



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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Dear friends,

Francis of Assisi was an ardent advocate of the doctrine of the indwelling of God in man. It enabled him to love everyone equally whatever his status in life. One day he met a fellow who had no love for God. As they walked along, they met a man who was blind and paralysed. St. Francis asked the sightless cripple: "Tell me if I were to restore your eyesight and the use of your limbs, would you love me?" "Ah," replied the beggar, "I would not only love you, but I would be your slave for the rest of my life." "See," said Francis to the man who maintained that he could not love God, "this man would love me if I gave him his sight and his health. Why don't you love God who created you with eyesight and strong limbs?" — that is what Jesus tells us in today's Gospel. If we love Jesus because of the countless blessings He has given us, and so keep his word as the centre of our life, he will start dwelling within us in the company of his Father and the Holy Spirit, making us the temples of the Triune God. The promise of God's abiding presence must have been of great comfort to John's community who knew that the Temple in Jerusalem — the symbol of God's presence with His people — had been destroyed by the Roman army. In today's Gospel passage, Jesus tells us that the one thing in life, which we can always trust, is God's presence. God inhabits our hearts so deeply and intimately that we become the visible dwelling place of God. His living and life-affirming presence is always with us, yet "hidden" in the very things we so often take for granted. Thus, we are invited to look for and encounter — "God-with-us," yet "hidden" — in the person sitting next to us, in the words we speak, and in the songs we sing at worship. Jesus teaches us the condition for this indwelling of the Holy Trinity, namely, we have to show our love of God by keeping his Word. And this keeping of his Word will be facilitated by the Holy Spirit, God's Holy Breath.

One of the great social and ethical problems of our time is isolation. Spouses, parents and children often live as virtual strangers to one another. This is unfortunate because we never need to be alone. Jesus can always be present to us. He shares with us his joy and replaces the burden of our guilt with the freedom of forgiveness. He takes our grief and turns it into joy. We only need to allow Jesus into our lives to be rid of this loneliness. Oneness with Jesus is the greatest gift we can give our children, our friends, or those who see no purpose in life. We can help to bring people to unity with Jesus, a unity that will change their lives. As we celebrate this Eucharistic meal, our Mass, let us celebrate in a special way the price Jesus paid for our redemption. May Catholic faith empower us to lead a true Life in the Spirit. Let us believe, God is with us and we are called to be with Him.

Becoming Catholic (RCIA) Catholic Christians are disciples of Jesus Christ. They enter the Church through Baptism, by which their sins are forgiven and they are made children of God. Jesus Christ calls each of us to enter into a personal relationship with him. Our Lord Jesus Christ offers us his friendship, compassion, and forgiveness. In drawing closer to Christ, many people experience a great sense of joy and inner peace as they discover God's infinite love for them. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA) is a process of preparing unbaptised adults for membership in the Catholic Church. Adults who want to become a Catholic may please contact Parish Office for further information.

Fr Rony Chacko - Parish Priest

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 Paul of the Cross,
Dunwich

1st and 3rd Sun of month

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

TUESDAY

Redlands Hospital
1st Tuesday
Mass 9.00am

Mater Hospital
2nd & 4th Tuesday
Mass 9.00am

WEDNESDAY

Carmel College
Mass 8.40am

Cleveland Gardens
1st Wednesday
Mass 2.30pm

Moreton Shores
2nd Wednesday
Mass 11.00am

THURSDAY

Star of the Sea
Mass 9.15am

Redland Residential
2nd Thursday
Mass 10.30am

FRIDAY

Star of the Sea
Rosary 8.45am
Mass 9.15am

Aveo Cleveland
1st Friday
Mass 10.30am

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER - Year C

RESPONSE: O God, let all the nations praise you!

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: *Alleluia, alleluia!*

All who love me will keep my words, and my Father will love them and we will come to them.
Alleluia!



THANK YOU VOLUNTEERS

AT STAR OF THE SEA PARISH COMMUNITY!

We pray for all who serve as volunteers in a multitude of settings within the Church and wider community: that their witness of faith and generosity of service will reveal the face of Christ to those for whom they care.



POWER POINT PRESENTATIONS VOLUNTEER

NEEDED: We are seeking a volunteer to join our Power Point Presentations Team for our Masses. If you can help us, please contact our parish office.

YOUTH MINISTRY: Invitation is open for parents or young people to join our team. Please contact Sam for more information 0499 024 309.

COUNTERS REQUIRED: Each week the Parish collection is counted and banked. The task takes around 1 hour. Currently there are six teams comprising 2 or 3 people who perform this work, so you would be rostered once every 6 weeks. A coin counting machine is used as part of process. This team counts on Sunday after the 8.30am Mass. If you are able to assist, could you please contact the office by phone or email – details as per the newsletter.

BAPTISMAL PREPARATION CLASS FOR PARENTS:

We are calling volunteers to join our team. Class takes place after the 8.30am Mass on the First Sunday of the month, training provided. Please ring our parish office.



"The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all".

NATIONAL SORRY DAY 26TH MAY 2022



The first **National Sorry Day** was held on **May 26, 1998**, which was one year after the tabling of a report about the removal of Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander children from their families. The report, known as ***Bringing Them Home***, acknowledged that Indigenous children were forcibly separated from their families and communities since the early days of European occupation in Australia. Governments and missionaries were responsible for this forced separation. Symbol used today and is worn on the 26th May is the Native Hibiscus. The flower was adopted because it is found widely distributed across Australia and it is a survivor, as are the scattered members of the stolen generations.

27TH MAY – 3RD JUNE 2021 – NATIONAL RECONCILIATION WEEK



The National Reconciliation Week 2022 theme, “**Be Brave. Make Change.**”, is a challenge to all Australians – individuals, families, communities, organisations and government to **Be Brave** and tackle the unfinished business of reconciliation so we can **Make Change** for the benefit of all Australians.

Last year Reconciliation Australia encouraged all Australians to take action; not just in National Reconciliation Week but every week of the year.

We saw unprecedented response to our suggested actions for everyday and for braver action. This year we are asking everyone to make change beginning with brace actions in their daily lives – where they live, work, play and socialise.

National Reconciliation Week is a time for all Australians to learn about our shared histories, cultures and achievements, and to explore how each of us can contribute to achieving reconciliation in Australia.

[Find out more about National Reconciliation Week](#) #NRW2022 #BeBraveMakeChange



SCHOOL NEWS:

From the Assistant Principal of Religious Education:

May - The Month of Mary is a special time for us at Star of the Sea to pay homage to our Blessed Mother Mary. To honour our Patron Saint, Mary. As a school community, we draw on Mary to bring us closer to Christ so that as individuals and as a community, we each grow to be more like Christ. We place ourselves in her care and pray to her for guidance and direction to live out our school values of love, service and compassion.

Why do we honour Mary? We honour Mary because she is Mother - Your mother, my mother, everyone's mother – and because she cares for all of us day-in-and-day-out without fail, interceding for us in even the tiniest matters. Students continue to have our Patron Mary as a focus as part of their Religion lessons this month.



FEDERAL ELECTION 2022 – BISHOP’S STATEMENT:

Read the Australian Catholic Bishops’2022 election statement, Towards a Better Kind of Politics, to help you reflect on the good you can do for the community by using your vote for the common good of all. The statement includes a Prayer for the Election and the principles of Catholic Social Teaching. Download a copy from www.catholic.org.au

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2022:

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION: (for children who celebrated their First Reconciliation last Term)

First Holy Communion Rehearsal - Thursday 9th June at 4.30pm
 Sacrament of First Holy Communion - Sunday 12th June 10.30am

CONFIRMATION: Term Three - Yr 3 (enrolment are still open for Confirmation)

Parents Meeting - Thursday 28th July 2pm or 7pm (at the Parish Hall)
 Commitment Mass - Weekend of 30th & 31st July (Masses are Sat 5.30pm, Sun 7am and 8.30am)
 Rehearsal - Thursday 1st Sept at 4.30pm
 Sacrament of Confirmation - Thursday 8th September at 5.30pm

IONA COLLEGE OPEN DAY: Monday 30th May 2022, 1.30 – 4pm. Register now:

<https://www.trybooking.com/events/landing?eid=875355&> - Website: <http://www.iona.qld.edu.au/>
 Address: 85 North Road, Lindum QLD 4178. Email: enrol@iona.qld.edu.au

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 those affected by the spread of the coronavirus.

ANNIVERSARY We pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time. Especially **Richard Tarczynski**.

PARISH APP: You can also give your donation via



<http://parishgiving.brisbanecatholic.org.au>

We thank you for your kind support.

Ministry – 29 May 2022 – The Ascension of the Lord

Time	Coordinator	Readers	Communion Min - Host
5.30pm	Tony Moore	Juliette Warnick-Hayne Pauline Hall	Theresa Thompson
7.00 am	Sid Steele	Tom Kirby Emil Hayes	Mary Fehlberg
8.30 am	Jocelyn Lebumfacil	Carmel Stone Lucy Paneda	Trish Aumuller

<u>NEXT WEEK'S COUNTERS & CLEANERS</u>	<u>Counters</u>	<u>Team 4</u>
	<u>Cleaners</u>	<u>Team 5</u>