

**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 27 January 2019**  
**3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**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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Dear friends,  
Today's First Reading is from the Book of Nehemiah. In 587BC the land of Judah and the city of Jerusalem were conquered by the Babylonians and many Israelites were exiled to Babylon. The Books of Ezra and Nehemiah pick up the story with the return of the Israelites from Babylon to Jerusalem in 538BC. The two books were originally a single work, perhaps written in their final form by the same persons (or person) who wrote 1 and 2 Chronicles. The scribe or writer would have drawn on the memoirs of

Nehemiah and other sources. This Sunday is the only time in the three year cycle of Readings that we hear from the Books of Ezra and Nehemiah.

When the exiles returned to Jerusalem they found the city in ruins. The walls that protected the city were no longer standing. Hearing of the distress of his fellow Israelites, Nehemiah also returns to Jerusalem to lead the restoration efforts. Under his leadership the people repair the walls of city, so they might once again live in safety and begin the task of restoring their homes and the temple. The first thing Nehemiah does once the walls are repaired is to gather all the people together and to have Ezra, the scribe, read to them from the Torah. This is the moment we read about in today's First Reading.

In Ezra we can see the precursor to Jesus' proclamation of Scripture in Nazareth. Ezra reads the words to the people to remind them of who they are. They are the people of God, God's beloved. Because of this they are called from their desolation and mourning into joy, for through "rejoicing in the Lord" they will regain their strength.

Following his baptism in the Jordan and the time of temptation in the desert, Jesus returns to his hometown of Nazareth to worship in the synagogue. After reading from the scroll of Isaiah the people look at Jesus intently as He tells them, "Today, this text is being fulfilled even as you listen".

When we read the Bible we remember the history of this great book. We think about the context in which these words were first written and proclaimed. But then we are called to go further, for we believe that this 'living word' has something to tell us today.

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**WEEK DAY  
MASSES****MONDAY 9am**

**Redlands Hospital**  
1st Mon of month  
(Liturgy of the Word with  
Communion – every  
other Monday)

**TUESDAY 9am**

**Mater Hospital**  
2nd & 4th Tuesday  
of month  
No mass on Public  
Holidays.

**WED 8.40am**

**Carmel College**  
No mass on School  
Holidays.

**THURSDAY 9.15am**

**Star of the Sea**

**FRIDAY 9.15am**

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**SUN 11am**

**St Paul of the Cross,  
Dunwich.**  
1st & 3rd Sun of  
month  
(Liturgy of the Word with  
Communion – every  
other Sunday at 9am)

**HOLY HOUR:**

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



Jesus read from Isaiah that He himself had been sent “to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives and to the blind new sight, to set the downtrodden free.” How can these words of comfort for the poor and oppressed be fulfilled in our time? What role do we have to make these words come alive in our times? The Ministry of Jesus was action in the world. He set about to bring good news to the poor and the oppressed. Are we content to just read about his ministry and his mission? Faced with such a leader we are called to be true followers.

God bless,

**Fr Ashley Warbrooke - Parish Priest**

## **Gospel Lk 1:1-4. 4:14-21**

*The scriptures were fulfilled on this day.*

Seeing that many others have undertaken to draw up accounts of the events that have taken place among us, exactly as these were handed down to us by those who from the outset were eyewitnesses and ministers of the word, I in my turn, after carefully going over the whole story from the beginning, have decided to write an ordered account for you, Theophilus, so that your Excellency may learn how well founded the teaching is that you have received.

Jesus, with the power of the Spirit in him, returned to Galilee; and his reputation spread throughout the countryside. He taught in their synagogues and everyone praised him.

He came to Nazara, where he had been brought up, and went into the synagogue on the Sabbath day as he usually did. He stood up to read, and they handed him the scroll of the prophet Isaiah. Unrolling the scroll he found the place where it is written:

The spirit of the Lord has been given to me, for he has anointed me.

He has sent me to bring the good news to the poor, to proclaim liberty to captives and to the blind new sight, to set the downtrodden free, to proclaim the Lord's year of favour.

He then rolled up the scroll, gave it back to the assistant and sat down. And all eyes in the synagogue were fixed on him. Then he began to speak to them, 'This text is being fulfilled today even as you listen.'

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## **PARISH NEWS**



**THE LITTLE KING'S MOVEMENT FOR THE HANDICAPPED** was founded in 1968 under the umbrella of the Franciscan Missionaries of Mary. It provides an opportunity for persons with a disability to access a social life, gatherings, and activities to help overcome loneliness and for them to enjoy the advantages of today's world in company, education and acceptance in a friendly atmosphere, all based on Christian values.

A special emphasis is placed on helping parents as well as the disabled with their personal, spiritual and social lives.

Although based on Catholic beliefs, it is ecumenical and all members and people with disabilities are welcomed.

The members of the "The Little King's Movement" commit themselves to bringing to people with disabilities a sense of worth, a sense of being valued and a sense of being loved.

There are no Government subsidies, and most activities are voluntary. **ALL ACTIVITIES FOR OUR DISABLED FRIENDS ARE FREE OF CHARGE.**

The Church Appeal is one of the major fundraisers for the year. In previous years this Parish has been very generous even in the most difficult financial times, for which the Movement is most grateful.

**THE APPEAL WILL TAKE PLACE ON SAT 2<sup>ND</sup> AND SUNDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> FEBRUARY.**



**BAPTISMAL CLASS TEAM:** We are looking for another volunteer to join the Baptismal Class Team. The classes are on the 1st Sunday of the month, after the 8.30am Mass.

**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: 38214902.

**BREAK OPEN THE WORD BOOK 2019:** It is very valuable for readers to have a copy. There are still copies available at the Parish Office. All Readers are encouraged to get one. Cost: \$20.



**World Day of Prayer  
AUSTRALIA**

**'Come – Everything is Ready':** This ecumenical service is prepared to join us in prayer around the world. This year Slovenia has prepared the topic. Please join us in prayer on **Friday 1 March at 10.30am, at St Rita's Catholic Church, 37 Benfer Rd, Victoria point.**

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION:** breaks for Christmas and New Year's from **Wednesday 12 December to Tuesday 6 February 2019.**

**THURSDAY SOCIAL:** Will meet again on **Thursday 7th February** for morning tea after the Healing Mass. All welcome.

**SOTS VOLUNTEERS:** all volunteers in Star of the Sea Parish need to complete a volunteer's registration form. Some also need to apply for a Blue Card or a Police Check. If you have not done so or are unsure about what is needed, please contact **Michael Dahm 0432 271 640 or the Parish Office 3821 4902.**



**PLENARY COUNCIL 2020 MEETING FOR REDLAND AND BAYSIDE DEANERY:** **Thursday 21st February 2019 at 6:30pm (following the 6:00pm Parish Mass) at St Mary MacKillop Parish Centre, 12 Hardy Rd, Birkdale.** The Plenary Council in 2020 is a gathering of the Church in Australia to make decisions for the future. To prepare, we all are invited to reflect on the question: **"What do you think God is asking of us in Australia at this time?"** Everyone is invited to attend the meeting and is encouraged to speak freely and honestly, sharing from your heart. Pope Francis speaks of our Church being a *synodal* Church – a listening Church – and in this process of Listening and Dialogue, we are called to listen to one another, and in doing this try to listen to God. For it is in encountering one another that we encounter Jesus. This meeting is open to all parishioners of the Redland-Bayside Deanery. **For further information please contact the St Mary MacKillop Parish office on 3822 2139.**

**ST RITA'S CATHOLIC CHURCH PORTOFINO FASHION PARADE:** at Redland Bowling Club, Ponciana Dr, Victoria Point, on **Friday 22nd February 2019, 10am.** All sizes available. Admission is \$15. A delicious Devonshire tea is included, lucky door prize will be a Portofino \$50 gift voucher. **Enquiries to Moya Taylor 0424 825 102.** Eftpos will be available.

**WH&S NOTICES:**

**NOTICE TO VOLUNTEERS AND PARISHIONERS RE ASBESTOS REGISTER:** To comply with current regulations, Star of the Sea Parish conducts a professional asbestos audit every 5 years, and annual inspections to the sites. The "Asbestos Management Plan and Register for Star of the Sea Parish, Cleveland and Stradbroke Island" is available to everyone for view at the Parish Office: 53 Passage St, Cleveland.

**PRAYERS**

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

**DECEASED** We commend the recently deceased to the loving embrace of God. Especially Erin Parley.

**HEALING** We pray for those who seek healing in their lives. Especially for Ian McKenna.

# Life of Saints



**St Thomas Aquinas** was born in c.1225 and was one of the many children of the Count of Aquino. He was educated by Benedictine Monks, but eventually joined the mendicant Dominican friars in 1244, much to the shock and anger of his family. His brothers kidnapped and imprisoned Thomas in an attempt to change his mind, but after a year he was released. He went on to study under St Albert the Great and took a degree of master in theology. He devoted his life to teaching, preaching and especially writing; his philosophical and theological works have become integral to the thinking of the church. He experienced a divine revelation which led him to abandon his writings, claiming that they were but straw in the wind when

compared to the reality of the divine glory. He died four months later due to poor health. He was proclaimed a Doctor of the Church in 1567.

## RESPONSE FOR THIS SUNDAY 27 Jan 2019

### Resp. Psalm :

(R.) Your words, Lord, are spirit and life.

### Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

The Lord sent me to bring Good News to the poor and freedom to prisoners.

Alleluia!

## READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY - 3 Feb 2019

First Reading: [Jer 1:4-5. 17-19](#)

Responsorial Psalm: [Ps 70:1-6. 15. 17. R. v.15](#)

Second Reading: [1 Cor 12:31 – 13:13](#)

Gospel: [Lk 4:21-30](#)

## Date Claimers

### MARCH

Friday 1<sup>st</sup> – 10.30am

World Day of Prayer

At St Rita's Catholic Church

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup>

Ash Wednesday Mass

Saturday 9<sup>th</sup>

Peel Island Mass

### APRIL

Sun 14<sup>th</sup> to Sun 21<sup>st</sup>

Holy Week

### AUGUST

Sunday 25<sup>th</sup>

All Nations Celebration

### SEPTEMBER

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup>

Confirmations

### OCTOBER

Sat 12<sup>th</sup> to Fri 18<sup>th</sup>

Parish Mission

## Ministry – 2/3 February 2019

Time	Coordinator	Readers	Communion Min - Host	Communion Min – Chalice
5.30pm	Tony Moore	Neville Dunton Isabel Mari	Lil Predl Sue Wilson Lesley Tapson	Teresa Coates Tony Moore Judith Seery Fill in Minister
7.00 am	Sid Steele	Mary Fehlberg Denis Ryan	Tom Kirby Maria Paukofe Di Macnaughtan	Sid Steele Valerie Curley Michael Dahm Maria Cudicio
8.30 am	Lee Brand	Jullitte Warnick-Hayne Judi-Ann Zacka	Peter Hunter Theresa Thompson Donna Smyth	Lee Brand Cheryl Webb Caroline Santagiuliana Bev Sweeney

## NEXT WEEK'S COUNTERS & CLEANERS

Counters

Team 1

Cleaners

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