



# Victoria Point Catholic Parish

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*We recognise the traditional owners of this land, The Quandamooka People.*

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## **Pentecost Sunday, Year B – 19th May 2024**

### **GOSPEL REFLECTION**

#### **The Language of Angels — (John 20: 19 - 23)**

Jesus came and stood among them and said, "Peace be with you." After he had said this, he showed them his hands and his side. Then the disciples rejoiced when they saw the Lord. Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As I have been sent, even so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them, "Receive the

Holy Spirit." (John 20: 19 - 22)

Consider the deep peace of Christ. The shalom of God in Hebrew means more than freedom from anxiety. Shalom is the fullness of God's blessings, joy, and satisfaction, a life without need. To have the peace of Christ is to have it all. Nothing interrupts this abundance.

You know you live in the peace of Christ when nothing can harm you. The loss of a job means God has something new to offer you. Loneliness becomes the soil of contemplation, from which new life will come. Illness becomes a means of polishing your soul to a brilliant witness. The death of a loved one is sorrow mixed with the hope of reunion in God's reign. Compassion becomes natural, forgiveness the first response to injury. You face life with freedom, others with love, and death with confidence.

The peace of Christ comes to us in 'angel-speak,' words rich in meaning. We can hear the words, Peace be with you, like we do most greetings: as a salutation of little impact. Or we can receive these words in full knowledge that Christ isn't saying hello here, but means to give us something vital. The peace of Christ is our environment, as native to us as sea is to fish. We live in this peace. We breathe it in and let it out.

**How do you witness to the peace of Christ in the way you live?**

**Today's Readings:** Acts 2:1-11, Galatians 5:16-25, John 15:26-27; 16:12-15

**Response to the Psalm:** Send Forth Your Spirit O Lord and renew the face of the earth, Send Forth Your Spirit O Lord and renew the face of the earth.

**Gospel Acclamation:** Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to His name. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful and kindle in them the fire of your love. Alleluia, alleluia! Give thanks to the risen Lord. Alleluia, alleluia! Give praise to his name.

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## MASS TIMES

### SATURDAY

#### St Rita's Church

Reconciliation 4.30pm

Mass 5.00pm Vigil

#### COOCHIEMUDLO ISLAND

(Liturgy of the Word with  
Communion – every other Satur-  
day at 11am)

### SUNDAY

#### St Rita's Church

Mass 7.00am & 9.00am

#### MACLEAY ISLAND

May 5, 19 – 2pm

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

#### RUSSELL ISLAND

May 12, 26 – 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

#### MAREBELLO

1st Wed – Eucharist

#### HEALING MASS

2nd Wed Mass – 9.00am



## St Vincent De Paul meet the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month, at 7pm, in the Ruby Room

Meetings held April 15th, May 6th & 20th, June 3rd & 17th, July 1st & 15th, Aug 5th & 19th, Sept 2nd & 16th, Oct 7th & 21st, Nov 4th & 18<sup>th</sup> and Dec 3rd



## SACRAMENTAL NEWS

### Celebration of God's Mercy

Wednesday 22nd May 5:30—6:30pm

Please bring your child's Baptismal candle or a white pillar candle.

## HOSANNA PRAYER AND PRAISE

Meetings are held on

Tuesdays at

7pm



St. Rita's Church



## St Rita's Feast Day

Mass will be held  
9am

Wednesday 22nd May  
in the Church.

Morning Tea Following.



## ST RITAS MENS SOCIAL GROUP

Classic Movie and Morning Tea in the Ruby Room

on Friday 24 May 2024

gather 9:30am for 10am start

Please advise if you can attend (or not)

Mike Duggan - duggancasa@outlook.com

## CORPUS CHRISTI PROCESSION

2 pm on Sunday 2 June,

Cathedral of St. Stephen, Brisbane



### PRAYER PETITION BOOKLET

Please write your prayers in the Petition Booklet at St Rita's Church.

During the celebration this book will be brought forward.

## Feast Days of May

- 18/19 Pentecost
- 20 Mary, Mother of the Church
- 21 St Christopher of Magallanes & Companions
- 22 Feast of St. Rita of Cascia (Patron of our Parish)
- 24 Feast of Our Lady Help of Christians (Patron of Australia)
- 25 St Bede the Venerable—  
St Gregory VII, Pope
- 25/26 The Most Holy Trinity
- 27 St Augustine of Canterbury
- 29 St Paul VI, Pope
- 31 The Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary

## PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL

## ARE LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS!

Self Nominations will close 30 June 2024.

Please self nominate using the PPC

Suggestion Box.

## PRAYERS

*For all those who are ill, especially Jan Cronin, Isabel Scullion, Sebastian Ricca, Elaine Prestney, Maddy Brown, Bill Mellor, Annette Doherty, Lucas Bernal, Alfio Tomarchio, Michael Quilty, Sebastian Ricca, Chris Venter, Doris Williamson, Fr Jim Browne, Margaret Ross, Alan Williamson, Lois Hodges, 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.*

**ANNIVERSARIES:** *We pray for those whose anniversary occurs at this time, especially Laval Bosquet and Colleen Ashe.*

**DECEASED:** *We commend the recently deceased, especially Ross Cooper.*



## **HAVE A CHAT** *Club!*

Ladies will get together again at the Victoria Point Sharks Sporting Club on Thursday 30th May at 11am.

Our club is for ladies who like to get out of the house and meet other ladies, have a laugh and a nice meal.

Seniors Meals available.

All Welcome!!!!!!

For more information call Elaine Pascoe 0429 925 989

### Primary School Christian Religious Instruction (CRI)

Calling for people who love God and children to volunteer to give children Bible story lessons in local State primary schools. Most grades have lessons once a fortnight. Curriculum is provided, you don't have to be a teacher to do this, but you will need Fr Jose's approval, a Blue card and three short courses are needed prior to starting.

Without people stepping up to do this, some children in our community may miss out entirely on hearing about our loving God and learning about Jesus. Other ways to help are by praying for all involved, assisting in classes or by contributing to the cost of curriculum.

I'm hopeful to have people trained and ready to start next year or sooner (as some upper primary children at Mt Cotton school and other schools are already missing out).

For more information, please contact Jennifer Fielding the CRI Coordinator of Carbrook and Mt Cotton schools on 0412675440

### 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 5 May 24 is \$3 096.25**

### WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY, MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS:

**RECENT ACTIVITIES** – removal of redundant furniture from Presbytery to the tip.

**CURRENT TASKS NEEDING TO BE DONE** – resolution of OSHC sliding door lock issues, painting of chapel wall after plastering repairs completed, remove old fridge from Ruby Room, 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),

**If any parishioner observes any task on the Maintenance To-do List which they can carry-out or help in, please contact Mike Duggan or the Parish Office, and your help will be gratefully appreciated.**





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A gentle reminder that the Church is a place of Prayer.  
Please refrain from social "catch ups and chats" in the  
Church prior to Mass starting.

Perhaps do so outside the Church and allow others to  
pray silently inside the Church prior to the  
Mass commencing.

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