



Victoria Point Catholic Parish

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16th Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year B – 21 July 2024

GOSPEL REFLECTION

For Pity's Sake— (Mark 6: 30 - 34)

Jesus said, "Come away by yourselves; let's take a break and get a little rest" ... So they got in the boat and went off to a remote place by themselves. Someone saw them going and the word got around. From the surrounding towns people went out on foot, running, and got there ahead of them. When Jesus arrived, he saw a huge crowd. At the sight of them, his heart broke – like sheep with no shepherd. He went right to work teaching them. (Mark 6: 31a, 32 - 34)

So the disciples went off two by two, preaching and healing and scaring off demons. And when they returned, the great works they'd performed came back to haunt them: people wouldn't leave them alone! It's called success, and it only leads to more work. Finally, Jesus drew his starving disciples aside to grab a bite and a chance to rest. But the deserted place didn't stay deserted for long. Pretty soon a crowd had formed, dog-eyed at the dinner table, begging for scraps.

Jesus looked out at that needy sea of faces and felt heartbroken. He might have been annoyed and frustrated, but his response was what you'd expect from God: love-compelled. Deprived of hope, broken in body, mind and heart, plagued by evil, crowds hounded the healers because the need was so great and the possibility of help so rare. They wanted relief. They wanted a reason to believe. And so Jesus taught them. And because nothing much has changed in the world for two thousand years, the church teaches still.

How can the teaching mission of the church feed the hunger of the world?

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Have A Chat Club will meet **Thursday 25th July at 11am** at the Victoria Point **Sharks Sporting Club**. The club is for ladies who like to get out of the house and meet other ladies, have a laugh and a nice meal. Senior Meals available. All welcome. For more information please contact Elaine 0429 925 989.

Today's Readings: Jeremiah 23:1-6, Ephesians 2:13-18, Mark 6:30-34

Response to the Psalm: The Lord is My Shepherd (sung)

Gospel Acclamation: Alleluia, alleluia, alleluia, alleluia!

My sheep listen to my voice, says the Lord;

I know them, and they follow me.

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

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

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MASS TIMES

SATURDAY

St Rita's Church

Reconciliation 4.15pm

Mass 5.00pm Vigil

COOCHIEMUDLO ISLAND

(Liturgy of the Word with
Communion – every other

Saturday at 11am)

SUNDAY

St Rita's Church

Mass 7.00am & 9.00am

MACLEAY ISLAND

July 14 – 2pm

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

RUSSELL ISLAND

July 7 & 28 – 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 Aug 19th, Sept 2nd & 16th, Oct 7th & 21st, Nov 4th & 18th and Dec 3rd



ABOUT THE SACRAMENTS

When we are invited to process together to receive the Body and Blood of Christ in Communion:

* we process forward, mindful of the amazing gift we are about to receive - Jesus.

As we approach the Priest or Communion Minister, we make a simple bow of the head to express our reverence for Christ Jesus.

* we create a 'throne' by placing one hand under the other.

* the Priest or Communion Minister holds the host up and says 'The Body of Christ'. We respond with 'Amen'. The word 'Amen' comes from the Hebrew *āmēn*, meaning 'certainty', 'truly', or 'so be it'. When we say 'amen' we are saying 'yes' in faith to what the Priest or Communion Minister has declared when they held the host before us - *the is the Body of Christ*.

* the Priest or Communion Minister then places the host in the 'throne' we've created and we consume it straight away.

* we then move to the Priest or Communion Minister who is holding the chalice.

* as we approach, the Priest or Communion Minister holds the chalice up and says 'The Blood of Christ'. We respond with 'Amen'.

* we reverently take the chalice into our hands and take a small sip of the Blood of Christ.

* we return to our seat and take some time to pray and thank Jesus for loving us and giving himself to us.

Family Fun: Watch the Flame of Faith Eucharist video <https://flameoffaith.org.au/>
Evangelisation Brisbane

DATE CLAIMER - Winter BUS TRIP

Tickets will go on sale for the next three weekends, for St Rita's Winter Bus Trip to Stradbroke Island on Tuesday 13 August – or until all tickets have been sold. The bus will leave from St Rita's School, Benfer Road at 8.00 a.m. with pick up at the Redland Marina; and will return around 4.30 pm approximately. The price for the trip is only \$50.00 p/person.

The trip includes not only your bus and ferry ride, land based whale watching, as well as morning tea, and, lunch will be at the Stradbroke Hotel. Fingers crossed, we'll see a few whales at Point Lookout.

Don't delay in purchasing your tickets, as at this price we are anticipating quite a demand.

It is only thanks to the generous raffle donors, and buyers of the tickets that we can offer this trip at such a reasonable price.

Thank you to you all

JULY FEAST DAYS, Sundays in Ord. Time & Notable Celebrations

20/21	16th Sunday Ord. Time
22	St Mary Magdalene
23	St Bridget
24	St Sharbel Makhlūf
25	St James, Apostle
26	Sts Joachim & Anne
27/28	17th Sunday Ord. Time – World Day of Prayer for Grandparents & the Elderly
29	Sts Martha, Mary & Lazarus
30	St Peter Chrysologus
31	St Ignatius of Loyla

CHRISTIAN MEDITATION

Christian Meditation will take place
THURSDAYS at 3:30pm in the
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 are held on

Tuesdays at 7pm

St Rita's Church



PRAYERS

For all those who are ill, especially 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, 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 Gertie Scotcher, Michelle Mary Morris, Jim Sheppard, Trevor Stagg and Bernadette McLennan.*

DECEASED: *We commend the recently deceased, Shelley Singh and Keith Laker.*



SACRAMENTAL NEWS

Confirmation Enrolment

8-9am and 5-6pm

Monday 22nd July 2024

The Ruby Room (same building as Parish Office)

Please bring:

*Items listed on the Check List in Enrolment Pack.

*Please note there is NO EFTPOS facilities.

For more information contact Jennifer Fielding

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SACRAMENTAL NEWS

Rite of Enrolment Masses

5pm Saturday 27th July

9am Sunday 28th July

St Rita's Church

Please bring:

Your Child's 'Please Pray for Me' card.

For more information contact Jennifer Fielding

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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 – no activities.

CURRENT TASKS NEEDING TO BE DONE – water blast pathways around Parish Office, replace rotted out timber planking in OSHC verandah (quote pending), 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



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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 commencing.

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

 Stewart & Ray Milligan 

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