STAR OF THE SEA



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<u>Star of the Sea Ca</u>tholic 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.



STAR NEWS 12 May 2024

Dear Parishioners.

During my second year in the Seminary, we were asked by one of our teachers, "if you were standing before God and God asked you why He should let you into heaven, what would you say?" After thinking for a while I answered, "God probably shouldn't let me in as I fall short of His plan and glory." My classmates gave similar answers. It was to our teacher's delight that our replies were as such. When asking that guestion previously, our

teacher said that he had received many answers that claimed God should let them into heaven because of their good works and because they had given their lives to God. For many that would seem a reasonable answer. But the more we get to know ourselves and God, the more we realise that no good work, even in the name of God, grants us salvation. Giving ourselves to God and to God's service is good and important, though it is important not because it puts us right with God. It is important because anything we do for God is our response to His love and mercy. We heard in John's Gospel last weekend, that we didn't choose God, but God chose us (John 15:16)." It is the fact that we are loved and chosen by God to be His people that leads us to living lives that bear fruit for heaven, and for our lives and the lives of others now.

As we hear in Acts this weekend, "It is not for you to know the times and dates that the Father has decided, but you will receive power when the Holy Spirit comes on you, and then you will be my witnesses (Acts 1:7-8)." Jesus said this just before he ascended into heaven, and it is this ascension that we celebrate today. It is not for us to know when the time is for Jesus to come again, or for us to move from this life to the next. It is for us, though, to embrace the life we have been given, and use this life to respond to God's love for us and bear fruit. We do this not to gain points to gain entry to heaven, but we do this to respond wholeheartedly to the grace of God moving in our lives. Have a wonderful last week of the Easter season, and may our responses to God this week bring us deeper into God's love and mercy.

Deacon Bradley Davies

We pray for all mothers, that God bless them abundantly, grant them health, peace, and fulfillment as they pursue their calling. Let them know their value and worth in Your eyes and ours. Amen.



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD - YEAR B **RESPONSE:** God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord. **GOSPEL ACCLAMATION:** Alleluia, alleluia!

Go and teach all people my gospel. I am with you always, until the end of the world. Alleluia!

MASS TIMES

<u>SATURDAY</u>

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

<u>SUNDAY</u>

Star of the Sea Mass 7.00am & 8.30am (Live-stream Mass from our FACEBOOK PAGE: https://fb.me/StaroftheSeaC leveland)

Children's Liturgy

Every Sunday @ 8.30am Mass during school term

St Peter Chanel, Point Lookout 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 - 9am Liturgy of the Word

Mater Hospital 2nd & 4th Tues – Liturgy 9am

WEDNESDAY Carmel College Mass 8.40am No Mass during school holidays

Cleveland Gardens 1st Wed - Liturgy 2.30pm

Moreton Shores 2nd Wed - Liturgy 11.00am

Arcare 3rd Wed - Liturgy 10.30am

Seaton McKenzie 4th Wed - Liturgy 10.45am

Star of the Sea Christian Meditation – 4pm

> THURSDAY Star of the Sea No Mass on Thursday 16 May

FRIDAY

Star of the Sea No Mass on Friday 17 May

Aveo Cleveland 1st Friday - Liturgy 2.00pm



YOU ARE CORDIALLY INVITED:

to Bradley Davies' ordination to the priesthood at the Cathedral of St Stephen, Brisbane. Friday 7 June 2024 at 7pm.

A bus will be leaving from the Star of the Sea Carpark at 5pm. Spaces are limited. Please write your name and contact details in the list at the entrance of the church. Cost \$15 (return).



Our next gathering will be on **Friday** the **17th of May** from 6 - 8pm at the Parish Hall (Star of the Sea Catholic Parish, Cleveland). Youth aged between 8 -15 are welcome to come along! Join us for a night of games, food, fellowship and getting closer to Jesus. RSVP Sam via email: <u>sachse.sam24@gmail.com</u> or

mobile: 0499024309.





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SCHOOL NEWS

Our Prep and Year 1 Students Exploring the Church and Parish Hall

During the past week, our youngest learners embarked on a journey of discovery as they explored our Church and Parish Hall! Armed with curiosity and a scavenger hunt checklist, our Prep and Year 1 students eagerly sought out the treasures hidden within.

From the marble altar to the wooden pews, from the solemn cross to the gleaming chalice, every corner held a new clue waiting to be uncovered. With eyes wide with wonder, they searched for the sacred pages of the Bible and the location of the Holy Water, learning about the significance of each item along the way.

But the adventure didn't stop there! As they roamed the Parish Hall, they also caught glimpses of where our Priest, Deacon and Parish Secretary carry out their important duties, deepening their understanding of the roles within our parish community.

This immersive experience wasn't just a hunt; it was a rich learning opportunity that sparked curiosity and fostered a deeper connection to the spiritual heart of our community. Bravo to our intrepid explorers for their enthusiasm and eagerness to learn!



MASS ATTENDANCE COUNT IN MAY:

The 2024 Mass Attendance count is taking place during **May** (four weekends in total).

These numbers provide the Archdiocese with a sense of the trends in the Church in 2024. 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.



INVITATION Parents, grandparents and parishioners of Star of the Sea Catholic Primary School are invited to attend our Mother's Day Liturgy and Morning Tea.

Date: Monday 13th May

Liturgy: 9am - 9:45am In the school hall Morning Tea: 9:45 - 10:15am on the Adventure and provided by the PCG for students and visitors

SACRAMENTAL PROGRAM 2024:

<u>First Holy Communion</u>: (for children who celebrated their First Reconciliation last Term) Parents Meeting - Thursday 23rd May at 7pm (at the Parish Hall)

CONFIRMATION - Term Three - Yr 3:

(we are still taking enrolments for Confirmation, please contact the Parish Office) Parents MeetingThursday 25th July at 7pm (at the Parish Hall)



If anyone is interested in going to the procession in the cathedral, please write your name on the list at the front entrance so we can go together as

a parish.

A bus will be organised if there are enough expressions of interest (Cost \$15pp).

Please indicate if you are using your own transport or would like to go in the bus.

"Whoever follows me walks not in darkness" (John 8:12)

Corpus Christi Procession will be on **Sunday 2 June at 2pm starting from St Stephen's Cathedral.** On the Feast of Corpus Christi,

Presence of Jesus in the Eucharist, "For my flesh is real food and my blood is real drink" (John 6.55). Processing with the Blessed Sacrament through the streets is a tradition that is embraced all over the world and continues today.

In the Archdiocese of Brisbane, we will bear witness to our faith on 2nd June 2024, as we gather with over 5000 Catholics to walk with Jesus through the streets of Brisbane City, as we pray, sing, praise and honour Him in the Blessed Sacrament. The Corpus Christi Procession, presided by Archbishop Mark Coleridge will start a 2pm from the Cathedral of St Stephen, walk through the city streets and finish with Benediction at the Cathedral. In addition to the procession, an exhibition of Eucharistic Miracles around the world will be on display in the Hanley **Room**, Francis Rush Centre, from Saturday 1st to Sunday 2nd June. There will be also a **vigil of** Adoration in St Stephen's Chapel overnight from 7pm Saturday 1st June – Sunday 2nd June. Come along with your family and parish group. More information:

https://www.corpuschristibrisbane.com

NO LITURGIES NEXT THURSDAY 16 AND FRIDAY 17 MAY. Please note that there will be no 9.15am Liturgies this coming week, as Dcn Bradley will be at the Seminary on those days.

PRAYERS

HEALING We pray for those who seek healing in their lives. Especially Paul Norton, Nathaniel Santagiuliana, Jodie Stumhcke, Desley Sym.

ANNIVERSARIES We pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time. Especially Suzan Warnes. **DECEASED** We commend the recently deceased to the loving embrace of God. Especially Sherrie Boike and Joseph "Joe" Sciberras.

MINISTRY- 19 MAY 2024 – PENTECOST SUNDAY				
Time	Coordinator	Readers	Communion Min- Host	Communion Min- Chalice
Sat 5.30pm	Pauline McKay	Gemma Tapson	Bradley Davies	Terry Hughes
		Abel Jaison	Pauline McKay	Phil Colley
			Lesley Tapson	
Sun 7.00am	Dennis Kennedy	David Smith	Bradley Davies	Aurora Stronach
		Lyn Bartley		
Sun 8.30am	Ashley Viegas	Bev Sweeney	Bradley Davies	Thelma Miscamble
		Lucy Paneda	Roberto Tonogbanua	Annette Nicholls
			Jack Orendain	
		Counter	Team 5	
COUNTERS & CLEANERS		Cleaners	Team 6	