

**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 29 March 2020 - Year A**  
**5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent**

**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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**Reconciliation:** Cancelled till new advice

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Dear Friends,

The number of those infected by this terrible COVID-19 is increasing. Even though NSW has by far the most confirmed cases, Victoria is some distance behind in second place and sadly, Queensland is close on their heels in third.

Last Sunday's cancelling of all Sunday Masses was a blow but even worse was waiting for us on Monday with the closure of all churches and places of worship. The doors of the church may be closed, which is truly very sad and hasn't happened since the 'Spanish Flu'

in 1919, but as important as that church building is to all of us in Cleveland Parish, let us remember that we, the people, are the Church. The doors may be closed but the Church is very much alive and as dynamic as ever because the Holy Spirit is active in our hearts, God's faithful people.

A church I ministered in some years ago had the name of the church beside the main entrance, but the lettering seemed to be damaged. The word 'church' was missing the 'U': the letters were individual and the 'U' was lost. It was no accident however, because when the question was asked "where is the 'U' in Church" the answer is "you". You are the church". So let us remember that the building may be closed but the Church is very much open and alive in our community.

Make sure that you have your Bibles handy during this time or your Sunday Missals, so that you can pray with the Church all around the world each Sunday.

Mass is 'streamed' from St Stephen's Cathedral each Sunday at 8am and 10am and each weekday at 8am. Getting on the Archdiocesan website you will find this link.

If this is not possible for you, spend the time you usually attend Mass at Star of the Sea in prayer and praying over the Readings, the references of which we will include in the newsletter.

Our Gospel today, as for the last two Sundays, is from John 11:1-45. It is the story of Lazarus being raised from the dead. Two weeks ago we heard about the 'woman at the well' craving the 'Living water' Jesus offered. Last Sunday Jesus made the blind man see. And today we have a sign of Jesus' identity per excellence: the raising from the dead. In the Gospel of John, Jesus performs signs rather than miracles and there are precisely seven.

**WEEK DAY  
MASSES**

**ALL MASSES  
CANCELLED  
TILL NEW  
ADVICE.**

**Online Masses  
available from  
the Cathedral  
website and  
also from  
Shalom TV**

**ALL GROUP  
GATHERINGS**

Cancelled till new  
advice



The signs point to Jesus' true identity as incarnate Word of God, Light of the World and the Author of Life. And the seventh and final sign, the raising of Lazarus, is a fitting note to conclude the public ministry of Jesus. After this, the Gospel story moves quickly to Holy Week and the events surrounding the Last Supper, Crucifixion and the Resurrection.

When Jesus arrives at the home of Martha and Mary, after delaying his journey, Martha hurries out to meet him. Jesus tells her that "I am the resurrection and the life" and then asks "Do you believe this?" Martha answers, "Yes Lord. I have come to believe that you are the Christ, the Son of God, the one who was to come into the world." We believe that Jesus is the resurrection and the life. He is life for us here and now, each and every day. With Christ's life in us we are truly alive. Let the Church doors be shut for the time being; Christ is alive in us.

God bless,

**Fr Ashley Warbrooke - Parish Priest**

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## **PARISH NEWS**

**PARISHIONERS IN NEED:** We are reaching out to any parishioners who need assistance in this time of need. Please advise our parish office if you require any assistance with essentials. Our Parish telephone number is (07) 3821 4902.



**THE ARCHBISHOP OF BRISBANE**  
**The Most Reverend Mark Coleridge**  
25 March 2020

Dear Bishop, Monsignor, Fathers, Deacons and Parish Staff,

The coronavirus pandemic is turning things on their head, day by day if not hour by hour. Our lives are being seriously disrupted and there is more to come. For us all it is an anxious and stressful time.

As you may be aware, the Prime Minister announced last evening that funerals are now limited to a maximum of 10 people, which includes the celebrant. Additionally, weddings may only be conducted with the couple, the celebrant and two witnesses present, no more than five people. The rules of social distancing and the limit of one person per four square meters in the venue applies to both.

Responding to the restrictions imposed by the public health authorities in an orderly way is a real challenge, at both the macro and micro level. But through it all we as the Church have to remain a human community, with a beating heart and bonded by communion with our brothers and sisters in faith, especially the staff and volunteers of our parish communities. One thing that has to remain constant through the crisis is our commitment to you and our support for you who in so many ways keep the show on the road.

Many people are briefing me daily on the fast-moving situation, and I know from them that parishes are passing through a time of uncertainty and pain. I also know that this crisis will not pass soon.

As always in the Lord, Archbishop of Brisbane

**LIVE-STREAMED MASSES FROM THE CATHEDRAL available from:**

[www.brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/web-cast](http://www.brisbanecatholic.org.au/multimedia/web-cast)

**on Sundays at 8am and 10am and Weekdays at 8am.**

Other prayer resources are also available from this link.

**OFFERINGS:** If your method of contribution is by cash donations to the parish, and you wish to continue your contributions during this difficult time. You could make your donations directly to the Parish Bank Account:

**Archdiocesan Development Fund**

**BSB 064786 A/C 310130102**

Please indicate your envelope number if you are enrolled in the planned giving or just use the reference "Giving" if you don't have an envelope number.

You could also contact the Parish Office if you wish to set up a Direct Debit. Email: [cleveland@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:cleveland@bne.catholic.net.au) or Ph 3821 4902.



**SHALOM TV – AVAILABLE ONLINE:** As the world is going through the Covid-19 crisis and the resulting home confinements and ban on public gatherings, **Shalom World**, through the Grace of God, been able to launch a new channel - **DAILY MASS LIVE TV**.

This is a dedicated 24-hour channel to broadcast LIVE Holy Mass and Holy Week Services from dioceses all around the world.

If you wish to make this channel available on your parish or diocesan websites free of cost, kindly contact us at [dailymass@shalomworld.org](mailto:dailymass@shalomworld.org)

*All prayer services presided over by the Holy Father will also be telecast LIVE through this channel from the Vatican.*

The channel can be accessed via AppleTV, ROKU, AmazonFire as well as several other SmartTV apps.

For details visit: [shalomworld.org/connectedtv](http://shalomworld.org/connectedtv)

Besides this, the channel has also been made available on the website: [shalomworld.org/dailymass](http://shalomworld.org/dailymass) and the iOS and android apps of **Shalom World**. May the hand of God always protect you. Yours in Christ, Shalom.

# Cath Kids

FAITH UNLIMITED

## Keeping the Faith

### Helping families stay connected

**As Masses are restricted throughout the world, many parish and school communities are asking what they can do to keep their families connected to their faith.**

**CathFamily can help with our online resources which are available free of charge until 30 June 2020.**

- 1: FREE Resource Database
- 2: Children's Sunday Liturgy @Home

CathKids is a weekly interactive experience with a short animated video on the Sunday reading, questions to stimulate discussion, a simple activity, and prayer. It's perfect for use in the classroom, in children's liturgy and at home. It can be used in groups facilitated by an adult or in self-directed exploration by children aged 7-12. Subscribe now! [cathfamily@marriagerc.org](mailto:cathfamily@marriagerc.org) or ring +612 9319 6280

**FREE until June 30, 2020**



Hello Parents,

Hope you are all keeping well! We would really like to stay connected with your kids during this time! I am putting together a "Connected Youth Care and Connect Pack" which will have lots of activity handouts, games, ideas for craft, prayer, praise and worship, music, movies suggestions and so on!!!

If you are interested in your kids receiving this pack at home by snail mail, then please send me the following info at:

**[connectedyouth.Cleveland@bne.catholic.net.au](mailto:connectedyouth.Cleveland@bne.catholic.net.au)**

1. Name and Surname of your child,
2. Age
3. Grade at school,
4. Gender,
5. Home address for postage

(All these details will be kept confidential and only I will have access to them)

Really looking forward to sending out these packs to the kids!

You are all in my prayers, God bless and keep safe!

Blessings, Ella

#### **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 Elaine Baxter.

**HEALING** We pray for those who seek healing in their lives. Especially for those affected by the spread of the coronavirus.

**THE CATHOLIC LEADER ONLINE:** In these unprecedented times, The Catholic Leader has decided to share our news for free. With the recent announcement to suspend all Sunday and Saturday vigil Masses until further notice, you, our readers, will be unable to buy The Catholic Leader at parishes on weekends. So, we are making our digital newspaper free at our website: [www.catholicleader.com.au](http://www.catholicleader.com.au)

## PRAYER IN THIS TIME OF CRISIS

Almighty and all-merciful God,  
lover of the human race, healer of all our wounds,  
in whom there is no shadow of death,  
save us in this time of crisis;  
grant wisdom and courage to our leaders;  
watch over all medical people  
as they tend the sick and work for a cure;  
stir in us a sense of solidarity beyond all isolation;  
if our doors are closed, let our hearts be open.  
By the power of your love destroy the virus of fear,  
that hope may never die  
and the light of Easter, the triumph of life,  
may shine upon us and the whole world.  
Through Jesus Christ, the Lord risen from the dead,  
who lives and reigns for ever and ever.  
Amen.

Holy Mary, health of the sick, pray for us.  
St Joseph, guardian of us all, pray for us.



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OF BRISBANE

### **RESPONSE FOR THIS SUNDAY 29 March 2020**

#### **Resp. Psalm :**

R. With the Lord there is mercy and fullness of redemption.

#### **Gospel Acclamation**

***Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!***

I am the resurrection and the life, says the Lord;  
whoever believes in me will not die for ever.

***Glory and praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ!***

### **READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

#### **5 April 2020**

**First Reading:** *Is 50:4-7*

**Resp. Psalm:** *Ps 21:8-9. 17-20. 23-24. R. v.2*

**Second Reading:** *Phil 2:6-11*

**Gospel:** *Mt 26:14 – 27:66*