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4th Sunday of Lent, Year C 30th March 2025

Gospel Reflection

Coming Home

Think of a time when you've been unexpectedly, generously, undeservedly forgiven. I remember a dreadful day at university when I hurt my closest friend. Nadine was from a Pentecostal Christian tradition, and I, in a ham-fisted attempt to "defend the faith," told her all about the theological errors as there were abundantly clear to me after twelve years or narrow-minded schooling. (Lucky for me, no one was in the room at the time to point out mine!)

This "correction" caused my friend a great deal of pain, since I patently rejected her sincere walk with Jesus. I retired to my room feeling curiously awful about being very "right" about God. Thank God one of us understood something about the nature of Christianity. Later that evening, Nadine sought me out and put her arm around me. We both cried together about the spirit of self-righteousness that had made me willing to forsake our friendship. You don't make that mistake twice in a lifetime. When you understand the love that's yours in the arms of God, you don't leave home again.

When have you felt like the prodigal son, undeserving of his father's love? When have you been the self-righteous brother, unwilling to welcome the wayfarer home?

Lent is the season to get right with God and others. Only you know the places where your heart is broken. Sometimes we need to reconcile with people who have died.
It's never too late to forgive.



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The time has come for this chapter to close.

New and exciting paths now travel.

Thank you to the St Rita's Community for the time spent together. It has been rewarding, challenging, emotional and enjoyable. I have made many friends along the way and will miss seeing them daily.

Keep safe, happy and well.

God Bless and goodbye, Angela.



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MASS TIMES

SATURDAY

St Rita's Church

Reconciliation 4.15pm
Mass 5.00pm Vigil

COOCHIEMUDLO ISLAND

15th Mar, 5th Apr — Mass
Liturgy of the Word with Communion —
every other Saturday at **11am**

SUNDAY

St Rita's Church

Mass 7.00am & 9.00am

MACLEAY ISLAND

23 Mar, 6th Apr — 1.45pm
Liturgy of the Word with Communion —
every other Sundays at **9am**

RUSSELL ISLAND

16th & 30th Mar - 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.**

Reminder for Readers and Communion Ministers for Mass:

The 5th Sunday Masses on Saturday 29th and Sunday 30th March will be looked after by the **1st Sunday of the Month Teams.**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

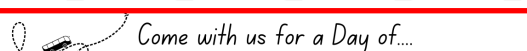


FRIDAY AT 5PM ST RITA'S CHURCH
~DURING LENT~



St Rita's Men's Social group are having a morning tea and card games on Tuesday 1st April at 10:00 in The Ruby Room.

Please bring some finger food to share and contact Mike Duggan if you are attending.



Come with us for a Day of...
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Tuesday 29th April 2025

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Sat 5th April/Sun 6th April
(or until all tickets are sold)



The Bus leave from the School Bus Stop 8am.
Weinam Creek Ferry Terminal 8:15am.
For Enquiries ring Marie 0411 459 014



These days are relaxing, and full of fun. So come and treat yourself!
You'll be so glad you did!"



Fourth Sunday of Lent
29th and 30th of March 2025

Irene lives in the Kongolo Region in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (DRC) and faced immense challenges after losing her father to war and raising her children in poverty. With support from Caritas Australia, Irene received vocational training in sewing and farming and can now support her whole family.



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MASS READINGS & RESPONSES
4th Sunday of Lent, Year C

First Reading: Exodus 3:1-8, 13-15 (Year C)
Responsorial Psalm: The Lord is kind and merciful. The Lord is kind and merciful.

Reading: Corinthians 10:1-6, 10-12 (Year C)
Gospel Acclamation: Repent, says the Lord, the kingdom of heaven is at hand.
Gospel: Luke 13:1-9 (Year C)

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, 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 Anna Kwiatkowski, Jack Taylor,

DECEASED: We commend the recently deceased to the loving care of the Lord, especially Doris Williamson.

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:

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Please contact the parish office for further information on 3207 9177.

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

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HOSANNA PRAYER AND PRAISE

"Can you hear me?"

LENTEN RETREAT St Rita's Parish (Saturday, 05 April 2025)

- 09:00 – 09:30 **Opening Song, Opening Prayer, Introduction**
- 09:30 – 10:00 Teaching with Fr Jose on ... "Can You Hear Me?"
- 10:00 – 11:00 **Reconciliation**
- 10:45 – 11:30 **Station of the Cross**

Holy Week
Mass Times



Easter Mass
Times

Palm Sunday
12 April - 5pm Saturday
13 April - 7am Sunday
9am Sunday

Holy Thursday
17 April - 6pm
Mass of Last Supper
followed by
Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament

Easter Vigil
19 April - 6pm
Saturday

**2nd Rite of
Reconciliation**
9th April - 6:30pm
Wednesday

Good Friday
18 April - 9am Stations
of the Cross
18 April - 3pm
The Lord's Passion

Easter Sunday
20 April - 7am Sunday
- 9am Sunday

HOLY WEEK & EASTER SERVICES BAY ISLANDS

13th April	2pm	Sunday	Palm Sunday	Macleay Island
			Holy Thursday Last Supper & Adoration of the Blessed	
17th April	6pm	Thursday	Sacrament	Macleay Island
18th April	8am	Friday	Stations of the Cross	Macleay Island
	9:45am	Friday	Stations of the Cross	Russell Island
	3:15pm	Friday	The Lord's Passion	Macleay Island
19th April	6pm	Saturday	Easter Vigil	Macleay Island
20th April	9am	Sunday	Easter Sunday	Russell Island

MACLEAY ISLAND
Church of the Holy Spirit
Scotts Road, Macleay Island

RUSSELL ISLAND
Bay Islands Community Service
55 Jackson Rd, Russell Island

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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