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28th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B – 13th October 2024

Possessed

Looking at his disciples, Jesus said, “Do you have any idea how difficult it is for people who ‘have it all’ to enter God’s kingdom?” The disciples couldn’t believe what they were hearing, but Jesus kept on: “You can’t imagine how difficult. I’d say it’s easier for a camel to go through a needle’s eye than for the rich to get into God’s kingdom.” (Mark 10: 23 - 25)

The lie about all of our stuff is this: We possess it. In fact, our possessions own us more powerfully than we can ever hope to claim them. Make a mental list of what you think you’ve got: home, car, lawn, furniture, bank accounts, education, title, position, relationships, and responsibilities. Whatever we have, it also has us. And what it costs us to maintain all of our stuff goes much deeper than our wallets. It takes time and life and effort and will to keep all the stuff of our lives in place.

Even the poorest person on the planet possesses something; the goal isn’t to renounce all resources because we can’t. We’d still be in possession of our lives. The spiritual goal is to surrender what we possess, so that it can’t make us less free. If we surrender our resources to God’s purposes, then no one can take anything from us. We become liberated when our worldly wealth is at the disposal of God’s will. Those who walk off with heavy hearts are dragging their possessions with them.

Which of your possessions is the most burdensome for you?

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Sacramental News

St Rita’s Parish would like to give a heartfelt congratulations to the 21 children who made their Confirmation this weekend here. May they put into good use the gifts the Holy Spirit gives them and their faith and love of God continue to deepen and grow. Thank you to: Fr Jose - our Delegated Presider, the Sacramental team for all their help, the Choir, the hospitality & Liturgy teams, office staff, Helen for the Confirmation cake, Luke for Altar serving, & Veronica for the lovely flowers. Thanks for sharing your gifts and talents.

Today’s Readings: Wisdom 7:7-11, Hebrews 4:12-13, Mark 10:17-30

Response to the Psalm: . Fill us with your love, we will sing for joy! (Repeat)

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

Happy the poor in spirit;

the kingdom of heaven is theirs!

Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

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

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MASS TIMES

SATURDAY

St Rita's Church

Reconciliation 4.15pm

Mass 5.00pm Vigil

COOCHIEMUDLO ISLAND

5 & 19 Oct Priest Mass

(Liturgy of the Word with
Communion – every other
Saturday at 11am)

SUNDAY

St Rita's Church

Mass 7.00am & 9.00am

MACLEAY ISLAND

Oct 6 & 20 – 2pm

(Liturgy of the Word with Communion –
every other Sundays at 9am)

RUSSELL ISLAND

13 & 27 – 2pm

(Liturgy of the Word with Communion –
every other Sundays at 2pm)

MONDAY

St Rita's Church

Rosary – 8.30am

Mass – 9.00am

Rosary Crusade Pro Life –
9.30am

TUESDAY

St Rita's Church

Rosary – 8.30am

Mass – 9.00am

Praise & Prayer – 7.00pm

WEDNESDAY

St Rita's Church

Rosary – 8.30am

Mass – 9.00am

Art Group – 10.00am

Choir – 3.30pm

THURSDAY

St Rita's Church

Priest Day Off — NO MASSES

FRIDAY

St Rita's Church

Rosary – 8.30am

Mass & Benediction – 9.00am

MAREBELLO

1st Wed – Eucharist

HEALING MASS

2nd Wed Mass – 9.00am



St Vincent De Paul meet the 1st and 3rd Monday of the month, at 10am, in the Ruby Room

Meetings held Oct 21st, Nov 4th & 18th and Dec 3rd

GOLDEN JUBILEE

This year *Star of the Sea* church is
50 years old!

To prepare for our celebrations,
we need memories and memorabilia.

If you have any of the coins showing the church from
1974, the history booklets,
or any photos of that time,
we would love to see them.

If you or anyone you know were involved in the
planning and building of the church,
we would love to speak with you.

Please contact parish office: 07 3821 4902 or
cleveland@bne.catholic.net.au

FEASTS for OCTOBER

Mon 14th	St Callistus I, Pope
Tues 15th	St Teresa of Jesus
Wed 16th	St Margaret Mary Alacoque
Thurs 17th	St Ignatius of Antioch
Fri 18th	St Luke, Evangelist
Sat 19th	St Paul of the Cross Sts John de Brébeuf, & Isaac Jogues & Companions
Tues 22nd	St John Paul II, Pope
Wed 23rd	St John of Capistrano
Thurs 24th	St Anthony Mary Claret
Mon 28th	Sts Simon & Jude, Apostles

Date Claimer:

Touring the Tweed Tuesday, 12 November

Join us for our last trip of 2024 as we visit such highlights as the Russ
Hinze Dam, Natural Arch, Murwillumbah and the beautiful Kingscliff
beaches

Tickets are on sale at Mass on Saturday and Sunday, 19/20 October;
26/27 October and 2/3 November.

**Price is \$50.00 per person and includes morning
tea and two course lunch.**

Please tell us your choices of meal and dessert and any
dietary requirements at the time of booking.

Bus departs Benfer Road bus stop at 8.00 am and the Marina at 8.15 a.m.



For further information, please ring Marie on 0411459014.

VOLUNTEER THANK YOU MASS

Thank You Mass
will be held at St
Rita's Church
Saturday
26 October 2024
at 9am.

Following the
Mass there will
be a morning tea
supplied to say
Thank You to all
the
Volunteers
of the Parish.

The Carmelite Sisters invite you to
celebrate the **Feast of St Teresa of
Jesus (Avila)**

Sunday 13th October

2pm Eucharist

3:45pm Evening Prayer

Light refreshments, browse stalls for cards,
books, medals as well as the sisters
handcrafts.

Carmelite Monastery, 287 Wellington St,
Ormiston - 0466 739 138

HOSANNA PRAYER AND PRAISE

Meetings are held on Tuesdays at
7pm at St Rita's Church



**NO 9AM MASS
TUESDAY
15TH OCTOBER**

PRAYERS

For all those who are ill, especially Nicola Hardaker, Sebastian Ricca, Elaine Prestney, Maddy Brown, Annette Doherty, Lucas Bernal, Alfio Tomarchio, Michael Quilty, Chris Venter, Doris Williamson, Fr Jim Browne, Alan Williamson, Lois Hodges, Helen Stockwell, Marlie Meehan, Denise Fowler, Emma Heinrich, Paul Trubody, Jela Cicak, Matthew Scott and those who seek healing in their lives and for all those who care for them.

ANNIVERSARIES: We pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time, especially Max Kelly, Margaret Berton, Nan McLennan and Michael McLennan.

DECEASED: We commend the recently deceased, especially Jan Joseph, Margaret Ross and Bill Mellor.

SALT MASSES

Weekend Masses on 2nd and 3rd November at St Rita's Church will be Salt Masses. Parishioners will be able to bring salt, water, and other sacramental items to be blessed by the Priest at each of the Masses.

A MORNINGS PRAYER

You are warmly invited to join us for our final A Morning's Prayer for the year on Saturday 9th November.

The theme for this morning's retreat is "The grace of prayer" <https://tinyurl.com/A-Mornings-Prayer>

Date: Saturday 9th November 2024

Time: 9:00am – 12:00pm

Location: Santa Teresa Spirituality Centre

Cost: \$25 per person (morning tea included)

RSVP: Wednesday 6th November 2024



Sacrament of Penance—Parent Information Night

5:30pm—6:30pm
Wednesday 16th October
St Rita's Church

- Children who have been Baptised, Confirmed and have made their First Holy Communion are eligible to make this Sacrament.
- Information for Parents about Sacramental Preparation for Reconciliation in the First Rite.
- Parents receive an enrolment form, schedule and Please pray for me sign for children to do.

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

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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.

WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY, MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS:

RECENT ACTIVITIES – replaced rotted-out timber planking in OSHC verandah.

CURRENT TASKS NEEDING TO BE DONE – replace rotted/damaged fence palings after Vinnie bins removed from carpark, replace twisted/split church gate, complete the painting of OSHC verandah wall, removal of mould and sanding/ painting of presbytery window sills doors and door frames (scheduled for 2024), repair/replace damaged fence panel in church carpark (on hold), painting of presbytery gutters and eaves (on hold), plaster repairs to ceilings in presbytery.

POSSIBLE FUTURE PROJECTS DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDING – replace rotted-out fence posts (presbytery yard fence along side school oval), replace carpet in chapel and church.

If any parishioner observes any task on the Maintenance To-do List which they can carry-out or help in, please contact Mike Duggan



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CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Christian Mediation will take place
THURSDAYS at 3:30pm in the
St Rita's Chapel.

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The Parish Office and your enquiry will be
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 Stewart & Ray Milligan 

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