



Victoria Point Catholic Parish

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6th Sunday of Ordinary Time, Year C 16th February 2025

Gospel Reflection

Standing on Level Ground

The Sermon on the Mount is the most recognised passage of the gospel. Matthew's gospel pictures Jesus on a hillside preaching. Luke tells us Jesus delivered this famous sermon on a plain. Does it matter whether this is the Sermon on the Mount or the Plain?

Scholars have speculated that Luke didn't know any better.

As a Greek convert to the faith, he may have never been close enough to the geography of Israel to know the difference.

But in the context of Luke's whole story, it's a shrewd move to have Jesus preaching on level ground. Jesus literally levels the playing field by blessing the poor with the advantages of the rich, promising satisfaction to the hungry, and laughter to those who grieve. He likewise assures those who've made it that "it's trouble ahead".

If Jesus stands on a par with the crowds and doesn't enjoy a privileged place, we can be sure the justice of the kingdom will make no exceptions.

How are you, at this time in life, poor, hungry, sorrowing, or excluded?

How are you rich, satisfied, celebrating, and admired?

Commit yourself to levelling the playing field. Share your surplus: money, time, love, joy, faith, talent, attention, respect.

"There's trouble ahead when you live only for the approval of others, saying what flatters them, doing what indulges them.

Popularity contests are not truth contests – look how many scoundrel preachers were approved by your ancestors!

Your task is to be true, not popular".

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First Reading: Jeremiah 17:5-8 (Year C)

Responsorial Psalm: Happy are they who hope in the Lord; Happy are they who hope, who hope in the Lord.

Reading: Corinthians 15:12, 16-20 (Year C)

Gospel Acclamation: Rejoice and be glad; your reward is great in heaven.

Gospel: Luke 5: 1-11 (Year C)

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.bncatholic.stoplinereport.com

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY

St Rita's Church

Reconciliation 4.15pm

Mass 5.00pm Vigil

COOCHIEMUDLO ISLAND

18 Jan & 1 Feb —Mass

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

SUNDAY

St Rita's Church

Mass 7.00am & 9.00am

MACLEAY ISLAND

12, 26 Jan & 9 Feb – 1.45pm

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

RUSSELL ISLAND

19 Jan & 2 Feb - 2pm

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

MONDAY

St Rita's Church

Rosary 8.30am

Mass 9.00am

Pro-Life Rosary 9.30am

TUESDAY

St Rita's Church

No Mass

WEDNESDAY

St Rita's Church

Rosary 8.30am

Mass 9.00am

THURSDAY

St Rita's Church

Rosary 8.30am

Mass 9.00am

FRIDAY

St Rita's Church

Mass & Adoration at 9am

MAREBELLO

1st Wed of Month – Eucharist

HEALING MASS

2nd Wed of Month – 9.00am Mass



ST VINCENT DE PAUL meet on 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month, at 10am in the Ruby Room.

Upcoming Meetings: 17 February, 3 March and 17 March 2025



St Vincent de Paul Society

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Make a Difference in Your Community!

At St. Vincent De Paul Society, we're on a mission to support vulnerable families in need, and we need YOU! Your time and compassion can make a real impact in the lives of those who need it most.

Why Volunteer?

- Help provide crucial assistance to families facing hardship
- Be part of a caring community making a positive change
- Use your skills and heart to make a real difference in someone's life
- If you're passionate about giving back and making a tangible impact, we want to hear from you!

Interested? Contact Anne to learn more about how you can get involved.

anne.lucas@svdpqld.org.au

Together, we can help create a stronger, more compassionate community. **Let's make it happen!**

Christian Meditation

Thursdays at 4pm in St Rita's Chapel

For more information: please contact the Parish Office and your enquiry will be directed to Lorr Popple

HOSANNA PRAYER AND PRAISE

Meetings held every Tuesday at 7pm at St Rita's Church.



LENTE GROUPS

Lenten groups are an opportunity to gather together to share life, faith and to pray with one another. The beautiful readings, reflections and responsorial psalms give insights that inspire and challenge us to live the true meaning of Lent. Come and be opened to a change of heart and a deeper walk with Christ.

VICTORIA POINT

Tuesdays at 7pm with the Hosanna Prayer & Praise Group Commencing on Tuesday 4th March in St Rita's Church All are welcome to come along (Please bring a plate to share)

Thursdays at 10am and 2.30pm

Commencing on Thursday 6th March in the Ruby Room (next to Parish Office)

Please put your name down on the sheets at the church

MACLEAY ISLAND

Wednesdays 9am with the Rosary Group Commencing Wednesday 5th March in the Holy Spirit Church.

POPES' PRAYER INTENTION FOR FEBRUARY

For vocations to the priesthood and religious life.

Let us pray that the ecclesial community might welcome the desires and doubts of those young people who feel a call to serve Christ's mission in the priesthood and religious life.

SAFEGUARDING TRAINING

Safeguarding training is Mandatory within the Parish.

Please make sure you are up to date with your required training at all times.

Training Essentials 1

https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=gOHA_4Ls2jw

Training Essentials 2

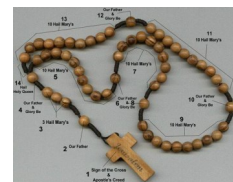
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=8AASKl-Sr1A>

MACLEAY ISLAND ROSARY

Wednesdays

9am

Holy Spirit Church



PRAYERS

For all those who are ill, especially Claire Douglas, Keith Douglas, Miles Muscroft, Nicola Hardaker, Sebastian Ricca, Elaine Prestney, Maddy Brown, Lucas Bernal, Annette Doherty, Alfio Tomarchio, Michael Quilty, Chris Venter, Doris Williamson, Fr Jim Browne, Alan Williamson, 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 Chris Smith.

DECEASED: We commend the recently deceased to the loving care of the Lord, especially Marie Hennessey.

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 Sacrament of First Holy Communion

First Holy Communion is offered in the year when children turn nine (Year Four), they are welcomed to the Lord's Table and receive Holy Communion for the first time. This is the climax of their Christian initiation.

If you wish to find out more about the Program or Enrolment details, please contact the Sacramental Coordinator Jennifer Fielding sc.victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au or (07) 3207 9177

Enrolment Information Evening will take place 6:30-7:30pm Monday 3rd March in the St Rita's Church. Children are not required to attend.

Missionaries of the Poor **Brisbane Supporters**

Account Details for EFT Donations

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

For more information please contact:
Tony Harris
Mobile : 0487 166 710
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Children's Liturgy of the Word

Each Sunday during the
9am Mass



TIMOR LESTE NEEDS...

	Blankets (clean and not ripped)
	Jumpers and Winter Clothes
	Shoes
	Books
	Toys
	Instruments
	Games
	Towels (clean and not ripped)

For more information contact Tony Harris

The Jubilee Prayer

Father in heaven, may the faith you have given us in your son, Jesus Christ, our brother, and the flame of charity enkindled in our hearts by the Holy spirit, Reawaken in us the blessed hope for the coming of your Kingdom. May your grace transform us into tireless cultivators of the seeds of the Gospel. May those seeds transform from within both humanity and the whole cosmos in the sure expectation of a new heaven and a new earth, when, with the powers of evil vanquished, your glory will shine eternally. May the grace of the Jubilee reawaken in us, Pilgrims of Hope, a yearning for the treasures of heaven. May that same grace spread the joy and peace of our Redeemer throughout the earth. To you our God, eternally blessed, Be glory and praise for ever. Amen. *(Pope Francis)*



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