



St. Rita's Catholic Parish

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23rd Sunday Ordinary Time —Year A 10th September 2023

This Week's Readings: Ezekiel 33:7-9, Ps 94:1-2, 6-9, Romans 13:8-10, Matthew 18:15-20

Next Week —24th Sunday Ordinary Time —Year A: Ecclesiasticus 27:30-28:7, Ps 102:1-4, 9-12, Romans 14:7-9, Matthew 18:21-35

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GOSPEL REFLECTION



"Special Agent of God"

If we are special agents of God, then we serve as agents of grace for one another. I am, in a real sense, at your service, as you are at mine. Together, we invite the kingdom of God into our midst. It's not the sort of commission one can achieve alone.

Of all that we do together to promote God's reign, the hardest may be our gentle mutual correction. Unlike yourself, I'm sure, I dislike being told I'm wrong. When I respond in anger and treat someone unfairly, I want to be justified, not reprov'd. But some of my friends love me enough to tell me when I'm way off base and need to examine my motives. Sometimes it's enough to hear it from one person. Sometimes, I need to hear it from every direction before I'm ready to change. I value this honesty in my life because I can't always punch my own way out of ignorance. My friends know how dearly I want to hear yes in heaven, so they're willing to say no to me in the here and now.

Have you ever corrected someone you love when they're in error? How do you respond to such correction?

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WEEKLY DIARY

Daily (Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri)

8:30am Rosary - St Rita's Church

Monday's

9:00am Mass—St Rita's Church

9:30am Rosary Crusade Pro Life

Tuesday's

9:00am Mass—St Rita's Church

7:00pm Prayer & Praise

Wednesday's

9:00am Mass—St Rita's Church

10:00am Art Group

3:30pm Choir - St Rita's Church

Thursday's

Parish Priest Day Off (**No masses**)

Friday's

9:00am Mass & Holy Hour—
St Rita's Church

MASS TIMES

ST RITA'S CHURCH

Weekdays 9am (Except Thursday)

Saturday 5pm (Vigil)

Sunday 7am & 9am

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 4:30pm

HEALING MASS: 2nd Wednesday of

the Month 9am

MAREBELLO: 1st Wednesday of the

Month 9:30am

BAY ISLAND MASS CENTRES

Coochiemudlo Island - Coochiemudlo
Island Community Hall,

345 Victoria Parade,

Coochiemudlo Island

11:00am Saturday (2nd, 16th Sept)

Macleay Island—Church of the Holy

Spirit, Scotts Road, Macleay Island

2pm Sunday Mass (10th, 24th Sept)

9am Liturgy (3rd, 17th Sept)

Russell Island

Bay Islands Community Services

55 Jackson Rd, Russell Island

2pm Sunday Mass (3rd, 17th Sept)

2pm Virtual (10th, 24th Sept)



"We acknowledge the Quandamooka People, Traditional Custodians of the lands, waters and seas where we stand today. We pay our respects to Elders, past, present and future."

Be an Eternal Guardian of Your Faith

Do you want to ensure that the mission of the Catholic Church and your local parish continues well in to the future?

We need your support to sustain our faith and continue to provide parish facilities, programs and services for generations to come. Your gift, of any amount, will help carry forward the Gospel message to future generations. To find out how you can be an Eternal Guardian of your faith, please contact us on 07 3324 3632 or visit www.catholicfoundation.org.au

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.

This policy applies to Clergy, Religious, Staff, Parishioners, Volunteers, students on placement and Visitors to our sites.

For safeguarding inquiries or to raise any concerns, disclosures or allegations please contact our

Local Safeguarding Representative: Bob Snoke on 0419 247 698 sa.victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au

<https://tinyurl.com/Safeguarding-Incident-Report> <https://tinyurl.com/New-Protecting-Children-Laws>

STOPline Service ☎ 1300 304 550 ✉ AOB@stopline.com.au 🌐 www.bneatholic.stoplinereport.com

Please take a moment to pray for:

All those who are **ill**, especially *Pauline Walker, Elaine Prestney, Bill Mellor, Annette Doherty, Alfio Tomarchio, Michael Quilty, Chris Venter, Doris Williamson, Fr Jim Browne, Margaret Ross, Alan Williamson, Lois Hodges, Toby Bernal, Helen Stockwell, Marlie Meehan, Denise Fowler, Emma Heinrich, Paul Trubody, Kay Grieve, Jela Cicak, Matthew Scott* and those who seek healing in their lives and for all those who care for them.

We commend all the recently **deceased**.

We pray for all those whose **anniversaries** occur at this time, especially *Margaret Berton, Nan and Michael McLennan*.

If you wish to have a loved one's name mentioned in the Parish Newsletter for an anniversary, a remembrance or a prayer for the sick, please contact the Parish Office. Envelopes to request Masses to be offered for the sick, dying, deceased or for special intentions are available at the back of the church. Mass Cards are available.



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Pope's Prayer Intention September 2023

For people living on the margins

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser



Cathedral Masses

<https://tinyurl.com/St-Stephens-Cathedral-Masses>

Welcome to the new **Hosanna Library**, located in the Ruby Room.

Our Prayer Group maintains a library, that has a variety of resources, for children, youth and adults, including DVD's, CD's, novels, study books, picture books, devotionals, bibles and much, much more.

To borrow anything, please record your name, phone number and the date in the borrowing book.

Everyone is welcome to use the library, which is open Monday to Friday 9am-2pm

Support Your Parish

Our faith will sustain us through challenging times.

Please keep supporting your Parish by continuing your weekly offering if you can, either by using our periodic direct debit or credit card facility or by direct deposit.

Our planned giving bank account details for direct deposits are as follows:

BSB: 064 786

Account No: 100027374

Account Name: Parish Donation

Kindly **reference** your deposit with your **surname** and your **planned giving number/envelope** number if you have one. Please contact the parish office for further information on 3207 9177.

The total for both collections for the weekend of **3 September 2023** is **\$2 755.20**

Workplace Health and Safety, Maintenance and Improvements:

RECENT ACTIVITIES – annual servicing of air conditioners (including some special hygiene cleans) in OSHC, church, presbytery and parish office.

CURRENT TASKS NEEDING TO BE DONE – removal of mould and sanding and painting of presbytery window sills (scheduled for 2024), doors and door frames, repairs to corroded church/school gutters (repairs scheduled for Sept school holidays), repair/replace damaged fence panel in church carpark (on hold), painting of presbytery gutters and eaves (on hold), polishing vinyl flooring in church, implement repairs to stop water leaks (wall in priest sacristy, ceiling above reconciliation facility, gutter outside toilets), clean second half of OSHC verandah wall and paint.

POSSIBLE FUTURE PROJECTS DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDING – replace rotted-out fence posts (presbytery yard fence along side school oval), plaster repairs to ceilings in presbytery.



Date Claimer

Tuesday, 21 November

Join with your friends
and meet some new ones
on

St Rita's Christmas Bus Trip

8.45—4.00 pm

A delicious Christmas lunch in the air conditioned Ginger
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The bus leaves St Rita's, Benfer Road at 8.00 am, with
a pick up at the Marina—and will return
approximately at 4.00 p.m.

Tickets will go on sale on the weekend of
28/29 October, on.



HOSANNA PRAYER AND PRAISE

Come and experience God's presence,
as we develop our relationship with Him.
All are welcome to join our praise and worship group,
which meets at St Rita's Parish Chapel,
Tuesday nights, 7:00pm - 8:30pm



(Supper provided)

Spiritual Gifts Workshop

Saturday 23rd September
Saturday 30th September
9am - 11.45am
St Rita's Catholic Church

The workshop includes worship,
listening to the Holy Spirit and
presentations from Catholic
teaching on each of the gifts.

To register, please contact Angela
on 0407 674 373

Morning tea provided.

Missionaries of the Poor: Timor Leste

September Collection 2023

- **New clothing for children, girls and boys, sizes 2-14**
- **School supplies**
- **Adult toiletries, such as soap, toothpaste and brushes, anti-dandruff shampoo etc**
- **Medication** such as paracetamol, aspirin, antifungal cream/ tincture/ powder/zinc powder, scabies treatment, calamine lotion, Betadine, hair lice treatment, Voltaren gel, cough medicines, cold and flu tablets, lip balm.
- **Soccer Balls**
- **Volley balls**
- **Footy boots**
- **Guitar**
- **Keyboard**
- **Staple Gun**
- **Laptops**
- **Mobile Phones**
- **Boardgames**



Let Justice and Peace Flow
Season of Creation 2023

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During this Season of Creation, let us dwell on those heartbeats: our own and those of our mothers and grandmothers, the heartbeat of creation and the heartbeat of God. Today they do not beat in harmony; they are not harmonized in justice and peace. Too many of our brothers and sisters are prevented from drinking from that mighty river. Let us heed our call to stand with the victims of environmental and climate injustice, and to put an end to the senseless war against creation.

DO YOU WANT TO RECEIVE OUR NEWSLETTER ELECTRONICALLY?

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