



Victoria Point Catholic Parish

Victoria Point, Thornlands South, Redland Bay, Mount Cotton,
Coochiemudlo Island and the Southern Bay Islands.
37 Benfer Road, Victoria Point | Postal Address: P O Box 5285, Victoria Point QLD 4165
Phone: (07) 3207 9177 | Email: victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au

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

2nd Sunday of Lent Year B - 25th February 2024

PARISH PRIEST:

Parish Priest:

Fr Jose Panampuzha

panampuzhaj@bne.catholic.net.au

Parish Office:

Angela Dodd (Secretary)
Mon, Tues, Thurs, Fri)

Ph: 3207 9177

37 Benfer Road

PO Box 5285

Victoria Point Qld 4164

victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au

Web:

<https://www.stritaspriest.org/>

Fb:

<https://www.facebook.com/stritasvictoriapoint/>

Sacramental Coordinator:

Jennifer Fielding

sc.victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au

Finance: (Mon, Tues, Wed)

Beverley Van Schie

finance.victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au

Columbarium Enquiries

Parish Office Beverly

Safeguarding Officer

Bob Snoke

Mob **0419 247 698**

sa.victoriapoint@bne.catholic.net.au

School Principal:

Carolyn Watson

Ph: 07 3207 6628

pvictoriapoint@bne.catholic.edu.au

OHSC: Jolene Morath

Ph: 0477 550 700

Beloved - Mark 9: 2 - 10

The film *Dead Man Walking* tells the story of a nun (Sr. Helen Prejean) as she accompanies a man (Robert) during the months leading up to his execution in the United States. Noticing how Robert tried to win the confidence of one of the wardens, who was a kind and fatherly figure, Sister Helen reflected:

Robert never really had a father. His father spent 27 of his 53 years in prison. It makes me think of my own father. It has to be one of life's most precious feelings to know that your dad is proud of you. I was my daddy's scholar, his scribe who kept the travel diary on family holidays. He always had a special tone in his voice when he introduced me to friends and colleagues. "And this is my daughter, Helen." In the presence of strangers I would fall silent, standing close to him, my hand holding on tightly to his. Afterwards, I would squeeze his hand tighter than ever and delight once more with chatter and questions. A child can sail to the moon with that feeling of security from a father.

This may help us to understand something of what the Tabor experience meant for Jesus. It came at a very difficult time in his life, a time of uncertainty and fear of the future. He was headed for Jerusalem, where he sensed that the same fate awaited him as befell all the prophets – a violent death. Naturally he recoiled from such a fate. In order to reflect on it and pray about it, he climbed to the top of Mount Tabor.

We don't know exactly what happened on the mountain. But it seems that he had an intense experience of the presence of God. He heard those marvellous words: "You are my beloved Son." On Tabor Jesus felt himself comforted and affirmed. He knew that God was pleased with him, and would give him the strength to face a dark and threatening future. With God on his side, he could face anything.

At times life can become dark for all of us. There are a lot of voices which say to us: "You're good, but only if you're popular." But there is a still small voice which whispers to us in our hearts: "You are my beloved son/ daughter." This is the voice we need to pay attention to. We must recognise that we are God's beloved children, and try to live our lives by the light of this truth.

How am I living my life as a beloved daughter or son of God?

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@stoline.com.au 🌐 www.bncatholic.stoplinereport.com

MASS TIMES

SATURDAY

St Rita's Church
Reconciliation
4.30pm
Mass 5.00pm vigil

Coochiemudlo Island

March 2, 16
(Liturgy of the Word with
Communion – every other
Sundays at **11am**)

SUNDAY

St Rita's Church
Mass 7.00am & 9.00am

Macleay Island

March 10, 24
(Liturgy of the Word with
Communion – every other
Sundays at **2pm**)

Russell Island

March 3, 17, 31
(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 & Stations of the
Cross – 9.00am

Marebello

1st Wed – Eucharist

Healing Mass

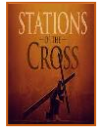
2nd Wed Mass – 9.00am



HOSANNA PRAYER AND PRAISE GROUP

A Lent Program with the reflections book
'A Resurrected Life' will be held every Tuesday during Lent at
7pm until 8.30pm in St Rita's Church.

Stations of the Cross will be held every Friday during
Lent following the 9am Mass in the Church.



HAVE A CHAT GROUP!

Hi Ladies,

we will all be getting together again
at the Victoria Point Sharks Sporting Club
on Thursday 29th February at 11.30am

Come along and meet some friends, have a laugh and enjoy a
nice lunch. Senior Meals available. Lucky Door Prize!

For more info:

Contact Elaine Pascoe 0429 925 989

ST RITA'S MEN'S SOCIAL GROUP

We will have a BBQ under
the Presbytery Trees as a
welcome for Fr Jose on
Tuesday March 5th at 11am
– please come along and
meet Fr Jose and welcome
him to the parish
community.

Please let me know if you
can attend.

Bring food, drinks and a
chair to sit on!!

RSVP Mike Duggan
duggancasa@outlook.com



Sacramental News 2024

First Holy Communion
Parent Information

Where: St Rita's Church
Date: Wednesday 6th March
Time: 6.30pm – 7.30pm
Children are eligible if they have
been Confirmed and
turn 9 this year (year 4 or older).

Parents will receive a
First Holy Communion Information
pack including an enrolment form and
schedule on the night.

God bless.

Jennifer Fielding,
Sacramental Coordinator

PRAYERS

All those who are ill, especially Ross Cooper, Elaine Prestney, Maddy Brown, Bill Mellor, Annette Doherty, Lucas Bernal, Alfio Tomarchio, Michael Quilty, 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 Christopher Smith.*

DECEASED: We commend the recently deceased to the loving embrace of God

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.

WORKPLACE HEALTH AND SAFETY, MAINTENANCE AND IMPROVEMENTS:

RECENT ACTIVITIES – replaced used fire extinguisher in Presbytery.

CURRENT TASKS NEEDING TO BE DONE – repair/re-install glass sliding door in third bathroom in Presbytery, install valve pit for presbytery isolation valve, clean urinal in church men's toilet, 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).

POSSIBLE FUTURE PROJECTS DEPENDING ON AVAILABILITY OF FUNDING – replace rotted-out fence posts (presbytery yard fence along side school oval), plaster repairs to ceilings in presbytery.



**Second Sunday of Lent
24 & 25 February**



After the birth of her children, 22-year-old **Ronita** was at risk of having to leave school permanently. But, with the support of Caritas Australia's partners in the Philippines, she resumed her studies and secured a job at a call centre to support her family.

Please donate to Project Compassion.

Together, we can help vulnerable communities face their challenges today and build a better tomorrow **for all future generations.**

You can donate through Project Compassion donation boxes and envelopes available from your parish, by visiting caritas.org.au/project-compassion or by calling 1800 024 413.



Thinking of Selling?

Contact Louise Denisenko ~ 0423 110 555

Selling in every suburb of the Redlands

Redlands Coast Properties

A New Wave of Real Estate

Shop 5, 7 Lakeside Boulevard, Victoria Point ~ 07 3824 8814

K.M.SMITH FUNERAL DIRECTORS

We think of everything

Shop C3 Victoria Point Lakeside , 7 Bunker Road Victoria Point

Tel: 3820 9588

K.M.Smith is and always has been a 100% Queensland family owned firm providing a caring funeral service built upon strong family values. We have served Queensland families in their hour of need for 6 generations.

Prearrangement and prepayment options available.

Ask us to send you a free Life Book on 3820 9588

www.kmsmith.com.au



3 ROOMS DRY CLEANED

4th Room
FREE

ONLY
\$140

ONLY
\$140

Upholstery Deal
4 Seats
Dry Cleaned

Upholstery • Leather • Mattress • Rugs

0429 015 223 | www.jdscdc.com.au

AW1493247

BOQ VICTORIA POINT FOR ALL YOUR BANKING SOLUTIONS

BOQ Victoria Point

Daniel Connor, Owner-Manager

daniel.connor@boq.com.au

3383 6700 or 0412 939 530

Bank of Queensland Limited ABN 32 009 656 740 (BOQ).



Moreton Bay Obstetrics & Gynaecology PTY LTD

Dr. Micheal Mastry
M.D., F.R.A.N.Z.C.O.G., F.A.C.O.G.
Obstetrician & Gynaecologist

Dr. Gill van Iddekinge
M.B.B.Ch., F.C.O.G., M.Med.,
F.R.A.N.Z.C.O.G.
Obstetrician & Gynaecologist

Mater Specialist Suites

Suite 11-12, Weippin Street,
Cleveland Qld 4163

Phone: 3163 7362

After hrs: 3163 7343 Fax: 3163 7364

www.mbog.com.au



St Vincent de Paul

Next meeting will take place at 7pm
Monday 4th March 2024
in The Ruby Room.

Stewart & Ray Milligan

ELECTRICAL CONTRACTOR

FOR ALL ELECTRICAL INSTALLATIONS & REPAIRS
ALL AREAS*
DOMESTIC - COMMERCIAL - INDUSTRIAL

Transient Electrical Pty. Ltd.

74 Avalon Road, SHELDON Qld 4157
Ph: 3206-3174 Mobile: 0408 198 228