



St. Rita's Catholic Parish

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4th Sunday of Easter —Year A— 30th April 2023

This Week's Readings: Acts 2:14, 36-41, Ps 22:1-6, St Peter 2:20-25, John 10:1-10

Next Week —5th Sunday of Easter—Year A: 6:1-7, Ps 32:1-2, 4-5, 18-19, St Peter 2:4-9, John 14:1-12

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GOSPEL REFLECTION

" Enter Through Me "

Sitting on a plane, I listened to the flight attendant reviewing the usual procedures for emergency exits, something all of us hope we don't have to make. She was pointing out the doors, the floor lights, the flotation devices and all those instructions that frequent fliers have heard countless times. I tried to imagine myself remembering all these details in a crisis, and doubted that I could. Pull WHAT cord? Move in WHICH direction? Even in the best of times, my sense of direction is terrible.

How wonderful that, in the most significant sense of the word, we do not have to make our way to safety on our own. Jesus is the gate, the gatekeeper, and the shepherd. Our only task is to listen to the voice of the Beloved, and to follow where it leads. No harm can come to the one who lives this simple rule. The alternative is, of course, to try to hold all the details in our finite and imperfect hands.

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WEEKLY DIARY

Daily (Mon, Tues, Fri)

8:30am Rosary - St Rita's Church
9:30am Rosary Crusade Pro Life

Monday's

8:30am Pro Life Rosary—Chapel
9:00am Mass—St Rita's Church

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 (April 1st & 15th)
Macleay Island—Church of the Holy Spirit, Scotts Road, Macleay Island
2pm Sunday Mass (April 23rd)
9am Liturgy (April 16th & 30th)
Russell Island
Bay Islands Community Services
55 Jackson Rd, Russell Island
2pm (April 2nd, 16th & 30th)
9am Liturgy (April 23rd)



"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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Local Safeguarding Representative: Bob Snoke on 0419 247 698

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

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Please take a moment to pray for:

All those who are ill, especially 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 Kolorinda Juan Yanga, Kathleen Bieron, Dianne Thomas, Peggy Kelly, Madonna Jansen and Kathleen Bieron.

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

Brothers and sisters,

Archbishop Mark writes:

“The face of the Church around the world is changing as the centre of gravity shifts from places like Europe and North America (and Australia) to Africa, Asia and Latin America...

Certainly in the Archdiocese the presence of people who have come from overseas – from Vietnam, the Philippines, the Pacific islands, India, Sri Lanka, Latin America, Africa – is growing stronger...

These large and growing communities have gifts for the whole Church, and increasingly the centre of gravity in the Church here is moving in their direction.

Therefore, they have to be brought more to centre-stage in the life and mission of the Archdiocese, since much of the real spiritual energy in the Church here is found among them. This again will involve significant cultural change for the whole Church in this part of the world.”



God Bless Fr Ladu



Pope's Prayer Intention April 2023

For a culture of peace and non violence

We pray for the spread of peace and non violence, by decreasing the use of weapons by States and citizens.



Cathedral Masses

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



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 **23 April 2023** is **\$2 691.90.**

Workplace Health and Safety, Maintenance and Improvements:

RECENT ACTIVITIES – no activities

CURRENT TASKS NEEDING TO BE DONE – repairs to Church Men's toilet (leaking), repairs to corroded church/school gutters (quote pending), repair/replace damaged fence panel in church carpark, painting of presbytery gutters and eaves, removal of trees alongside boundary fence beside presbytery (roots in drains), polishing vinyl flooring in church, implement repairs to stop water leaks (wall in priest sacristy, ceiling above reconciliation facility, gutter outside toilets), renewal of Termite Management system around the church building (quote obtained).

POSSIBLE FUTURE PROJECTS DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDING – replace rotted-out fence posts (presbytery yard fence along side school oval), repaint inside walls of presbytery, replace/repair rusted-out gutter at chapel end of church building.



Sacramental News

First Holy Communion

Family Sessions will be held in the Church
Wednesday 3rd May.

PLEASE BRING YOUR CHILD'S ACTIVITY BOOK.

Group 1 6:00pm-7:00pm

Group 2 7:15pm-8:15pm



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)



Missionaries of the Poor Brisbane Supporters

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Thank you for your prayers and your financial support of the Missionaries of the Poor in Timor- Leste

Arianna Renata Hennessy



Will be Baptised Sunday 30th April 2023.

*We welcome Arianna and her Family
into our Parish Community.*

Meet & Greet

On the **FIRST Weekend of the Month**, there will be
a **Meet & Greet** held **after** the Masses. Please
bring a plate to share on
Saturday 6th & Sunday 7th May 2023.

A **Fundraising Stall** will also be held to raise money
to assist 'Our Pixie Friends' (parishioner Siobhan
Wilson's Business) for shelter assistance.



Mass at Marebello will be
9:30am Wednesday 3rd May



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!

UPCOMING MEETINGS

Mondays May 1st & 15th
Mondays June 5th & 19th
Mondays July 3rd & 17th



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