

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 26<sup>th</sup> June 2016**

**13<sup>th</sup> 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.*

**PARISH PRIEST:** Fr Ashley Warbrooke  
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# Road To The Resurrection

**Gospel**  
(Luke 9:51-62)

“Jerusalem Bound”

*Jesus resolutely set his face towards Jerusalem.*

*I will follow you wherever you will go.*

As the time drew near for him to be taken up to heaven, Jesus resolutely took the road for Jerusalem and sent messengers ahead of him. These set out, and they went into a Samaritan village to make preparations for him, but the people would not receive him because he was making for Jerusalem. Seeing this, the disciples James and John said, ‘Lord, do you want us to call down fire from heaven to burn them up?’ But he turned and rebuked them, and they went off to another village.

As they travelled along they met a man on the road who said to him, ‘I will follow you wherever you go.’ Jesus answered, ‘Foxes have holes and the birds of the air have nests, but the Son of Man has nowhere to lay his head.’

Another to whom he said, ‘Follow me,’ replied, ‘Let me go and bury my father first.’ But he answered, ‘Leave the dead to bury their dead; your duty is to go and spread the news of the kingdom of God.’

Another said, ‘I will follow you, sir, but first let me go and say good-bye to my people at home.’ Jesus said to him, ‘Once the hand is laid on the plough, no one who looks back is fit for the kingdom of God.’

### 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

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#### FRIDAY 9.15am

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#### SUN 9am

St Paul of the Cross  
Dunwich

## Gospel Reflection BY RICHARD LEONARD SJ

In his excellent book, *Things You Get For Free*, Michael McGirr tells the story of going on pilgrimage to Rome with his mother. Maureen McGirr had always wanted to see St Peter's. Michael records the big day.

'One of the features of a visit to St Peter's is the modesty inspection. This is the kind of examination which most Australians on a visit to Bali would flunk. You aren't allowed to wear shorts or sleeveless garments. No swimming costumes, either, unless they have long legs and sleeves. No singlets. The modesty inspection has a point. It keeps out nudists and other undesirables... I would be more comfortable if the signs warned against coming in with a closed mind or an angry heart.

'When you get inside, however, St Peter's strips you bare. Mum took a few steps forward into the cavernous gloom and stopped. I looked up into the dome that Michelangelo designed late in life: he never lived to see it finished. In that moment, hundreds of visitors rushed past. "What on earth are they trying to prove?" I wasn't sure if Mum was talking about the building or all the people rushing past. Officials were still clearing away the cheap plastic stacking chairs which come out for big masses. They were not part of the original design. I was distracted by the noise.

"When you think," said Mum, leaving her sentence unfinished...

"When you think what?" I asked...

"I don't know. When you think."

"What?" I was getting testy with her. Mum drew in breath to say something important.

"When you think that Jesus had nothing."

'It was a naked response. For 70 years, this building had stood as the physical centre of Mum's religion. This was her pilgrimage to Mecca. Yet her response was almost revulsion. I wanted to put a brake on her reaction and jolly her along and tell her that Jesus would rather have had this as a monument than the Empire State Building or the Crown Casino.'

No matter how much we try to ignore it, or play it down, the call to simplicity of lifestyle and detachment are important elements in the teaching of Jesus and the way he lived his own life.

In Luke's gospel and in his second volume, *The Acts of the Apostles*, the obligations of the haves to the have-nots are regularly underlined. Scholars think Luke's gospel keeps this teaching most alive because it was a community divided by wealth.

In today's Gospel this obligation is put in its starkest form. To 'bury the dead' in first-century Palestine sometimes meant having to take on their responsibilities – farm, fishing or family. To have 'nowhere to lay one's head' gave as much freedom then as it does today; and to be detached, without regret, has always been a sign of God's kingdom.

Some preachers can blast off into loopy-land when they start drawing out lessons from this teaching. While Jesus' words have a radical edge which must not be blunted, if all Christians everywhere were to live this teaching literally we would constitute a family of happy but homeless people, surrounded by decomposing loved ones! There is no dignity in poverty and most people who are poor, while they can be rich in the best human values, do not want to stay poor. What they deserve, and what all Christians should want, is economic and social justice. We are not at liberty to follow Jesus and watch the rich get fatter and all-consuming while the poor pay the price for unchecked greed.

Some Christians are given the gift of living very simply and to the degree that this gift brings life to them, and those around them, it is a wonderful sign of God's kingdom. All the rest of us, who struggle to embrace this gift, or a desire to ever want it, must face up to the challenge of Jesus' teaching here. But it's not just about money. We are also called to detach ourselves from memories, which can be cluttered with anger and revenge; from the demands of work which keep us from being with those we love; and to be generous with our time, talent, hospitality and compassion.

Previous generations strayed from the demands of this gospel. Grand cathedrals, courtly behaviour and princely mansions were meant to reflect on earth the reign of God. These are our legacy, but may it not be said of us, what Michael McGirr says of St Peter's, 'any sense of the Divine completely disappears under the materialism of it all.' Rather, may our generation show the kingdom of God most visibly in the way we live simply, fight for justice for all people everywhere, and the detachment we have to everything but the essentials.

## **PARISH NEWS**

### **ENVELOPES FOR 2016/17:**

Your Planned Giving Envelopes for the coming financial year are available for collection from the back of the church.



If you wish to change the weekly amount donated to keep up with inflation, would you please complete a blue form (also available at the back of the church) and place the form on one of the collection plates or the box at the entrance.

If you have not enrolled in planned giving and wish to do so, please fill in one of these blue forms.

To allow better planning for yourself and the parish, we also offer payment by direct debit or credit card, tick your preferred method in the form.

The First Collection funds are used for the upkeep of the Parish Priest or clergy, while the second collection is for the upkeep of the Parish. In addition the parish is required to remit 18% of offerings to the Archdiocese.

Thank you for your assistance and generosity over the last 12 months.

**THANK YOU MONS JOHN BUTLER AND FR PAUL MURPHY:** For always being there for our Parish Community. We deeply appreciate your help.

### **PILGRIM DAY TO SANTA TERESA SPIRITUALITY CENTRE ORMISTON:**

**Arrive 9.30am closing prayer 3.30pm. Day available: Tuesday 9th August (limit of 15)**

Members of our Star of the Sea Parish Community are invited to come and spend a day as a pilgrim at the beautiful Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, Wellington St, Ormiston. The day is **free** with boxed lunch and tea and coffee provided by the Brisbane Archdiocese. Numbers are limited and bookings are essential. Please phone the parish office 38214902 to insure you have a spot. **PLEASE INDICATE IF YOU HAVE ANY DIETARY REQUIREMENTS.**

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

**NEW PARISHIONERS MORNING TEA AND GET TOGETHER:** will be held on **Sat 9 July 2016 at 10am** at the McKinlay Centre. Come along and meet new friends, join in the parish community. For numbers to facilitate catering, please give your name, telephone number or email to Alba at the Parish Office by Monday 4 July. Please ring 3821 4902 or send an email: [Cleveland@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:Cleveland@bne.catholic.net.au). Children are very welcome. For further enquires please ring the facilitators Dave & Tricia Ferguson- Ph 3821 7218.

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION:** Every **Wednesday 4.30pm** in Star of the Sea Church. For more information ring **Norma 32863532**. Christian Meditation also at Avila, Ormiston, in the Monastery grounds each **Wednesday at 9.30am**. For further information contact **Margaret on 3206 0773**.

**"WHAT IF"... MAN ALIVE FOR CHRIST (MAX) 16:** A National Catholic Event for men – **15 -17 July 2016**.

St Leo's College. University of Queensland. Brisbane.

Cost: \$245 per person (\$220 for students, unwaged and pensioners) cost includes 2 nights' accommodation and meals from breakfast Saturday to and including lunch Sunday. Also includes morning and afternoon teas and supper).

More information: Peter Carrigan – 0404 496 405 / Robert Falzon – 0412 745 734. Or mail [@manalive.org.au](mailto:@manalive.org.au)

**VITAE APPEAL:** This weekend **23<sup>rd</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> June** Mons Butler will once again inform us of his work with "at risk" youth. You are invited to support this work both financially and in prayer. You will find envelopes on the seats for your use. They may be placed on the collection plates at any time. Thank you in anticipation. All donations are tax deductible.

### **PRAYERS**

**HEALING** We pray for those who seek healing in their lives. Especially for John Lavery.

**ANNIVERSARIES** We pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time.

**DECEASED** We commend the recently deceased to the loving embrace of God. Especially Alba Caetano and Regina Cazneau.

**TWO-MINUTE HOMILIES:** Priests from around the Archdiocese are preparing “Two Minute Homilies” and uploading them on social media platforms on a weekly basis now. To view or listen to a podcast please visit <http://brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/two-minute-homilies/> at your leisure.

**VOCATIONS NOVENA (V9) Prayer Campaign 7:** The prayer campaign begins today **Sunday 12 June** and **culminates at the end of National Vocations Awareness Week on Sunday the 7<sup>th</sup> August 2016.** This campaign encourages a prayerful culture across the Archdiocese of Brisbane by praying a nine week novena for vocations.  
**- Vocation Brisbane/Archdiocese of Brisbane. Cathedral House 229 Elizabeth St Brisbane QLD 4001. Ph 1300 133 544.**

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS**

**A: At the sight of the crowds Jesus’ heart was moved**

*B: For they were like sheep without a Shepherd*

**A: Jesus said, “The harvest is ready”**

*B: “But the labourers are few”*

**A: Ask the Lord to send out labourers for the harvest**

*B: O Lord we pray that young men will answer the call to become priests in Your Harvest*

**A: And shepherd for your people.**

*Amen*



**Year Of Mercy – Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 26th June 2016** “...you don't come to God by doing it right; you come to God by doing it wrong, and then falling into an infinite mercy.” – Richard Rohr’s Daily Meditation: *Saved by Grace*, 15 November 2015

**RESPONSE FOR THIS SUNDAY 26 June 2016**

**Responsorial Psalm**

*(R.) You are my inheritance, O Lord.*

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

**Speak, O Lord, your servant is listening;  
you have the words of everlasting life.**

Alleluia!

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

**3 July 2016**

**First Reading: Is 66:10-14**

**Responsorial Psalm: Ps 65:1-7. 16. 20. R. v.1**

**Second Reading: Gal 6:14-18**

**Gospel: Lk 10:1-12. 17-20**

**MINISTRY – 3 July 2016**

Time	Coordinator	Readers	Communion Min - Bread	Communion Min - Wine
5.30 pm	Elizabeth Fisher	John Mott Usha Jayaswal	Lil Predl Sue Wilson Daphne Bartels	Elizabeth Fisher Tony Moore Teresa Coates Judith Seery
7.00 am	Sid Steele	Aurora Stronach Michelle Hopton	Jenice Hefferan Maria Paukofe Graeme Ramsden	Sid Steele Margaret Simpson Michael Dahm Valerie Curley
8.30 am	Sue Fairbairn	Helen Hunter Judi-Ann Zacka	Peter Hunter Terry Larsen Cheryl Webb	Caroline Santaguiliana Clarita Cleavelly Janelle Jahnke Carmen Scandar

**NEXT WEEK’S COUNTERS & CLEANERS**

**Counters**

**Team 4**

**Cleaners**

**Team 3**