



# 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 3 September 2023

### GOSPEL *Matthew 16:21-27*

*Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself.*



Jesus began to make it clear to his disciples that he was destined to go to Jerusalem and suffer grievously at the hands of the elders and chief priests and scribes, to be put to death and to be raised up on the third day. Then, taking him aside, Peter started to remonstrate with him. 'Heaven preserve you, Lord,' he said. 'This must not happen to you.' But he turned and said to Peter, 'Get behind me, Satan! You are an obstacle in my path, because the way you think is not God's way but man's.'

Then Jesus said to his disciples, 'If anyone wants to be a follower of mine, let him renounce himself and

take up his cross and follow me. For anyone who wants to save his life will lose it; but anyone who loses his life for my sake will find it. What, then, will a man gain if he wins the whole world and ruins his life? Or what has a man to offer in exchange for his life?

'For the Son of Man is going to come in the glory of his Father with his angels, and, when he does, he will reward each one according to his behaviour.'

### GOSPEL REFLECTION *by Greg Sunter*

This week's gospel is the first of three predictions of Jesus' death and resurrection in Matthew's gospel (see also Mark and Luke). Despite Peter's confession of faith that immediately precedes this passage (see last week's gospel), the disciples still do not have a very solid understanding of Jesus' purpose. They may regard him as the Messiah, but still do not fully understand what that means. In this passage, Jesus is beginning to prepare them for the events of the passion – his death and resurrection. He is trying to lead them to a greater understanding of his mission and message. But Peter abruptly 'rebukes' Jesus and tells him not to speak like that. One can almost hear Peter saying, 'Look, Jesus, you've got a good thing going here, don't spoil it by talking about dying!' However, Jesus responds to Peter very sharply, suggesting that his lack of understanding is inspired by evil and reflects human thought, not divine wisdom.

The passage then leads in to a description of the challenge of discipleship. To be a follower of Jesus means to 'deny' oneself, take up one's cross and follow Jesus. In the context of this passage, to 'deny' oneself means to not be concerned about 'I' but to be concerned about 'You' – to put others before self. To be a follower of Jesus means to be selfless, not self-centred. In the ultimate example of this, Jesus tells his disciples that whoever wishes to save their life will lose it, but whoever loses their life for Jesus' sake will find it. To 'save' your life is to hold back from giving yourself fully to the message of Jesus – to be 'half-hearted' in your faith. But to 'lose' yourself in the message of Jesus is to fully give yourself over to living the reign of God and through 'losing' yourself in this way, Jesus tells us, is how to truly find life.

## MASS TIMES

### SATURDAY

Star of the Sea  
Reconciliation  
4.45pm - 5.15pm  
Mass 5.30pm

### SUNDAY

Star of the Sea  
Mass 7.00am  
Mass 8.30am

(Live-stream Mass from our  
FACEBOOK PAGE:  
[https://fb.me/StaroftheSea  
Cleveland](https://fb.me/StaroftheSeaCleveland))

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

### TUESDAY

Redlands Hospital  
1st Tuesday - Mass 9am  
Mater Hospital  
2nd & 4th Tues - Mass 9am

### WEDNESDAY

Carmel College  
8.40 am

### Cleveland Gardens

1st Wed - Mass 2.30pm

### Moreton Shores

2nd Wed - Mass 11.00am

### Arcare

3rd Wed - Mass 9.45am

### Seaton McKenzie

4th Wed - Mass 10.45am

Star of the Sea  
Christian Meditation – 4pm

### THURSDAY

Star of the Sea  
Rosary 8.45am  
Mass 9.15am  
Healing Mass

1st Thurs of the month  
Holy Adoration and  
Benediction  
Every other Thursday  
9.45 to 10.45am

### Redland Residential

2nd Thurs – Liturgy of the  
Word 11.00am

### FRIDAY

Star of the Sea  
Rosary 8.45am  
Mass 9.15am

### Aveo Cleveland

1st Friday - Mass 2.00pm

## TWENTY-SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - YEAR A

**RESPONSE:** My soul is thirsting for you, O Lord my God.

**GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** *Alleluia, alleluia!*

May the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ enlighten the eyes of our heart,  
that we might see how great is the hope to which we are called. *Alleluia!*

# HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

Wishing all fathers many blessings on their special day.

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**THURSDAY SOCIAL GROUP:** There will be morning tea in the Parish Hall this  
Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> September after the Healing Mass. Everyone is welcome.

### CHURCH CLEANING VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:



Team 3 is in need of new volunteers to join their good work.  
If you are available once every 6 weeks to help in this important  
job, please contact our parish office Ph 3821 4902  
(this team cleans on Saturday at 6am)



## St. Teresa of Calcutta: 5th Anniversary Celebration

This year we are celebrating the fifth anniversary of the Shrine dedicated to St. Teresa of Calcutta at the Marian Valley, Canungra.

You are invited to share this special milestone celebration as we spread the message of Mother Teresa across our communities.

Let us join as a Parish community on a “Pilgrimage of Prayer” to the Marian Valley to celebrate the life of Mother Teresa and strengthen our faith in God.

**The 5th anniversary of the St Teresa of Calcutta Shrine at Marian Valley, Canungra, is on Saturday, 07 October 2023.**

The anniversary will be celebrated with a Mass at 11 am followed by a procession to the Shrine at 12 pm.

**Bus Pilgrimage:** A mini bus is being organised for parishioners to travel to the Marian Valley departing at 8:15 am and returning at 3 pm. Ticket pricing will be confirmed next week.

**Expressions of Interest:** If you would like to join in a truly peaceful experience to the Marian Valley, please register your interest with the Parish Office (T: 3821 4902). You can also register or seek information by connecting with Keith Fernandes (M: 0401 142043) or Mary Fehlberg (M: 0407 111825).

Please visit the Mother Teresa Shrine website: <http://www.motherteresashrine.com.au/> for further information.

**Share your Blessings:** To mark the fifth anniversary of the opening of our Mother Teresa Chapel, we invite you to share your blessings with those in need. Your generous donations will be used by the Missionaries of Charity to provide meals for homeless people and families who are doing it tough in Brisbane.

You can place your donation in the boxes on the day, alternatively you may donate to the Parish office.



## **ALL NATIONS MASS & CELEBRATION**

Parishioners from all cultures are invited to take part in the **Mass on Sunday 24th September at 8.30am.**

Followed by food, costumes and displays of your country.

**If you would like to get involved and help us in any way,** please add your name and contact details in the Raffle Box to win a prize drawn on All Nations Day.



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MacKillop Bursary Fund

The Priests Foundation

Holy Spirit Seminary



**2023 ANNUAL  
CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN**  
Our Church • Our Mission • Our Community

# Thank you for being the face of Christ for others

Your support of the Annual Catholic Campaign will support those in dire circumstances and give children living in hardship access to a caring Catholic school community. Through this gift, you live the Gospel by caring for our elderly priests and educating seminarians who will lead the future Church.

Thank you for all you do to support those in need in our local community

## CONNECTED YOUTH "ADVENTURE OF A LIFETIME" PHOTOS

It was amazing to share with the young people last Friday.  
Our next meeting will be Friday 15<sup>th</sup> September.

**Don't miss out!**

For more info contact **Sam** on 0499 024 309



**NATIONAL CHILD PROTECTION WEEK**  
3 - 9 September 2023



### **PRAYERS**

**HEALING** We pray for those who seek healing in their lives. Especially John Hourigan, Faye Connelly and Sr Marcia.

**ANNIVERSARIES** We pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time. Especially Santa Batellino.

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

### **MINISTRY- 10 September 2023- 23<sup>rd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**

Time	Coordinator	Readers	Communion Min- Host	Communion Min- Chalice
Sat 5.30pm	Ashley Viegas	Glenis Viegas Jennifer Viegas	Lesley Tapson Theresa Thompson Judith Seery	Lil Predl Tony Moore
Sun 7.00am	Mary Fehlberg	David Smith Tom Kirby	Mary Fehlberg	Val Eckard
Sun 8.30am	Annette Nicholls	Carmel Stone Bev Sweeney	Annette Nicholls Clarita Cleavelly Lilia Barajas	Joanne Shorthouse Not filled yet
<b>COUNTERS &amp; CLEANERS</b>		Counter	Team 5	
		Cleaners	Team 6	