



St. Rita's Catholic Parish

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19th Sunday Ordinary Time —Year A 13th August 2023

This Week's Readings: : Kings 19:9, 11-13, Ps 84:9-14, St Peter 19:1-5, Matthew 14:22-33

Next Week —20th Sunday Ordinary Time —Year A: Isaiah 56:1, 6-7, Ps 66:2-3, 5-6, 8, St Paul 11:13-15, 29-32, Matthew 15:21-28

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GOSPEL REFLECTION

“ A Walk on the Wild Side ”

Peter was a fisherman. He was long accustomed to the sea and its moods, and surely this was not the first stormy night he'd spent on the water. Peter knew how to compensate for wind and waves in choppy weather. He also knew there was a point beyond which negotiation with a tempest was impossible. But Peter had no experience at all with a ghost, or a man, walking on the waves. Like the others in the boat, he was afraid. But like the others, he was willing to negotiate with this new situation. Peter decided to take a walk on the wild side.

A fisherman who stays with his boat knows how to ride a wave. But with wind at his back and water under his feet, all Peter had for support was the steady view of his Lord. As his consciousness of the peril grew, his confidence in the Lord shrank. Many of us too have lost our faith in time of crisis. Our trust in God is steady within the boat, and up for grabs when life is less predictable. Peter scores points for risking a walk on the wild side, which the rest of the disciples were unwilling to do. An untested faith is worse than the “little faith” Peter showed. God can always plant a mustard seed.

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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 (19 August)

Macleay Island—Church of the Holy

Spirit, Scotts Road, Macleay Island

2pm Sunday Mass (August 13 & 27)

9am Liturgy (August 20)

Russell Island

Bay Islands Community Services

55 Jackson Rd, Russell Island

2pm Sunday Mass (August 20)

2pm Virtual (August 13 & 27)



“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.”

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

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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.

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.



A Notice from Fr Ladu

On August 15, the Feast of the Assumption (or simply, "The Assumption") is widely celebrated all over Christendom. This holy day marks the occasion of the Virgin Mary's bodily ascent to heaven at the end of her life. Assumption celebrations are accompanied by festivals, colourful street processions, fireworks, and pageantry. While a "feast" isn't actually required, there is a longstanding tradition of blessing the summer harvest. There are even special "Assumption" recipes incorporated into family dinners. Sounds heavenly! The devoted light candles, attend masses, and say prayers for peace all over the world.

Please join us 9am Tuesday 15th August in the Church to make this occasion.
God Bless, Fr Ladu



Pope's Prayer Intention August 2023 For World Youth Day

We pray the World Youth Day in Lisbon will help young people to live and witness the Gospel in their own lives.



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

HEALING MASS

9am

Wednesday 16th August 2023

St Rita's Church



**MONDAY MORNING MASS WILL
BE HELD AT 9AM AS USUAL.
ALL WELCOME!**

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 **6 August 2023** is **\$2 838.65**

Workplace Health and Safety, Maintenance and Improvements:

RECENT ACTIVITIES – Completed painting of internals of presbytery, repaired damaged pathway fencing at OSHC, replaced white-ant eaten skirting board in presbytery, conducted annual RCD testing in presbytery and parish office.

CURRENT TASKS NEEDING TO BE DONE – waterblast mouldy pathways leading to Parish Office, removal of mould and sanding and painting of presbytery window sills, doors and door frames, repairs to corroded church/school gutters (quote obtained for alternative solutions), 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), replace rotted timber on archway leading into church verandah, 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.

Sacrament of Confirmation 2023

FAMILY SESSION #2

6:00pm

Tuesday 22nd August

St Rita's Church



Please bring your activity books

Please arrive by 5:50pm to be signed in.



HOSANNA PRAYER & PRAISE GROUP

Celebrates!!!

Hosanna Prayer & Praise Group is celebrating its **10th year** as a prayer group in St Rita's Parish.

Come and celebrate with us.

Thanksgiving Mass
15 August (Tuesday, 7:30PM)
St Rita's Parish



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Your gift today is a blessing to your local community

The face of the Church can seem ordinary enough, as can the face of each of us. But if we open the door of faith and allow God's mercy to flow through us into the lives of those in need, people will see in the Church and in each of us the face of Christ himself. May God, who is the giver of all gifts, bless you in every way.



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PRIMARY SCHOOL MASSES

There will NOT be a Mass at the school on Monday 14th August due to the Redlands EKKA Show Holiday.



St Vincent de Paul

St Vincent de Paul Meetings are held 7pm in The Ruby Room located at The Parish Office.
All are welcome to attend!

AUGUST MEETINGS

Monday 21st August

THE CATHOLIC LEADER

August Edition Available in the Church \$4 each

Polly & Jesse Rawlins



Will be Baptised Sunday 13th August 2023.
We welcome Polly, Jesse and their families into our Parish Community.

DO YOU WANT TO RECEIVE OUR NEWSLETTER ELECTRONICALLY?

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