generosity and continued support of our Parish. Further detailed information is available through the Parish Office.

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY
21 August 2016
First Reading: [Is 66:18-21](#)
Responsorial Psalm: [Ps 116. R. Mk 16:15](#)
Second Reading: [Heb 12:5-7, 11-13](#)
Gospel: [Lk 13:22-30](#)

RESPONSE FOR THIS SUNDAY 14 August 2016
[Responsorial Psalm](#)
(R.) Lord, come to my aid!
[Gospel Acclamation](#)
 Alleluia, alleluia!
*My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
 I know them, and they follow me.*
 Alleluia!

MINISTRY – 21 August 2016				
Time	Coordinator	Readers	Communion Min - Bread	Communion Min - Wine
5.30 pm	Tony Moore	Tony Moore Jo-Anne Lavery	Betty Beauchamp Elizabeth Fisher Teresa Coates	Keith Fernandes Lil Predl Sue Wilson Judith Seery
7.00 am	Olga Johnstone	Bert Latham Veronica Hyland	Valerie Curley Sid Steele Graeme Ramsden	Jenice Hefferan Maria Paukofe Olga Johnstone Di Macnaughtan
8.30 am	Terry Larsen	Donna Smyth Jocelyn Lebumfacil	Annette Nicholls Janelle Jahnke Kathy Fitzsimmons	Terry Larsen Cheryl Webb Peter Hunter Teresa Gerada

NEXT WEEK'S COUNTERS & CLEANERS	Counters	Team 5
	Cleaners	Team 4