

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 4 August 2019 - Year C
18th 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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Dear Friends,

What is most important to us? Where is our treasure? Today's readings deal with this age old question. The Book of Ecclesiastes is sometime called the Book of Qoheleth as the words of this Book are attributed to 'him'. Qoheleth, however, is not a personal name but a title which seems to mean "one who convenes an assembly." The first verse of the book, just before our reading begins, says that Qoheleth was David's son and that he ruled in Jerusalem. But like other works of the Old Testament the author is not known and scholars agree that the 'unknown' author is trying to

claim the authority of David's son for his teaching.

The opening sentence of today's reading offers us an overview of the whole book. "Vanity of vanities." Everything is filled with futility and emptiness. What is the point of all our thinking and planning and hard work? What is the point of all our worrying and sleepless nights? At journeys end we leave everything behind. Qoheleth's conclusion is all is vanity.

When Qoheleth wrote, about 3BC, the idea of an afterlife in which all wrongs would be set right was not yet part of the Jewish belief. There were some initial intimation of more to come after death and this conviction would grow in certain religious groups until life after death was a widely accepted belief by the time of Jesus. But that was still in the future in Qoheleth's time. He spoke to a people who was convinced that wealth and comfort here and now was the goal. And Qoheleth tells them that this is a hollow hope because it's all so temporary. It's all vanity.

The parable of Jesus in our Gospel would have been appreciated by Qoheleth. Here is a wildly successful man who has more goods of this world that he knows to do with. He has to build bigger barns to hold it all. He looks forward to an easy future, effortless and comfortable. Then death steps in and God evaluates the man's life: "you fool!" the point of the parable is that this man had given all his attention and effort to something that he himself would never enjoy, riches that would pass to others. It was all vanity. He should have read Qoheleth.

The world in which we live shares many of the same values shared by people of Jesus' time as well. Our culture treasures wealth, security, comfort, power, control, autonomy. We don't like to think about death or deal with death (or even say death) because it doesn't fit with our

**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.

WED 8.40am

Carmel College
No mass on School
Holidays.

THURSDAY 9.15am

Star of the Sea

FRIDAY 9.15am

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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.



presumptions and our plans. If the kind of success we pursue is the same as the rich man in the Gospel, our readings today should help us to stop and look again.

A few verses after this Gospel reading, Jesus tells his disciples to focus on the “inexhaustible treasure in heaven that no thief can reach nor moth destroy for where your treasure is, there your heart will be? What is your treasure? Where is your heart?”

God bless,

Fr Ashley Warbrooke
Parish Priest

PARISH NEWS



APOSTLESHIP OF THE SEA APPEAL TODAY: There will be a retiring collection today for Stella Maris, Apostleship of the Sea, the official maritime welfare agency of the Catholic Church which supports seafarers both practically and spiritually. We pray for all those who live and work at sea. Without them, we would not have most of the items we rely on for daily living.



PARISH COUNCIL MEETING: Pastoral Council meets this **Thursday night at 7pm.**

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION: Winter time 4pm, every Wednesday in the church. All welcome. For more information, ring **Norma 32863532.** *“God speaks in the silence of the heart” – Mother Teresa.*

NEW IN THE PARISH? We would like to meet you. Please fill out a “pink form” available at the back of the church. You can place it on the collection plate or bring it to the Parish Office. A “Welcome” booklet is also available with some handy information about our parish.

ALL NATIONS MASS AND CELEBRATION – SUNDAY 25 AUGUST 2018: Everyone is invited to participate in the All Nations Mass and celebration at Star of the Sea, on **Sunday 25 August at 8.30am.** The initial meeting was held last Sunday. Our next meeting is on Sunday 11th August at 9.30am. For further information, contact Mary 38216253.

PALMS AUSTRALIA - Discovering Global Mission:

How can our skills create better opportunities for disadvantaged people? Communities in Timor Leste, PNG, Samoa, Kiribati and Kenya seek volunteers to build local capacity. These assignments are not quick fixes.

Find out how teacher **Guida Cabrita** assisted both educators and students in Timor Leste, and how **sharing your skills** can immerse you in a **world of deep cultural discovery.**

Qualified medics, teachers, tradies, business and admins are always required.

Discover Palms Australia: Sunday August 11th @ 1pm

Brisbane Square Library. Community Meeting Room, 266 George St BRISBANE. www.palms.org.au



Palms Australia
Global Volunteering



**Save the Date
For Star of the Sea
PARISH MISSION**

Led by Fr Ray Sanchez CP

Sunday 13th October to Sat 18th October 2019

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PLENARY COUNCIL 2020 - Week 4. Humble, Healing and Merciful:

“By the tender mercy of our God, the dawn from on high will break upon us, to give light to those who sit in darkness and in the shadow of death, to guide our feet into the way of peace.”

How is God calling us to be a Christ-centred Church in Australia that is humble, healing and merciful?

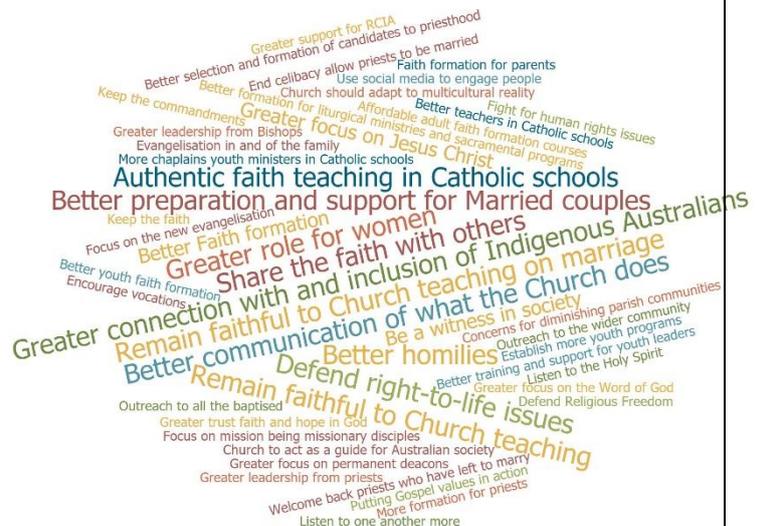
As we move into this second stage of the Plenary Council journey we continue to seek the wisdom of the Holy Spirit. Beginning in July 2019, we are called to reflect on Scripture, Church teaching and our contemporary situation, in order to discern the answer to this question. The fruits of what is discerned during this time will help shape the agenda of the first session of Plenary Council in October 2020.

This National Theme for Discernment is inspired by the voices of the People of God who expressed a deep and faith-filled trust in God and a need for lament and healing within the Church, acknowledging the sexual abuse crisis as a turning point for the Church in Australia. It identified the need for relationship and reconciliation among many within the Catholic community, and with the wider Australian society, particularly with Australia’s First Peoples and with all of creation. A desire was expressed for stronger prayer and sacramental life and more effective outreach to those who seek healing, as a renewed openness to and sign of God’s mercy.

Download the SNAPSHOT REPORT to see a sample of the voices and answers that inspired this theme. The comprehensive report of the findings from PHASE I: LISTENING AND DIALOGUE will be released on July 28, 2019

What people talked about

Find out more at www.plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au



NOTICE TO VOLUNTEERS: SAFEGUARDING TRAINING ONLINE:

Volunteers who are required to complete the Safeguarding Essentials Presentation video can find it available online at www.safeguardingaob.com.au. Please inform the Parish Office by returning a Completion of Presentation Form available in the same website (hard copy of this form can be also obtained from the office).

FACE TO FACE SESSION: A Safeguarding face to face session will be held at Star of the Sea Parish Hall on Thursday 19 September at 6.30pm. Please put it in your diary. This is for volunteers on Children’s Liturgy, Youth Ministry, Visit to the sick and elderly, Children Sacramental Program and Parish Council/Finance Council members only. All other volunteers only need the online training.

PRAYERS
ANNIVERSARY We pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time. Especially for John Murphy.
DECEASED We commend the recently deceased to the loving embrace of God. Specially Maureen Campbell.
HEALING We pray for those who seek healing in their lives.

**INVITATION TO ATTEND
CARMEL COLLEGE OPEN DAY
WEDNESDAY 14 AUGUST 2019 9AM – 11AM**

9.00 AM WELCOME – MR STEPHEN ADAIR, PRINCIPAL

9.15-11.00AM GUIDED TOURS OF COLLEGE CLASSROOMS,
GROUNDS AND FACILITIES.

FURTHER INFORMATION PLEASE CALL CARMEL COLLEGE
07 3488 7777 or email enrolments@carmelcollege.qld.edu.au



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Date Claimers

AUGUST - Sunday 25th
All Nations Celebration

SEPTEMBER

Thursday 12th

Confirmations

Wed 19th – 6.30pm

Safeguarding Face to Face
session at SOTS Hall

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

RESPONSE FOR THIS SUNDAY 4 Aug 2019

Resp. Psalm :

R. In every age, O Lord, you have been our refuge.

Gospel Acclamation:

Alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;
the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alleluia!

READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY - 11 August

First Reading: Wis 18:6-9

Responsorial Psalm: Ps 32:1. 12. 18-20. 22. R. v.12

Second Reading: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19

Gospel: Mt 24:42. 44

Ministry - 10 / 11 Aug 2019

Time	Coordinator	Readers	Communion Min - Host	Communion Min – Chalice
5.30pm	Ashley Viegas	Glenis Viegas Jennifer Viegas	Betty Beauchamp Sue Wilson Jill O'Dell	Glenn O'Dell Tony Moore Fill in Minister Fill in Minister
7.00 am	Dennis Kennedy	David Smith Lyn Bartley	Dennis Kennedy Barbara Mant Valerie Curley	Fill in Minister Fill in Minister Fill in Minister Fill in Minister
8.30 am	Jocelyn Lebumfacil	Annette Nicholls Lee Brand	Bev Sweeney Carmen Scandar Lilia Barajas	Trish Aumuller Donna Smyth Teresa Gerada Fill in Minister

**vNEXT WEEK'S COUNTERS &
CLEANERS**

Counters

Team 4

Cleaners

Team 3