



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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With Lamps Ablaze
Apostolic Priorities for the
Archdiocese of Brisbane from 2023
THE SEVEN PRIORITIES

Dear parishioners,

Have you ever had an experience where you've been ignored or neglected? Have you ever felt invisible as you struggled with something, obviously needing help, and those nearby simply stood by and watched without coming to help. Sadly, these situations are becoming all the more common as the cultural reflex leans toward taking videos of someone in crisis, rather than actually getting involved and helping! It is the widows in today's first reading that are having this kind of experience, and it's the Greeks that bring it to the attention of the community so that the Apostles respond. In recent decades, there have been vulnerable people in our communities who were not only neglected but were abused. This horror was brought into the light by the Government's Royal Commission into Institutional Responses to Child Sexual Abuse. It is this great tragedy that is recognised in Archbishop Mark's next Apostolic Priority: Responding to abuse, and the abused.

Archbishop Mark writes: In responding to abuse and the abused, we need to move beyond considerations of law and finance... Of course, we need to attend to legal and financial matters, but the paramount concern needs to be the good of those abused. Not all victims and survivors look to the Church for spiritual and pastoral accompaniment and care, but some do and others may in time, if ever trust can be established. We can learn from experience elsewhere in seeking to respond more effectively to abuse and the abused. Unless we do, this will remain a gaping wound – certainly for victims and survivors but for the whole Church as well – which makes it hard for us to move in the future.

As of 31 May 2017, the Royal Commission had interviewed 4029 survivors of abuse and 61.8% of those victims had been abused in a Catholic organisation. It's often thought that abuse was at the hands of Catholic priests, but the Royal Commission found that 37% of perpetrators were non-ordained religious, 29% were lay people and 30% were priests. In December of 2017, the Royal Commission produced its final report with 49 recommendations that related to the Catholic Church. The Australian Catholic Bishops Conference accepted 48 of the 49 recommendations and have since worked toward their implementation. This gaping wound caused by the scandal of sexual abuse in the Church continues to cause deep and lasting pain. As we deal with this difficult issue, it can be helpful to recognise the distinction between God, and those who represent God. Whilst throughout history there have been many horrific actions done by those who represent God, these actions are in no way a reflection of God – in fact they are a betrayal of God.

The God revealed in Christ works to heal the wounds of sin and comfort the most broken and vulnerable. Jesus bestows mercy on the woman caught in adultery, transforms the life of Zacchaeus the tax collector, heals the bleeding woman, and calls out the Pharisees when they mis-represent the God they claim to follow. In today's Gospel, Jesus is preparing a place for us. It is in this place that the wounds of this life can be healed for eternity in the embrace of the one who is love.

Jesus challenges us when he says, "very truly, I tell you, the one who believes in me will also do the works that I do." In the wake of this great scandal, we are all called to be like Jesus, in order that we might take small steps to respond to abuse and the abused.

Fr Rony Karapurackal Chacko - Parish Priest

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

FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR A

RESPONSE: **Lord, let your mercy be on us, as we place our trust in you.**

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:

Alleluia, alleluia!

I am the way, the truth, and the life, says the Lord;
no one comes to the Father, except through me. **Alleluia!**



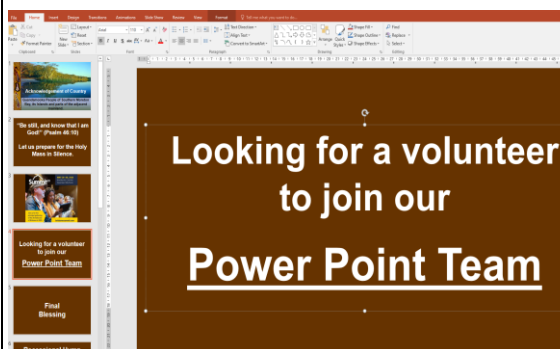
We are pleased to recommence Children's Liturgy for Primary School aged children at our Parish after a few years break.

Our next Children's Liturgy is **8:30am on Sunday 14th May** with **special Mother's Day themed activities**. Children under 5 are welcome to attend if accompanied by an adult. We look forward to seeing you there!

-Bethany, Kathryn & Jess

POWER POINT FOR MASSES VOLUNTEER NEEDED:

We are in need of one person to join our Power Point Presentations for Masses Team. Training provided! You would need to prepare the Power Point two weekends in a row every 8 weeks. We provide the content 😊 If you can help in this ministry, please ring the parish office 38214902. *"The Archdiocese of Brisbane holds that children, young people and vulnerable adults are a gift from God with an intrinsic right to dignity of life, respect and security from physical and emotional harm. They are to be treasured, nurtured and safeguarded by all".*



THE LORD'S DAY

When the COVID pandemic struck, I joined other bishops in deciding for a dispensation from the obligation to attend Sunday Mass. Now that the pandemic seems to be receding, it is good for us to reflect not only upon the Sunday obligation but upon the meaning of Sunday itself. To call the first day of the week Sunday recalls the Roman name, but from the first Christians always called it the Lord's Day, in honour of the Risen Christ who is the true light of the world and the source of life. The Lord's Day was the weekly Easter and the weekly Pentecost, because on the first day Jesus Christ rose from the dead and breathed the Holy Spirit into the Church. It was the day that looked back to the first day of creation and forward to the last day of the Lord's return in glory. Even in times of persecution, Christians remained faithful unto death to the assembly of the Lord's Day. The spontaneous practice of the early days eventually became Church law. Yet it is not law that draws us to Mass but the Lord's desire to eat the Passover with us (cf Luke 22:15). The deepest reason we go to Mass on Sunday is not because we have decided or because the Church's requires it but because we are drawn there by his desire for us. In coming to Mass, we surrender to the Lord's love and let ourselves be drawn by him who wants to speak to our heart and share his feast with us. Therefore, in the Archdiocese of Brisbane from Pentecost Sunday of this year (28 May) the pandemic dispensation will be withdrawn and the Sunday obligation will be restored, so that all of us, responding to the Risen Lord's call, may say with one heart and voice, "This is the day which the Lord has made: let us rejoice and be glad" (Psalm 118:24).

✘ Mark Coleridge
Archbishop of Brisbane

MASS ATTENDANCE COUNT STARTING TO - DAY 6/7 MAY:

The 2023 Mass Attendance count will commence this weekend and it will continue over the following three weekends of May (four weekends in total).

These numbers provide the Archdiocese with a sense of the trends in the Church in 2023. This enables the Church to understand who it is engaging, who isn't engaging, and where it might place resources into the future. The numbers can also be helpful at a parish level to understand the growth or decline of a community and provide valuable insight into our understanding of how to reverse decline where it may be present.

- Evangelisation Brisbane - Archdiocese of Brisbane.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS TO THE SICK AND ELDERLY - VOLUNTEERS NEEDED:

We are experiencing an increase in the need of this service. If you wish to join this important and beautiful Ministry, please contact Lilia Barajas 0402 435 602 or the Parish Office: 3821 4902. Training will be provided.

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DATE CLAIMER:

180th Anniversary Mass for the 1st Catholic Mission to Aboriginals in Australia.

In 1843 Bishop Polding arrived at Dunwich with the first Passionist Missionaries Fathers Lencioni, Snell, Pesciaroli and Vaccari.

When: 21st May 2023 at 11am at St Paul of the Cross, Dunwich, Stradbroke Island.



SUMMIT 2023: is a three-day event for all who belong to the faith community of the Archdiocese: parishioners, educators, parents, support staff, catechists, lay leaders, religious and clergy – this event is for everyone. The Summit is a key step in the implementation phase of the Plenary Council and where Archbishop Mark will be sharing his priorities for the years to come. Some of the speakers: Archbishop Mark Coleridge - Bishop Tim Norton SVD - Sherry Weddel, Catherine Siena Institute - Thelma Parker, Reconciliation Australia. For cost and more information go to www.brisbanesummit.com (18 to 20 May. 2023 – at Riverlife Centre. Seventeen Mile Rocks).

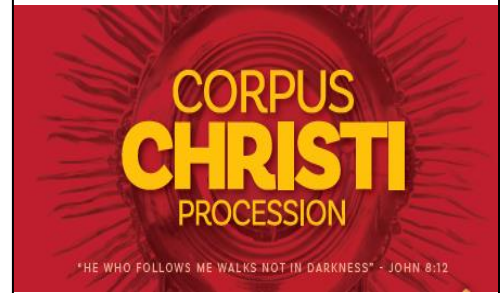
'Make disciples of all nations' (Matt 28:19)

On Sunday 11 June at 2pm, the Feast of Corpus Christi, join with over 4000 other Catholics making a public testimony of faith by walking in a Eucharistic procession through the streets of Brisbane city. It will be a colourful display as groups gather from all across the Archdiocese of Brisbane to represent their parish or cultural community.

The Corpus Christi Procession will start and end at the Cathedral of St Stephen led by Archbishop Mark Coleridge.

PETITIONS BOOK: Please write your prayer intention on the Petition Book at the front entrance of the church. A representative from each parish will be invited to bring this book forward to the feet of our Lord.

If anyone is interested in going to the procession in the cathedral, please contact the parish office so we can go together as a parish.



CONNECTED YOUTH 2023

UPCOMING EVENT DATES

Friday 19th May
Thursday 1st June (Social Night)
Friday 23rd June

For youth aged 8 - 16
Games, fellowship, food and getting closer to Jesus!

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6-8pm, Star of the Sea Catholic Parish, Cleveland

MINISTRY- 14th May 2023- 6th SUNDAY OF EASTER			
Time	Coordinator	Readers	Communion Min- Host
Sat 5.30pm	Ashley Viegas	Star of the Sea School	Teresa Thompson Pauline Hall
Sun 7.00am	Mary Fehlberg	David Smith Tom Kirby	Gerard Lai
Sun 8.30am	Annette Nicholls	Bev Sweeney Dionne Lloyd	Annette Nicholls Clarita Cleavelly
COUNTERS & CLEANERS		Counter	Team 5
		Cleaners	Team 6

PRAYERS
HEALING We pray for those who seek healing in their lives. Especially Janet Carter, Sadie McNamara, Margaret Simpson, Alma Despot, Pauline Nugent and Pauline Hall.
ANNIVERSARIES We pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time.
DECEASED We commend the recently deceased to the loving embrace of God. Joseph Bartlet and Matalena Patau.