

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 Sept 2019 - Year C
26th Sunday in Ord 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.

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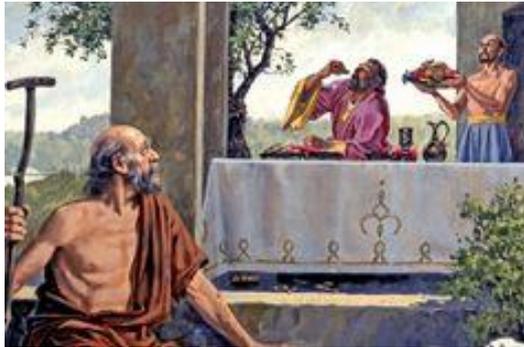
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Reconciliation: Saturday 4.45 – 5.15pm

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Dear Friends,

Once again we read from the prophet Amos, as we did last week, but it will be a long time before he makes another appearance in our Sunday readings.

Amos was the first prophet whose preaching is preserved in writing and was a Judean country boy who was sent by God to preach conversion to the prosperous and

sophisticated Northern Kingdom. Last week we heard Amos speaking powerfully against Social Injustice. His approach today is a little different as he speaks, just as passionately, about private luxury.

The moral issue that Amos addresses in today's passage is not 'sinful behaviour' as we normally think about it, but complacency, overconfidence in own personal security, satisfaction with oneself and with the way things are. His message is 'Woe to the complacent.' 'Woe to those ensconced so snugly in Zion... but about the ruin of Joseph they do not care at all'. It's not just in being rich and indulging themselves with a life of excessive luxury that is condemned, but their total indifference to the plight of the poor and suffering at their door. Amos is looking at the obscenely rich of his day and the way they indulge themselves. We can only imagine how he would view the obscenely rich of our times and their life styles. Amos' point, his challenge is to all of us who may not place ourselves among the rich. Do we care about the poor among us? There are so many suffering and poor today asking for some financial support. How do we help?

Our Gospel from Luke today addresses the same theme. Jesus addresses the Pharisees, "who loved money". He tells the story of two men: Lazarus, the poor man, whose Hebrew name means "God is my help" and Dives, from the Latin adjective meaning "rich" – one of the "beautiful people" who went "first class" all the way.

Then death came. Lazarus was taken to his heavenly reward – not for poverty, but for his trust in God as his help. Dives went to a place of terrible torment, where he was wracked with hunger and thirst. This was not because he treated Lazarus badly in any way: he didn't! In a sense he did nothing wrong. He was condemned not because luxury is evil, but because of apathy. He didn't even notice Lazarus at his gate and even if he did, he simply looked the other way.

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
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.



Dives' types – his five brothers – continue to roam the earth, looking at the world's misery but not feeling it, and seeing fellow human beings in poverty and pain without doing anything.

We are challenged today to look at the way we live and what we do about those who each day, struggle for food and water. Let's take to heart the saying 'To live simply so that others may simply live'.

With the focus of our readings today on Social Justice and caring about the poor, how appropriate is the release of the **Annual Social Justice Statement titled today 'Making it Real Genuine Human Encounter in Our Digital World.'** The Statement highlights how the dignity of vulnerable people is harmed by online bullying and exploitation and how the common good is compromised when certain groups are excluded from the benefits of technology. Pope Francis is calling on us to "boldly become citizens of the digital world" and to ensure it is a place of genuine human encounter. In Australia over 20 million people are on the internet and 18 million are using social media. This Social Justice Statement is very informative and challenging.

God bless,

Fr Ashley Warbrooke - Parish Priest



PARISH NEWS

SOCIAL JUSTICE SUNDAY: is celebrated on 29 September this year.

The Social Justice Statement 2019–2020 is titled: Making it Real: Genuine Human Encounter in our Digital World. Summary:

The Australian Catholic Bishops' Social Justice Statement for 2019 – 2020, Making it Real: Genuine human encounter in our digital world, affirms the positive possibilities for encounter and solidarity offered by new digital media, while warning of those elements of our digital world that may be harmful. These include information overload; social isolation; marginalisation of the vulnerable; consumerism and fake news. The Statement reminds us that the new digital media cannot be seen as neutral or 'unaffected by any moral considerations'. While many users do not realise it, the core business of social media platforms is to sell advertising and maximise profits. People's personal lives may be reduced to data that is traded for profit or power, and it is used to target and influence us in ways previously unthinkable. Pushing users to more extreme positions and promoting fake news and conspiracy theories sells, but this is at odds with human solidarity. The Statement amplifies Pope Francis' call to us to 'boldly become citizens of the digital world', with the image of the Good Samaritan as our inspiration. We are called not only to love our neighbour, but to bring the love of God to the new global neighbourhood. The Statement points out that we are called not just to be inhabitants of this new digital world, but active citizens shaping it. All of us – whether we are users, communities, industrial or political leaders – have a role to play in rejecting hatred, divisions and falsehoods. We have a duty to foster a neighbourhood that promotes those human attributes and social values that lend themselves to genuine human encounter – love, understanding, beauty, goodness, truth and trustworthiness, joy and hope.

Copies of the full statement available at the front of the church.

MARIAN VALLEY BUS PILGRIMAGE: Mother Teresa Shrine: The first anniversary of the St Teresa of Calcutta Shrine at Marian Valley, Canungra, is on **Saturday, 05 October 2019.**

Please arrive at the church compound between 08:00 - 08:15 am. **The bus departs at 08:30 am.**

Morning Tea will be provided on arrival at the Marian Valley canteen.

The Mass & Shrine program will be available on arrival.

Bus Seats: There are a few seats left if anyone would like to participate in this unique experience.

Please contact the Parish Office (T: 38214902), or Keith Fernandes (M: 0401142043), or Mary Fehlberg (M: 0407111825) for final bus tickets.

Self-Driving: For people self-driving please arrive at Marian Valley by 10:45 am.

Marian Valley Address: 2541 Beechmont Rd, Witheren QLD 4275. Parking is available onsite.

Lunch & Drinks: Please bring your own lunch and drinks. Food and drinks are also available for purchase at the Marian Valley canteen after the Mass service.

Golf Buggies are available for people with walking difficulties and will meet the bus on arrival to transport people to the canteen/restrooms or later to the Shrine Site.

NO MASS AT CARMEL COLLEGE ON SCHOOL HOLIDAYS: Please note there is no Mass at Carmel College on Wed 2 Oct.

PARISH MISSION: It's only 3 Sundays to our Parish Mission, 13th to 18th October.

There will be five (5) sessions with the third being 'Sharing our Faith with our Children'. In this session we will explore, how in the past, faith was considered a static thing—you either had it or didn't. Through the study of psychology, we have learned that faith, like so many other areas of our life, undergoes constant change and development. Our Church's expression of faith has also undergone massive changes in our life time. In this session we will examine how our faith changes and matures through stages, from a child's to an adult's faith. We then explore ways that parents can use to 'pass on' their faith to their children, both young and adolescent.

Looking forward to seeing you on Sunday 13th October 7pm to 9pm for a great start to our Mission.

VINNIES ART SHOW: The Art Show this year is on **Saturday 26th October at 6.30pm**, in the **Parish Hall**.

Tickets are \$10 each and this includes a complimentary glass of wine on arrival. Refreshments will be available, as well as cheese and wine. So please come along and support us in this venture and help us raise much needed funds. It is a great and different way to spend an evening. As well as having the chance to pick up a bargain from any of our incredible artists displaying their work. Any enquiries contact **Brian Brown on 3821 3185**. Looking forward to seeing you all there.



PLENARY COUNCIL NEWS: The Listening and Discernment Group, met again last Sunday 8th to discern 'How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church of the second theme, Inclusive, participatory and synodal. The emerging action identified was; the need for a greater participation of laity in establishing and enacting church policy. These actions will be submitted to the Theme's Discernment and Writing Group.

If you would like to contribute in identifying actions in discerning 'How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church', through the third theme, '**Prayerful and Eucharistic**' please come and join us, we are meeting **Sunday 6th October 9:30 – 11:30 in the McKinlay**

Centre. This theme has been inspired by people who expressed a call for stronger and more engaging preaching, with an emphasis on the Word of God and connection to daily life, some seeking a uniquely Australian expression of prayer and Eucharistic celebration, drawing from the wisdom and rituals of the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander people and also bringing together the many migrant communities which make up the Church in Australia. There were many divergent expressions of ways in which people and communities encounter God through their experiences of prayer, music and liturgy, and a desire for catechesis, training and formation for those in ministries related to these. Looking forward to seeing you there.

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*.

OUR LADY OF FATIMA ROSARY AND MASS: Everyone is invited to join us on **Saturday 19th October at 2pm** for **Rosary** and **2.30pm Mass** followed by refreshments at **1 Jane Ct, Cleveland**. In honour of Our Lady of Fatima - *Marie Louise*.



UNPLANNED
Special Fundraising Event for 'Pregnancy Crisis'
Sunday 20th October | 4:00pm
Balmoral Cineplex | 168 Oxford Street, Bulimba
TICKETS ON SALE NOW
www.cineplex.com.au

PRAYERS

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

DECEASED We commend the recently deceased to the loving embrace of God.

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

FUTURE TEACHER SCHOLARSHIPS 2020: Brisbane Catholic Education (BCE) is offering scholarships to Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander tertiary students who are enrolled in a full time teaching degree at a University campus located within the Brisbane Archdiocese from the beginning of 2020.

BENEFITS: • Successful applicants will receive up to \$4,500 in fee support per annum towards an education degree. • A teaching position in a BCE school/college for a minimum of two years after graduating

FOR MORE INFORMATION AND TO APPLY:

To apply: <https://tinyurl.com/bceteachingscholarship> Contact Gemma Crowley, Organisational Development (07) 3033 7523 or orgdev@bne.catholic.edu.au. Submit your application and references by 8th November 2019.

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 and complete a Safeguarding Training. If you have not done so or are unsure about what is needed for your role, please contact **Tony Moore – SOTS Local Safeguarding Officer 0427 581 467 or the Parish Office 3821 4902.**

ST VINCENT PALLOTTI SCHOLARSHIP TRUST: The St Vincent Pallotti Scholarship Trust offers scholarships to enable lay people to further their understanding and skills in leadership/ministry or a specialised activity, such as promoting faith enhancement, social justice and pastoral care. Closing Date is 18 October 2019

More information and Applications Forms are available on our website:

<https://www.pallottine.org.au/scholarships/st-vincent-pallotti-scholarship-for-lay-ministry.html>

Date Claimers

OCTOBER

Sat 5th

Mother Teresa Shrine Feast
Bus Pilgrimage to Marian Valley

Sat 12th to Fri 18th

Parish Mission

Sat 19th

Mass and Rosary in honour of Our Lady of Fatima

Sat 26th – 6.30pm

Vinnies Art Show

RESPONSE FOR THIS SUNDAY 29 Sept 2019

Resp. Psalm:

R. Praise the Lord, my soul!

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Jesus Christ was rich but he became poor, to make you rich out of his poverty.

Alleluia!

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY

6 Oct

First Reading: Hab 1:2-3; 2:2-4

Resp. Psalm: Ps 94:1-2. 6-9. R. v.8

Second Reading: 2 Tm 1:6-8, 13-14

Gospel: Lk 17:5-10

Ministry - 6 October 2019

Time	Coordinator	Readers	Communion Min - Host	Communion Min – Chalice
5.30pm	Lee Brand	John Mott Terry Hughes	Lil Predl Lee Brand Lesley Tapson	Teresa Coates Keith Fernandes Fill in Minister Fill in Minister
7.00 am	Mary Fehlberg	Sherry Sawarde Michelle Hopton	Mary Fehlberg Emil Hayes Di Macnaughtan	Fill in Minister Fill in Minister Fill in Minister Fill in Minister
8.30 am	Annette Nicholls	Helen Hunter Judi-Ann Zacka	Peter Hunter Terry Larsen Donna Smyth	Lee Brand Cheryl Webb Caroline Santagiuliana Judith Barker

NEXT WEEK'S COUNTERS & CLEANERS

Counters

Team 6

Cleaners

Team 5