



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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Our readings for this Twenty-Fourth Sunday concern forgiving those who wound us and being reconciled with them. All three readings today remind us of the path to forgiveness, mercy, and reconciliation and challenge us to walk this, the only Way to Life. Sirach, in the first reading, reminds his listeners that if they don't heal and forgive and show mercy, they can't expect to receive mercy from God in return. It is unwise to nurse grudges and wise to forgive because our life span is very short and our eternal destiny is decided by

how we forgive, how we work for reconciliation with those who wound us, and how we render humble and loving service to them. In today's Psalm, the Psalmist sings, "The Lord is gracious and merciful, slow to anger and of great kindness."

In the second reading, Paul reminds us that we have to forgive others because we belong to Christ who, by his own example in forgiving those who killed Him, taught us how we must forgive in our turn. Since we humans are related to each other as brothers and sisters of Jesus, we are in the family of God, so hatred and bitterness toward anyone should have no place in our hearts.

In today's Gospel, through the parable of the two debtors, Jesus teaches us that there should be no limit to our forgiveness and no conditions attached to our reconciliation. We represent the greater debtor in the parable because we commit sins every day and, hence, we need God's forgiveness every day. But we must forgive in order to be forgiven. Jesus explains, after teaching us the prayer Our Father, "For if you forgive people their trespasses, your Heavenly Father also will forgive you."

Forgiveness is a Christian virtue and is the hallmark of our Christian faith and practice. Forgiving the other in the full sense is a form of loving and caring. It is the miracle of a new beginning. It is to start where we are, not where we wish we were, or the other person was. It is to hold out a hand; to want to renew a friendship; to want a new relationship with husband, father, daughter, friend, or indeed enemy. Christ from the cross showed what forgiveness is and how far we can go.

Fr Rony Kalapurackal Chacko
Parish Priest

TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

RESPONSE: The Lord is kind and merciful; slow to anger and rich in compassion.

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia!

I give you a new commandment:

love one another as I have loved you. **Alleluia!**

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY

Star of the Sea
Reconciliation
4.45pm - 5.15pm
Mass 5.30pm

SUNDAY

Star of the Sea
Mass 7.00am
Mass 8.30am

(Live-stream Mass from our
FACEBOOK PAGE:
[https://fb.me/StaroftheSea
Cleveland](https://fb.me/StaroftheSeaCleveland))

St Paul of the Cross,
Dunwich - Mass 11.00am
1st and 3rd Sun of month
(Liturgy of the Word with
Communion – every other
Sundays at 9am)

TUESDAY

Redlands Hospital
1st Tuesday - Mass 9am
Mater Hospital
2nd & 4th Tues - Mass 9am

WEDNESDAY

Carmel College
8.40 am

Cleveland Gardens

1st Wed - Mass 2.30pm

Moreton Shores

2nd Wed - Mass 11.00am

Arcare

3rd Wed - Mass 9.45am

Seaton McKenzie

4th Wed - Mass 10.45am

Star of the Sea
Christian Meditation – 4pm

THURSDAY

Star of the Sea

Rosary 8.45am

Mass 9.15am

Healing Mass

1st Thurs of the month

**Holy Adoration and
Benediction**

**Every other Thursday
9.45 to 10.45am**

Redland Residential

**2nd Thurs – Liturgy of the
Word 11.00am**

FRIDAY

Star of the Sea

Rosary 8.45am

Mass 9.15am

Aveo Cleveland

1st Friday - Mass 2.00pm

NEW MONSTRANCE:

Thank you to the good heart of
one of our parishioners for the
donation of a beautiful new
monstrance.



PLEASE JOIN US

Children's Liturgy

Every 2nd & 4th Sunday of the month
During the 8.30am Mass

ALL NATIONS MASS & CELEBRATION

Parishioners from all cultures are invited to
take part in the **Mass on
Sunday 24th September at 8.30am.**
Followed by food, costumes and
displays of your country. **If you would like to
get involved and help us in any way,** please
add your name and contact details in the
Raffle Box to win a prize drawn on All Nations

SACRAMENT OF CONFIRMATION AT STAR OF THE SEA

Last Thursday we received the visit of Bishop Tim Norton in our community to celebrate the Sacrament of Confirmation with our children. Congratulations to the children who received this important sacrament.

Thank you to our Sacramental Team, Liturgy Team, parents and Fr Rony for such a wonderful work preparing our children. Please keep them in your prayers.



RCIA PROGRAM (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults): Taking expression of interest. The RCIA aims to assist those who are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith with a view to becoming a Catholic through small group discussion. **Do you know of anyone, friend or family who may be interested?** Please have them register at the Parish Office Ph 3821 4902, email cleveland@bne.catholic.net.au.

Save the Date

For Star of the Sea

4TH PARISH MISSION

Led by Fr Ray Sanchez CP

From Sunday 22nd October to Friday 27th October 2023

There will be five (5) sessions:

1. Time of Transition
2. Pope Francis in a Time of Transition
3. Eucharist as Communion Meal and Sacrifice
4. Transition and Solitude
5. The Church in Transition & 2nd Rite of Reconciliation

We conclude the Mission with a celebration of the sacrament of Reconciliation.

MORNING SESSIONS: 9.15am to 12.15pm

EVENING SESSIONS: 7 to 9pm

(All sessions are done in the morning and repeated that evening, with a morning Eucharist to precede the morning ones. No session on Wednesday.)



St. Teresa of Calcutta: 5th Anniversary Celebration

This year we are celebrating the fifth anniversary of the Shrine dedicated to St. Teresa of Calcutta at the Marian Valley, Canungra.

You are invited to share this special milestone celebration as we spread the message of Mother Teresa across our communities. Let us join as a Parish community on a "Pilgrimage of Prayer" to the Marian Valley to celebrate the life of Mother Teresa and strengthen our faith in God. **The 5th anniversary of the St Teresa of Calcutta Shrine at Marian Valley, Canungra, is on Saturday, 07 October 2023.**

The anniversary will be celebrated with a Mass at 11 am followed by a procession to the Shrine at 12 pm.

Bus Pilgrimage: A mini bus is being organised for parishioners to travel to the Marian Valley departing at 8:15 am and returning at 3 pm. **Tickets are only \$10 per person**, please call the Parish Office (T: 3821 4902) to book your seats. You can also register or seek information by connecting with Keith Fernandes (M: 0401 142043) or Mary Fehlberg (M: 0407 111825).

Share your Blessings: To mark the fifth anniversary of the opening of our Mother Teresa Chapel, we invite you to share your blessings with those in need. Your generous donations will be used by the Missionaries of Charity to provide meals for homeless people and families who are doing it tough in Brisbane.

You can place your donation in the boxes on the day, alternatively you may donate to the Parish office.

PRAYERS

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

ANNIVERSARIES We pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time. Especially Marye and John Riley, Rita and John Vardanega, Fr Lino Valente and Mavis and Bill McCluney.

DECEASED: We commend the recently deceased to the loving embrace of God. Especially Anthony Ngo.

BREAK OPEN THE WORD BOOK: Books are now available from Parish Office. Readers are encouraged to get a copy to prepare themselves to proclaim the Word of God. Cost: \$20.

SOTS PRIMARY SCHOOL NEWS



AT STAR OF THE SEA PRIMARY SCHOOL WE VALUE

Service



WE SHOW SERVICE WHEN WE DO SOMETHING PRIMARILY FOR THE BENEFIT AND GOODWILL OF OTHERS. WHEN WE SERVE, WE LOOK OUTSIDE OF OURSELF, AND SEEK TO BRING JUSTICE AND PEACE TO OTHERS.

As each has received a gift, use it to serve one another, as good stewards of God's varied grace.

1 Peter 4:10



May Christ Light Your Way

At Star of the Sea Primary School, we have 3 values that we aim to embed into our everyday actions and words. They are Love, Service and Compassion. Although we value each respectively, as a school community we choose to emphasise either Love, Service or Compassion on a yearly rotation. This year's value that we are highlighting is Service. When we act with service, we are looking outside of ourselves, and we seek to bring justice and peace to others. It is for the primary benefit and goodwill of others.

Our staff are engaging in an *Act of Service* as a team to benefit the less fortunate in our society. On Saturday the 14th of October, a group of teachers and school officers will be volunteering their time to cook meals and distribute to the homeless through the 'Dig In' charity. 'Dig In' is a registered not-for-profit Brisbane charity that provides wholesome, home cooked meals every Saturday for the homeless and disadvantaged. To find out more about this charity, go to: <https://www.digin.org.au/>.

As part of this *Act of Service*, we are wanting to donate \$500 to the 'Dig In' organisation to further support them with their continuing work to feed the homeless and disadvantaged of Brisbane. To do this, we are holding a raffle to help us raise money. Tickets will be for sale over the next 6 weeks at the school office and at weekend Masses. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5. The winner will be drawn at our School's Week 4 Assembly in Term 4 (27th of October).

Buy a ticket to win:

- A Wanderer Rugged Beach Cart valued at \$150
- A Great Northern Esky valued at \$60
- A Sienna fishing rod and reel valued at \$150
- A bottle of wine and a 6 pack of beer

We greatly appreciate your support in helping our school staff with our *Act of Service*. And we look forward to sharing our experience at the Dig In charity with you later next month.

MINISTRY- 24 September 2023- 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Time	Coordinator	Readers	Communion Min- Host	Communion Min- Chalice
Sat 5.30pm	Pauline McKay	Andrew Cooper John Mott	Pauline McKay Lesley Tapson Judith Seery	Juliette Warnick-Hayne Not filled yet
Sun 7.00am	TBC	Emil Hayes Tom Kirby	Val Eckard	TBC
Sun 8.30am	Annette Nicholls	All Nations	Joanne Shorthouse Trish Aumuller Annette Nicholls	Clarita Cleavelly Cheryl Webb
COUNTERS & CLEANERS		Counter	Team 1	
		Cleaners	Team 2	