

**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 28 April 2019**  
**2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of Easter**  
**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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Dear friends,  
Thomas said he wouldn't believe unless he could actually touch the wounds of Jesus. Touching even goes beyond seeing for himself. We may "see" mirages which don't exist; we might "hear" sounds which aren't there; likewise, all our other senses can deceive us. But when we touch something, we know it's there. That's why some call touch the sense of certitude. When Jesus appears to his disciples once again, and this time with Thomas present, he doesn't express any surprise or criticism of Thomas' doubting

but invites Thomas to touch his wounds and even put his hand into the spear's wound in his side. The result was the most profound profession of faith in the New Testament. Thomas: "My Lord and my God." More than an exclamation, these words are a prayer acknowledging Jesus' divinity.

These experience of the risen Jesus by the Apostles, especially doubting ones like Thomas, is the basis for the whole of Christianity. But there are dangers in too high a regard for experience. Jesus reminded Thomas of that in his beatitude, "Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." If we believe that the verification principle of all of life is only what we can experience, the vast majority of us can't believe in God or anything spiritual.

In John's Gospel, the knowledge of Jesus as the Son of God, the Word made flesh, is fundamental to being a disciple. In some ways, belief is as important as another commandment in the Gospel of John: Love. Belief and love sum up what it means to be a disciple. Once we believe in the Son of God and love one another as He loves us, our life is complete. Neither "belief" nor "love" know fulfilment. There is always more to strive for. As human beings we can never achieve perfect belief or perfect love. Their pursuit is lifelong.

Our Gospel today begins with the disciples locked together in fear and Jesus comes among them with the greeting "Peace be with you." He offers this greeting three times today. When we hear the word "peace", we often think of it as the absence of war or conflict, but the meaning of "shalom" the Hebrew word for peace, denotes the presence

**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.**Carmel College**  
**WED 8.40am**No mass on School  
Holidays.**THURSDAY 9.15am****Star of the Sea****FRIDAY 9.15am****Star of the Sea****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.

of something instead of an absence. To offer someone peace in Jesus' fullness of life. Earlier in John's Gospel Jesus proclaims that He has come that we "might have life and have it to the full." Despite the locks the disciples had paced on the doors, Jesus enters the room where they have barricaded themselves and says to them, "peace be with you." Their fear cannot keep him away. Once again He stands among them offering abundant life.

As we again are rocked by the horrific bombing at Church in Sri Lanka in Easter Sunday with the huge loss of life, we pray for "Peace" in our world.

God bless,

**Fr Ashley Warbrooke**  
**Parish Priest**

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## **PARISH NEWS**

**THURSDAY SOCIAL GROUP:** The vote for a lunch venue was very strong for Macleay Island Bowls Club. As we need to confirm all details, it has been decided that we will go there on Thursday 6th June. Thursday 2nd May will be a normal morning tea after the Healing Mass. Everyone is welcome.

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION:** Summer time 4.30pm, every Wednesday in the church. All welcome. For more information, ring Norma 32863532. *"God speaks in the silence of the heart" – Mother Teresa.*

### **PALMS AUSTRALIA: You are called to Mission**

Communities in Myanmar, PNG, Samoa, Timor Leste, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to mentor locals and build capacity. These assignments are not quick fixes. **Overseas**

**Catholic communities** are inviting you to **immerse yourself** for 1 to 2 years. If you have teaching, medical, business, admin or trade skills, you can give opportunity by **sharing them with our global family!**

Come for **Global Mission Info:**

**Sunday May 19<sup>th</sup> @ 3:30pm. Brisbane Square Library.**  
**Community Meeting Room, 266 George St, BRISBANE.**



**Palms Australia**  
Global Volunteering

**NOTICE TO VOLUNTEERS:** Volunteers required to complete the **Safeguarding Essentials Presentation video** can find it available online at [www.safeguardingaob.com.au](http://www.safeguardingaob.com.au) and inform the Parish Office by returning a Completion of Presentation Form available from the office. (Face to Face training session is only compulsory for services which engage children or vulnerable adults).

**SAFEGUARDING TRAINING ONLINE:** if you prefer to do the online training in the Parish instead of at home, please keep 30 mins spare after Mass on the weekend of the **25th and 26th of May**, to watch the video and sign the form.

**FEDERAL ELECTION 2019—CATHOLIC BISHOP'S STATEMENT:** The bishops call for respect in public debate, share Catholic social teaching and detail some key issues to reflect on before you vote. "Politics in service of peace: a statement by the Catholic bishops of Australia for the 2019 federal election" can be found at [www.catholic.org.au](http://www.catholic.org.au)

**ONE MILLION ROSARIES FOR UNBORN BABIES:** The One Million Rosaries for Unborn Babies multinational pro-life prayer event is scheduled for 3, 4 and 5 May this year. Persons participating will pray at least one Rosary for the protection of the unborn. For details and to register go to: <http://www.saintmichaelthearchangelorganization.org/>

**CANCELLED -JEFF CAVINS 'THE BIBLE IN A DAY' SEMINAR:** to be run on Sunday 5 May 2019 at St James Catholic Church has been cancelled.



**SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2019**  
**FIRST HOLY COMMUNION – PARENTS MEETING:**

Please note the Parents Information Meeting **has been changed to WEDNESDAY 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY.** Those attending the afternoon session at 2pm please come to the church. The night session at 7pm will be in the hall. All other dates remain the same:

Parents Meeting	Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup> May at 2pm (at the church) or 7pm (at the Parish Hall)
Commitment Mass	Weekend of 11 <sup>th</sup> & 12 <sup>th</sup> May (Masses are Sat 5.30pm, Sun 7am and 8.30am)
First Holy Communion Rehearsal	Thursday 13 <sup>th</sup> June at 4.30pm
Sacrament of First Holy Communion	Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> June at 5.30 pm or Sunday 16 <sup>th</sup> June 8.30am or Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> June 5.30pm or Sunday 23 <sup>rd</sup> June 8.30am



Thank you!



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Through your generosity you are helping to empower communities with hope and helping those in great need shape a better future for themselves, their families and their communities. Lives change when we all give 100%.

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**#projectcompassion 1800 024 413**



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**ALL HALLOWS' SCHOOL OPEN DAY:** We warmly invite the extended community to our 2019 Open Day commencing at 11:00am on Sunday 26 May. The day includes a welcome from our Principal, Mrs Catherine O'Kane at 11:30am and 12:30pm as well as the opportunity to view displays, meet our staff, enjoy performances, view academic and co-curricular displays and tour the School. The day concludes at 2:00pm. Limited car parking will be available in the School's car park accessed from Dodge Lane, in the surrounding streets and nearby public car parks. To register your attendance and to view the program for Open Day, please visit [www.ahs.qld.edu.au](http://www.ahs.qld.edu.au). We look forward to welcoming you and your family on this day.

**PRAYERS**

**ANNIVERSARY** We pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time. Especially Debra Emily Drake and Ignaziu Cilia.

**DECEASED** We commend the recently deceased to the loving embrace of God. Especially Frances Cecilia Long, Leo Sinclair, Nabil Barsoum and the people who lost their lives in the recent bombing in Sri Lanka.

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

**VOLUNTEERS WANTED:**

**EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION TO THE SICK AND ELDERLY:**

We have been blessed with a large number of mature Catholics in our Parish who can't come to Mass. To make it possible for them to receive Holy Communion in their homes, and reach also our parishioners in time of serious illness, we need your help. We would like to invite you to join the Extraordinary Ministers of Communion to the sick and to the elderly. For more information, please contact the Parish Office: 3821 4902.

*“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”.*

**Date Claimers**

**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

**SCHOOL NEWS: Introducing: Ripper Reading – Can you help?**

Reading is a powerful tool to help children grow their vocabulary, language skills and imagination. It helps children to develop life-long skills that will support their future growth and learning.

This term at Star of the Sea Primary School we are implementing the Ripper Readers program for students in years 1-3 who need more opportunities to practice their reading in a one-on-one environment. For this to be successful, we need many volunteers. If you are able to spare 40 minutes either each Thursday or Friday afternoon and would like to help our students in Years 1-3 practice their reading, please email Sarah Gibbs ([sgibbs@bne.catholic.edu.au](mailto:sgibbs@bne.catholic.edu.au)) or phone 3286 2677. We will be running a training session next Thursday and Friday at 2:30pm in the library (you only need to attend one of these) and hope to start the program in Week 3 (Thursday the 9th and 10th of May). Ripper Reading will then take place in the library each Thursday and Friday afternoon from 2:15pm – 2:55pm.

If you are interested, we would happily accept your help. However, parishioners need to complete an Online Volunteer Training module, which we can email you to do at home, and have a current Blue Card. We have printed Blue Card Volunteer applications which are located on the tables at the entrance of the Church. You will need to fill in section B, bring it to the office to have the other sections completed before sending it off. If you have any questions, please feel free to contact the school. - **Sarah Gibbs** -Primary Learning Leader (Mon – Wed) - STEM Teacher (Thurs – Fri)

**RESPONSE FOR THIS SUNDAY 28 April 2019**

**Resp. Psalm :**

*R. Give thanks to the Lord for He is good, his love is everlasting.*

**Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia!**

You believe in me, Thomas, because you have seen me;  
happy those who have not seen me, but still believe! - **Alleluia!**

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY - 5 May**

**First Reading: Acts 5:27-32. 40-41**

**Responsorial Psalm: Ps 29:2. 4-6. 11-13. R. v.2**

**Second Reading: Rv 5:11-14**

**Gospel: Jn 21:1-19**

**Ministry - 4 / 5 May 2019**

Time	Coordinator	Readers	Communion Min - Host	Communion Min – Chalice
5.30pm	Elizabeth Fisher	John Mott Terry Hugues	Lil Predl Tony Moore Lesley Tapson	Teresa Coates Elizabeth Fisher Judith Seery Fill in Minister
7.00 am	Sid Steele	Sherry Sawarde Michelle Hopton	Tom Kirby Maria Paukofe Di Macnaughtan	Sid Steele Valerie Curley Michael Dahm Maria Cudicio
8.30 am	Lee Brand	Helen Hunter Judi-Ann Zacka	Peter Hunter Theresa Thompson Donna Smyth	Lee Brand Cheryl Webb Caroline Santagiuliana Bev Sweeney

<b>NEXT WEEK'S COUNTERS &amp; CLEANERS</b>	<b>Counters</b>	<b>Team 2</b>
	<b>Cleaners</b>	<b>Team 4</b>