

**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 7 October 2018**  
**27<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time**  
**Year B**

**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,

**Today's First Reading is from the Book of Genesis** and scripture scholars tell us that Genesis, while reflecting the basic and fundamental religious and theological revelation that constituted the foundations of the Hebrew people, is actually a compilation of several literary sources. These sources were created at different times, and finally welded together to give us the biblical texts that we now have. This multisource origin for Genesis explains why there are two stories of the Creation. They come from different sources. The first creation story which is read at the Easter Vigil runs from Genesis 1:1 – 2:4. The second creation narrative runs from 2:5 – 2:25 and is generally considered to be much older than the first version. Our Sunday reading is from this version.

In the first creation story, human beings are created last, the final product of God's plan of loving providence. The second story proceeds in the opposite direction. First God creates man, carefully moulding him out of the clay of the earth. Then God creates the garden and puts man in charge of it. This is where our Sunday reading begins. To grasp the meaning of what follows, it is important to remember that in the world when those accounts were written, women were generally regarded as inferior beings, often looked on as property. As our reading continues, we see that the man God has created is not really complete. He needs a partner. So God creates all kind of living creatures and puts the man in charge of them, but it's not enough. No bird or wild animal was enough to make him complete. Then God creates woman. First God puts Adam to sleep so that he will not witness the mysterious creative process that God engages in. God makes woman out of Adam's rib to demonstrate that she is of the same nature and dignity as he is, equal to man in the very basics of his humanity. In the woman, man encounters another self, a self for whom future men would move away from the most basic familiar relationship – father and mother – and give themselves to something deeper and better, to a union that is so close that the two become one flesh.

These verses of Genesis have been chosen for this Sunday's First Reading because their conclusion is quoted by Jesus in today's Gospel as he disputes with the Pharisees about the permissibility of divorce. Man and wife are not really two, Jesus says, but one. In Jesus' time, as well as in the time that Genesis was written, divorce was simple and easy. For practically any reason a man could dismiss his wife and marry another. She didn't count for very much. She was easily replaceable. Both Jesus and Genesis teach that such an

**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**  
**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.



attitude is unacceptable to the Lord. Woman was of the same nature, the same dignity, the same worth as the man. Once they joined in marriage they were indivisibly one. As Jesus says "... what God has united, man must not divide".

This reading from Mark's Gospel is often read at weddings when young couples, deeply in love, commit themselves to each other, until death they do part". They know that the divorce statistics today are around 50% but this isn't a reality for them. Their aim is to be committed in love for ever. May God walk with them.

The Law of Moses did allow for divorce but Jesus sets a much higher ideal, a much higher goal. Yet no one may legitimately interpret anything that Jesus said as implying a need for feeling guilt in marriages that have become bitter, disappointing, or sour, and have failed.

Let us celebrate those married couples who have been together for many years and pray for those couples who are in the early years of their married life. We pray also for those who have suffered through marriage breakdowns. Very few things in life are certain but in the midst of our struggles we can be certain of God's love for each of us.

God bless,

**Fr Ashley Warbrooke - Parish Priest**

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## **PARISH NEWS**

**ABORTION BILL NEARS VOTE:** In less than two weeks, State Parliament will vote on legislation to legalise abortion. Many parishioners have made their thoughts known to their local MPs. There is still time to have your say via:

- **Contacting your local MP via email or by post.** For help with this, please go to a website set up by the Archdiocese: [www.community.actonit.com.au/aob](http://www.community.actonit.com.au/aob)
- **Attending the Rally for Life on Saturday 13 October at 2pm**, meeting at Speakers' Corner (Outside Parliament House), 15 George Street, Brisbane

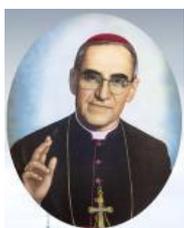
This is an important time for Queensland. Please have your say.

**ST VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY'S ANNUAL REPORT:** for the Cleveland Conference is available at each of the church doors.

**PEEL ISLAND MASS:** A visit to visit Peel Island is planned for **SATURDAY 13 OCTOBER**. Unfortunately this is the same date as the Blessing and Opening of the Saint Mother Teresa shrine but is the only date available before the end of the year. Departure will be from Raby Bay at around 9.00am. Once on the island there may be a 20-minute walk to the former Leprosarium site where we will have Mass conducted by Mons Butler in the restored church and afterwards visits around the site. Friends of Peel Island have in the past provided a vehicle from the beach to the site but this cannot be guaranteed. If you are interested in attending would you please advise the Parish Office with your details and we will contact you in the week before.

**AGED CARE – Understanding Aged Care and Your Choices:** St Paul's Anglican Church and Anglicare invite all to an information session about 'Help at Home Services'. **Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> October** at St Pauls', 2 Cross St, Cleveland. 9.30am to 2pm. Cost: Free.

**CHRISTIAN MEDITATION:** Summer time 4.30pm, every Wednesday in the church. All welcome. Get away from the noise of the world, and experience an uplifting time with God in the silence. For more information ring **Norma 32863532**. **"God speaks in the silence of the heart" – Mother Teresa.**



**CANONISATION OF SAINT OSCAR ROMERO DE AMERICA:** will be celebrated and transmitted live on **Sunday 14 October 2018 at 5.30pm**. Venue: **Holy Spirit Church's hall, 16 Villiers St New Farm**. Please join us! – **INVITES: Latin American Catholic Chaplaincy Archdiocese of Brisbane, Mons Romero Committee and Romero Centre.**

**NEW PARISHIONERS MORNING TEA:** If you are new to our Parish, we would love to meet you. Please come along to the next New Parishioners Morning Tea, specially prepared for you!

When: **Saturday 10 November at 9.30am** at the **McKinlay Centre** (in the parish grounds).

For catering purposes, please ring the Parish Office to let us know you are coming: 3821 4902.

# Welcome

**MARIAN VALLEY BUS PILGRIMAGE - Mother Teresa Shrine:**

The Blessing & Opening of the Mother Teresa Shrine at Marian Valley, Canungra, is on **Saturday, 13 October 2018**. Please arrive at the church compound between 07:00 - 07:15 am. The bus departs at 07:30 am.

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

**Self-Driving:** For people self-driving please arrive at Marian Valley by 09:30 am.

Morning tea can be purchased at the Marian Valley canteen for people arriving by car.

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. Please contact the Parish Office (T: 38214902) for final bus tickets, or Keith Fernandes (M: 0401142043) for further information. Please refer to program details below.

MOTHER TERESA SHRINE BLESSING PROGRAM SATURDAY, 13 OCTOBER 2018	
07:00 - 07:15	BUS BOARDING IN CHURCH COMPOUND
7:30	DEPART CLEVELAND
9:00	ARRIVE AT MARIAN VALLEY
09:00 - 09:30	MORNING TEA AT MARIAN VALLEY CANTEEN
09:30 - 09:45	GOLF BUGGY TRANSPORT TO SHRINE FOR PEOPLE WITH WALKING DIFFICULTY
9:45	PROCESSION TO SHRINE
10:00	BLESSING & OPENING CEREMONY
11:00	MASS AT MARIAN VALLEY CHURCH
12:15	LUNCH (BYO OR PURCHASE AT CANTEEN)
13:30	BUS DEPART MARIAN VALLEY
15:00	BUS ARRIVE CLEVELAND
NOTE	PROCESSION WALK TO SHRINE IS 15 MINS

**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. If you have not done so or are unsure about what is needed, please contact **Michael Dahm 0432 271 640** or the **Parish Office 3821 4902**.

**TRANSPORT TO 5.30PM MASS:** Mrs Marianne Eadie needs someone to bring her to the 5.30pm Mass, she lives at the AVEO COMPLEX RETIREMENT VILLAGE, 148 Smith St Cleveland. If you are available to help, please ring her on 38212139.

**RESPONSE FOR THIS SUNDAY 7 Oct 2018**

**Resp. Psalm:**

(R.) May the Lord bless us all the days of our lives.

**Gospel Acclamation**

Alleluia, alleluia!

If we love one another, God will live in us in perfect love.

Alleluia!

**READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY**

**- 14 Oct 2018**

First Reading: **Wis 7:7-11**

Responsorial Psalm: **Ps 89:12-17. R. v.14**

Second Reading: **Heb 4:12-13**

Gospel: **Mk 10:17-30**

**PRAYERS**

**ANNIVERSARY** We pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time.

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

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



## Plenary Council 2020

### Listen to what the Spirit is saying...

Does my voice, my experience, sharing my story really matter? Yes absolutely! Each of us is called as children of God to respond to Pope Francis's invitation to become a "synodal" Church – a Church of faith-filled people who speak boldly and with passion, and who listen deeply with an open and humble heart.

In his address to the Bishops of the world, Pope Francis explains the importance of listening, dialogue and prayer: "A synodal Church is a Church which listens, which realises that listening is more than simply hearing. It is a mutual listening in which everyone has something to learn. The faithful people, the college of bishops, the Bishop of Rome: all listening to each other, and all listening to the Holy Spirit, the 'Spirit of truth' (Jn 14:17), in order to know what he 'says to the Churches' (Rev 2:7)." More information:

<http://plenarycouncil.catholic.org.au>

**STAR OF THE SEA PLENARY COUNCIL GROUP:** meets this Sunday after the 8.30am Mass in the Parish Hall. All are welcome to spend time in prayer and under the guidance of the Holy Spirit be open to listen and share how the Church can meet the challenges of the future.

**MENTAL HEALTH WEEK:** begins this Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October until Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> October, Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> October being World Mental Health Day. Catholic Psychiatric Pastoral Care invites you to celebrate Queensland Mental Health Week at **Mass at St Patricks Church**, Fortitude Valley on this **Friday 12<sup>th</sup> October at 1pm**. Light refreshments will follow the Mass. Parking is available in the Church grounds.



"The saints do not waste energy complaining about the failings of others; they can hold their tongue before the faults of their brothers and sisters and avoid the verbal violence that demeans and mistreats others." (GE 116)

– **Pope Francis**

Apostolic Exhortation *Gaudete Et Exsultate On a Call to Holiness in Today's World*

## Date Claimers

### OCTOBER

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> – 630pm**

Art Show

"Creation - All Points Under the Southern Sky"

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>**

Mother Theresa's Shrine Blessing

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup>**

Peel Island Mass

### NOVEMBER

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> – 9.30am**

New Parishioners Morning Tea

### DECEMBER

**1st December**

Parish Dinner Dance

## Ministry – 13 / 14 October 2018

Time	Coordinator	Readers	Communion Min - Host	Communion Min – Chalice
5.30pm	Ashley Viegas	Glenis Viegas Jennifer Viegas	Judith Seery Tony Moore Jill O'Dell	Keith Fernandes Jo-Anne Lavery John Lavery Glenn O'Dell
7.00 am	Mary Fehlberg	Lyn Bartley Majella Eva	Denys Ryan Bert Latham Valerie Curley	Mary Fehlberg Margaret Bina Flor Birkett Fill in Minister
8.30 am	Jocelyn Lebumfacil	Annette Nicholls Lee Brand	Clarita Cleavelly Carmen Scandar Lilia Barajas	Trish Aumuller Donna Smyth Teresa Gerada Fill in Minister

## NEXT WEEK'S COUNTERS & CLEANERS

Counters

Team 3

Cleaners

Team 5