

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 September 2020 - Year A
26th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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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Weekend Masses: Sat 5.30pm and Sun 7am and 8.30am
PLEASE REGISTER ONLINE FROM OUR WEBSITE:
<http://www.staroftheseachurch.org/> (attendance by booking only)
Reconciliation: Sat 4.45pm

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Tony Moore
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Dear Friends,

In today's Gospel Jesus is nearing the end of his missionary journey and is entering Jerusalem for the last time. The stage is set for the conflicts that will lead to his arrest and trial. Today's parable is directed to the self-righteous chief priests and the religious leaders of the people. Jesus is trying to show that because of their narrow minded approach to the law and their failure to be open to Jesus and his teaching, tax collectors and sinners are making their way into the Kingdom of God before them.

The parable is deceptively simple and has implications for people of all times and places but is a devastating condemnation of the religious leaders. The elder son, who cons his father by agreeing to go into the vineyard but doesn't go, represents the religious leaders, the Pharisees. 'They speak the speak but don't walk the walk'.

The second son, who initially says no to his father's request and refuses to work but thinking it over regrets his decision and does the work, represents the hated tax collectors and prostitutes. They were the latecomers. They had nothing of the learning of the law focussed Scribes and Pharisees but were open and able to recognise the God speaking in Jesus. Neither son in the parable or the groups they represent are ideals. The son who regretted his refusal and then did the work, spoilt his good work by the ungracious way he did it. But it is much better to change one's mind and do good than to remain set in the decision to not do the good.

'Actions do speak louder than words.' The ideal response of course is both to promise, to say yes, and then do the work – and with graciousness. The good disciple would accept the father's orders respectfully and carry them out.

Jesus points to John the Baptist as a model. He had lived an austere holy life and died in standing up for one of the laws of Moses. Yet it was only the tax collectors and prostitutes, and not the Pharisees, who listen and followed him. The Pharisees prided themselves on their yes to the law and yet they rejected and condemned John the Baptist. It was the rejected ones who listened and responded. All the parables of Jesus have many meanings and applications that are as relevant to people of today as they were to those of Jesus' time.

MASS TIMES

THURSDAY 9.15am
Star of the Sea

Sunday 8.30am
Live-stream
Mass available
from our
FACEBOOK
PAGE:

<https://fb.me/StaroftheSeaCleveland>

It will be available also from
YouTube after the Mass has finished (not live)

through this link:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCIF45MwAUgNh1P1ALe7NIaw>

SUN 11am
St Paul of the Cross,
Dunwich.
1st & 3rd Sun of
month

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



This parable speaks to us.

I think it was Mahatma Gandhi who said that he could well have become a Christian had he seen more people who claimed to be Christian, living as Jesus taught. Our words are important but remain hollow if they aren't backed up by our actions. True, our word and actions should match one another. But as Jesus makes clear, our actions –especially how we care for those on the margins – matter much more than our nice words or good intentions.

We are challenged by this parable to take a close look at ourselves. What do people see when they look at us? Coming to church is important and says that we are trying to listen to Jesus and follow him and his teaching. Do our lives and our actions give the same message?

God bless,

Fr Ashley Warbrooke - Parish Priest

PARISH NEWS



BISHOPS OF QUEENSLAND ELECTION STATEMENT

Catholic Social Teachings prompt us to consider the Common Good and to pay particular attention to those who are vulnerable, marginalised, or who often 'fall through the cracks'.

As we grapple with the challenges of a COVID world, the Catholic Bishops of Queensland have called Catholics to consider Catholic Social Teaching as they prepare to participate in the Queensland State Election on October 31. For more information about Catholic Social Teaching and to find out more about the issues you might reflect on when you cast your vote visit <https://bit.ly/3mhPzY3>

HISTORY BOOK LAUNCHED: Fr Chris Hanlon's new book entitled "The Catholic Church in Colonial Queensland 1859 – 1918" has been launched and will retail for \$40. All proceeds will go to the Archdiocesan Archives.

For parishes or schools trying to augment their library, **book purchases can be made by phoning Archives (3324 3433) or Fr Chris Hanlon 0419 730 025.**

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION: Winter time **4pm every Wednesday** in the church. All welcome.
"God speaks in the silence of the heart" – Mother Teresa.

PALMS AUSTRALIA ORIENTATION COURSE — JANUARY 2021: Palms Australia places Australians with communities that request their particular expertise to help develop the skills of local people. Palms will enter its 60th year with an Orientation Course in January 2021. A fresh group of skilled and committed applicants will be thoroughly prepared for this cross-cultural mission in remote parishes, schools and communities as soon as international travel resumes. If you are interested in learning more please visit www.palms.org.au

WEEKEND MASSES - ATTENDANCE BY BOOKING ONLY. YOU CAN NOW REGISTER ONLINE for the Saturday 5.30pm and Sunday 7am and 8.30am, THE LINK IS AVAILABLE FROM OUR WEBSITE:
<http://www.staroftheseachurch.org/> Please follow the instructions from our marshal.

STAR OF THE SEA CATHOLIC PARISH IS NOW ON FACEBOOK:

We will be live streaming Mass from the Star of the Sea Church, this Sunday at 8.30 am. Following is the link for our NEW Facebook page where the Masses will be streamed. **Please "Like" the page to receive future notices:**
<https://fb.me/StaroftheSeaCleveland>

It will be available also from **YouTube** after the Mass has finished (not live) through this link:
<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCiF45MwAUgNh1P1ALe7NIAw>



World Day of Migrants and Refugees



ARCHDIOCESAN MULTICULTURAL MASS: In observance of the **106th World Day of Migrants and Refugees,**

Theme: Forced like Jesus Christ to flee. Mass will be celebrated at **2.30pm** at **St Stephen's Cathedral THIS SUNDAY 27 September 2020. ONLINE EVENT.** Main Celebrant: Most Rev Mark Coleridge Archbishop of Brisbane

Concelebrants: Priests ministering to multicultural communities.

Live web cast: <http://archbne.org/bzw> Please tune into either archbne. <http://archbne.org/bzw> or <https://brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/web-cast/> from approximately 10 minutes before the Mass start.

Queries contact Multicultural Pastoral Care 3324 3451. *We acknowledge and pay our respects to the traditional owners and elders past, present and emerging, on whose land we walk, work and live.*



Santa Teresa
Spirituality Centre



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PARISH REFLECTION DAY 2020:

Venue: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre, 267 Wellington St, Ormiston

Saturday 28th November (9am – 3.30pm) Focus: Advent

Cost is \$30 per person (includes lunch box and baked morning tea) - Payment by direct deposit (bank details forwarded after registration). Please register by email to ebadmin@bne.catholic.net.au or phone 3324 3440 (booking and payment essential 7 days prior to the day).



SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2020

FIRST HOLY COMMUNION:

The parents' information meeting for children enrolled for First Holy Communion this year will be held on

Wednesday 14th October.

Parents can attend any of the following sessions:

2pm – in the church or

7pm – at the parish office

Act of Spiritual Communion Prayer

My Jesus,
I believe that You are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive
You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment receive
You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually
into my heart.
I embrace You as if You
were already there
and unite myself wholly to You. Never
permit me to be separated from You.
Amen.

RESPONSE FOR THIS SUNDAY 27 Sept 2020

Resp. Psalm :

R. Remember your mercies, O Lord.

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;
I know them, and they follow me.

Alleluia!

READINGS FOR THIS SUNDAY

27 September 2020

First Reading: **Ez 18:25-28**

Resp. Psalm: **Ps 24:4-9. R. v.6**

Second Reading: **Phil 2:1-11**

Gospel: **Mt 21:28-32**

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

3 October 2020

First Reading: **Is 5:1-7**

Resp. Psalm: **Ps 79:9. 12-16. 19-20. R. Is 5:7**

Second Reading: **Phil 4:6-9**

Gospel: **Mt 21:33-43**

SAFEGUARDING FOR CHILDREN & VULNERABLE ADULTS PREVENTION & PROTECTION POLICY:

is displayed on our noticeboards. We encourage all parishioners to read it. Keeping children and vulnerable adults safe is a priority, and everybody's business.

If you need to contact or report any kind of abuse or misconduct please ring our SOTS Safeguarding Officer Tony Moore, Mob 0427 581 467. Email:

lsr.cleveland@bne.catholic.net.au

You could also contact the **Archdiocesan Office for Safeguarding Services Ph 3324 3752 or Email:**

safeguarding@bne.catholic.net.au



"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." Most Rev Mark Coleridge DD.

PRAYERS

DECEASED We commend the recently deceased to the loving embrace of God. Especially for Frances Mant and Bill Fitzpatrick.

HEALING We pray for those who seek healing in their lives. Specially Gustavo Montenegro, and every person affected by the spread of the coronavirus.

ANNIVERSARY We pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time. Especially Lavina Mealey.

NEXT WEEK'S COUNTERS & CLEANERS (27-09-20)

Counters

Team 2

Cleaners

Team 3