## STAR OF THE SEA



# 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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## Star News 29 January 2023

C. L. James in his delightful book, "To See a World in a Grain of Sand", tells the fable of a wise old cat who notices a kitten chasing its tail. "Why are you chasing your tail?" said the wise old cat. The kitten replied, "I have learned that the best thing for a cat is happiness, and happiness is my tail. Therefore, I am chasing it, and when I catch it, I shall have happiness." The wise old cat responded, "My son, I, too, have paid attention to the problems of the universe. I too have judged that happiness is my tail. But, I noticed that whenever I chase after it, it keeps running away from me, but when I go about

my business, it just seems to come after me wherever I go." - We do not find happiness in material things, in a pill, in a bottle, or any other worldly things. Happiness is something that comes from within us. The only truly happy life is a life lived with God as our life's source and our true centre. Today's Gospel asserts that those who have recognized and acknowledged their dependence on God are the truly blessed and that these are the poor in spirit, the sorrowing, the lowly, those who hunger and thirst for holiness, the merciful, the single-hearted, the peace-makers and those persecuted for their right convictions.

In both Matthew and Luke, the Beatitudes are a "series of bombshells" or "flashes of lightning followed by thunder of surprise and shock" because Jesus reverses our "natural" assumption that happiness lies in riches, power, pleasure, and comfort. We believe in personal pride; Jesus blesses poverty of spirit. We seek pleasure; Jesus blesses those who mourn. We see the prosperity of aggressive people; Jesus blesses the meek. We love good food and drink; Jesus blesses those who hunger and thirst for righteousness. He challenges his listeners to find fulfilment of their needs in God, in their particular socio-economic context.

The Catechism of the Catholic Church summarizes the importance of the Beatitudes as "the heart of Christ's teaching." "The Beatitudes describe our relationship to the Kingdom in three ways. First, these simple promises address our highest desire: happiness with God. For, only God can satisfy the heart. Second, they describe the path to God for us as individuals and together as a Church. Through the Beatitudes, we share God's very life (sanctifying grace) because we enter into His Kingdom. Finally, they challenge us to live moral lives by putting God first. Jesus teaches us that we can create happiness and the capacity for joy by ourselves and radiate them to others, to receive the Kingdom of Heaven. Dear friends, let us find happiness being with God and share this happiness being a helping hand for those in need.

Fr Rony Chacko

#### 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/StaroftheSeaC

And YouTube not live)

Mass 11.00am St Paul of the Cross, Dunwich 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Sun of month (Liturgy of the Word with Communion – every other Sundays at 9am)

#### **TUESDAY**

Redlands Hospital 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday Mass 9.00am Mater Hospital 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday Mass 9.00am Star of the Sea Christian Meditation – 4pm

**LENT 2023** 

ALL NEW

Parish Mission Event

St John Vianney Parish

23 – 28 February 2023

#### WEDNESDAY

Carmel College Mass 8.40am Cleveland Gardens 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday Mass 2.30pm Moreton Shores 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday Mass 11.00am Seaton McKenzie 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday Mass 10.45am

#### **THURSDAY**

Star of the Sea Mass 9.15am Healing Mass 1<sup>st</sup> Thur of the month Holy Adoration and Benediction Every other Thursday 9.45 to 10.45am Redland Residential 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday Mass 11.00am

#### **FRIDAY**

Star of the Sea Rosary prayer 8.45am Mass 9.15am Aveo Cleveland 1st Friday Mass 2.00pm

## Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

RESPONSE: Happy the poor in spirit; the kingdom of heaven is theirs! GOSPEL ACCLAMATION: Alleluia, alleluia!

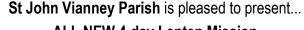
Rejoice and be glad; Your reward will be great in heaven.

Alleluia!

## RCIA PROGRAM 2023:

Are you someone or do you know someone who: -Has expressed an interest in becoming Catholic -Has a child over the age of seven who has not been baptised -Was baptised but has not celebrated the Sacraments of Confirmation, Reconciliation and Eucharist

We are starting a small group to join together and learn more about our Catholic faith, and help you to prepare to celebrate the Sacraments of Baptism, Confirmation, Reconciliation and Eucharist. If you would like to join us, please contact **Fr Rony Chacko** or send your expression of interest to <u>cleveland@bne.catholic.net.au</u> or contact the Parish Office 3821 4902.



ALL NEW 4-day Lenten Mission with Bruce Downes, The Catholic Guy.

### 23-24 Feb and 27-28 Feb 2023

Sessions will be held at 9.30am and repeated at 6.30pm You choose which time best suits you on the day. Each session stands alone. You do not need to attend all four days Tea/Coffee and Biscuits provided **This Faith Enrichment opportunity is FREE** *(Donations gratefully accepted)* It would help in your spiritual walk this Lent. **For more information please email:** <u>sjvsacramental@bne.catholic.net.au</u>

"NRL FOOTY TIPPING COMPETITION. For all NRL football enthusiasts or if you just wish to have some fun, the Parish is again running a footy tipping competition through "tips.com.au". This is the same website used previously when Isaac Falzon was in the Parish. The cost to join is \$10 per person, with a small prize for 1st, 2nd and 3rd and the balance being donated to a ministry within the Parish. This of course is dependent on the number that join in the fun. The competition commences 2 March 2023. The joining fee (\$10) can be left in an envelope at the Parish Office or handed to John or Jo-Anne Lavery or Bill and Cheryl McLennan after Mass.

**Instructions to join -** 1. Log-in or set-up an account with "Tips.com.au" (News Limited Pty Ltd) and complete your profile.

2. Select Join "League" - The league is "SOS Cleveland" and the code is "650313". If you require any assistance with joining the competition, please contact **John Lavery**, **0400 860 442** or **Jo-Anne Lavery 0417 776 828.** Good luck!"



Would you like to join the team? Please contact Sam 0499 024 309 if you would like to be part of this wonderful Ministry ©

The Archdiocese of Brisbane has standards of conduct for employees and volunteers to maintain a safe and healthy environment. Our commitment to these standards requires that we conduct background referencing for all persons who will engage in direct and regular involvement with children, young people and/or vulnerable adults.

## Australian Day celebration



## **SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2023**

# Enrolment is now open, please contact the parish office and enrol your children before Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February.

## **RECONCILIATION AND FIRST HOLY COMMUNION**

Term One and Term Two - Yr 4 or above

Only for students who made their Confirmation in 2022 or earlier.

### **Reconciliation:**

Parents Meeting - Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> February 7pm (at the Parish Hall) Commitment Mass - Weekend of 18<sup>th</sup> / 19<sup>th</sup> February (Masses are Sat 5.30pm, Sun 7am and 8.30am) Session 1 (for children) - Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> February at 10am Session 2 (for children) - Sunday 12<sup>th</sup> March at 10am Sacrament of Reconciliation - Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> March at 10am

## First Holy Communion:

Parents Meeting - Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> April 7pm (at the Parish Hall) Commitment Mass - Weekend of 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> April (Masses are Sat 5.30pm, Sun 7am and 8.30am) Session 1 (for children) - Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> May at 10am Session 2 (for children) - Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> May at 10am First Holy Communion Rehearsal - Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June at 4.30pm Sacrament of First Holy Communion - Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June 10.30am

## **CONFIRMATION:**

<u>Term Three - Yr 3</u>

Parents Meeting - Thursday 27 July 7pm (at the Parish Hall) Commitment Mass - Weekend of 29<sup>th</sup> & 30<sup>th</sup> July (Masses are Sat 5.30pm, Sun 7am and 8.30am) Session 1 (for children) - Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> August at 10am Session 2 (for children) - Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> August at 10am Rehearsal - Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> Sept at 4.30pm Sacrament of Confirmation - TUESDAY 12<sup>th</sup> September at 5.30pm

MINISTRY- 5 February 2023- Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time			
Time	Coordinator	Readers	Communion Min- Host
Sat 5.30pm	Tony Moore	Pauline Delaney Gemma Tapson	Lesley Tapson
Sun 7.00am	Dennis Kennedy	Lyn Bartley Tom Kirby	Gerard Lai
Sun 8.30am	Volunteer now	Helen Hunter Bev Sweeney	Gerard Lai
COUNTERS & CLEANERS		Counter	Team 4
		Cleaners	Team 5

